

SPRING EDITION

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Once again, we would like to welcome those of you who are new to our Tree/Shrub Care program. For those of you who are returning customers we again thank you for your loyalty! Here at Lang's we have been busy over winter expanding our services and incorporating the latest techniques and materials to better care for your landscape investment. Remember through out the season, if you have any concerns or questions please reach out to us so that we can stay on top of any issues as they develop.

Emerald Ash Borer Update

EAB has now become extremely active in our area. The majority of untreated Ash Trees have been infested to some degree and most are now beyond saving. While we will continue to treat trees currently on our Borer Control Program, we will most likely not be able to help any new customers especially if the tree is already showing signs of EAB activity. We will be offering many current EAB customers a new two-year, Trunk Injection treatment to go along with our current soil drench and trunk drench systemic treatments.



Our New Additions

*We have expanded our efforts to control various species of scale insects to the use of additional systemics and a new Insect Growth Regulator. Scale can attack a number of plants and be VERY persistent. Of special concern is the increase in activity on Cherry Laurels.



*Our basic Spotted Lanternfly treatments are now embedded in our regular Tree/Shrub Pest Control treatments for spring and summer. We will still be offering soil drench & trunk drench systemics for trees of special concern. SLF is now firmly established in our entire service area.

*We are seeing an increase in Phytophthora Root Rot activity in the area due to the trend to heavy downpours of rain, causing plants to become water-logged. We are expanding our use of soil based fungicides accordingly.

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Pine Borer Update

*Due to the increase in Pine Borer and various Bark Beetle activity, we are encouraging customers with White Pine trees to begin treating preventatively for these pests. We can address these pests thru our Borer Control Program utilizing both soil drench & trunk drench systemics.

Proper Mulching Techniques

Tree Facts

A living tree is 99% dead. The only live parts of a tree are the leaves, buds, root tips, and cambium—the thin green layer just under the bark, which transports food and water. All of the wood built up in the previous years of a tree's life is composed of dead cells.

A new layer of mulch in spring definitely helps spruce up landscapes after a long, dreary winter! The benefits of mulch include helping to maintain soil moisture, weed reduction, stabilizes soil temperatures and mulch rings around trees protect plants from mechanical trunk damage and turf competition. (an adequate mulch ring around young spruce trees is critical to prevent Cytospora Canker) As beneficial as mulch is, too much mulch can be quite harmful.



Many landscapes are suffering from a plague of over mulching! Excessive mulch can lead to plants becoming water-logged and promote Phytophthora Root Rot. Conversely, a thick layer of matted, old mulch can prevent water and air flow, effect soil ph level and produce organic acids toxic to some plants. Mulch piled against tree trunks ("mulch volcano") can lead to insect and disease issues resulting in decline.

While fresh mulch will definitely give your planting beds a uniform, well cared for look, proper mulch installation is critical. It may be time to have all of your old mulch raked out and removed before adding new mulch this spring!



Pest Control Update



Spring is in the air, and the bugs are loving it!

Warmer weather is a much welcome relief after a cold winter. We can finally open our windows, enjoy our outdoor spaces, and the kids can play outside again. Unfortunately, insects love this time of year even more than us. Ticks are waking up from their winter naps. Mosquitoes are hatching in your neighbor's wheelbarrow that was left out since last fall, and the ants are beginning to search for your new picnic spot. Let Lang's Pest Control take the guess work out of your pest control this year!

Call today to ask about our Pest Control New Customer Spring Promotion!



Just for fun...

"Someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago."

Warren Buffett

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