Lawn:

- At this time you should inspect your spreader and make sure it is in good working order so that you are prepared to apply grass seed and fertilizer in the next few weeks. If you do not have a spreader or need a new spreader, we recommend that you get an easy to use Earthway Broadcast spreader.

- Now is the time to reserve rental equipment like dethatchers and core aerators for your fall renovation program. Buy your Turf Trust and Water saver seed now so that it will be on hand when the weather breaks in a few weeks. You don’t want to be shopping when you should be renovating. Fall is the best time for lawn renovations. Grass that is sown in the fall will give the grass time to grow roots all fall and spring which will allow the grass to be able to better deal with next years hot summer.

- Be sure to buy the lawn products and reserve the equipment now for later, when it is time to reseed so that you will not be without the materials that you need.

- If you are not going to over seed, then now would be the time to apply Dimension. The application of Dimension will prevent Poa Annua (annual blue grass) from taking over the lawn this winter. If you have thin areas in your lawn, then use Turf Trust to help make your existing lawn to thicken up. Gallery can be applied now to prevent winter and spring weeds like chickweed and henbit.

- Japanese Beetle grubs are hatching or have hatched in the soil now. Control them with the Bayer Dylox now.

- Spray lawn weeds and crabgrass now if you are following the 60/40 lawn program. Don not reseed for three weeks after the last application of Bonide weedbeater plus crabgrass killer or PBI Gordon trimec plus crabgrass killer.

- Kill all vegetation now if you are following the disaster lawn program with Bonide kleen up.

If you suspect chinch bugs and sod webworms on your lawn, apply Liquid eight after a rain or irrigation.

Inspect spruces, juniper, and arborvitae for spider mites. If the spider mites are present, use Bonide systemic insect control. Never use insect control drenches for mites.

Yellow nutsedge is everywhere. It can not be controlled with lawn weed killers or crabgrass killer. To kill yellow nutsedge, use SedgeHammer+. Use these product as directed on it’s packaging.

If there is not a substantial rain for ten days or more in August, water trees and shrubs.

Evaluate your lawn now to decide which lawn renovation program is right for you.
Weeds:
• Wild violet and creeping charlie can be killed in your lawn by using Monterey spurge power. Do not mow 3 days before or after an application of Monterey spurge power. Make 2 Monterey spurge power applications 5 days apart in the evening when there is no rain in the forecast. Wait 3 weeks after the last application of Monterey spurge power before planting grass seed. Follow the label for instructions on how to apply the Monterey spurge power.
• Do not use a Weed and Feed to kill weeds!
• After using Bonide Crabgrass Killer, wait four weeks before sowing grass.

To be mosquito free apply Summit Mosquito and Gnat barrier spray in the evening this week.

• Plant ornamental cabbage and kale seed now. Perennials that have finished blooming, cut them back and remove all spent flowers.
• German iris’ can be divided and replanted in newly fertilized beds now. Iris borers can be manually removed, if present, when tubers are divided.

Do not trim azaleas any more. They have set next years buds. New growth will be subject to winter injury. If you have not fed them with cotton seed meal feed them now.