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September-October 2020 Autumn Newsletter

Kane & Blalack Amongst 100 Top Designers in Region

We would like to congratulate Josh Kane and ALan Blalack for, once again, being featured as two of the regions top designers by *Home & Design Magazine*. Check out this year's edition of the 100 Top Designers on newstands now, or click on the image below to view our online profile.



Fall Aeration, Seeding & More As summer comes to an end, the heat and

humidity has left many of our lawns in need of

repair. We have already begun our fall aeration and over-seeding services to aid in its recovery over the next couple of months. It is **extremely important** that the ground be in good condition and have adequate moisture in order for the seed to germinate and grow. Please make sure you are watering your lawn before and after the completion of these services for the best results. We recommend watering every 2-3 days before the service, and continuing until 3 weeks after your over-seeding has been completed.

Power Seeding & Compro: In addition to our general

aeration and over-seeding service, we also offer several optional lawn renovation services, such as broadcast seeding, power seeding and top dressing with compro. If you did not already sign up for these additional offerings and you lawn is in need of extra care, please contact our office for a quote and to schedule service.

Fall Mulch/Bed Clean-up: It is getting to be that time of year when everything starts to look colorful-except for the mulch in your beds. A re-edging and a fresh layer of mulch can do wonders this time of year. Fall mulching gets things looking sharp and crisp. If you do not want mulch but your beds are looking tired, we are offering a general landscape bed clean up to include; removal of any debris and weeds from your beds, reestablishing the edges, and turning the mulch where it has become built-up or compacted.

Fall Flowers : Fall is the perfect time for planting pansies. These beautiful annuals will add color to your landscapes through-out the winter. 6" potted pansies are \$10 each with a minimum order of 20 flowers. This price includes the flowers, fertilizer, light cover of mulch, and labor. Please contact us for available color selections.



Spring Bulbs: Fall (typically late fall) is also the time to plant bulbs such as daffodils, tulips, and crocus that will bloom in the spring and add beautiful color to your gardens. We have priced our bulbs at \$120 for 50 bulbs. This price includes the bulbs, bulb fertilizer, a light cover of mulch, and labor.

Custom Landscape for Custom Home

When Josh Kane first met with the McVeys, they were in the process of a tearing down and rebuilding a custom home on their property in downtown Vienna. The clients wanted to transform the entire property into something that would allow outdoor entertaining for both intimate and large scale occasions. With an eye and appreciation for design, these



proud homeowners wanted a landscape

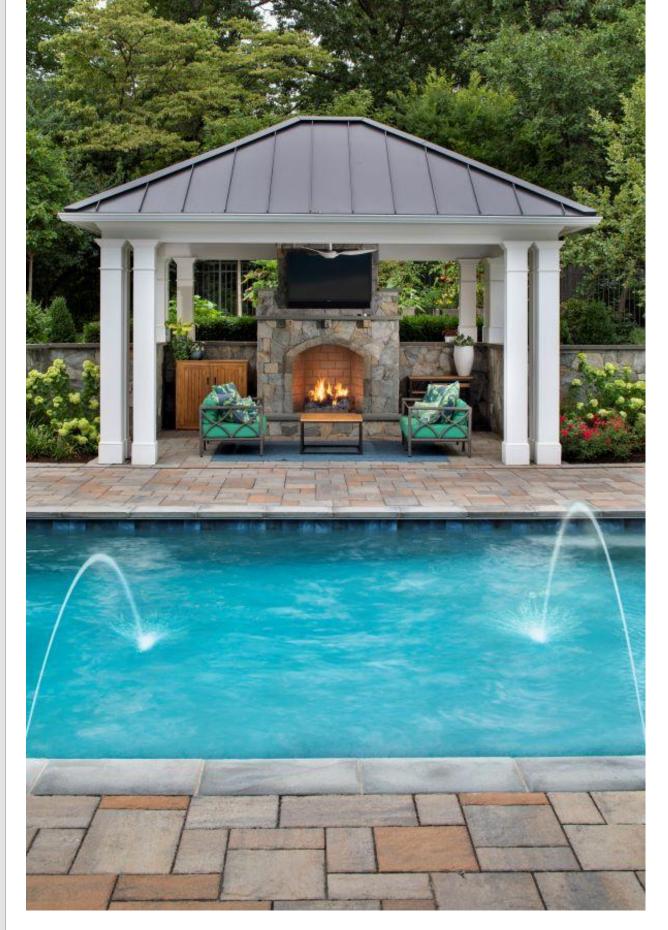




that would compliment the look of the house, not obscure the view of it, as the home sits on a prominent corner in the Town of Vienna. As expected, the Architectural Plan went through several revisions to meet County and Town requirements. Once approved, we finally had a design that would fullfill all the clients' and governments' requirements



Kane Landscapes designed and installed all work outside the footprint of the new home build. This included the design, demolition of the large existing stone walls, removal of trees, drainage work, pool and pool patio installation, masonry walls and walks, carpentry of new composite curved deck, pool pavilion, fireplace, planting, lighting, irrigation and the conversion of the existing stone shed into a pool house with changing area, washroom and separate storage closet.

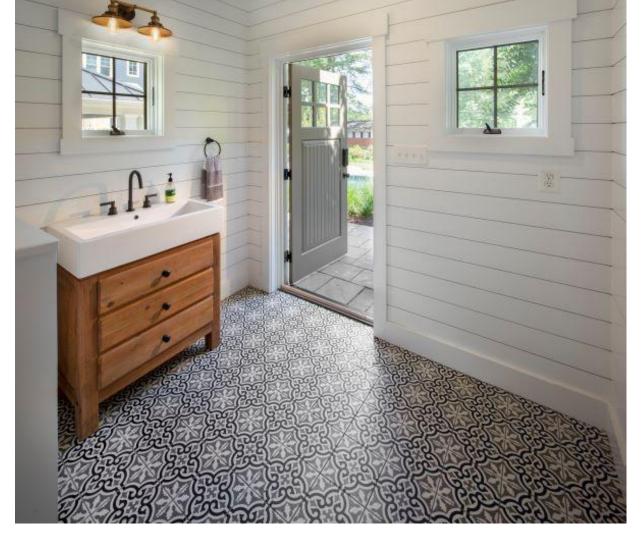


The large pool is complete with a diving board and has two luminar deck jets that provide visual and audio interest even when the pool is not in use. The gas burning fireplace in the pavilion provides a great focal feature and plenty of warmth when paired with the recessed infrared heaters in the ceiling.





Retaining walls were constructed in front of the reimagined "shed" turned pool house. The client loves the warm hues of the existing stone on the shed and did not want it removed and wanted to match the stone chosen for the water table on the house and the new retaining walls. Inside, the shed was remodeled into a farmhouse style poolhouse.



The clients did not want the yard totally screened from the street as they desired a more "open" feeling, even when the plants matured. The plant pallet reflects this request by incorporating smaller flowering trees and shrubs combined with a mulititude of colorful perennials that will keep the landscape looking vibrant throughout the seasons.



Fortunately, this family was able to fully enjoy their landscape and pool for the duration of the Stay at Home order. With the fireplace and heated pavillion they can look forward to extending the time they spend outside this fall and winter.

Landscape Calendar & Tips



<u>September</u>

- Continue Aeration, Seeding, and Fall Fertilizer
- Optional organic compro applications available to enhance lawn and seed germination
- Continue Weekly Mowing
- Continue Bi-Weekly Weeding
- Optional Fall Bed Clean-ups
- Plantings are going in during this cooler and wetter season.

<u>October</u>

- Continue Aeration, Seeding, and Fall Fertilizer
- Continue Weekly Mowing
- Continue Bi-Weekly Weeding
- 3rd Round Pruning & Plant Fertilization Begins
- Plant bulbs to give you those beautiful Spring flowers and your
- Replace summer annuals with Fall pansies and mums.

