

## Cynthia Brian's Gardening Guide for June

- **LAST CHANCE** to buy tickets to the Oakland A's versus Los Angeles Angels baseball game on June 15 as a tax deductible donation to support the literacy and youth charity, Be the Star You Are!®. Buy your tickets directly and choose your field seats at <https://groupmatics.events/event/Bestar> More information: <http://www.bethestaryouare.org/events> Final day is May 31 to get your discounted tickets with a fireworks show.
- **FINAL DAYS** to plant your vegetable garden or potager for a summer harvest. Check out plants at your favorite garden center or nursery.
- **THROW** snail bait after planting. Sluggo is non-toxic to pets and kids.
- **PULL** the dry leaves from daffodils and freesia. If you pull up a bulb, you can replant now or save to replant in the fall.
- **HARVEST** artichokes.
- **THIN** fruit on apples and stone fruit.
- **CUT** a bouquet of colorful roses or bearded iris. Add to a vase filled with lemons or limes for an aromatic arrangement for any room.
- **BEWARE** snakes in the grass. Most are beneficial and are to be left alone. Check out my photo of the full snakeskin I found in my herbs.

Hope to see you at the A's ballgame on June 15. If you like reading this column, whether you can attend or not, please support our charity, Be the Star You Are!®, an all volunteer 501 c3 non profit, that works with our local youth to grow leaders. Buy tickets to give away to friends or colleagues. Make your donation today at <http://www.BetheStarYouAre.org>.

Congratulations to our marvelous graduates!  
Bravo and Kudos.

Happy Gardening. Happy Growing.  
Cynthia Brian



*A fly lands on a grapevine with budding berries.*



*Photos Cynthia Brian Eggplant is planted with a straw mulch.*



*Add lemons or limes to a vase and fill with roses.*



*Ruffled bearded iris can but cut for arrangements.*