

# Garden Club Newsletter



**It's the first of March** and now some of the early spring yard projects you have been waiting to do can be started. Here are a few of the things that you can do to get ahead of the crowd.

1. Clean up all of your pots and containers.  
Use a solution of 8 parts of water to one part of bleach.
2. Sharpen all of your garden tools.
3. Get a soil test.
4. Replace or add mulch to your beds, and add amendments.
5. Prune spring and summer flowering shrubs and ornamental trees (before they bud out).
6. Cut down ornamental grasses, and cut back perennials.
7. Start to plan changes that you might want to make to existing flower beds.
8. Create new walkways.
9. Dream of the warm weather to come!

**Did you know....**

One tree can remove 26 pounds of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere annually, equaling 11,000 miles of car emissions. Landscape plants, such as shrubs and turf, remove smoke, dust, and other pollutants from the air. One study showed that one acre of trees has the ability to remove 13 tons of particles and gases annually.

**\*Reminder\* The March Garden Club meeting** will start at 9:00 instead of 10:00 a.m. so that we may accommodate our hanging basket garden parties. Stop by the store or visit the website for more information on the garden parties. The first one will be the evening of March 17th celebrating St. Patrick's Day

**Did you know....**

The eggplant is a member of the potato family, and is also known as a garden egg, melanzana, or aubergine



**Did you know....**

You should think of mulching as "maintaining the forest floor". Add 1" to 3" of compost or mulch to planting beds every year.

Our **Annual Garden Club Luncheon** will be on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.  
Come eat a gourmet lunch with us, and learn about herbs at the seminar.  
Mark your calendars, and remind your friends that it's a great time to join the garden club!

**GARDEN CLUB SPECIALS - April**

30% off to garden club members only  
Any one item with a Bunny on it  
Bagged mulch (limit 3)  
4" Potted geranium

