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## Leaves are Falling

It's that time when the leaves are falling, sometimes fast and sometimes they hang on. Regardless, if you need help with your leaves and would like us to come by and take care of them, just give us a call. At the end of the leaf season, you might need your gutters cleaned. Don't risk climbing the ladder yourself, we're glad to clean your gutters as well!

## Natural Relaxation – Provence Lavender!



This is a favorite perennial named for the province in southern France where Lavender is grown to supply the perfume industry.

At 24-30" mature size, 'Provence' with its long, silver-gray spikes lined with mauve blooms make first-rate cut flowers. The display begins in July and continues into September if the old spikes are removed as the flowers go by.

Famed for its scent, 'Provence' is a favorite among soap makers and dried flower arrangers. It's a prolific producer, sending up multiple flowers on its bushy plants that attract and support bees and butterflies. Plant in well-drained soil with plenty of sun. It's hardy in our zone for northeastern Ohio.

Source: [www.willowaynurseries.com](http://www.willowaynurseries.com)



## Halloween 2020

With coronavirus cases spiking around the country, cities, towns, retailers, and confectioners are bracing themselves for what could be a substantially more subdued Halloween this year. We are all trying to figure out what Halloween looks like during a pandemic. The Morning Consult poll, conducted in late July, found that 63% of adults believed that people would “find creative, fun and safe ways to celebrate the Halloween season this year.” The Harris Poll, conducted in mid-June, found that 74% of millennial mothers and other young parents said that Halloween was more important than ever this year.

Maybe it's Halloween at a distance, or at home, “but that doesn't mean Halloween is not happening, Jamie Lee Curtis, who since the release of the 1978 film *Halloween* has seen her name tied to this holiday. She said, “What's important is that children are resilient, and putting on a costume, whether you're running around on the streets or in your own home, I think the idea of putting on the costume is the fun part. Halloween will be different this year, but different doesn't have to be bad. There can be a lot of fun and creativity.” Source: [www.ksat.com](http://www.ksat.com)





“When the world wearies and society fails to satisfy,  
There is always Music amongst the trees in the Garden,  
but our hearts must be very quiet to hear it.”

~ Minnie Aumonier (1865-1952)

### It’s that Season – for Scary Movies!

Would you like to share some movie time with the family, but don’t want to hear about the nightmares? Try these age-approved films that Good Housekeeping recommends:



**Scoob!** (2020) Age 7+

**The Addams Family** (animated 2019) Age 7+

**Mary and the Witch’s Flower** (2018) Age 8+

**Goosebumps** (2015) Age 9+

**Toy Story of Terror** (2014) Age 6+

**Wallace and Gromit Curse of the Were-Rabbit**  
(1999) Age 7+

**Casper** (1995) 8+



Now all you need to do is make the popcorn! *Source: www.goodhousekeeping.com*

### Family Game Night

Why should we host a family game night?! An hour or so a week of family time playing together helps reconnect everyone. Games teach important life skills! Regular game nights give kids practice in essential skills and provide immediate feedback about what works and what doesn't. They'll need those skills in the real world! Win or lose, games teach good sportsmanship.

Family game night creates lasting memories because they foster a sense of belonging. In the busy hubbub of life, it is so nice to have tech-free, face to face time with your kids. Creating a family game night tradition is something you'll cherish. The years you have with your kids at home go by in a flash. Laughing together strengthens the bonds.

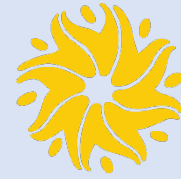


If you were to invite your kids to an evening of talking with their parents and tell them no phones are allowed, you won't likely get a very positive response. But once you start regular a family game night, your kids will be asking you when the next one is!



## Estates is a Proud Member of the Conservancy

In response to the pandemic, Western Reserve Land Conservancy has opened a few unique preserved properties for public use.



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“With more people seeking places outdoors to explore and enjoy in a socially-distant fashion, we have created the **#GetOutsideOhio** campaign to promote fun and exciting outdoor adventures for community enjoyment. From birding tips to scavenger hunts and coloring books, the campaign is designed to engage visitors, educate the public and encourage people to celebrate the beauty and wonder of our region during the pandemic and beyond.”

*Click the link below for a map to explore open public parks and preserves!*

[www.wrlandconservancy.org/getoutsideohio](http://www.wrlandconservancy.org/getoutsideohio)

## Apple Harvest Festivals Might be Canceled, but there's still lots to do with all those apples!

**Applesauce** – is so much better than what you find in the store. Try adding vanilla bean and bourbon!

**Apple butter** – there's no butter in apple butter, it's simply a very thick, smooth fruit purée. It's easy to make with so many uses!

**Poached apples** – apples in a mixture of red wine, orange juice and spices – yum!

**Apple pie** – plain or caramel, cheddar, spiced, bacon and so many other versions!

**Apple muffins** – so delicious and moist, plus they are healthier for you with apples and whole wheat flour!

**Apple cake** – with maple syrup will be a hit; recipes are easy to find!

**Caramel apples** – you can make is easy with “already made” caramel for an extra easy treat.

**Apple stuffing** – Homemade stuffing is easier than you think, add extras like sausage, maple, pecans...

**Apple cider donuts** – include apple chunks in the batter, or you can use your homemade apple butter!

Source: [www.gourmetgiftbaskets.com](http://www.gourmetgiftbaskets.com)

