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herbicide application. There is nothing you can do about Bermudagrass growing in your St. Augustine-grass other than hand pulling. Choose either February or March to apply a complete fertilizer to St. Augustine-grass or Bahiagrass lawns. By complete, we mean those fertilizers having nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium.

**Citrus**

Fertilize citrus trees in late February and apply sufficient and appropriate irrigation. Irrigation is very important in the dry season to sustain flowering, fruit set, and fruit development. Spray with copper fungicides to control citrus scab and Alternaria brown spot on sensitive varieties. Spray new flush with oil or other insecticides to control psyllids and leafminers. Foliar feed with micronutrients to improve tree health and to slow tree decline from citrus greening. You can arrange a visit by a master gardener citrus advisory to take a closer look at ailing citrus trees and dispense some advice. Call the office at (239) 533-7504 for more information.

**Bedding Plants**

Here's the general list of things to do. Plant bulbs such as caladium, crinum, gladiolus, gloriosa and amaryllis. Brighten up your neighborhood with combinations of bedding plants. You can consult a color wheel for advice but that's something I never do. Neither does Mother Nature, and I've never heard anyone complained about her design. Remove fading winter annuals or pinch them back in a valiant attempt to extend their lives. Plant, wax begonia, coneflower, coreopsis, and coleus. I stopped at 'C' so it's a much longer list. If you are looking for tough bedding plants, consider angelonia, blue daze, crossandra, gaillardia, pentas, and salvia. Being tough is no guarantee for longevity. Neglect before establishment is the fastest way to kill even the toughest of plants.

**Veggies**

For vegetable gardeners, February is your last opportunity to plant tomato, pepper, cabbage, lettuce, spinach, turnips and a host more.

**Propagation and Fertilization**

Late February or March is an excellent time to transplant evergreen trees and shrubs not in tender flush, as long as plenty of irrigation water is available. You can take cuttings of all but the most cold sensitive plants. Even those can still be rooted if no freezing weather oc-

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