OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER

FALL 2023



KEEPING YOUR TREES HEALTHY

Although your trees will lose their leaves this Fall, this makes it a great time to trim lower branches. Not only can you see all of the branches by December, but you may get a great deal on tree trimming costs before the busy Spring season begins. Follow these tips to keep your trees and grass healthy.

-Hire an ISA-certified arborist or qualified tree specialist to prune your trees.

-Cut away the lower branches if the grass under your tree is stressed or dead. Grass needs sunlight to live.

-Cut away tree branches that touch your home. High winds can cause those branches to damage your roof.

-Mulch around your trees, remove grass and weeds. This keeps your tree roots moist. This is especially important for young trees. Tree roots extend to the tips of tree branches.

-Water your tree and ask your arborist or gardening company for fertilizer recommendation

-Check for pests, bugs and damage to the trunk. Have them treated and looked at quickly.

-Protect the truck and exposed roots by not hitting damaging them with a mower or edger.

LAWN FERTILIZATION AND PLANT PROTECTION

Using the wrong fertilizer can damage your lawn. Each lawn type (e.g. Bermuda, St. Augustine, and Zoysia) requires Different product applications throughout the year, especially during the transition from summer to winter. Carefully read the instructions included with the product before you purchase and apply it. Make sure your spreader is set correctly for the right coverage. When in doubt, all major companies have a website, and also a customer service line, that can provide further assistance.

-Scotts www.scott.com 888-270-3714 -Bioadvanced www/bioadvanced.com 877-229-3724. -Calloway's Nursery www.calloways.com

Burlap fabric is an inexpensive way to protect in-ground and potted plants during the winter when the combination of change in sunlight and lack of soil moisture cause problems. Don't use plastic which traps heat or cold, and doesn't allow air circulation. Burlap can be purchased at Home Depot, Lowe's, or at your local fabric store. Cut it to the sizes you need. Place three to four stakes around each plant, then drape a double layer of burlap over the stakes. and secure with staples. Leave enough room between the stakes and burlap so the leaves of the foliage don't touch. Once the weather moderates and temperatures stabilize you can remove the burlap. If weather changes are light to moderate, most plants won't need this extra protection, but it's good to be prepared.

ADDING A SPLASH OF COLOR IN THE WINTER

Local experts say the dull, drab landscapes of winter in North Texas can become more colorful with the following list of plants that are known to thrive during this unpredictable season of the year: Leopard Plant, Sasanqua Camellias, Leatherleaf Majonia, Christmas or Lenten Rose, Nardinas, Purple Wintercreeper, Hollies, and Coral Bark Maple. Mums also add great color in the Fall.

LAWN OF THE MONTH WINNERS

Congratulations to our Lawn of the Month winners: 405 E Whitener in July, and 402 Paint Rock in August.

UPDATE ON PIPLINE ROAD PROJECT

Atmos Energy is moving along on the gas pipe project on Pipeline Road a and is nearing completion. They expect to be finished in October of 2023.

HOLIDAY EVENTS ARE COMING UP

With the holidays on their way, check out this website for suggestions on holiday events of all kinds https://www.eventbrite.com/b/tx--euless/holiday/. You'll notice that some have a charge and require tickets.

Don't forget our annual neighborhood holiday decorations contests. They are always a big hit. The HOA Board members will select Halloween decoration winners during the day on October 28 and select holiday decorations winners the night of December 23rd. Winners will be announced and appear in the 1st Quarter HOA newsletter in 2024.

HOA REMINDERS

TRASH RECEPTACLES, FENCE REQUIREMENTS, AND WATER DRAINAGE

Please purchase a plastic trash container for your trash. Although this is not required by the HOA, it prevents trash from spreading throughout our neighborhood on windy days and keeps birds and dogs from tearing into the plastic bags,

If you are thinking of replacing or repairing your fence, please remember our HOA rules. Fences may not be more than eight feet in height and must be constructed of redwood, cedar, or pressure-treated pine. Redwood lasts longer than Cedar, and Cedar lasts longer than pine. Chain link, wire, and vinyl fences are prohibited. Also, stringer boards should not be visible from the street or the common area. Fences can be unfinished, clear sealed, or sealed with a brown-colored stain or flat paint.

Remember, any time you build or re-build anything on your property, please make sure you do not alter the way water drains from your property. You are required to ensure water drainage on both sides of your property.

WATER HEATER LIFESPAN

If your tank water heater is more than 10 years old, it may be time to consider replacing it. With proper maintenance, a tank water heater tank should last six to 12 years. A tankless water heater can last for more than 20 years.

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