

# Lawn and Garden Gazette

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"If I could save time in a bottle The first thing that I'd like to do, Is to save every day Till eternity passes away" ...**You got that right.** Recent days have been like heaven. Warm, sunny days and cool nights. Great sleeping. Bottle it! I'll take a few cases!... **Extra hours** of darkness means a little cooler by morning and more dew. Put them together, and you've got the perfect setting for mold, mildew and other fungi. Especially if you've watered overnight, You can't control the weather or daylight, but you can reset watering so it starts closer to sunrise. Always start with areas that see the sun first. Same with the garden... **You should also be** cutting back a bit on water for lawns (and gardens). Help it prepare for the long winter's nap ahead... **Trees that don't** get watered with the lawn are probably about due for a good, long soaking... **These nice Chardonnay mornings** (cool and crisp) are a reminder that we'll be hearing the F word frequently before we want or know it. Frost, that is. You didn't think... please! My mother reads these... **Anyway, It's quite common** for us to get one early frost, followed by another 2-4 weeks of nice weather. So find those old sheets and blankets and be ready to cover those rascals. I don't know about you, but I've got some nice tomatoes still looking a bit green... **Speaking of Mom,** a lot of you have been asking about her. For a young lady of 83, she's doing alright, all things considered. Been doing the medical two step a lot this summer. McKee/Sierra

Vista, McKee/Sierra Vista. Been no fun for her, for sure. But it's also gotten me a little behind on things like bills and newsletters. Which tends to mean more mistakes than usual. Please forgive any made with yours, and don't hesitate to call about them... **Such a bounty of goodies** in gardens and markets right now-- from sweet corn to chiles to tomatoes. But only so much time to eat it all. Solution? Can or freeze some to enjoy all winter long. It's easier than you probably think. Plus you control what goes into them...**Starting to see** a few leaves in the lawn when we mow. Won't be long and it'll be more than a few. If you think you'll need help with yours this fall, please give me a call...**This month's lyrics come** from the song **Time in a Bottle.** Name the singer to enter this month's drawing. No winner last month, so we'll have two this time... **Did you hear about** the spider who got separated from his family? Yeah, he found them later on the Web... **Rockies are making their** annual September run. Guess they aren't ready to turn the spotlight over to the Donkeys just yet. But couldn't they just once start playing like this in April... **Cool weather brings** Boris the spider in the house. See one and you're feeling them all night. Supposedly they taste with their feet, and don't like lemons. Theory is you spray where they enter the house with a strong lemon solution (peels included) and they won't enter. Now if I could just be sure where they're entering... **Adios !**

**But there never seems to be enough time  
To do the things you want to do Once you find them**