



## Our first newsletter is born!

Welcome to our first edition of GardenSoft's e-newsletter. We will use this forum to interview some of our users, let you know where you can meet us at a trade show, share some tips on computer hygiene, and show some short cuts to making life easier with PlantMaster and GardenWorks and even give you a chance to enter contests to win book prizes!

We are grateful to all of you for using PlantMaster and/or GardenWorks. We think it will help your business by saving time, creating professional-looking reports, and keeping you organized and on task.

Warmest Regards,  
*Gerry Kiffe*  
General Manager

## Computer Hygiene Tip

Preventative measures with your computer create a better working environment with your computer and saves you from headache and hassles.

It is important that you have virus protection on your computer, whether it be McAfee or Norton or another reputable company. You can purchase virus protection at any store that sells computers. Make sure you purchase the feature to continue receiving virus updates, as new viruses are always being created to threaten the well-being of your computer.



## Meet us in Long Beach, CA

GardenSoft will be at the Landscape Industry Show on March 12 and 13 in Booth **1219**. Please visit us and let us know how you are doing with PlantMaster and GardenWorks. You can find out more about the show by going to [www.clca.org](http://www.clca.org). See a live demonstration of PlantMaster and GardenWorks and learn how to create presentation reports for your clients. Differentiate your business from others.

## PlantMaster Tip

How do you make PlantMaster work for your area, region or micro-climate? It gets tedious doing those plant searches over and over again!

Create a project of your favorite plants, perhaps your favorite trees you use in your design and/or installation. Go to the plant list found in the project section. Click on the first plant and then click on **"edit plant"**. Click on the **custom tab** and type **"my favorite trees"** for custom 1 field. **Right-click** on the  in front of my favorite trees and then click on **True**.

You have just created a custom field that includes your favorite trees. Next time you do a plant search, go to **Misc ⇨ My favorite trees**. Now you can do a search using your favorite trees and use other search parameters such as size, shape, leaf color, type, etc.

Keep adding or subtracting favorite trees to your project; be sure to mark the additional ones as your favorite tree in the custom tab of **"edit plant"**. Do this for several months until you are satisfied with your plant list of favorite trees. When you are done with your list of favorite trees, do a final plant search for favorite trees, and then add them to a custom list by clicking on **save results**. Click on **Lists** when you want to peruse your favorite trees!