

# Sperry Tree Care

NEWSLETTER

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### WELCOME TO OUR SPRING NEWSLETTER!

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We are all very excited about the arrival of Spring! We have even more reason to celebrate this time of year because Oregon Arbor Week is observed the first full week of April. Trees are an important part of life in Oregon and Arbor Week is a wonderful opportunity to raise awareness of their many benefits, including clean air, shade, healthy streams, increased property values, fish and wildlife habitats as well as their natural beauty. In honor of Arbor Day, consider where you might plant another tree. Our team can help you choose the right tree for the right location.

# Spring Projects



## COMMUNITY GIVEBACK PROGRAM

**NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS** for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Giveback Program.

In 300 words or less tell us about the individual or non-profit organization you are nominating, what tree/shrub work they need to have completed, and why they should be selected as our winner. Be sure to include your name and contact information in case we have any questions and email it all to [info@sperrytreecare.com](mailto:info@sperrytreecare.com). Subject: Nomination. The nomination deadline is Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Learn about how we were able to help one of last year's winners, Grassroots Garden: <https://tinyurl.com/4j35m8ju>

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## TIPS FOR SPRING CLEANING YOUR YARD

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Just like when we spring clean our homes, spring cleaning in the yard improves the look and feel making our yards more inviting and enjoyable.

**REMOVAL:** This is a good time for dead wood removal; any unsightly dead or dying branches. It's also an opportunity to cut back anything that is encroaching on roofs, walkways or any high traffic areas and to remove trees and shrubs that did not survive the winter. Cleaning out the old can make way for new planting opportunities or allow surrounding plants to thrive in the new space that is created. Maybe it's not a dead tree that's the problem, but an old stump from a tree long gone. Most stumps can be ground out using machinery specially designed for the job so you can take back that previously unusable space.

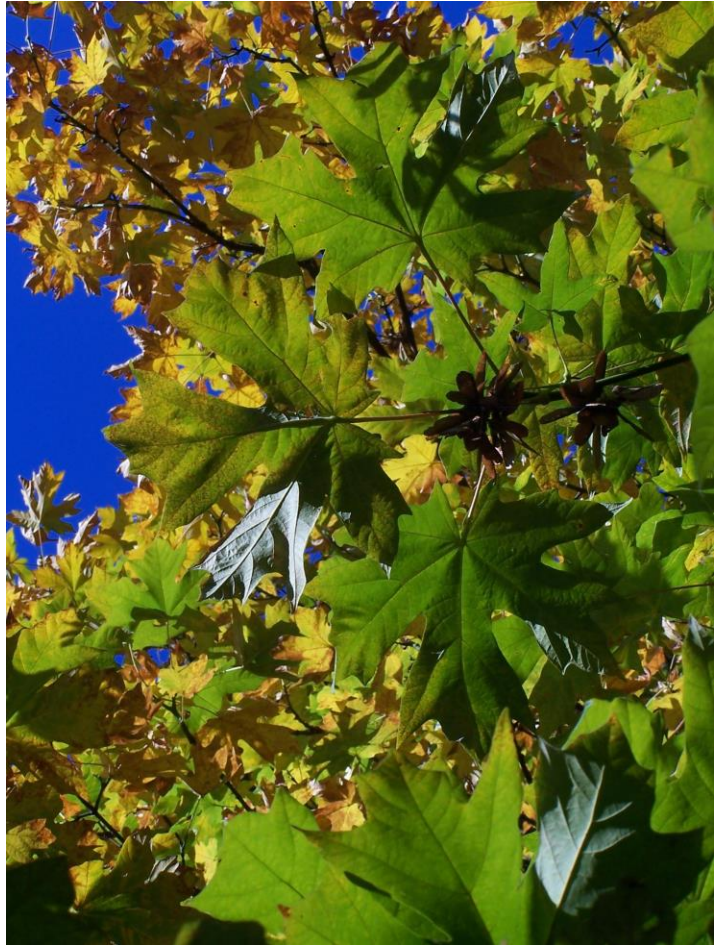
**SUPPORT:** Spring is also a great time to get a good look at the structure of your trees before the leaves fill in. Some trees require additional support in the form of cabling or bracing to reduce stress caused by a weak area that could potentially become a point of failure. Weak areas frequently occur around co-dominant stems, cavities and cracks in unions, where a trunk divides.



**FEED:** Finally, this is a good time to feed the soil that feeds your plants. Incorporating organic mulch or green manures into the soil can improve soil structure by aiding soil aeration and increasing water and nutrient retention. Organic mulch is formerly living material such as chopped leaves, grass clippings, shredded bark and pine needles. Whereas, green manures are typically leguminous plants that are mixed into the soil while still fresh, steadily releasing nitrogen into the soil.

# Tree in the Spotlight

The largest maple species in North America, spreading as wide as they are tall.



## **BIG LEAF MAPLE (ACER MACROPHYLLUM)**

- Native to the Northwest, Alaska to California
- Typically grows 50-110 feet tall
- Oversized leaves can be 12-14 inches
- Easily grown in moist, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade
- Attractive to many animals; squirrels, deer, birds
- Very large tree not appropriate for all yards
- Species is susceptible to drought conditions
- Not very showy coloring in Fall
- Susceptible to Verticillium Wilt

# Leaf It to Us

## TREE RISK ASSESSMENT QUALIFICATION (TRAQ)

TRAQ reports are commonly requested when there is concern that a tree may pose a hazard to people or property. A TRAQ Qualified arborist has been trained to conduct an objective inspection and produce a written report that details the risk factors and steps for potential mitigation, if appropriate.

These reports are used by homeowners, commercial entities and municipalities to make decisions that impact the value and appearance of their properties. The objective view of a TRAQ Qualified arborist can be used to settle conflicts or provide peace of mind to a property owner. A thorough inspection can confirm that a tree should be removed or reveal a defect that can be easily mitigated, allowing a tree to grow and thrive for years to come.



With 6 TRAQ Qualified arborists on staff, Sperry Tree Care is uniquely qualified to meet the needs of clients who can benefit from this service.

We offer FREE estimate appointments to determine if a TRAQ Consultation is right for your situation. Call our office or request an appointment online at [sperrytreecare.com](http://sperrytreecare.com).



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