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SPRING HOURS - PLEASE NOTE!

Office & Yard/Will Call Hours

7:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday - Thursday

7:00 am to 3:30 pm Friday

Closed Weekends and Major Holidays

MARCH/APRIL 2008

LOTS OF LOVE THIS SPRING

We are pleased to announce that Mountain States is fully stocked for spring and into the coming year. Our three growing grounds are filled to the brim with our signature trees like *Prosopis* x *Phoenix*®, *Prosopis glandulosa* *Maverick*®, and *Parkinsonia* x 'Desert Museum'. We have large quantities of your favorite shrubs and grasses too, such as *Eremophila maculata* *Valentine*®, *Baccharis* x 'Starn' *Thompson*®, *Leucophyllum langmaniae* 'Lynn's Legacy', *Muhlenbergia capillaris* *Regal Mist*® and *Muhlenbergia rigida* *Nashville*®. Contact your sales representative today to get in on the Love!

MORE POWER TO YOU

In an effort to streamline our service and provide our customers with the plant material they need we have decided to produce our current availability list in the form of a single document. Please note that our popular web site will now reflect a sole availability list for virtually every plant we produce. Visit our web site at www.mswn.com to see how this works.

TIME FOR SPRING CLEANUP

As we approach the spring solstice and the days begin to lengthen there seems to be more minutes

to get things done. There is time to enjoy the warmth of the sun and to work the garden so that we can reap the fruit of the earth. In this time of renewal we set new goals, reorganize our lives, and develop priorities.

Many of us also start the ritual of spring house cleaning (and hopefully offices too). As we fill our recycle boxes with piles of old membership directories and myriad catalogs it becomes very obvious that there is a lot of clutter in our lives. Between the advertising fliers, the ever present bills, and the occasional good piece of mail it seems our "in-box" always seems to be overflowing.

The current buzzwords within the industry are sustainability and supporting a "green" (insert appropriate word here to fit, i.e. office, home, school). There are cries to minimize the impact we have on the planet. We are encouraged to recycle when doable, to reduce our consumption when practical, and to reuse commodities whenever possible. Well, we hear the message and we would like to respond. We would love to help the cause by reducing the amount of paper consumed to produce this newsletter. We feel that if many of

you opt to receive this correspondence in a digital format that we just might be able to save a few trees. Would you like to receive this publication in a digital format by email? We would like to know.

We also have completed our latest price list for the wholesale trade. We are in the process of finishing the printed copies and we would be happy to mail you a fresh copy. However, if you feel that you would prefer a portable document format (pdf) copy delivered by email we certainly could do that for you.

Please take a few minutes to fill out the insert survey in this printed copy. Simply mark your personal preferences and send them to us by mail, fax, or even digital format if you are able to scan the copy and email it back to us. We look forward to hearing from you and will do our level best to comply with your request. If we don't hear back from you, well what can we say? We will be forced to drop you from our mailing list, and you probably won't even miss the one less item in your mailbox. But we can always add you back on once you respond. Don't delay; we've got plants to grow!

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UPCOMING EVENTS / NOTICES

April 4 - 6 Boyce Thompson Arboretum Spring Plant Sale

Highway 60 Milepost
#223, Superior, AZ
Info: Contact BTA at
520-689-2811 or visit:
www.btarboretum.org

April 5 Sibley Nature Center Plant Sale

1307 E. Wadley,
Midland, TX
Info: Contact
bwilliams@sibleynaturecenter.org or call
432-684-6827.

April 12 - 13 The Heard Natural Science Museum Plant Sale

1 Nature Place,
McKinney, TX
Info: Contact The Heard
at 972-562-5566 or visit:
www.heardmuseum.org

April 25 - 26 Chihuahuan Desert Research Institute 23rd Annual Plant Sale

Highway 118, Ft. Davis, TX
Info: Contact CDRI at
432-364-249 or visit:
<https://cdri.org/index.html>

April 26 Highlands Center for Natural History Plant Sale and Educational Festival

1375 S. Walker Road,
Prescott, AZ
Info: Contact HCNH at
928-776-9550 or visit:
<http://www.highlandscenter.org>

April 26 - 27 Chihuahuan Desert Gardens FloraFest

University of Texas - El
Paso Centennial Museum
Info: Contact at
915-747-5565 or visit:
<http://museum.utep.edu>
or www.anla.org

100 Great Plants for Phoenix

Recently our own Janet Rademacher did a presentation entitled 100 Plants for Phoenix Public Spaces. The concept was to produce a list of plants that are more likely to succeed in high traffic areas and offer greater promise for a sustainable landscape. The list also highlights certain characteristics that might be common to urban designs, including the following criteria:

Plants tolerant of periodic flooding in retention basins.
Plants tolerant of reflected heat — urban heat island.
Plants tolerant of shady spots — urban canyons.
Salt tolerant plants.
Low growing trees for use under power lines.
Thornless plants.

Shrubs and groundcovers useful for medians — typically under 3 feet in height.
Virtually indestructible plants.
Very drought tolerant plants.
Very low maintenance plants.
Trees and shrubs native to the Phoenix area.

We thought you might like to see this list of incredible plants so we have provided the abbreviated version. Unfortunately we were unable to produce the entire list of 100 plants along with the various characteristics. To find the complete list please visit our web site at www.mswm.com, or just give us a call and we will be happy to send it to you.

BOTANICAL NAME

Acacia aneura
Acacia berlandieri
Acacia craspedocarpa
Acacia farnesiana Sierra Sweet™
Acacia redolens Desert Carpet®
Acacia willardiana
Agave bracteosa
Aloe barbadensis (A. vera)
Aloe x 'Blue Elf'
Ambrosia deltoidea
Anisacanthus quadrifidus v. wrightii Mexican Fire™
Asclepias subulata
Baccharis x 'Starn' (P.P.#11240)
Bouteloua curtipendula
Bouteloua gracilis
Buddleja marrubifolia
Caesalpinia cacalaco Smoothie®
Caesalpinia mexicana
Callaeum macropterum (Mascagnia macroptera)
Calliandra californica
Calliandra eriophylla
Celtis pallida
Chilopsis linearis Art's Seedless® and Warren Jones®
Cordia boissieri
Cordia parvifolia
Dalbergia sissoo
Dalea greggii
Dasylirion quadrangulatum (D. longissimum)
Dasylirion wheeleri
Dodonaea viscosa
Ebenopsis ebano (Pithecellobium flexicaule)
Eremophila maculata Valentine®
Eremophila x Summertime Blue™
Ericameria laricifolia
Eucalyptus papuana
Eucalyptus salmonophloia
Euphorbia antisyphilitica
Eysenhardtia orthocarpa
Havardia pallens (Pithecellobium p.) Sierra Sparkler™
Hesperaloe funifera

COMMON NAME

Mulga
Guajillo
Leatherleaf Acacia
Nearly Podless Sweet Acacia
Freeway Acacia
Palo Blanco
Spider Agave
Medicinal Aloe

Triangleleaf Bursage

Desert Milkweed
Thompson® Baccharis
Sideoats Grama
Blue Grama
Woolly Butterfly Bush
Thornless Cascalote
Mexican Bird of Paradise
Yellow Orchid Vine
Red Baja Fairy Duster
Pink Fairy Duster
Desert Hackberry
Desert Willow
Mexican Olive
Little Leaf Cordia
Rosewood
Trailing Indigo Bush
Toothless Desert Spoon
Grey Desert Spoon, Sotol
Hop Bush
Texas Ebony
Emu Bush
Emu Bush
Turpentine Bush
Ghost Gum
Salmon Gum
Candelilla
Kidneywood
Tenaza
Coahuilan, Giant Hesperaloe

BOTANICAL NAME

Hesperaloe nocturna
Hesperaloe parviflora
Hyptis emoryi
Justicia californica
Lantana montevidensis
Lantana 'New Gold'
Larrea tridentata
Leucophyllum frutescens Green Cloud™
Leucophyllum frutescens
Leucophyllum frutescens 'Compacta'
Leucophyllum laevigatum
Leucophyllum langmaniae Rio Bravo®
Leucophyllum langmaniae 'Lynn's Legacy'
Leucophyllum zygophyllum Cimarron®
Lycium andersonii
Manfreda x 'Macho Mocha'
Maytenus phyllanthoides
Muhlenbergia capillaris Regal Mist®
Muhlenbergia emersleyi El Toro™
Muhlenbergia lindheimeri Autumn Glow®
Muhlenbergia rigens
Muhlenbergia rigida Nashville®
Nolina matapensis
Nolina microcarpa
Nolina nelsoni
Olneya tesota
Parkinsonia florida (Cercidium f.)
Parkinsonia microphylla (Cercidium m.)
Parkinsonia praecox (Cercidium p.)
Parkinsonia x 'Desert Museum' (Cercidium x)
Parthenocissus sp. Hacienda Creeper™
Pedilanthus macrocarpus
Penstemon eatoni (red)
Penstemon parryi (pink)
Penstemon superbus (coral)
Pistacia chinensis Sarah's Radiance®
Pistacia x 'Red Push'
Podranea ricasoleana
Portulacaria afra
Prosopis glandulosa Maverick®
Prosopis juliflora (P. velutina)
Prosopis pubescens
Prosopis x Phoenix®
Quercus fusiformis
Ruellia peninsularis
Russelia equisetiformis
Simmondsia chinensis
Sophora secundiflora
Sphagnetocola trilobata (Wedelia trilobata)
Tecoma stans v. stans 'Gold Star'
Tecoma x 'Orange Jubilee'
Tecoma x Sunrise™
Tetaneuris acaulis (Hymenoxys a.)
Teucrium chamaedrys 'Prostratum'
Thymophylla pentachaeta (Dyssodia p.)
Vauquelinia californica
Viguiera parishii (V. deltoidea)
Vitex agnus-castus 'Montrose Purple'
Yucca baccata
Zephyranthes x 'Prairie Sunset'

COMMON NAME

Night-blooming Hesperaloe
Red Hesperaloe
Desert Lavender
Chuparosa
Purple Trailing Lantana
New Gold Lantana
Creosote Bush

Heavenly Cloud
Compact Texas Range
Chihuahuan Sage

Desert Wolfberry

Mangle Dulce, Sweet Mangrove

Deer Grass

Tree Bear Grass
Bear Grass
Blue Nolina
Ironwood
Blue Palo Verde
Foothill Palo Verde
Palo Brea

Lady's Slipper
Firecracker Penstemon
Parry Penstemon
Superb Penstemon

Red Push Pistache
Pink Trumpet Vine
Elephant Food
Thornless TX Honey Mesquite
Arizona Native Mesquite
Screwbean Mesquite
Thornless South Amer Mesquite
Escarpment Live Oak
Desert Ruellia
Coral Fountain
Jojoba
Texas Mountain Laurel
Yellow Dot

Angelita Daisy
Prostate Germander
Golden Dogweed
Arizona Rosewood
Goldeneye
Monk's Pepper, Chaste Tree
Banana Yucca
Coral Rain Lily