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## HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER

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### OFFERING GIFT CERTIFICATES



**Our mission is to provide quality service to our customer's with increase knowledge, appreciation, and education of plants.**



## CHRISTMAS TREE



### CARING FOR LIVE CHRISTMAS TREES

Having a live evergreen tree for the holidays allows you to enjoy it indoors during Christmas, and outdoors for many years thereafter. Here are some simple tips for keeping your tree healthy and prosperous. First, dig a hole before the ground freezes. You will want to cover the hole with leaves or straw. Then, place a piece of plywood over the hole for safety. Next, you will want to place the freshly dug dirt in a tarp. Remember to situate the tree into a cool room for a couple of days before planting. This will help prevent the tree from breaking out of dormancy. Plant the tree outside on a mild day. If it's too cold outside, put the tree in an unheated place until it is mild outside. Make sure that your tree is well watered. After following these steps, you are able to enjoy watching your tree grow for years to come.

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## HISTORY OF POINSETTIA

What's the story behind poinsettias, you may ask? These plants pop up every year between Thanksgiving and Christmas. It began when our first ambassador, Joel Poinsett, went to Mexico. He introduced poinsettias to the United States around 1827. As the plant grew in popularity, the name changed to poinsettia.



## CHOOSING OUTDOOR WINTER PLANTS

When considering an outdoor winter plant, keep in mind the size of the planter. You do not want to choose a planter that is too big or too small for the space. Also, make sure that the container can withstand the winter temperatures. Materials like metal milk containers or half wooden wine barrels are all durable choices for the outdoor winter condition. Be creative in filling the outdoor container with red berries, mix of pine cones, and evergreens branches.



## WILDLIFE FRIENDS

Our wildlife friends could use a little Christmas cheer. Think about planting some plants in your yard to help support them. By planting holly, winterberry, or cotoneaster in your landscape, it will help give them food through the winter. You can find all these plants at Heasley's Nurseries Inc.



## EASY DECORATING WITH FRESH GREENERY



Gather evergreens, herbs, flowers, fruits, leafy branches, and berries to make simple, nature-inspired winter decorations for every corner of your home.