



It is more important to sit quietly and enjoy the autumn foliage than it is to rake up every fallen leaf.

GARDEN MAINTENANCE

- ❑ Finish pruning perennials back to 2-3 inches.
- ❑ To prevent erosion and compaction from rain in unplanted areas, have Rexius blow in an erosion barrier of mulch or compost for winter protection. In spring you can plant the area, taking the time to plant it right.
- ❑ Wrap young trees with a tree guard to prevent sunscald and windburn especially if they are exposed to the south or west.
- ❑ Remember to drain or insulate your backflow devices, as well as your irrigation systems. Call Rexius/Grant's Irrigation Division for assistance.

LAWN CARE

- ❑ Cut lawn to about 1.5" to 2" height for the winter months.
- ❑ Apply lime for moss control at this time.
- ❑ Lawn cutting is probably close to being over. Clean mower thoroughly, scraping off soil and old grass. Cover metal parts with a thin layer of oil (vegetable will work), then store mower in a dry sheltered area.

PLANTING GUIDE

- ❑ Continue planting landscaping material.
- ❑ Now is the time to start forcing Holiday bulbs. Nurseries have a great selection of Amaryllis ranging from small up to extra large bulbs. Paperwhites can be planted either in water or soil. Plant bulbs in two week intervals for extended seasonal bloom....ENJOY ...
- ❑ Don't forget to plant your spring-blooming bulbs in containers. Plant bulbs deep in pots and then over plant the top with pansies or violas. Enjoy all winter and be delighted again in the spring.
- ❑ Take cuttings from Geranium to enjoy indoor blooms over the winter.



*"Darkening nights are drawing in
Log fires are lit, the curtains close
Gardens wait for the year to begin
Inside gardeners warm their toes."*

~ David Squire

