



## PRECISION CELEBRATES

**P**recision Landscape has had a very good year, reaching many long-time goals for the company. To celebrate the dedication and perseverance of all of our employees, we are having a company-wide meeting and serving them lunch on Friday December 8. All properties will be serviced earlier in the week. If you have an emergency and need to contact us, someone will be answering the phone or you can call your representative.



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# Precision Notes

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### RODENTS- OH MY!

**W**e are already seeing a good bit of rodent damage due to drought conditions. Kale, Cabbage, and Pansies have a high moisture content in their leaves and so the little critters eat them for both food and water. Be sure to have your pest control service update your rodent control. You may want to put out extra bait boxes especially if empty fields are close.

### TREE PRUNING

**D**on't forget to get your trees pruned. Winter months are good for pruning. The schedule is filling up fast!

### HOLIDAY SAFETY

#### Shopping:

- Be aware of your surroundings at all times.
- Lock car doors.
- Keep packages in car hidden.
- Park in well lit locations.
- If carrying a shoulder purse, hang it across your body not from shoulder.

#### Home safety:

- If frying a turkey make sure it is on some kind of non-flammable surface. Never on a wood deck or grass.
- Keep fire extinguisher where all family members can easily reach it.
- Keep live trees away

from open flames, like fireplaces. They can go up in flames in seconds.

### LANDSCAPE

**B**e sure to check your budgets for funds for landscape work that need to be used before the end of the year. For next year, plan for some replacements that are sure to be needed due to the drought and freezes. Consult with your representative about any projects you might be thinking about so that we may plan accordingly for 2007.



### WELCOME NEW CUSTOMERS

Welcome to the following new customers. We are happy to serve you!

- \*Bryan Tower
- \*Broadway, 3200
- \*McKenzie Dr., 2051
- \*Lake Worth Towne Crossing
- \*601 W. 15th
- \*Spine Consultants
- \*Nokia Building 3
- \*Whitelake Plaza

- \*Cresta Bella
- \*Amber Point 4,5,&6
- \*Indian Trail, 10920
- \*Tetco 614
- \*VHA Place
- \*Walnut Glen Tower
- \*YPI Energy Square I, II, III
- \*Valwood Dis. Ctr #12,13

- \*Indian Trail
- \*Parkside Corporate
- \*The Beverly
- \*Northgate Dist. Ctr #10, 11, 12, & 13
- \*GSW Dist. Ctr #22, 27, 30, 45, 48, & 50
- \*Valwood Dist. Ctr #4 & 7
- \*Plaza at Las Colinas

## QUOTES AND NOTES

- Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can, to all the souls you can, in every place you can, at all the times you can, with all the zeal you can, as long as ever you can. - John Wesley-
- Most of the important things in the world have been accomplished by people who have kept on trying when there seemed to be no hope at all. -Dale Carnegie-
- If you're not enjoying the journey, you probably won't enjoy the destination. -Joe Tye-
- Pessimists calculate the odds. Optimists believe they can overcome them. -Ted Koppel-

### YOU WANT ME TO DO WHAT AT MY HOUSE?

Yes, it's true. We want you to remove leaves at your home. You can rake (good exercise but exhausting) or blow them. You can collect leaves for composting which is a good practice. Not only will this make your home look better but it is healthier for the landscape. Health benefits occur in several ways. One, is by removing the winter home for destructive pests. Two, is by removing the shade that is caused by leaving them on the turf. In Dallas the leaves fall before the turf goes dormant or if you have Rye, it stays green. Not remov-

ing the leaves interferes with photosynthesis and weakens turf. Third, when leaves get wet they provide an environment for various fungal diseases to develop. Yes, it's true.

### WATER, WATER

Remember, despite cool temperatures and dormancy, plants still need water but not as much. Just be aware of any restrictions for your area.

Consider converting to drip irrigation where you can. With water restrictions, this allows us more flexibility in watering and conserves water. We will be glad to help you evaluate those areas that can be converted.

## Home Garden Tips

- Don't forget to water (as restrictions allow). Cooler months do not mean plants don't need water.
- Plant Tulip and Daffodil bulbs as soon as you can. For Tulips, be sure to purchase bulbs that have been pre-chilled or they will not perform well. Daffodils do not require pre-chilling.
- Remember that plants are stressed from the drought and extreme temperatures of summer. If we have prolonged freezes, extremely low temperatures, or many nights of freezing temperatures, we may see even more damage on our plants or damage on plants normally unfazed. Unfortunately there is no way to predict this with certainty.
- Clean-up perennials and cut seed-heads, old flowers etc.
- Remove leaves and debris. They can harbor insects and diseases over winter months. Especially troublesome are leaves of plants that have a lot of fungal problems, Roses, Indian Hawthornes, Photinia for example.



## RECIPE CORNER

### Cranberry Sauce

2 cups fresh Cranberries    1/2 cup Orange Juice  
 1/2-3/4 cup Sugar            1 can Mandarin Oranges, drained  
 1/2 cup toasted Pecans

Bring Orange Juice and Sugar in sauce pan to boil. Lower heat and add Cranberries. Cook until Cranberries pop. Remove from heat. When cool add Mandarin Oranges. Refrigerate. Add Pecans just before serving.

-from the file of Linda Carrara-