

Month of Sept



Sept 1



Sept 17

Fruit & Veggies

- Plant cover crops (legumes, mustards, wheats) to help recycle nutrients into the soil for next year.
- For storing potatoes, harvest once the vines had died down.
- Continue to harvest garlic & unions, let them dry for 2-3 weeks.
- Store all potatoes, garlic, and onions in a cool/dry location away from apples.
- Continue to plant lettuce, kale, spinach, and other fall crops. Average first frost is Oct.

Trees, Shrubs, and Lawn

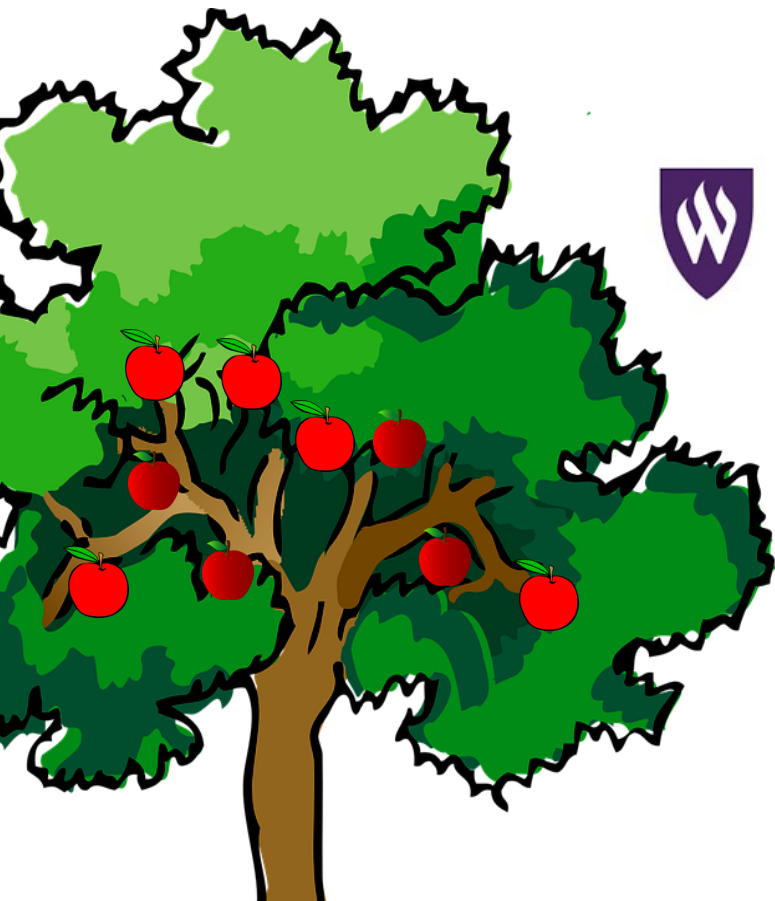
- Use your fall leaves for composting!
- Fall is the perfect time to plant trees and shrubs.
- Enjoy hiking and seeing the changing colors!
- Plant new lawns and repair areas with seed, allowing 4-6 weeks to establish before heavy frosts.
- In early Sept, apply a slow-release fertilizer to provide a lasting effect throughout Fall.

Annuals & Perennials

- Divide crowded, spring-blooming perennials.
- You can plant fall blooming annuals (pansies, snapdragons, flowering kale, etc) for some more fall color.
- With the weather getting cooler, you can look to plan new perennials for next year. Allow enough time to establish.

Pests:

- Control rust mites in apple/pear trees after fruit harvest, but before leaf drop.
- Box elder bugs group on warm, sunny surfaces in Fall. Take advantage of this.



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