



Timely Tips January

Ornamentals

1. Water trees, shrubs and evergreens thoroughly just before the ground freezes. You may need to water again next month if there is no winter precipitation and the ground is not frozen. Evergreens are especially susceptible to dying in the winter from lack of moisture.
2. If the fall was too busy and you still have spring flowering bulbs stored in the garage, plant them now before the ground freezes!

Houseplants

1. Keep the dust off of your houseplants by lightly washing the foliage. "Dusting" your houseplants will make them more efficient in gathering light and allow growth in the winter months.
2. When heaters are running indoors, keep the humidity levels up around your houseplants by setting them on trays filled with pebbles and water.
3. Keep an eye out for any insect outbreaks on your houseplants. Organic insecticides or rubbing alcohol can be safely used indoors to control insects. Stop by Superior with any questions or identification of insects. (Please bring samples in a closed, zip-lock bag)

Birds & Wildlife

1. Hang suet and keep bird feeders full to attract wildlife into your yard for your winter watching pleasure. *Wild Delight Bird Seed* is full of natural ingredients that will keep your birds healthy through the cold winter months.
2. If you had a fresh cut Christmas tree for the holidays, you can be creative with the boughs and provide shelter for birds and other wildlife in your yard.
3. Keep any wildlife water sources unfrozen with de-icers or water heaters.
4. If your water garden has fish, be sure to keep a hole in the ice to allow water to be well oxygenated.