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Whether it's a vegetable garden, house plants or a landscape...

A Garden Runs Through It

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This month's links:

- [Lawn Insects](#)
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June 10-13

Arbuckle Farmers Market
June 2 & 16

Colusa Farmers Market
June 7 & 21

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Frequently Asked Questions:

Watering Citrus

The Master Gardeners have had many questions about citrus this year. Many problems start with watering. The following is from the IPM website.

“Watering correctly is critical to the development of good quality fruit and allows trees to preserve a natural resistance to fungal diseases such as Alternaria, oak root fungus, or Phytophthora. However, overwatering can also predispose the tree to these root and crown rots.

During the summer, citrus will require about 4 to 6 inches of water per month. However, depending upon your soil type, this amount may be divided up into several applications. Ideally, in hot summer climate zones, you may want to irrigate about every 7 to 10 days during the middle of the summer. You may irrigate your trees using a drip system with either 2 or 3 emitters per tree or using small micro spray emitters. The root zone of citrus is shallow and drippers need to be placed at the base of the trunk of newly planted trees to keep the root ball moist until roots grow into the native soil. Apply water further from the trunk as trees become established.”

* For more information about saving water in your *
* Garden and Landscape: *
* [Click here](#) *

Be A Water Saver

Try these water saving tips:

- ◆ Turn off sprinklers when run-off starts (split water times)
- ◆ Mow your lawn at the correct height:
 - Bermuda grass 1 inch; Tall Fescue 1½ to 3 inches
 - Perennial Rye and Bluegrass 1½ inches



**Interested in becoming a
Colusa County Master Gardener?**
We are taking applications for the 2011 class.

[Click here for more information.](#)

For upcoming events and classes:

[Statewide Master Gardener Classes](#)

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[California Gardening](#)

For more information about water wise plants:

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