



Maintenance Tips

- Mulch will help hold the soil moisture as temperatures start to rise.
- Don't start running irrigation until your plants are in need. Let the roots grow deep to seek moisture!

From Dale's Desk

Spring is here! My favorite season. Every year, the color green amazes me! Seeing all the plants come alive with color energizes me after a long dreary winter.

This spring, Dana and I have been especially blessed by the birth of our first grandchild. Our son Max and his wife Hannah had a baby boy in March. They named him Oslo Zion Stuber. Dana and I traveled to Monterey, CA in early May to meet Oslo and spend time with the family. We enjoyed every minute and eagerly await a return visit.



On May 15th, we also celebrated the graduation of our son Calvin. Cal graduated with a degree in Architecture from the University of Illinois in Champaign.

Spring is such a wonderful time. Plus, I love having the crews back and seeing all our hard work come to life in our clients' spaces.

Plant Shortage

Currently, all over the United States, nurseries and landscapers are running into a common problem: a plant shortage. This issue is multi-faceted, but comes down to a huge demand and a lack of supply. We are working closely with our suppliers to acquire quality plants, but deliveries are often delayed or cancelled.

Nurseries are still reeling from last year's demand, and coupled with closures related to the pandemic, their stock dwindled. Labor shortages mean less was planted for this year. And then the South was hit was the devastating cold wave, killing off many plants.

There is also a shortage of manpower to get the plants to retailers and landscapers. The trucking industry is having the same problem as a lot of industries, not enough workers.

So while we wait for some varieties, thankfully, we are still getting a number of plant deliveries each week. Our designers are mindful of the obstacles with plants and try to choose only available plants for your designs. Sometimes the supply changes, so we try to be as cognizant as possible and make changes as soon as we can.

Your patience and flexibility with these delays are much appreciated!

What is a pollinator garden?

Pollinator gardens support and maintain pollinators by supplying food in the form of pollen and nectar that will ensure that these important animals stay in the area to keep pollinating our crops for continued fruit and vegetable production. The most common pollinators we see are bees, butterflies, moths, and hummingbirds. Due to a loss of habitat and chemical usage, many pollinators have disappeared. Recently there has been a resurgence to provide gardens that are not only pollinator friendly but also are attractive. Native plants are the best plants for these gardens. Ideally, plant a variety of flowers so something is blooming throughout the growing season.





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Proven Winners Perennial of the Year

“Cat’s Pajamas” Catmint

This plant is a long blooming perennial that’s perfect in small areas of the landscape. Indigo blue flowers are produced all the way from the soil to the tips, providing an intense splash of color when it’s in bloom. Rosy purple calyxes extend the color when the blooms are past peak.

If you’re looking to provide for pollinators, this pretty little perennial can help. It is known to attract bees, butterflies and hummingbirds. It also claims to be resistant to deer and rabbits.



The Cat’s Pajamas is an low maintenance plant that prefers full sun and average, well drained soil of low to average moisture. It gets 12-14 inches tall and has an 18-20 inch spread.

We’d like to recognize some of our recent employee anniversaries: Colin Abernathy (5), Adam Campbell (15), David Ramirez (8), Emanuel Rodguez (1), Dana Stuber (1), Mariano Hernandez (22), Doug Getz (2), Fausto Jauregui (1) and Jason Sauder (27!).

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Employee Updates

We’re continuing to grow! It has been wonderful to welcome these folks to the Stuber Land Design team!

Alyssia Price joins the LMS team as a Gardener. She recently completed the Highway Construction program at ICC prior to joining us. She is a Cubs fan and enjoys a good burger and fries!

Bryce Sandoval is a returning employee to the LMS team. He is an East Peoria a native and die hard Cardinals fan.

Raymundo Vasquez has been in the landscaping industry for over 20 years and recently joined our construction team. He loves Red Lobster and visiting the ocean.



Enrique Quintero is also a returning employee. He was with the construction team a few years ago, but returned to join the LMS crew. His nickname is Kike and he is a Cubs fan.

Jaden Taylor is participating in our internship program. He will get to sample different areas of the business during his ten weeks with us. He just finished his junior year at ISU studying Horticulture and Landscape Management.