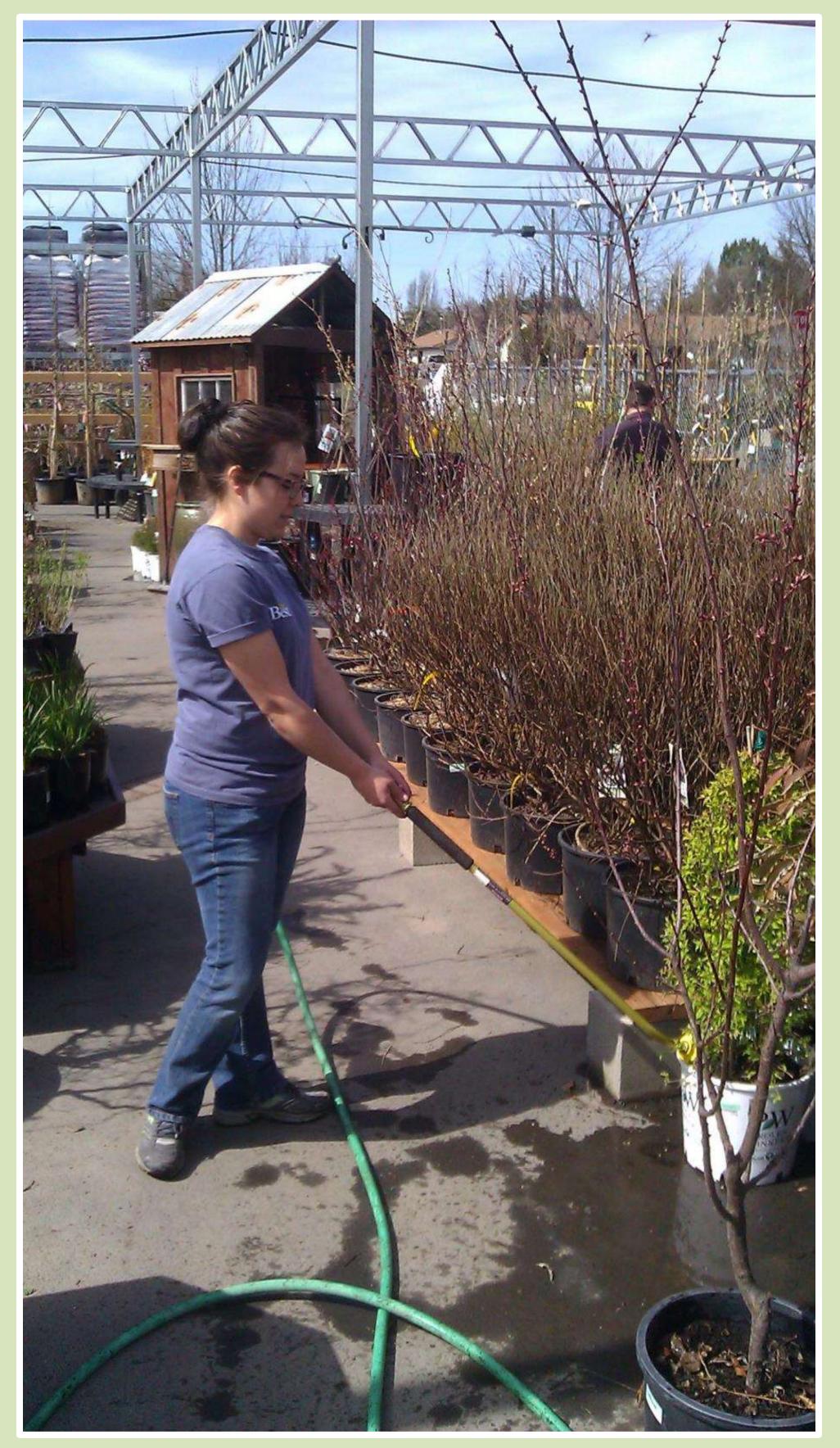
The Nursery at Moscow, ID Building Supply



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Watering the plants on a particularly sunny day, preventing them from drying out after shipping



Before (left) and after (right) of Achilliea plants while cleaning out and pruning to prepare for sale



Rack of newly shipped pansies in the greenhouse

- Moscow Building Supply -

Moscow Building Supply is one of the largest home improvement stores in the Palouse, located in Moscow, ID. It is known for its wealth of building and home improvement products and services. They have an extensive and newly renovated lawn and garden department complete with a large nursery and greenhouse.

- Responsibilities in the Nursery -

When I began work in the nursery it was still in the early stages of being open, much of the plant material had not yet arrived, and there were few customers. As the internship progressed, more plants came in and more customers came to visit the nursery. I mainly worked at the direction of my supervisor by myself to prepare the plants for sale in the upcoming busy nursery season.

- Helped customers with plant or product questions
- Cleaned and pruned last year's overwintered stock
- Labeled plants with barcodes to prepare for sale
- Swept and cleaned greenhouse and nursery area
- Watered plants, moved them to permanent locations
- Attended seminar on use of gardening products

- Knowledge Gained from this Experience -

- · Retail nursery work is a fast-paced, high-stress career
- · Necessary to constantly learn new plants and new trends, and their associated care
- · Practiced communication and teamwork skills needed for my future career
- Organization and planning essential to an efficient nursery
- · Led me to consider attending graduate school because I found the research that I had to do to help customers more interesting than retail



Pages from packets we were given from the Scotts and Kellogg company representatives at the seminar