

CALENDAR

APRIL

- Apply pre-emergence herbicides while planting spring annual beds
- Watch for Azalea leaf gall
- Monitor anthracnose on Dogwood and Maple
- Spray for powdery mildew, crabapple scab, red tip leaf spot, and rose diseases
- Control aphids, webworms, turpentine beetles, bagworms, borers, lacebug, leafminers, spider mites, thrips, and scabs
- Plant summer annuals, and summer flowering bulbs
- Fertilize trees, shrubs, and ground covers (except spring flowering)
- Fertilize and prune Azaleas after blooming
- Fertilize daffodils lightly with 10-10-10
- Prune spring flowering shrubs and

- vines after flowering
- Mow turf as needed, monitor insect and disease activity
- Apply post-emergence herbicides to turf and shrub beds
- Monitor disease activity on trees and shrubs

MAY

- Monitor grubs and disease in turf
- Fertilize annual flowers once per month
- Prune spring flowering shrubs after flowering
- Prune evergreens for dense growth habit
- Monitor insects and diseases – powdery mildew, lacebug, scale, mites, etc.
- Fertilize spring flowering shrubs after flowering
- Apply growth regulators to fast growing plants to curb pruning needs

- Monitor roses for disease and insects
- Complete planting annuals and summer flowering bulbs
- Cut back and mulch daffodils when foliage dies
- Aerate warm season turf after 75% green up

JUNE

- Monitor turf and shrub disease and insects, maintain an active spray program
- Fertilize and prune Azaleas
- Deadhead annuals and perennials as needed
- Apply pre and post emergence herbicides as needed
- Cut back and mulch daffodils when foliage dies
- Continue fertilization of trees and shrubs
- Monitor and treat Japanese beetles

SPRING 2010

The Latest Dirt

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The Groundskeeper

Dear Friends:

In these busy days and hectic times, sometimes we forget to say Thank You. As our loyal customers, your continued trust in us at New Leaf Landscape Services has not gone unnoticed. We truly appreciate your business and your referrals.



With the drought now in the distant past, many people are looking toward the coming growing season as a chance for renewal and reflection. What better place

than your own landscape to create a haven that can provide restfulness and a sense of pride, right in your own back yard?

Already we are seeing the signs of spring: the yellow-bell Forsythia and daffodils have broken through the doldrums of winter and the summer annual planting season is not far behind.

We will continue to provide you with excellent customer service and the assistance you expect from all our staff here at New Leaf Landscape Services. And ask about our special referral program when you talk with Melanie at our office. It's just another way of saying "Thank You" to you, our loyal customers.

Sincerely,

Steve Murray
President

Quick Tips

April Showers Bring Spring Flowers

Now is the time to order your spring and summer color. This year there are some great selections to choose from, including annuals and interesting ornamental grasses and plants. Let us add some of these to your landscape:

- Fireworks Grass – with vibrant red stripes and a height of 2 to 2 1/2 feet tall, it's an excellent accent for annuals.
- Americana Geraniums – bright red big bloom clusters, they are also available in salmon.
- Zinnias – great for cutting, we have a new selection called Dreamland Mix in a multitude of colors.
- Others to try include tiny petunias called "Minifamous," graceful Hamlin grass and Dwarf Cannas.

Lawn Care: 'Tis the Season

- To promote good root development and growth, core aerate lawns in the spring
- Water your lawn a maximum of one inch per week, preferably in two applications of a half-inch each time. Overwatering can cause shallow roots and other problems.

New Leaf can provide complete lawn care services and seasonal color for your yard all year long. Call Melanie at 678-450-6599 for more information.

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Stepping Stones

Visit Our New Website

With a new look, we launched our improved website in March, so stop by and take a look. You'll see many interesting features and helpful hints on this information-filled site. It's more visual – with colorful photographs – and easier to navigate than ever before.

Also, for your convenience, we have added the ability for you to complete service requests online. The forms are simple to use and are delivered directly to our service and maintenance staff.

The web address is the same: www.newleafs.com. Give us a click and check it out!

NewLeaf Referral Program

Let your neighbors in on your secret & we'll take \$100 off your next invoice.

In appreciation for your referral, we'll deduct \$100 from your next invoice when they sign an annual contract.

Giving Back to the Community

PLANET, the Professional Landcare Network, is hosting a Day of Service in April to encourage its members to give back to the community. Our project at New Leaf is the Linwood Apartments Playground in Gainesville. Last year we installed a playground with new equipment and child-safe mulch. This year we are installing benches and doing other work to continue to improve the appearance of the playground.

We have also added Randy's House/Our Neighbor to our community service projects for 2010. Updating the landscape and adding new plants are among the tasks we will be completing at this worthwhile organization. If you'd like to know more, call us at (678) 450-6599.

Residential Spotlight

Judges' Choice – Home of Norm and Angie Moye

The MALTA judges surprised the staff of New Leaf at the recent awards banquet. We knew we had won four awards for our work in North Georgia, but we also received one of three Judges' Choice Awards -- grand recognition -- for our ongoing maintenance of the Norm and Angie Moye home in Dahlonega. This is quite an honor for New Leaf and for the Moye family.

The mountain home, nestled in the woods, is built in a cottage style. New Leaf designed a plan that would highlight the natural setting, with rock walls, perennial beds and a stunning 4,000-square-foot lawn of Zoysia that's reel-mowed. The design also includes space for Angie to add plants each season.

"I love to dig in the dirt myself and try to find additional plants to enhance the landscape," Angie says. "My father was a landscape architect and had a nursery, so I grew up loving to garden."

The couple receives many compliments on their landscape and home, but Angie is quick to point out that they can't take all the credit.

"We just love the work that New Leaf does, from the initial design to the continuing care of our landscape," she says. "They do a wonderful job."




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