

Timely Turf Tips

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The waiting game is almost over! Lawns are greening, daffodils, tulips and forsythia shrubs are in bloom, adding much needed color to our yards and souls. Trees and shrubs have been sporting buds ready to burst forth for the past week. We need some warm weather after these spring rains to really make things pop.

The first Baltimore Orioles have been sighted in Medina, Wayzata, Apple Valley and Rochester on April 30th! Can the hummingbirds be far behind? Check out the maps and add YOUR first sightings to this free citizen science website: <http://www.learner.org/jnorth/maps/Maps.html>

Lawn Care

- Lawns are still cold and wet and need to firm up before mowing.
- Buy your crabgrass preventer now. We'll send out an email when it's the optimal time to apply it.
- Apply Hugo Feed Mill's 25-0-15 fertilizer late this month. Depending on your lawns needs.
- Get a great start on those lawn weeds! Spray Weed Free Zone or Speedzone on creeping charlie, clover, dandelions and thistle once the weather warms up!
- Lawn problems? No one does lawn better than us! Stop in for free advice and lawn tips.

NEW Deer, Rabbit Repellent at the Mill: Repellex!

Scientist Tom Levar has developed a way to protect plants from hungry deer and mice by delivering a natural hot pepper concentrate through the roots of young plants, making them inedible.

"This is a game-changing technology," said Eric Summa, CEO of Repellex USA, which licensed the technology from the University of Minnesota. "We're excited because there really is no other systemic deer repellent like this. It goes right into the plant, and doesn't wash off like spray deterrents. This is a great application because capsicum is very safe and very effective," said Levar.

To use, tablets are placed near the roots of a plant and, when watered, release a natural hot pepper concentrate known as capsicum that is absorbed by the plant. Also good to use on newly planted trees! We are excited to carry this new product and would love to hear how it works for your plants!

Don't forget Mother's Day! Hummingbird and oriole feeders make great gifts for mom! Check out the new birdbaths that just arrived too! **These are absolutely GORGEOUS!** At \$79.95 they are a piece of art and focal point for your landscape. Choose from four colors. Limited quantities. When they're gone, they're gone!

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