Prepping for winter: Take this mulch IQ test

BY LIZ DOUVILLE For The Spokesman

ou have to admit that we may have been in denial that winter weather was so close. If you were caught in the mind-muddle of what to do next, take the fall IQ test. It will help establish the to-do list, if too late for this year, add the remind-

WHAT'S THE BEST WAY TO **MULCH FALL-PLANTED PERENNIALS?**

ers to your garden journal.

A) Add a thick layer of mulch.

B) Mulch after the first frost. C) Wait until the ground freezes

Wait. Cover them too early and they won't have a chance to harden off slowly to the colder temperatures. It's not necessarily the cold that damages vulnerable plants, it's the cold/ warm/cold cycles that sometimes happen in winter. Wait until the soil is good and cold, soil temperature should be 50



degrees F, then mulch. When you start to see new growth next year, pull the mulch back so your perennials don't have to fight their way through the cover. Make sure you have a backup plan for quick cover if a late spring frost is forecast.

HOW SHOULD YOU TACKLE THE LEAVES THAT HAVE FALLEN?

A) Rake every last one up as soon as you can. B) Rake them off your lawn. C) Leave them alone.

Rake them off your lawn. Large leaves, like maples, should come off the lawn because they can suffocate the grass over the winter. Small-leafed trees, such as ash, aspen or crabapple aren't as big a worry. Their leaves will probably break down before they have a chance to smother anything.

HOW CAN YOU MAKE SURE YOUR LAWN LOOKS PASSABLE WITHOUT PUTTING MUCH **EFFORT INTO IT?**



Test your mulch IQ with Liz Douville's quiz.

A) Stick with the established program of feeding early spring, early summer, late summer and late fall.

B) Put down a slow-release fertilizer once a year in fall and let it do its work all year.

C) Feed in late spring and summer. B is the answer that requires less work. The best care is establishing a year round schedule if possible. There is a difference between cool-season and warm-season grasses. Kentucky blue and fescues, generally what we grow in our climate, stop growing but don't turn

completely brown in winter. Wa

mon in the South. They turn a straw color in winter.

THE TREE IS SUCCESSFULLY PLANTED. SHOULD YOU MULCH IT IN?

A) No, it wasn't mulched in the container.

B) Yes, pile it up around the collar to protect the trunk and roots.

C) Yes, spread a layer over the roots.

C is the best answer. A 2 to 4-inch layer of organic mulch spread over the trees' root is plenty to keep roots insulated from the freeze-thaw cycle that damages plant roots. Be sure to start about 6 inches away from the tree's trunk so you don't attract rodents and insect damage. If you have voles you may consider skipping the mulch altogether — they love to tunnel in soft mulch.

BULB FOOD

Bone meal used to be a common bulb food, but now there are more options. We have learned that the bone meal

digging dogs. We have also learned that bone meal only contains phosphorous and not any other nutrients that the bulbs need.

Putting fertilizer in the hole with the bulb can be risky because there is a chance the fertilizer could burn the roots. The most earth-friendly way to feed perennial bulbs is to topdress with compost in fall and spring.

If your flowers aren't blooming like they should, you might want to put a slow-release bulb fertilizer on top of the soil in fall. That's when the roots are most actively taking up nutrients. And remember, in the spring after the bloom, do not cut back the foliage.

Winter dehydration is a problem in our climate. We can't count on a good snow cover to provide the moisture. Keep the watering can handy to be used if necessary, especially if you value any new fall planting. A reminder: If you are using a hose, be sure to disconnect from an outdoor spigot after each use.

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BASX Solutions gifted American flag flown at DAR headquarters

By SPOKESMAN STAFF

The Daughters of the American Revolution surprised Dave Benson and Matt Tobolski of BASX Solutions in Redmond with a special American flag that was flown at the DAR headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Teresa Pitman and Lori Niederhof of DAR said how much they appreciate BASX for its support of local veterans in the Redmond community.

BASX Solutions employs about 30 veterans that represent all branches of the military.

"Our veteran staff are some of the hardest working and dedicated staff in the company. We really appreciate their service to our country as well as their commitment to excellence on the job," said marketing specialist Dawn LaPolla.

This year, BASX veteran employees can participate in a new Veteran's Resource Group sponsored by the company. In addi-



From left to right: Matt Tobolski, president and co-founder of BASX Solutions; Teresa Pitman, second vice regent for DAR; Lori Niederhof, Redmond lead for Wreaths Across America- DAR; and Dave Benson, chairman and cofounder of BASX Solutions.

tion, BASX Solutions is sponsoring 100 wreaths for Wreaths Across America, a program that began in 1992, that honors those who made the ultimate sacrifice

serving our country as well as those who currently serve. This vear's local event will take place Dec. 17 at the Deschutes Memorial Chapel and Gardens.

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The Spokesman will update items in the police log when such a request is received. Any new information, such as the dismissal of charges or acquittal, must be verifiable

Police Log

Arrests Fri., Oct. 28

4:44 p.m. NW Oak Tree Ln. Arrested: Patricia Lee Swigart, 71, Terrebonne. Charge: Theft I — Shoplifting 7:37 p.m. SW 23rd St. Arrested: Summer Beige Hopkins Mansfield, 35, Redmond and Jamie Frank Slagter, 46, Redmond. Charges: Criminal Trespass I, Drugs -Methamphetamine, In-State Warrant

Sat., Oct. 29

12:09 a.m. SW Deschutes Ave./SW 29th St. Arrested: Joshua Paul Barry, 24, Redmond. Charges: Reckless Endangering, DUII, Reckless Driving

Sun., Oct. 30

1:03 a.m. NW 6th St./NW Maple Ave. Arrested: Jose Antonio Ortiz-Ortiz, 34,

Madras. Charge: DUII 2:27 a.m. NW Oak Tree Ln. Arrested: Zarian IPO McManus, 36, Bend. Charges: Theft I & II — Shoplifting 5:53 a.m. S HWY 97. Arrested: Vern Robert Klawitter, 51, Redmond. Charges: Criminal Trespass I, Disorderly Conduct II 3:31 p.m. 1800 Block SW Canal Blvd. Arrested: Devon Louis Wells, 19, La Pine. Charge: Criminal Mischief II 8:22 p.m. NW Oak Tree Ln. Arrested: Delmer Jonathan Whitefoot, 21, Warm Springs, Charge: Theft II — Shoplifting 8:53 p.m. 1300 Block SW 28th St. Arrested: Luis Villagomez, 32, Prineville. Charge: Violation of Restraining Order

Mon., Oct. 31

12:31 a.m. NW Jackpine Ave. Arrested: Jeffrey Allan Fischer Jr, 30, Bend. Charge: In-State Warrant 1:11 a.m. SW Indian Pl. Arrested: Lucas Meija Ramirez, 32, Redmond, Charges: DUII, Hit and Run 5:37 p.m. SW Highland Ave. Arrested: Jonathan James Mcdonnell, 25,

Redmond. Charge: Theft II

Tues., Nov. 1

1:26 a.m. SW 11th St./SW Highland Ave. Arrested: Clavton Anthony Grant, 44. Redmond. Charge: In-State Warrant 4:22 p.m. NW Cedar Ave./NW 27th St. Arrested: Zachary Miles Follett, 30, Redmond. Charge: Driving While Suspended

5:00 p.m. 1400 Block SW Canal Blvd. Arrested: Francisco Javier Alonso-Mejia, 22, Madras. Charge: Harassment

Wed., Nov. 2

8:41 a.m. NW Larch Ave. Arrested: Heidi Morgan Teeters, 40, Redmond. Charges: Initiate False Report, Disorderly Conduct II

11:50 a.m. SW 7th St./SW Glacier Ave. Arrested: Katherine Johana Flores Figueroa, 32, Redmond. Charge: In-State Warrant

8:24 p.m. NW 9th St. Arrested: Nicholas Matthew Llovd, 29, Redmond, Charge: In-State Warrant

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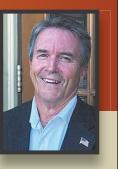


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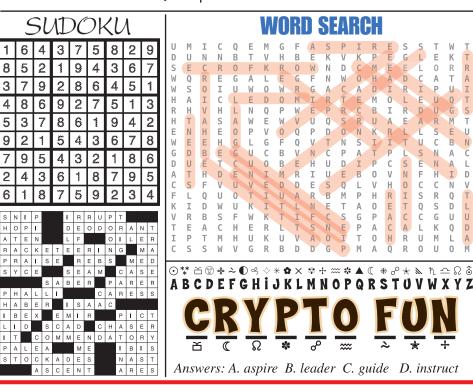
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