



LINTON'S

Leaflet



Autumn
2010

Landscaping * Lawn Care * Nursery
Garden Centre * Floral & Interior Décor Shoppe

Flying In Style

by Laura Sherman, Garden Centre Manager

As fall approaches, the leaves begin to turn colors, the temperature drops and the plants in the garden are fading fast. This is a perfect opportunity to bring color and enjoyment back into the garden. Bird and wildlife watching can be a relaxing, exhilarating and sometimes very comical experience.

If we have taken certain steps in our landscape, there may be some seeds available for birds to feast upon. Some seed producing plants are Ornamental Grasses, Coneflowers, Sunflowers, Phlox and Holly. If you want to speed up the birding experience, start feeding them with feeders.

There are many types of feeders available. Certain types of birds prefer certain types of feeders. In order to have a wide variety of birds, it is best to have a variety of different feeders. There are thistle feeders for finches, sunflower feeders for cardinals, suet feeders for woodpeckers, and platform feeders for blue jays.

You should also consider the ease of refilling your feeders when deter-

mining a location. If you need to shovel 50 feet of snow to refill a feeder, you are less likely to keep up it filled. Place the feeders where you can easily access them. Make it easy on yourself. Some temporary ways to place feeders are placing a shepherd's hook in a heavy pot or attaching a shepherd's hook to a deck or pole secured with electrical ties.

Winter is a tough time for birds to find water. Most clean water is frozen and not accessible to them. If they do not have water, they cannot keep their body temperature regulated. One way to help them, is to provide a heated bird bath. Make sure your bird bath is not too deep (more than 1"). If it is, place stones or pea gravel in it to raise up the bottom surface. Your feathered friends will thank you.

Linton's Enchanted Gardens has a great selection of birding essentials. Many types of bird feeders, as well as bird baths, heaters, houses, shepherd's hooks and more. Come on in and let us help you choose some fun items to start you in the right direction.



Fall Is In The Air

The cooler evenings and waking to see the dew on the grass is a sure sign that fall is approaching quickly. At Linton's Enchanted Gardens, we are preparing our Home and Garden Centre to reflect the change in seasons. Our Garden Centre will be stocked with all of your favorite fall decorating needs. In addition to the traditional mums and asters, be sure to check out our largest selection of Ornamental grasses. We have many new varieties from which to choose. You can always depend on us for pumpkins, squash, Indian corn, kale, cabbage, corn shocks and straw bales. Inside our Floral and Interior Décor Shoppe, you will see the seasonal change as soon as you enter the front doors. Fall is a fun time to redecorate the inside of your home to reflect the new season. Be sure to check out our increasing selection of Halloween and Thanksgiving décor.

Our Oktoberfest, on Saturday & Sunday, October 2nd & 3rd, is one of our biggest special events of the year and we invite you to bring family and friends to this event. Save 50-75% off select items in the Garden Centre and Floral & Interior Decor Shoppe. Children of all ages will enjoy our free straw bale maze and visiting the animals in our free petting zoo. You can build your own scarecrow for only \$8.99.

Remember your visit by bringing your camera and taking a group or individual photo in our photo spot. The photo spot is decorated with mums, straw bales, pumpkins and gourds. It's the perfect way to capture those wonderful autumn memories!

We hope to see you soon!

Cookbooks For A Cause

Our collectible feel-good-able series continues with the newest Gooseberry Patch cookbook, "Recipes for Saying Thanks". Both this title and Recipes for Kindness help families in need through a donation to Feeding America, helping those struggling with hunger in the United States. Both of these titles are available for \$9.99!

With your purchase of these special books, you have helped us lend a hand to . . .



Linton's Enchanted Gardens is proud to be working with Feeding America and we couldn't do it without you, our valued customer!

Autumn
Woods

I like the woods
In autumn
When dry leaves hide the ground,
When the trees are bare
And the wind sweeps by
With a lonesome rushing sound.
I can rustle the leaves
In autumn
And I can make a bed
In the thick dry leaves
That have fallen
From the bare trees
Overhead.

by James S. Tippet

Rainy Day Sale

Rainy Days Need Not Get You Down.

Next time the heavens pour liquid sunshine, plan a trip to Linton's Enchanted Gardens. You can shop in the comfort of our Interior Décor Shoppe or Conservatory! When our Rainy Days Flag is flying, you'll save 10% off your day's purchases in the Garden Centre! We even have a supply of umbrellas for you to use if you'd like to stroll through our gardens. You can visit our website, rain or shine, at www.lintons.com.

Linton's Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 - 7:00 • Saturday & Sunday 8:00 - 6:00

CANDLE LIGHTING TIPS

- 1. For perfect burning, trim the candle’s wick to just the right length-about 1/4 inch-each time before you light it. Be sure to remove any wick debris in the candle before lighting, too.
- 2. Don’t touch, lift or move a burning candle; wait until the wax has cooled and hardened before you touch the candle itself.
- 3. Candles should be kept away from extreme heat or cold, since candle wax can be temperature-sensitive. Don’t leave them in direct sunlight or other bright light for prolonged periods (the colors might fade).



Linton’s a Perfect Fit for James Rea

Every Tuesday morning for the past five years, James Rea, 48, has reported for volunteer duty at Linton’s Enchanted Gardens, ready to do whatever is needed. Depending on the week, he may be found breaking down boxes, moving plants, cleaning or sweeping.

“I love it,” he said

Volunteering at Linton’s is part of his job plan at ADEC Industries in Elkhart, where community integration is encouraged, and job skills are taught both in volunteer positions and paid employment. James is a people person, so being out in the community is a perfect fit for him. “He is so social,” said his mother, Sue Gantt.

He also loves nature. When he sees something beautiful, like a flower in bloom or an ornamental shrub, he points it out and tells others about it. He enjoys animals and wildlife, too, particularly those found at the Petting Zoo at Linton’s.

Besides working at ADEC Industries, James also receives services from ADEC’s Supported Living program, which enables him to live on his own in an apartment. In his free time, he likes to bowl, play basketball and participate in the Kiwanis AKtion Club.

ADEC, founded in 1952, is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing services and supports to children, adults and families living with the challenges of disabilities. For young children, ADEC provides an array of early intervention and therapeutic services to reduce the impact of disabling conditions or developmental delays. For adults, ADEC offers day service programs, employment services, residential services and guardianship services, all designed to foster independence and help those being served discover and develop their talents in order to more fully participate in their communities.

ADEC’s administrative offices are located in Bristol, IN., but its services are community-based with group homes and adult day services sites in Elkhart, Bristol, Goshen and Middlebury; and supported employment and job training programs in Elkhart and South Bend.

ADEC is dedicated to supporting the prevention of disabilities and breaking down barriers, both physical and attitudinal, through active community education, advocacy and support.

Adding Fall Color To Your Garden

By Jennifer Martinez, Linton’s Nursery Manager



Happy Fall Everyone! We have a lot of awesome grasses in bloom right now, including our brand new “Red Head” Fountain Grass, which grows 36-48” tall with large deep reddish/purple heads. We also have some lovely Japanese Blood Grass and Ruby Ribbons Switch Grass which will add a touch of fall color to your garden. Ruby Ribbons is another new variety that grows 2-3’ tall. The leaves come out blue-grey in spring and continually warm up to a deeper ruby-red. Naomi and Nicholas are two new varieties of Japanese Forest Grass and are great for those shaded areas! Naomi turns into shades of purple and Nicholas turns into shades of orange and red in Fall. Anemones, Monkshood, and Bugbane are blooming. Some of our re-blooming Iris are flowering again and the leaves are starting to change already.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to pull up a chair, sit down, and just enjoy your garden for a little while. Take in the sights, sounds, and smells that make “your backyard” special.

2010 Special Events

Oktoberfest	October 2 & 3
Spooktacular.....	October 23 & 24
The Red Carpet	November 2 & 4
Our Christmas Open House	November 6 & 7

Pumpkin Bowling

Once again, by popular demand, we will be offering our annual Pumpkin Bowling with this years proceeds going to help support ADEC in Bristol. If you’ve never tried pumpkin bowling, this is your opportunity to bowl with a real pumpkin (a.k.a. “Squash”) in our straw bale lined bowling alley to see if you can knock down all of the pins. Bring a friend or the entire family. We will have two bowling lanes set up for a weekend of fun. Pumpkins cost only a buck and you may bowl until it bursts! You may even want to take home the pumpkin remains to be used in a pie or even to roast the seeds. Our Pumpkin bowling lanes will be open beginning Friday, October 22 - Sunday, October 31.



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Mr. Smarty Plants

Dear Mr. Smarty Plants,

Summer's almost gone, but it is not over. What should I be doing to extend my garden for Fall? I still want to enjoy it a little longer.

Signed,
Harvest Helper

Dear Harvest,

Here are several different ideas to stretch the calendar a little. Try deadheading summer blooming perennials like Balloon Flower, Lobelia Cardinalis, Daylily, Black-Eyed-Susan and Stoke's Aster to encourage a rebloom period. By removing dried or dead blooms, often-times these plants will be stimulated into a second or third bloom late Summer or early Fall. Fall flowers like: Turtlehead (Chelone), tall Sedums, and tall garden Phlox usually will not rebloom if deadheaded. Leave the seed pods and foliage for Winter interest later on. Try shearing perennials that produce abundant blooms when the majority have faded, to save having to remove them one flower at a time. Dianthus and Coreopsis respond well to this technique, as do some annual flowers such as Marigolds and Vinca. Scissor cut or use small hedge shears to speed up the job.

Have fun this Fall! Give some thought to perking up your yard with Fall decorations, such as scarecrows, hay bales pumpkins and corn stalks. Try a novel way of arranging or stacking them too. Pumpkins can sit on top of one another to make a "tower" or even be painted or lettered to spell a phrase. Gather dried grasses and weed materials and put them in an unusual vase or garden container outside your door. Add silks, dried Fall flowers and brightly colored, novelty items to try something different. And don't forget to check the garden center for those unusual Fall bloomers like: Toadlily, Japanese Anemone, Turtlehead, Aster and Chrysanthemums. In a container, or in a garden bed, the add Fall interest to any area of the yard.

Sincerely,
Mr. Smarty Plants

New Arrivals

After a busy and exciting summer, the interior décor designers are hard at work featuring the many new products that have just arrived to herald the beginning of the beautiful fall and holiday seasons.

A new addition to our already large line of candle offerings is Habersham Candles. Visit our Interior Décor Shoppe and investigate the newest designs in the handcrafted Habersham Garden Signature Botanicals, fragranced candle collection.

We have added new items to our beautiful collection of ladies fine jewelry, Forever Fashion Rings, and Da Vinci Beads. The Forever Fashion Rings are stainless steel and come in a variety of sizes and styles. With Da Vinci Beads, you can create your own custom necklaces and bracelets!

Just in time for tailgating season, is our collection of Tervis Tumblers featuring Notre Dame, Purdue and Michigan. Support your favorite team, while keeping your beverage hot or cold at the same time.

Add a little humor to someone's day by sending a card from our new line of Avanti Greeting Cards. These seriously funny cards are made in the U.S.A. on recycled paper and will make you laugh out loud!

Welcome fall with warm and inviting recipes from our new fall and holiday cookbooks in the Gooseberry patch series. These cookbooks not only offer delicious recipes, but also have craft and gift giving ideas.

Our featured recipe is from the
Gooseberry Patch Cookbook "101 Slow-Cooker Recipes".
Visit our Interior Décor Shoppe to see all the titles of
our Gooseberry Patch Series.

Pumpkin Pie Pudding

15 oz can pumpkin
12 oz can evaporated milk
3.4 c sugar
½ c biscuit baking mix
2 eggs, beaten
2 tbsp butter, melted
2 ½ tsp pumpkin pie spice
2 tsp vanilla extract
garnish: whipped cream



In a bowl, mix together all ingredients except topping. Transfer to a slow cooker that has been sprayed with non-stick vegetable spray. Cover and cook on low setting for 3 ½ to 4 hours. Pudding will swart to pull away from sides of slow cooker; test for doneness with a toothpick inserted in center. Serve warm, topped with dollops of whipped cream. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

off the mark.com by Mark Parisi



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Children dressed in costume receive a treat!

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