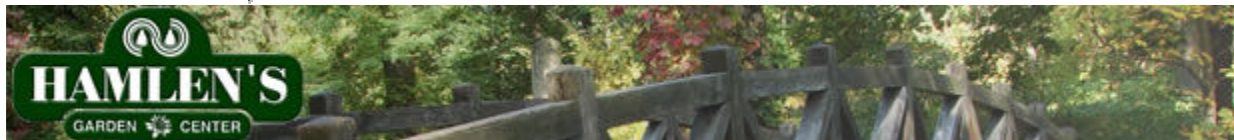


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Welcome to Hamlen's  
Helping Hand!

**6th Newsletter of 2010**

**Coming Events:**

**8/15-9/15 - SCARECROW CONTEST**

Create your own scarecrow at Hamlen's by 09/15. It will be judged by 10/15. First prize is \$100. second prize \$50. third prize \$25.

**9/11-10AM - FALL IS FOR PLANTING SEMINAR.**

\$10. refundable at end of class. Call to register. Learn the tips and tricks for why fall is the best time to plant.

**9/10-11/01 - NURSERY STOCK "BLOW OUT" SALE**

Visit us for great pricing on remaining nursery stock

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Hamlen's Garden Center  
157 St. Albans Road  
Swanton, Vermont

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Visit us at Hamlen's. Enjoy browsing through our garden center.

Our friendly staff will be glad to answer your gardening questions and help you select just the items you need. Come and discover wonderful ideas for creating an inviting and relaxing garden environment inside and outside your home.

**Beasties on the Blossoms**

Just Slugs, snails, beetles and weevils, just to name a few of the beasties that bother. They may cause some of the gardener's biggest headaches, after the worries of the weather. There are



so many bugs and “cures” to take care of them. What is the best one? This is hard to decide, one could choose to broad spectrum kill all, anything with wings, slime or both. However this could kill all the beneficial beasties that fit in those categories as well. Watch your garden especially the tender and vulnerable new growth; there is where you will likely see your culprit at work nearly any time of day. You may wish to capture it in a sandwich bag and bring it to the garden center, where it can be identified and targeted for elimination if necessary. If you identify the pest on your own here are some potentially useful products of assistance we carry here at Hamlen’s.

- **Cedar oil** - can be used for spider mites, aphid and scale
- **Thuricide** - controls leaf eating worms and moths (tent caterpillar)
- **Rotenone** - Pyrethrins- a combination of insecticides, controls, leaf hopper, aphid, Japanese beetles for use on fruits, vegetables and ornamentals
- **Insecticidal Soap** - controls aphids, earwigs, mealybugs, tent caterpillars, thrips, whitefly, for use on vegetables fruit and nut trees, berries and ornamentals, shrubs, flowers and trees in homes and gardens can be used up to day of harvest.
- **Neem Oil** - is a broad-spectrum insecticide, miticide and fungicide for use on vegetables, flowers, roses, shrubs, fruits, trees and house plants, can be used up to day of harvest.  
Imadacloprid- systemic tree drench protects up to 12 months from leafminers, beetles and borers
- **Carbaryl** - use on ornamentals, flowers, fruits and vegetable garden kills over 100 insect pests
- **Diatomaceous Earth** - will deter anything with a slimy body

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## Hamming It Up

### Heart Beet

Do you carrot at all for me?  
 My heart beets for you,  
 With your turnip nose  
 And your radish face.  
 You are a peach.  
 If we cantaloupe,  
 Lettuce marry.  
 Weed make a swell pear.

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## Hamlines

*If dandelions were hard to grow, they would be most welcome on any lawn.*

~**Andrew Mason**



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