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in the house.

■ **LAWNMOWERS:** Empty the fuel tank by running the machine out of gas. Remove any oil. Clean the underside and topside of the machines by washing and brushing. Take off the blade and take it in for sharpening.

Clean or replace filters (this should have been done at least once or twice during the mowing season). Wash foam filters in soapy water.

Once all that's done, refill the lawnmower with any needed oil, but don't refill with fuel until you need the mower next season.

■ **HEATING/COOLING SYSTEMS:** Have systems cleaned and serviced. Clean or change filters, and have more on hand (clean or replace them monthly).

Consider cleaning, sealing and insulating ducts.

Check registers to keep them clear. Remove combustibles from around furnaces and hot water heaters. Check the system to make sure it works (before cold arrives). Reprogram any programmable on/off mechanisms. Set thermostat for at least 55 degrees.

■ **WINDOWS/DOORS:** Seal around doors, using weatherstripping. There should be no gaps where light comes through under the doors.

Windows can be sealed from the outside using clear plastic sheets. Kits are available for this at stores. Caulk windows. Clean windows and around them.

■ **FOUNDATIONS/HOME EXTERIORS:** Close crawlspace vents. Check for cracks

that spiders and mice can get through. Seal.

Check dryer exhaust vent to make sure its clear.

Seal cracks in driveways and walkways. Touch up paint or stain on decks, wooden fences and the home itself.

Rake debris away from foundations.

■ **ROOFS:** Check for worn or broken shingles or tiles. Binoculars can make this easier.

■ **GENERAL/MISCELLANEOUS:** Buy a new rake or snow shovel, if needed. Store gardening equipment and outdoor furniture. Move plants inside.

Check and/or install smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Check and/or buy a fire extinguisher.

Trim tree branches that are too close to the house. Call Pacific Power, 888-221-7070, if branches are too close to power lines, although the company typically does not trim branches leading from pole to home. Call a professional for such jobs.

Prepare a storm or emergency kit, including one with candles, batteries, water, food and a first aid kit. Stock the pantry.

Clean carpets and drapes.

Install ceiling fans, add attic insulation, and put a specialized insulated "blanket" around your hot water heater, to save energy costs.

Have blankets on hand to stay warm.

Check lights to make sure all are working.

Close and cover the pool.

Clean the garage, so you can use it for the car.

Retire your summer wardrobe. **HG**

GARDEN CLUBS

Azalea Sunshine Garden Club

Nov. 8 at noon. Regular monthly meeting. For location and information, call Anita Van Housen, 541-837-3628.

Evans Valley Garden Club

Oct. 26 at 1 p.m., Enterprise Grange, Wimer. Regular monthly meeting. Call Anne Thatcher, 541-582-8969.

Glendale Garden Club

Oct. 19 at noon, Special People's Depot, Glendale. Potluck lunch followed by regular monthly meeting. Call Joan Farmer, 541-218-4552, or Karen Bumgarner, 541-832-3173.

Grants Pass Garden Club

Nov. 2 at noon, Fruitdale Grange, 1440 Parkdale Drive, Grants Pass. Regular monthly meeting, with water quality specialist Eric Nusbaum talking about the Josephine County Soil and Water Conservation District. Call Chris Molsberry, 541-955-4327.

Illinois Valley Garden Club

Oct. 21 at noon, Rogue Community College Belt Building, 24311 Redwood Highway, Kerby. Regular monthly meeting, with Bureau of Land Management botanist Tom Azet talking about climate change and how it affects forest species. Call Darlene Milner, 541-592-4257.

Native Plant Society of Oregon

Oct. 20 at 7:30 p.m., Southern Oregon University Science Building, Room 171, Ashland. Regular monthly meeting. Call Kristi Mergenthaler, 541-941-3744.

North American Rock Garden Society, Siskiyou chapter

Nov. 8 at 7 p.m., Congregational Church, 1801 E. Jackson St., Medford. Regular monthly meeting, with Norm Jensen of the Native Plant Society giving an audio-visual program on Siskiyou plants and places. Call Lynette Davis, 541-899-0588 or e-mail netsue64@yahoo.com.

Rogue River Garden Club

Oct. 19, at noon, Civic Club, 135 Oak St., Rogue River. Regular monthly meeting. Master Gardener David James will be the speaker. Call Kendra Baldovino, 541-582-3727, for information.

Rogue Valley Orchid Society

Oct. 13 at 7 p.m., Anna Maria Creekside, 822 Golf View Drive, Medford. Guest speaker will be Julie Sugden discussing how to grow and care for cattleya orchids. Contact Susan Chapman, 541-488-0152, or president@roguevalleyorchidsociety.org or visit www.roguevalleyorchidsociety.org.

Rogue Valley Rose Society

Oct. 16 at 2 p.m., St. Anne Catholic Church, 1131 N.E. 10th St., Grants Pass. Regular monthly meeting, with Richard Murren talking about backyard composting with earthworms. Call Harry or Jacque Harvey, 541-955-5345.

Sunny Valley Garden Club

Nov. 8 at 11:30 a.m., Sunny Valley Grange, 449 Placer Road, Sunny Valley. Lunch, business meeting, horticultural report, question-and-answer and show-and-tell. Call Rusty Gaunt, 541-479-0126.