MAY TIMELY TIPS

from Moana Nursery

APHIDS AWAY!

TO CONTROL APHIDS, START WITH LADYBUGS AND A HOSE! SPRAY LEAVES DIRECTLY TO REMOVE MASSES, THEN RELEASE LADYBUGS TO EAT THE REST. IF THE INFESTATION IS SEVERE USE AN INSECTICIDE LIKE FERTILOME TRIPLE ACTION PLUS,

No Need for weed

Treat broadleaf weeds in lawn and garden with pre-emergent Hi-Yield Herbicide Granules Weed & Grass Stopper or Bonide Weed Beater Complete.

STAKE YOUR BLOOMS

Continue to plant new perennials/ ornamental grasses & roses. Consider new plantings for birds and pollinators. Stake tall perennials before they reach 6 inches. Stake peonies to support blooms when they reach 10" in height.

To-may-to time

Plant warm season herbs & veggies like tomatoes, peppers, & basil, plant with slow-release fertilizer like G&B Organics Tomato, Vegetable & Herb Fertilizer.

Use tomato & pepper set spray to encourage more fruit production. Add fishbone meal to avoid blossom end-rot in your tomaotes.

CHECK YOUR TOMATOES REGULARLY FOR PESTS, LIKE APHIDS, WHITEFLY OR TOMATO HORNWORMS. TREAT AT FIRST SIGN OF ANY INFESTATION.

PLANT WARM-SEASON FLOWERING ANNUALS, VINES, HERBS AND VEGETABLES WITH G&B ORGANICS STARTER FERTILIZER AND A HANDFUL OF G&B ORGANICS WORM-GRO EARTHWORM CASTINGS WITH EACH PLANT.

Apply 3 inches of G&B Organics Soil Building Conditioner or Purely Compost around plants to conserve moisture, moderate soil temperatures, and reduce weeds. Keep mulch 3" away from trunks of trees and plants.

Plant summer bulbs like dahlias, gladiolus & lilies with G&B Organics Rose Flower & Bulb Fertilizer

PLANT CORN, TOMATOES, SNAP BEANS, SUMMER SQUASH AND HERBS WITH G&B ORGANICS STARTER FERTILIZER.

Begin to harden off warm-season seed transplants, moving them into a shaded area for 14 days and gradually increasing their exposure to direct sun. Bring them in at night if the temperatures fall below 40°. Once properly hardened, they can be transplanted to the garden, usually by mid-May.

Put your Rescue yellow jacket traps out now.

DID YOU KNOW?

Deadhead spring bulbs once they've finished flowering but allow foliage to wither completely before removing.

GRADUALLY MOVE HOUSEPLANTS OUTSIDE TO PROTECTED AREAS. DO NOT EXPOSE TO AFTERNOON SUN. MONITOR REGULARLY FOR PESTS.

Move citrus trees (Meyer's lemon, etc.) outside when night-time temperatures are above 50-55°.

HUMMINGBIRDS HAVE ARRIVED & ORIOLES WILL BEGIN APPEARING ANY DAY. NOW'S THE TIME TO PUT OUT ORANGES AND GRAPE JELLY FOR ORIOLES AND NECTAR FOR BOTH HUMMINGBIRDS AND ORIOLES. BE SURE TO CHANGE THE NECTAR EVERY FEW DAYS SO IT DOESN'T SPOIL GET FREE NECTAR AND UNLIMITED REFILLS AT MOANA NURSERY.

For tailored advice or product recommendations, see your local plant doctor.