

Linton's Leaflet

Spring 2013

Landscaping

Lawn Care

Nursery

Garden Centre

Floral & Interior Décor Shoppe

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Impatient Imperfections!

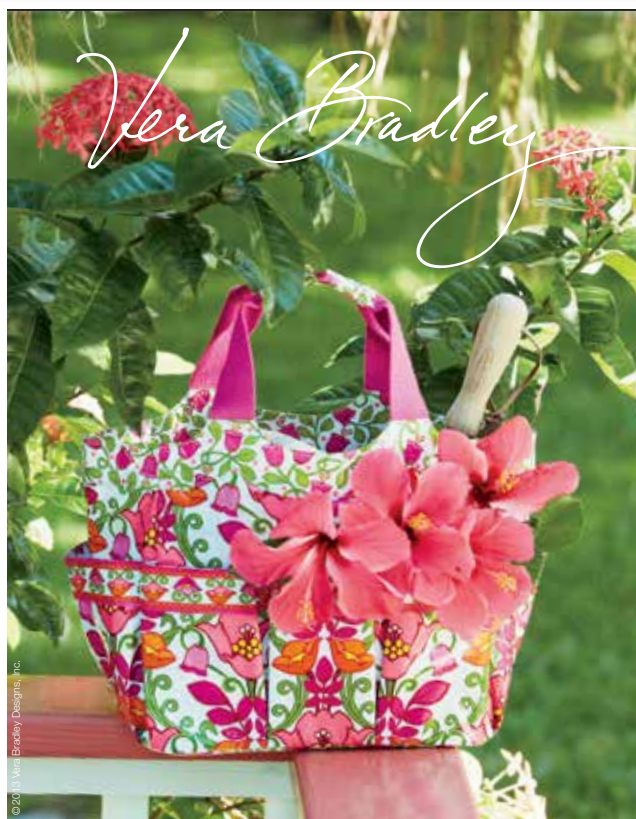
By: Jackie Weiss, Garden Centre Manager

Did your Impatiens suddenly up and kick the bucket last summer? If so, you weren't alone. The culprit, it seems, is Downy Mildew. Initially, the symptoms will include yellowing foliage, often starting as barely noticeable yellow spots. The underside of the leaves will have a fuzzy white powdery appearance. Plants often will be stunted in growth. As the disease progresses, the plants will lose all foliage and the stalks will slowly die.

This disease is spread through water splashing on the foliage when watering by hand, irrigation, or even rainfall. The wind also spreads the spores to other surrounding foliage. In milder winters, the spores will survive in the soil, so it is not recommended to plant in the same bed as last summer.

I know of several gardeners who lost their whole landscape bed in late summer because of Downy Mildew. Don't worry though, there are still several beautiful options for your shade garden. Wax Begonia performs wonderfully well in shade. Coleus, and New Guinea (Sun) Impatiens are also great choices. Another option is to plant perennials in your shady areas. Hosta, Astilbe, and Columbine are a few good choices.

The friendly, knowledgeable staff at Linton's Garden Centre will be happy to help you plan your garden to insure success!



Colorful gifts for moms!

This Mother's Day, surprise her with a Vera Bradley bag. Just one of our many great gift ideas!



Rainy Day Sale

Visit us the next time the heavens pour liquid sunshine! Shop in the comfort of our Interior Decor Shoppe or Conservatory! When our Rainy Day Flag is flying, save 10% on purchases from the Garden Centre! We have umbrellas for you to use as you stroll through our gardens. Visit our website, rain or shine, at www.lintons.com.



Linton's Hours

Monday -Friday 8:00am - 7:00pm

Saturday & Sunday 8:00am - 6:00pm



Experience the growing difference in **LAWN CARE**

Linton's lawn care team has the experience you can trust to carefully inspect and manage the health of your landscape, trees, and shrubs. Many services are available: mowing, fertilizing, pruning, trimming, and weeding, along with disease and insect control.

We perform spring cleanups, lawn de-thatching, overseeding and lawn aeration, as well as planting of annual flower beds. During the summer, we provide power edging, line trimming, aeration, and

over-seeding and turf renovation. Fall clean up, bulb planting and gutter cleaning are offered.

Additional winter services include snow plowing, salting sidewalks and drives, and installing outdoor Christmas lights and decorations.

Our maintenance program provides an alternative for homeowners who want a beautiful yard, yet want to enjoy their leisure time. Business owners use our services to keep a well-maintained landscape, adding professionalism to their company.

Season Long Fertilizer Programs at Linton's

We all lead busy lives, so the team at Linton's wants to make your life a little more convenient. You can now purchase a 4 or 5 bag fertilizer program, and receive a 10% discount at time of sale. Take it all with you or, if you don't have the room to store it, we'll store it for you!

It's easy. Our knowledgeable garden center staff will be happy to explain the program to you and get you started! We will even custom design a package that is right for you and your lawn.



THE STANDARD PACKAGE INCLUDES:

March/April application:	Crabgrass Preventer plus Lawn Food
Late May application:	Weed-out plus Lawn Food
Late June/Mid-July application:	Lawn Food plus Iron
Late September:	Winterizer

UFO! *Restricted Area*



Roswell at Linton's? No, but it is a "Restricted Area" for serious UFO (Unusual Flowering Objects) plant collectors! At the landing gear of the alien space ship you'll find the products from our 'Research Facility' in Bristol. The cover-up has been blown and the whistle-blowers have demanded we disclose the presence of these results to the public. This area, previously off-limits, has been opened up to customers classified as 'Top Plant Collectors.' We are seeking 'test sights' to help our Research Facility. Each UFO has been properly identified and tagged with its unique statistics. Test Sights will be charged a fee to obtain the UFOs to cover discovery and development costs. The UFOs scheduled to be released for Test Sights from the Research Facility are:

Orange Flame Japanese Maple
Tequila Sunrise Columbine
Rising Sun Redbud
Burgundy Blush Dianthus
Oregon Sunset Japanese Maple
Paw Paw Tree
Ruby Falls Redbud
Ballerina White Sea Pinks
Mahogany Ajuga
Woodruff
Alabama Coleus
Coral Reef Dianthus
Cognac Alternanthera Josephs Coat
Vivid Pink Woodruff
Sedona Coleus
Early Bird Chili Sweet William
Partytime Joseph's Coat
Fireberry Astilbe
Diamond Head Stockings Coleus
Early Bird Fizzy Sweet William
Indiana Warrior Big Bluestem Grass
Purple Candles Astilbe
Electric Lime Coleus PPAF

Early Bird Frosty Sweet William
Kanga Orange Kangaroo Paw
Sugarberry Astilbe
Henna Coleus
Early Bird Radiance Sweet William
Kanga Red Kangaroo Paw
Benitochiba Rex Begonia
Wasabi Coleus
Early Bird Sherbet Sweet William
Kanga Yellow Kangaroo Paw
Caladium
Bordeaux Lily of the Valley
First Scent Candy Floss Dianthus
Salsa Anthurium
Florida Cardinal Candidum
First Scent Coconut Surprise Dianthus
White Heart Anthurium
MiniFamous Apricot Red Eye Million Bells
Croton King of Siam
Candy Hearts Bleeding Heart
Blue Bird Columbine
MiniFamous Vampire Million Bells
Croton Mamey

Fire Island Bleeding Heart
Black Current Ice Columbine
Blue Zinger Sedge
Croton Petra
Pink Dragonfly Gas Plant
Swan Columbine pink yellow
Japanese Ice ballet Sedge
Cardoon
Burning Hearts Bleeding Heart
Clementine Blue Columbine
Japanese Ice Cream Sedge
Jewel of Desert Garnet Ice Plant
Duranta on Standard
Clementine Dark Purple Columbine
Ace of Hearts Redbud
Jewel of Desert Ruby Ice Plant
Ballerina Lilac Sea Pinks
Clementine Purple Columbine
Floating Cloud Redbud
Jewel of Desert Topaz Ice Plant
Dove Columbine

Help Save Mother Earth

Every year, millions of nursery pots are used once, then hauled away to the landfill. By recycling pots we can all do our part to help Mother Earth.

Customers will be rewarded with 5 cents per container (1 gallon or larger) returned to us. We don't mind if the container was purchased elsewhere.



Welcome Home!

By Ruth Linton

Nothing says welcome like a wreath. It can signify seasonal changes or an upcoming holiday. Whatever your use, all wreaths begin to look worn after a while and need replacing.

Linton's skilled designers delight in giving new life to pale and tired wreaths. We can freshen your base design by cleaning, painting, adding to, or re-arranging your old, tired friend- the wreath.

But don't stop there! Silk arrangements can return to their previous useful life too. Bring in your container and we'll do the rest. Linton's has a wide variety of botanically correct silk florals – an easy way to give your home a fresh new look!

If you are at a loss as to decorating your home, contact Linton's for a complimentary home consultation for your decor. Call Mark Linton at (574) 293-9699 to schedule your free one hour appointment.



"Spheres of Light-The Story of Gazing Globes"

By Suzanne Spinks

Gazing Globes, Gazing Ball, Lawn Ball, Garden Ball, Mirror Ball, Chrome Ball, Witch Ball, Butler Ball, Globes of Happiness... these are some of the names given Gazing Globes. Whether upon pedestals or decorative stands, they have graced gardens for centuries. Only the wealthy could afford hand blown glass, so Gazing Globes became a symbol of luck and prosperity. It was also believed that they were magical, mystical, and warded off bad luck as well as disease.

Gazing globes were especially favored by Victorian European gardeners. They graced lawns, gardens and interiors as well.

Servants and butlers could discreetly keep an eye on guests to quickly attend to their needs. Wealthy Victorian Americans displayed them as status symbols.

Today, Gazing Globes have returned in popularity and are made from a variety of reflective materials such as glass, chrome, steel, and ceramics with designs ranging from mosaics to planets. They can be used to reflect surrounding plants, stand out on their own, or blend and compliment flower colors. They are also a useful deterrent for deer. Whatever their original creation may have been, Gazing Globes have since become a delightful garden element.

What are Free Bees?

Regular customers of Linton's already know! If you're new to our Garden Centre, you might think we are passing out pollinators that sometimes sting.

During gardening season, we pass on HUGE savings with our Free Bee Sales. These are healthy plants, grown at our Nursery in Bristol. We just need to reduce our inventory, so we offer them to our customers at unheard of savings! Watch our weekly ads in Elkhart and South Bend newspapers, or stop by and pick up a sales flyer. You'll find red sales flags throughout the Garden Centre.

Our Free Bee specials may be found on our website at linton.com and YouTube (search Linton's Enchanted). Sale information can also be viewed on ABC57 Saturdays at 7 a.m., WNDU 16 Saturdays at 530 a.m. and FOX28 at Saturdays at 6 a.m.

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your very generous donation of food that was collected during the "Pictures With Santa" food drive for the Pantry Kitchen United. Caring is sharing and your gift has given us additional means to serve the less fortunate in our community. Thanks for helping to make a difference!

~ The Elizabeth Abel Food Pantry
New Hope UMC, Elkhart

Linton's Special Events for 2013

Saturday & Sunday, May 4 & 5	Our Spring Fling
Saturday & Sunday, May 11-12	Mother's Day Extravaganza
Saturday—Monday, May 25 - 27	Memorial Day Sale: Red White & Bloom!
Saturday & Sunday, June 8—9	LeTour de Plants
Saturday & Sunday, June 29-30	Pirate Adventure
Saturday & Sunday, July 13-14	Hawaiian Luau
Saturday & Sunday, July 27-28	Dog Days of Summer
Saturday & Sunday, August 10-11	Big Pink Weekend
Saturday— Monday, Aug 31-Sept 2.....	Labor Day Sale
Saturday & Sunday, September 14-15.....	Birthday Party—31 years!
Saturday & Sunday, October 5-6	Oktoberfest
Saturday & Sunday, October 12-13	Pumpkin Bowling
Tuesday & Thursday, Nov 5 & 7	Red Carpet Open House
Saturday & Sunday, November 9-10	Christmas Open House
Thursday, December 12	Diamonds & Divas

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Kind Words

Dear Linton's,

I just want to thank you—from start to finish, we have been incredibly impressed with Linton's. Your design was magical for our home, and Charlie's professionalism and skill with the install was careful and accurate. His team was solid, cordial, and efficient.

We were blown away that your team replaced some of the washed away mulch from our (now fixed!), overflowing gutters (without even blinking). That is how "service" is defined.

You will be hearing from us again, Mark—I'm not sure if Phase 3 will be the creek area, our boulder wall, more of the backyard, or what, but we'll trust your expertise and look forward to the opportunity to work with you again!

~ Andy & Courtney Wesdorp