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PREPARING YOUR GARDEN FOR WINTER STARTS NOW!

Now is the time to cut back fading stalks, leaves and weeds and to clean up the garden before winter.

Removing debris reduces the likelihood of future problems. Spent foliage, left to flop over or fall off on its own, and decomposing plant debris left on the ground can harbor overwintering pests and diseases. In addition, a well-trimmed garden looks neater, and you'll have less grooming to do in the spring, when new shoots are trying to poke their way up.

Here's what you need to do to prepare your garden to withstand winter:

- Remove weeds, debris and invasive plants.
 - Test and prepare your soil to give plants a head start in spring.
 - Divide perennials.
 - Fertilize the lawn.
 - Plant spring-blooming bulbs.
 - Dig up and store tender bulbs and corms.
 - Water all plants and protect vulnerable plants with mulch, burlap, etc.
 - Prep your tools for next year.
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Fall is when weeds go to seed -- pods and seed cases burst open to release them. If you don't have time to rake up crab apples, try collecting them with a shop vacuum. If there's no time to pull plants up by the roots, chop or clip off their heads before the seeds are released. Discard all seed heads in the trash pile, not on the compost heap. If you have a large weed patch, smother it over winter by covering it with a large sheet of black plastic weighted down by bricks or rocks.

Oh by the way ... should you know of someone, family or friends who might be thinking of selling or buying a property, please be so kind and give me a call. I'd be happy and would love to tend to their Property needs.

I welcome and appreciate referrals from you!