



SEPTEMBER IS FINALLY HERE

and our Fall list of things to do in the landscape (garden), are under way. What's on the list you ask?

1. Scalping and overseeding Bermuda lawns.
2. One last fertilization of the lawns for winter.
3. Application of weed and crabgrass killer.
4. Tree Trimming.
5. ~~Haircut~~ ← oops! wrong list
6. Re-adjustment of irrigation timers. This is where a controller with weather station capability is awesome because it adjusts automatically.
7. Prepare for rain by cleaning drain catch basins and roof downspouts, during and after Fall leaf drop.
8. Choose annual color flowers, and prepare to plant. See our most popular options below: pansies in the 1st 2 rows, snapdragons in the 3rd, & primroses in the 4th.

This is an El Nino Year!!! Good, because normal to above-normal rains and snows are expected! I'm pretty tired of water rationing and the stress it puts on both our irrigation techs and the lawns and shrubs. This is good news for us but not-so-good news for other parts of the world that will now experience some drought conditions. When I was in sixth grade I wanted to be a weatherman when I grew up. So bear with me while I relive my childhood dreams and do a little forecasting. The weather affects gardening to a huge degree. In El Nino years, we may see flooding and erosion. If you have unplanted slopes, now is the time to do something about it. If you hydro-seeded your slope in the next two weeks with creeping red fescue or some other fast growing groundcover you could avert possible disaster. If you know of areas that are prone to flooding, putting in drains now would be wise. I'm not trying to scare anybody, but just prepare you. After all I was a boy scout, (motto be prepared).



To all of you who have been weathering this economic downturn, hang in there. I think everything will be ok, and thank you for retaining us as your landscaper. We have done our best to listen to your budget requests and follow through to the best of our ability. Thank you for the new accounts you have given us. One account that I am very proud to have back is the Safari Business Park in Ontario, California, managed by Donna White of PM Realty Group. There are others and I thank you also. We are very close to being on the list of 150 largest landscape companies in the U.S.

