



A crew with a post hole digger.

This information made me realize that asking about the expertise and work ethic of the specific crew assigned to a project is a critical part of hiring the right company for the job. I wondered if some companies were charging higher fees because of El

Nino. (I had heard that roofing companies were known for that practice.) Collins responded that a company with integrity quotes the same fees yearround. Many people believe the misconception that winter is a time when fencing contractors scramble for work, but that is not the case. If you need a fence, do it when you want it. Don't wait.

To help you explore your options, here are four local companies to consider:

C & J Fencing (925) 355-1380 www.CandJfencing.com A & J Fencing (925) 939-2105 www.AandJfencing.com **Borg Fence** (925) 290-8818 www.BorgFence.com **Burton Fencing** (925) 290-7840 www.BurtonFencing.com Spring is around the corner and our trees are full of buds and blossoms. Enjoy the beauty and the fragrance.

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Happy Gardening! Happy Growing!

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Cvnthia Brian with Ryan Collins, and the crew from C & J

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Winter Pruning

Winter is the best time to start pruning deciduous plants and trees, such as maples, shrubs, roses, most fruit trees and most of all your Monterey pines. They go dormant in the winter and some lose their leaves. Deciduous plants are best pruned in the winter because that's when they're dormant and less prone to disease.

Before you start hacking away at your yard, you may want to call in a professional Arborist from Advance Tree Service to give you their advice on what should be done, the proper handling during pruning is essential to ensure a healthy future for your trees and shrubs.

So don't wait until it's too late, call your local Arborist at Advance Tree Service to help make your yard its very best.

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