



BURKE COUNTY CENTER

RADIO TRANSCRIPT

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Hello, this is Donna Teasley, Horticulture Agent with the North Carolina Cooperative Extension, Burke Center.

Fall is moving right along and although the official growing season may be over, there's still lots to do in the garden. One of the keys to successful gardening is planning ahead for the next growing season.

You know those pesky voles that everyone has in their yards? Well, its time to start setting your mouse traps baited with raw apples and placed beside the hole then covered with a bucket. Trap voles all winter long and get rid of them by spring. Get out your herbicides containing 2, 4-D and spray wild onions in the lawn. Mark your calendar to spray again next March to control this weed in the lawn. Remember to keep those leaves raked or mown so that they don't pile up on turf grass. Fall leaves can quickly kill grass. Want some spring color. Plant pansies and bulbs now for spring flowers. Remember to plant in well drained areas and to mulch your plants well.

Do you need to move trees, shrubs or other plants? November is a good time to do this chore when the plant is no longer actively growing. Now is also the time to work on other landscaping projects. Fall is a fine time to plant. Get lime on the garden now, especially if you've had blossom end rot problems.

It may be time for bears to hibernate but not for gardeners. Get out there and get busy!

This is Donna Teasley with the North Carolina Cooperative Extension, Burke Center. If you would like more information about this program you can call us at 439-4460.