

Linton's Leaflet

Fall 2018

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Fall Splendour

By Mark Linton

Fall is a great time to evaluate your landscape and determine what worked well and what didn't work well and to see if anything is lacking. When I am re-designing a landscape I start out walking the property with my clients and determine what is adding beauty, and what no longer is beautifying the residence. My personal test is that if a plant, tree or shrub is no longer adding any beauty, then it is time for it to go. A common problem here in Michiana is that when our DIY guests visit our Home and Garden Centre they immediately fall in love with anything that is in bloom and is in their full glory. Unfortunately, there are very few landscape plants which provide non-stop color all three seasons. I always recommend that our guests visit our Garden Centre once each season so that they will have a constant display of color! I also feel that a landscape is fluid and is always changing, and many

times simply dividing and transplanting, as well as thinning out perennials and ornamental grasses will immediately freshen up the landscape.

Another trick of mine is to simply enlarge the planting bed to allow for more room as the landscape plants grow. If the plantings are growing out over the edging it makes the landscape look tired, but by expanding the beds it freshens up the landscape and adds on more years of use to the landscape!

Another challenge that I run across quite frequently, is that here in Michiana our colorful plants, trees and shrubs all lose their leaves in the fall, and many landscapes are simply a display of branches, twigs and sticks, providing absolutely no beauty throughout the late fall, winter, and early spring. And here in Michiana, that's a total of six months!!! It's extremely important to

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incorporate plenty of evergreens to add beauty during the non-flowering seasons. At Linton's Enchanted Gardens we have a HUGE selection of rare and the most unusual evergreens, and in an array of colors as well! Different shades of greens, golden and blue evergreens, as well as evergreen patio trees and topiaries that add much needed beauty during the "off season". Evergreens are the "bones of the landscape" and it is extremely important to have them incorporated throughout the landscape to provide seasonal interest during the colder months. Berry producing trees and shrubs not only attract birds during the winter months, but can add much needed color as well! Be sure to check out our large selection which include: Snowberry, Coral Berry, Hollies, Cotoneaster, as well as berry producing trees such as Hawthorn, Crabs, and Dogwoods.

Winter blooming Lenten Roses as well as Witch Hazel are another way to add a splash of color during the grey days of winter. Red Twig and Gold Twig Dogwoods do a great job of contrasting their colorful branches against the snow, and add a much appreciated splash of color! Our Garden Centre is staffed with Master Gardeners who would love to help you freshen up your landscape and fall is an ideal time to do that!

Happy Gardening!
~ Mark

LINTON'S SPECIAL EVENTS FOR FALL 2018

Date	Event / Class	Time	Cost
Saturday, Sept. 8	Linton's Classic Car Cruise In	11am-2pm	Free
Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 8 & 9	Birthday Party- 36 years!	8am-6pm	Free
Thursday, September 13	Design & Dine: Fall Door Décor	5:30-7pm	\$29.99
Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 15 & 16 & 22 & 23	Fall Carnival Days	8am-6pm	Free
Saturday, September 22	Workshop: Pumpkin House	10am	\$19.99
Saturday, September 29	Workshop: Message Board Project	10am	\$19.99
Saturday, October 6	Workshop: Pumpkin Succulents	10am	\$19.99
Saturday, October 13	Workshop: Wire Pumpkin	10am	\$19.99
Thursday, October 18	Design & Dine: Mason Jar Lamp	5:30-7pm	\$29.99
Saturday, October 20	Workshop: Wood Slice Owl	10am	\$19.99
Thursday & Friday, Nov. 1 & 2	Red Carpet Open House	4-8pm	Free
Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 3 & 4	Christmas Open House	8am-6pm	Free
Saturday, Nov. 10	Workshop: Mini Canvas Easles	10am	\$19.99
Thursday, Nov. 15	Design & Dine: Pallet Wood Project	5:30-7pm	\$29.99

See a sample of each design on our Facebook page or on our website Seminar page.

PUMPKIN BOWLING!

September 16th- October 31st

We are again partnering with ADEC, Inc. and the Elkhart Truth for our annual Pumpkin Bowling September 16th- October 31st. Come to our straw bale bowling alley, grab a pumpkin and 'bowl'. The lane is set up all weekend, pumpkins are only \$2 and 100% of the proceeds go to ADEC, Inc! The best part is that you get to bowl until your pumpkin breaks up. Pumpkin Bowling is fun whether you are 4 or 84!

ADEC, Inc helps community members open their hearts, minds and doors by providing opportunities and inclusion for those we serve. By enhancing the lives of people with disabilities, we enrich our communities through the diversity that comes from inclusion.

So, grab your 'bowling shoes' and help us raise funds and awareness for ADEC, Inc!



WNDU
Anchor
Tricia Sloma



Floral Trends

By Ruth Linton

Linton's floral designers look to many sources to be adept with changing trends. Aside from directions from "Floral Giants", Mother Nature is not only "a supplier of materials" but also "a teacher or a director".

Mother "N" gives creativity with color, her botanical elements and also materials for containers. With gray taking over the top spot, look for "sage" as an eye catching versatile new comer. See how the grey-green become sage.

Green mixed with milky hues of blue undertones with a bit of gray mixed in will assist in making the transition. Take a look at the Linton's vinette just around the left side as you enter. Classic cool blue is endlessly refreshing. Obviously, lakeshore is not necessary to use these shades.

Floral designers also look to the garden for trends to assist in design. Reports show that gardening imparts new benefits. . a relaxed state of mind. . calmer and more relaxed. Following this trend, florists might well design with a less complicated, simple state of designing, a less perfect (imperfect) lets go of over-done organization which gives way to a more relaxed, humble design. Obviously, designers may or may not be following this trend.

Wabi-sabi as applied to floral design is done by bringing in a relaxed form such as wildflower look with exploration in color and highlights.

Looks for 2018 might be categorized as:

- Simplicity which is best shown by use of the color

(or lack of) white.

- Cheer which is happy, bright and colorful.
- Vintage incorporated into designs by creating themed arrangements with meaning.

You can easily see these 'looks' as being used by Linton's designers. The floral cooler on the floor gives you the opportunity to see not only these trendy styles but also individual styles of Linton's 5 designers. So you can identify them, each creation is identified with the name of the designer. Also, we are featuring a designer to assist you in getting to know us and our style just a little better. Our first featured artist was Rhonda Metcalf. In addition, we have also featured Tony DeDario. We are now featuring Kelly Pilatos.

New!

Lucky Flower of the Month members. Free at no cost to you, we are adding greens or foliage to your bouquet to make it even more beautiful.

What? You are not a member? For only \$30.00 you will receive 9 pick up bouquets during the year. On the other 3 months, enjoy a \$5.00 gift certificate which can be applied toward any purchase of \$10.00 or more. No catch, you don't pay any more. See Customer Service for details.

Reminder: Don't forget to drop off your vases and baskets for recycling. You will, in return, receive a Linton's gift card. What a deal!

FALL FESTIVAL

Pumpkin patch
& photo spot.

(bring your own camera)

Fall decorations available!
Free Straw Bale Maze!

Cider Sampling in our
Garden Cafe

Entire month of October!



Pumpkin Patch
EXPRESS RIDES

Only \$5.99
and includes a pumpkin!

FALL FRENZY

Enjoy

50% - 90%
savings on plants, trees & shrubs!

Cash & Carry Only

Some items excluded in this sale and quantities are limited.



Fall Plant Spotlight:

Ornamental Kale

By Jackie Weiss, Garden Centre Manager

While Ornamental Kale (also known as Flowering Cabbage) is edible, many have found it a bit bitter and is better suited as a colorful garnish. It is an annual, but usually lasts longer into the winter, sometimes thru December, in fact the colder it is the more colorful it becomes. It is beautiful when included in a mixed fall container with mums or Asters. Visit Lintons to pick up a few to include in your Autumn decorations. Plant in full sun.



Vera Bradley

Kind Words from our Customers

"Linton's Enchanted Gardens is a huge asset to Elkhart!"

~ Lois Leib

"We are so happy with how the project turned out! The pond is beautiful! It blends so nicely with the property. Charlie and the crew were incredible! Thank you so much!!"

~ Gerald & Irene Maffetone

"Every company should be run like Linton's!"

~ Paul Eby

"Everything was done very promptly and with care! We were very happy with our 'Memorial Garden'! Thank you!"

~ Lisa McKee

"Dustin Mattern and his crew did a wonderful job. We came to Linton's because of Dustin and Linton's reputation. We loved his design, the reasoning behind it, and the outcome!"

~ Robert & Laura Zell

Linton's BIRTHDAY PARTY

Saturday & Sunday • September 8 & 9

Linton's is Celebrating 37 Years
of Quality and Excellence!

37% off

All Perennials & Ornamental Grasses

50-90% off Yellow tag items in the Interior Décor Shoppe



Linton's Classic Car CRUISE-IN



**Calling all
classic car owners and fans!**

Saturday, September 8 • 11am- 2pm

Door Prizes! 50/50



Watch This!

Check out our weekly Show.

2017 Colorful Inspiration show times

(Airs April- October)

WSBT	Saturday & Sunday mornings- 5am
WNDU	Saturday mornings- 5:30 am and Sunday mornings- 6 am Month of May & June - Saturdays- 12:00pm
ESBT	Saturday mornings- 6am and Sunday mornings- 6am and 7am
WBND	Saturday and Sunday mornings- 5am
WHME	Saturday mornings- 7:30am
WMYS	Saturday mornings- 8:30am

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Decadent Desserts
Hand-Crafted Beverages



Monday -Sunday 8:00am - 5:00pm

Seasonal Décor

Did you know Linton's can decorate your home's interior to reflect the season?
Whether it is Spring, Summer, Fall or Winter, let our design team create an indoor
living space that is as unique as you are! As always, our initial visit is complimentary.

Linton's Hours

Monday -Friday 7:00am - 7:00pm

Saturday and Sunday 7:00am - 6:00pm

Cafe Hours: Monday-Sunday 8:00am - 5:00 pm

Mr. Smarty Plants

Dear Mr Smarty Plants,

I really love Autumn. The gorgeous fall colors of burgandy and orange call to me. What annuals can I plant along with my existing fall interest garden?

Signed
Falling In Love With Autumn

Dear Autumn,

The end of the growing season usually goes out with a big bang of highly anticipated powerful pops of color. The many tones of red, russet, oranges and yellows can be breath taking indeed! Fall annuals and perennials can help boost this already great spectacle that we have come to adore. Ice pansy is a hardy flower that can be planted in the fall which will then over winter and bloom again in the spring. They come in many shades from pink to white to deep purple. Just like their spring cousin they love the cool weather. Flowering cabbage and flowering kale are ornamental version of the edible crop you find in the vegetable garden. These grow in a similar manner but have incredible layers of color in tones of purple, green, white and pink. Last but not the least are hardy chrysanthemums. These beauties are by far the most popular fall perennial to add to a landscape for faithful splashes of long lasting color. Be sure to plant them early and mulch them in after the ground freezes for year after year of fall beauty.

- Mr Smarty Plants



FALL
carnival days

SATURDAY & SUNDAY
SEPT. 15 & 16 / 22 & 23



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