

Bring plant, insect and gardening questions to Extension experts at July 31 Farmers' Market

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Summary: Extension specialists and Master Gardeners will have a booth at the Gallatin Valley Farmers' Market to answer plant, insect, disease and gardening questions.

BOZEMAN - Montana State University Extension specialists and Master Gardeners will be at a booth at the Gallatin Valley Farmers' Market at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds Saturday, July 31, to help answer questions about weeds, insects, diseases and other general yard and garden issues.

Cecil Tharp, MSU Extension pesticide specialist, and Linnea Skoglund, plant disease diagnostician, will be the guest specialists at the booth on July 31. The topic for the week will be pesticides and integrated pest management.

The specialists and Master Gardeners will also provide fact sheets on related topics and free MontGuides, which are MSU Extension publications pertaining to yard and garden installation, plant selection, integrated pest management and other related topics.

Gardeners are also encouraged to bring plant and insect samples to the booth for diagnosis or identification, said Toby Day, Extension horticulturist and Master Gardener coordinator.

The Gallatin County Farmers' Market runs from 9 a.m. through noon on Saturdays through Sept. 11.

For more information about the MSU Extension and Master Gardener Farmers' Market booth, contact Day at (406) 994-6523 or toby.day@montana.edu