HOEN'S GARDEN CENTER



Meyer LEMONS

THE HISTORY BEHIND OUR LEMON TREE//

In 1970, Bob Hoen's grandfather Frank brought a small Meyer Lemon Tree back home with him from Florida. He grew the tree in a pot until it was too large and had to be planted in the ground under greenhouse cover.

When the adjoining family orchard was sold in 2002, the tree was then moved to it's current location at the Garden Center. At that time, the base weighed 6,000 lbs. To get the tree into the greenhouse, part of the building had to be removed and it was set in place by a large crane.

Buds form on the lemon tree in February. Small lemons form after the fragrant spring blossoms fall, and they finally become yellow and ripe in late fall. They are in their prime between late-November and January, after which the tree will be pruned to prepare for the next year. The tree produces over 3,000 lemons annually.

