

Top Ten List - February

1. The Gift Shop has **great gifts** for your **Valentine!**
2. Apply Dr. Iron to your landscape if pH is over 7.5 for better greening & plant growth.
3. Continue to apply **Maki** to control voles, if you've noticed runways in your turf or live near an open field.
4. Apply **Cloud Cover** or **Wilt Proof** on holly, rhododendrons, euonymus, and Oregon grape again to prevent leaf burn.
5. **Start salting the pond** now for healthier fish.
6. Continue to **attract birds** with clean water & food, thistle socks, suet & seed mixes.
7. Apply weed control **Casoron** pre-emergent now for best results this month. Goathead or puncture vine are best controlled with **Weed Impede** or **Remuda extended control**.
8. Start planting your cool-season seeds indoors at the end of the month. Broccoli, kale, lettuce, cabbage, spinach and swiss chard are great options.
9. Spray **dormant oil & dormant fungicides** on fruit trees, roses, berry bushes and **dormant oil** on shade trees, flowering trees, & deciduous shrubs.
10. **Prune summer blooming shrubs** – spiraea, rose of sharon, potentilla & ornamental grasses now. **Wait to prune spring blooming shrubs** such as lilacs, forsythia or snowball bushes, until after each one flowers, for best results. Shrubs overgrown? Remove one or two larger stems every year on plants like lilacs at ground level to maintain a compact shrub that blooms well each year. Leave some of the young suckers every year to fill in the gaps.