



February 2026 ~ Governors Town Club HOA Newsletter

Preparing Your Yard for Spring

February is a crucial month for gardeners, as it lays the groundwork for a healthy, vibrant spring landscape. A little effort now can make a big difference in the months ahead. Here are some helpful tips to get your yard and garden ready for the upcoming season:

Prune Trees and Shrubs

Late winter is an ideal time to prune many trees and shrubs before new growth begins.

- Trim fruit trees to improve airflow and encourage a healthy harvest 
- Shape shrubs to promote vigorous spring growth
- Remove dead or damaged branches to improve plant health and appearance
-  Avoid pruning spring-flowering plants such as azaleas or lilacs until after they bloom

Prepare Garden Beds

As the ground begins to thaw, it's time to prepare garden beds for planting.

- Clear debris and leftover plant material
- Loosen compacted soil for better drainage and root growth
- Add compost or organic matter to enrich the soil before spring planting

Clean Up Landscaping Areas

A thorough cleanup now helps prevent pests and plant diseases later.

- Remove fallen leaves, dead plants, and weeds
- Compost healthy organic waste when possible
- Discard diseased plant material to avoid spreading issues


Install Hardscaping and Trees

Cooler February temperatures make this a great time for outdoor projects.

- Install trees, shrubs, and hardscaping features like walkways or retaining walls
- Early installation allows roots to establish before warmer weather arrives

Enhance Landscape Lighting

With shorter days and earlier sunsets, February is a great time to focus on outdoor lighting.


- Install or upgrade landscape lighting to improve safety 
 - Extend the enjoyment of outdoor spaces into the evening hours
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ARC & Compliance Reminder

As you plan spring projects, please remember:

 **All exterior modifications require an Architectural Review Committee (ARC) request to be submitted and approved *before* any work begins.**

This includes:

- Landscaping changes 
- Tree removal or installation
- Hardscaping (patios, walkways, retaining walls)
- Exterior or landscape lighting



Submitting your ARC request in advance helps maintain community standards and avoids delays or compliance issues. If you're unsure whether approval is needed, please contact management first by calling 770.966.7808 or emailing econnor@cmacommunities.com.

Acworth Community Event

Valentine's Day Italian Wine Dinner – 1885 Grill

 **Saturday, February 14, 2026**

 **6:30 PM**

Celebrate Valentine's Day with an elegant Italian wine dinner at the 1885 Grill. Enjoy a specially curated menu paired with fine Italian wines for a memorable evening.   Reservations are encouraged.
