

LICHTENBERG  
  
GARDENS  
Planting You in the Right Direction<sup>sm</sup>

**Basic Lawn & Garden Maintenance Tips Every  
Homeowner Needs To Do:**

- Mowing the lawn once a week during the growing season. It's best to keep the mowing height at about 3". The growing season runs from April through November.
- Weed whip lawn edges along landscape bed lines and along pavement edges every time the lawn is mowed.
- **A Spring Clean Up.** Re-mulching landscape beds once a year. Usually in spring. This includes weeding beds, properly pruning existing plants, cutting a new edge along bed lines, fertilizing plants, applying pre-emergent and re-mulching. This service rejuvenates your landscape, helps shrubs grow properly and keeps them in their realm
- Applying a pre-emergent (Preen) in the spring will help keep weeds down most of the year and minimize the weed pulling for you.
- **A Mid-Summer Check Up:** This mid-season work should include: pruning and dead-heading selective perennials, this **prolongs the bloom period and vigor of the plant.** Keep your Daylilies, Coneflowers, Coreopsis, Salvia, and Hostas... looking clean and vibrant all season. Faded flowers of shrub roses, spireas and the like should be pruned keeping the plant lush and blooms bountiful. Weed pulling and cultivation of the mulch can also be this time of year.
- Once autumn arrives it's time to cut back faded perennials to mulch level. Ornamental grasses can be cut back late fall or early spring, 6-8" from mulch level.

**Keep your  
landscape flourishing.**

**Maintaining a nice lawn and landscape raises your property value by  
increasing curb appeal for you and your neighborhood.**