Express News Gardening Tasks

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- If you want to prevent winter weeds in the lawn, it is time to apply a pre-emergent herbicide such as Amaze or Dimension. Follow label instructions.
- It is the last chance to plant tomatoes if you hope to beat the cold weather. Use large transplants of the heat setting fast producing varieties such as Lavaca, BHN 968, Surefire, Roma Surprise, Tycoon, or HM1823.
- Begin planting the winter vegetables as the soils and temperatures cool. Plant turnips, lettuce, carrots, radishes, beets, and rutabagas by seed. Use transplants for broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, chard, mustard and collards.
- There have been reports that the migrating hummingbirds have begun to visit area sugar water feeders and blooming plants. To attract the visiting ruby throat, rufous and black-chinned hummingbirds add a sugar water feeder and blooming firebush, zinnias, penta, or firespike to the patio.