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Five Lawn Care Tips and Projects to Complete Before Winter

With the autumn season in full swing, there's no better time to watch leaves change colors, enjoy a hayride with family and friends, and indulge in a cup of hot apple cider. But, did you know it's also the perfect time to prepare your backyard for winter?



Fall is an important time of year to give your lawn proper care, so it can survive the harsh winter months ahead. So before you put your tools in hibernation, consider these five lawn and garden projects from Troy-Bilt, a leading manufacturer of outdoor power equipment, to help your lawn flourish come springtime:

1. Leaf removal

During the fall, leaves cover your lawn in what seems like the blink of an eye. A leaf blower is an easy tool to use and can help you move all your debris to one place for quick cleanup. Keep in mind, it's best to either blow all leaves toward the center of your yard to create one big pile, or start at the edge of your lawn and blow leaves in the same direction.

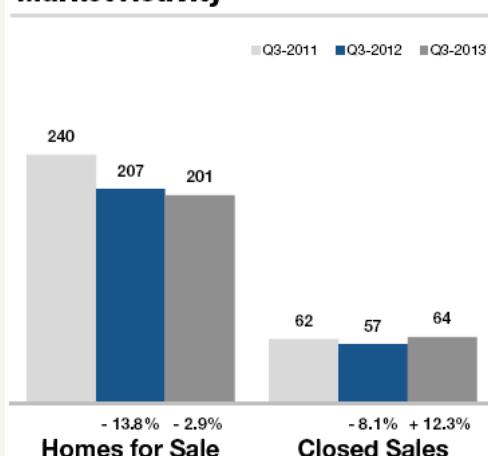
2. Restore soil

Add beneficial nutrients, soil bacteria and microorganisms to next year's garden by recycling pulled annuals, leaves, grass clippings, and leftover fruits and vegetables into an organic compost. Your homemade compost will help you get a jumpstart on your spring lawn and garden efforts, and increase soil richness for plants and flowers.

3. Prune

Since trees and shrubs lose leaves in the fall, it is easier to spot and prune diseased or dying branches. To prevent disease, prune... CONTINUED PG. 2

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*A few words from the President/Broker,
Amanda L. Grover, SFR*

Congrats to agent Sue Polizzi for her recent achievement of Sales Master* and also her GRI Designation**! Great Job Sue!

*Criteria: 35-59 Closed MLS transactions or \$4,000,000+ closed volume, 9/12 -9/13.

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ALBERT EINSTEIN

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branches that grow back toward the center of the tree, or cross and rub against each other. However, do not remove unreasonably large branches since exposed stubs can cause health problems for trees and shrubs.

4. Lawn mulch
Give your lawn the strength it needs to survive the winter with nutrient-heavy mulch. An easy way to do this is by using a mulching lawn mower or a chipper shredder to mulch leaves and spread a thin layer over your lawn. The nutrients and organic matter absorbed into the ground will contribute to your lawn's overall strength and growth in the spring. Plus, mulching is great for preventing weeds, stopping erosion and compaction.

5. Weed control
Just like other plants, weeds prepare for winter by storing food in their roots. To remove stubborn weeds, pull or dig weeds out of the ground or use a homemade weed-control solution, such as five parts white vinegar, two parts water and one part dish soap, and then reseed the spots to prevent regrowth.

EQUIPMENT TIPS:

Before you retire your outdoor power equipment for the season, don't forget to winterize them with these quick tips:

* Empty gas tanks and remember to always disconnect the spark plug prior to draining. After draining the fuel, reconnect the spark plug wire and run the engine to burn excess fuel.

* Add gas stabilizer to your gas can to prevent buildup in the carburetor.

* Drain and replace the oil, plus change the filters in lawn mowers, string trimmers and edgers.

* Tighten screws, lubricate all moving parts, and repair or replace any worn or broken parts while inspecting your equipment.

* Wipe down equipment to prevent rusting or engine damage.

* Store outdoor power equipment in a clean, dry place.

know it, so get your yard ready for the cold days ahead by doing the legwork now and visiting www.troybilt.com for all your fall lawn care needs. You'll be glad you did when spring is in full bloom.

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Fall will be over before you

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"As the summer winds down, we are enjoying the fall weather and harvest time of year. We're hoping to get away to the Adirondacks soon. It's been quite a while. If you're interested in renting our cabin in Old Forge, feel free to contact us! We have affordable, budget rates."

"We're getting ready for the fun in the snow – Winterizing everything! Waxed up the cross country skis, got the sleds out for the grand boys & Dan bought a new snowplow! Oct 24th brought the first snow to Old Forge! Hard to believe Thanksgiving & Christmas is just around the corner! We hope all our new homeowners enjoy their new houses for the holidays with their friends and family – It's been a pleasure working with all of you this year – despite some of the bumps! Think SNOW!"



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What fabulous fall color this year! I've been busy with the LOADS of apples. Baking, eating & raking. Waiting for some hard cider. Also had fun giving our bathroom a fresh paint job w/ wainscoting.

"Time is going fast! I'm busy as usual with real estate & enjoying fall in the Finger Lakes. Looking forward to spending some quality time with family & friends this holiday and trade in the lawn mower & rake for the snow shovel."

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 TOO SHORT FOR US TO STIFLE
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