



OCTOBER 2009 NEWSLETTER

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ACTIVITY TASK LIST

How do you prepare your monthly landscape report? Do you just have a 1 minute dissertation of what you did in relation to the landscape or do you have a report from the landscape company detailing exactly what was done? Do you just wait for the board to ask what has been going on or do you have a report prepared by your landscape company for you to present to the board?

Asset Landscaping embraces technology for the purpose of keeping you informed and making your job easier. Submit a service request, when it has been completed, you are emailed a report showing it is done. Each month you get a summary report of all service requests submitted internally, from you, from others, and also all of the visits by Asset personnel.

There is no greater tool at your disposal. Used effectively, you can alleviate a lot of questions from your board and with the service request response, you can close those work orders out of your system in a timely manner.

We can come to your office to show you how this system works, just ask! Coming soon will be your ability to access this on demand and online too!

WATER CONSERVATION

Asset Landscaping has proven time and again that it is a leader in water conservation. We have confirmed numerous victories in this area again this year! It is time for us to help add to your bottom line with effective water conservation.



THIS MONTH IN LANDSCAPING

On our web site at www.AssetLandscaping.com, you will find a link to our landscape planner outlining areas that are common to focus on each month. Also check out the archived newsletters for additional timely information.

With what people are terming a Nonsoon this year, the usual signs of fall are here, including the nights cooling off. The nights are finally reaching where we need them to help push the Bermuda into a slower growth mode. Turf heights have already come down to 2" and most have begun to be scalped in preparation for seed.

The window for a great looking winter lawn is very narrow. Too early and the Bermuda outgrows the Rye, too late and not enough time for germination and a couple of fertilizations to sustain the green past the first frost. Fertilize too quickly and you will burn the new grass, too late and the Rye will yellow because the fertilizer will be absorbed quickly enough in the colder weather.

October is also time for winter flowers. Annual winter flowers are some of the most beautiful blooms to add color to the winter landscape.

Non frost sensitive plants will be pruned over the next couple of months. The frost sensitive plants such as Lantana will be pruned back to a size that when they frost out, doesn't attract too much attention but enough to help insulate them against possible cold weather.

This was one of if not the hottest summer any of us have had in Phoenix. Let's get out and enjoy the cooler weather!



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