

# BLOOM-TIMES

“Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.”

-ALBERT CAMUS

## Giving Back to Our Community

Finding ways to give back to our community here in Chicago is important to us. We recently came across an organization called Bernie's Book Bank, we did a bit of research and instantly became intrigued by their work. Their main goal is to collect used and new children's books and distribute amongst at-risk children in Chicago. Many of these kids never even owned a book before entering kindergarten. We decided to head out to Lake Bluff, IL and volunteer!

We had an amazing experience volunteering. We will be hosting our very own book drive that will run through the remainder of our season. If you have any gently used children's books and would like to donate you can contact us for pickup. If we happen to visit your residence during fall and winter clean ups/plantings you can simply leave the books out for us. For those of you that do not have children's



books you can donate monetarily. A simple \$6 donation provides one child with 12 books for a year.



**Link to donating monetary value**  
[bernies.formstack.com/forms/donation](http://bernies.formstack.com/forms/donation)  
[www.berniesbookbank.org/about/](http://www.berniesbookbank.org/about/)

### Meet Lauren!

Lauren graduated from DePaul University with a degree in Environmental Studies. She has always had a passion for exterior landscaping design and horticulture. Lauren loves the process of beautifying an outdoor space and is excited to learn and gain more knowledge from Jessica.

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## Pick up your leaves!

It's like picking up your clothes. Cleaning and maintaining your garden space and lawn is key to having your yard look amazing come spring. It is important to rake up and remove as many leaves as possible from plant beds and lawn once the majority of leaves have fallen. Too many leaves left on gardens and lawn can stifle plants and cause fungus. Plus it looks messy. We will be in touch about scheduling fall clean-up soon but feel free to reach out if you have questions or would like a quote now.

## Bulb Envy

Are you like me in April walking by your neighbors yards wanting all the beautiful tulips and daffodils? If so, fall is the time to get those bulbs in. We would love to help you plan and plant your dream bulb display. There are so many possibilities!



## In Need of Holiday Décor?

J. Lyn's has you covered, we provide a wide range of services from custom made wreaths, garland décor with hand-tied bows and even bouquets. Contact us for any occasion!



## Did you know we could be your florist?

As mentioned earlier we create custom bouquets. If you're in need of a fresh cut arrangement we will gladly assist in creating your vision. Holidays like Valentine's Day and anniversaries are the perfect occasion to surprise a loved one with unique floral arrangements.