- Clear dead and dying annuals and the dead tops of perennials from flower beds and borders. They may harbor insects and disease organisms
- It's not too late to plant or divide and replant iris, daylilies, peonies and other spring and early summer flowering perennials.
- Reduce next year's rose disease and insect problems by cleaning up fallen rose leaves and pruning and disposing of dead, damaged or diseased canes.

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- Repot house plants that outgrew their containers over the summer. Inspect plants that spent the summer outdoors and treat or discard them as necessary to control insect or disease problems
- Gather and destroy fallen fruits and rake up leaves of apples and cra-bapples to reduce the carryover of such insect and disease problems as apple magget and apple scab.
- Do not prune spring-flowering trees and shrubs now except to re-move dead, diseased or damaged branches. The flower buds for next year's display have already formed, and pruning now would remove them.
- Protect young fruit trees and other tender-barked trees and shrubs against damage by gnawing mice and rabbits. Place cylinders of quarter-inch mesh hardware cloth around the trunks so they extend 18 to 24 inches above the usual snow level.

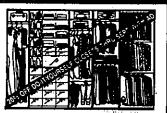
- If the weather has been dry, water trees and shrubs weekly until the soil freezes. Evergreens, particularly, need to go into winter well watered. They will continue to lose moisture from their foliage after frozen soil limits the ability of their roots to take up water to replace it. Needles or leaves can become severely dried out.
- · After leaves fall, plant or transplant deciduous trees and shrubs. Be sure to remove any wire, plastic cord. plastic burlap or other non-biodegradable materials from trunks or root balls before planting. If left in place, they will eventually girdle and kill a plant. Water new plants thorand a plant, water new plants thoroughly and mulch. Support tall trees with stakes and guy wires as needed to prevent their being whipped or uproted by the wind. Shield newly planted evergreens against drying sun and wind or windblown sait spray. Canvas or burlap screens supported by stakes will do the tele-
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 Collect cones, dried weed seed pods, meadow grasses, nuts and other dried plant materials for winter crafts projects.
- Rake leaves off the lawn at least once a week so they don't mat on the lawn and smother the grass plants.
- Remove and destroy diseased plant materials in the vegetable or flower garden. Remove or plow under other plant materials so the garden doesn't provide winter shelter for in-

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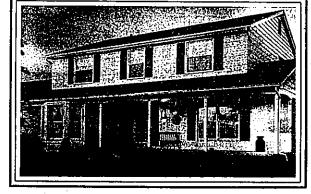












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