

## Express News Gardening Tasks

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- It is still an excellent time to plant shade trees, fruit trees, and shrubs. Select from the well-adapted plants offered on the CPS Shade Tree list, plantanswers.com lists, or SAWS Garden Style San Antonio recommendations.
- If the squirrels and raccoons are raiding your suet feeders switch to the pepper flavored suet blocks. Birds don't mind the hot pepper, but the mammals avoid it.
- The weather is pleasant, and it is an ideal time to remove hackberries, Chinaberries, ligustrum and other weed trees that are infesting your fence lines and shrub beds. Apply "Cut Vine and Stump Killer" to the pruning cuts. It will translocate into the roots to prevent sprouting.
- Seek out the Maroon Aggie poppy transplants at area nurseries to plant them in the flower garden or to naturalize a patch in your wildflower planting.