

All the Dirt

A periodical for friends and clients of **Landscape Associates**
Pass along to your friend or neighbor!

Late Winter—almost Spring!



We can complain because rose bushes have thorns, or rejoice because thorn bushes have roses.
Abraham Lincoln

Special Offer!

Are you a new customer?

Contract for landscaping services by May 1 (minimum \$2000) and receive a free 2" diameter Pink Spire or Spring Snow crab apple tree.

Installation separate ■ \$130 value

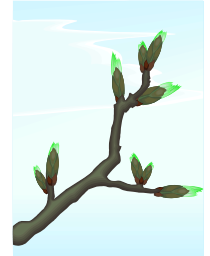
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It's still winter! What can I do for my landscaping now?



This year's blanket of snow has provided good protection for our outdoor plants. While it's been cold, that's better for plants than wildly fluctuating temperatures. Overall, that spells good news for our landscaping—at least the parts that rabbits, mice and deer have not demolished.

Here are a few things that Sharon Morrissey, Consumer Horticulture Agent, Milwaukee County UW-Extension, invites us to do in the weeks to come:

1. Prevent soil and plant damage by avoiding the use of salt to melt the ice along your sidewalk or driveway. Use sand or cat litter instead. Likewise, avoid using granular fertilizer on snow or ice—too much can damage plants and pollute lakes and rivers.
2. Start seeds indoors for many vegetables and for flowers like impatiens, begonias, petunias, and snapdragons.

3. From now through the end of March is the best time to prune most woody plants and fruit trees.
4. Get a head start on projects like trellises, arbors and benches.

We can help with pruning and building garden features like trellises and benches.

Let us help you get ready for spring!

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An investment that's still growing

For aesthetic, ecological, and financial reasons, an investment in landscaping can be an especially good idea in these times. *Consider:*

- Green landscape designs and installation can reduce costs of heating, cooling, electric and water costs as much as 50%.
- New or renovated landscaping can increase a property's value by 10% or more.
- Creating a space that you, your family and friends or customers will enjoy now and for years to come... priceless.

We provide professional design, construction and maintenance for the home & business customer.



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Landscape Associates serves homeowners and businesses throughout northeast Wisconsin. We are ready to help with design, plant choice and installation, hardscaping and maintenance. Call (920) 337-4915

Plants of the Year: Wisconsin Nursery Association

Tree of the Year:

Cornus mas 'Golden Glory'
(Cornelian Cherry Dogwood)



This small tree or multistemmed shrub presents a showy display of bright yellow flowers in mid to late March. This versatile plant also offers characteristics for all seasons. The foliage is a glossy dark green during the summer, the fruit is bright red and develops in the fall along with a wonderful red color, and the exfoliating bark offers an interesting feature all year long.

- Height: 15' - 20'
- Prefers well-drained soil in full to partial sun
- Zone 4—8

Like these plants? Let us help find a spot in your landscaping where they might work. We can help select prime specimens & plant them for you. Call (920) 337-4915

Perennial of the Year:

Amsonia 'Blue Ice' (Blue Star)

Most likely a cultivar of the eastern U.S. native bluestar, 'Blue Ice' is more compact with darker-colored flowers. It produces a low, tidy mound of small, willowlike dark green leaves that turn bright yellow in fall. Late spring, clusters of star-shaped dark lavender-blue blossoms emerge. 'Blue Ice' is drought tolerant and has shown resistance to deer browsing. Grow it in dry to average, well-drained soil in full sun to partial shade.

- Height: 12" - 18"
- Prefers well-drained soil in full to partial sun
- Zone 4—9