Follow these seasonal tips to have a healthy lawn that is beneficial to you and the environment.

**WINTER**
- Use environmentally friendly ice melt products.
- Pick up your dog waste.
- Start planning for spring by considering reducing your lawn and adding native plants.

**SPRING**
- Get your soil tested (every three years). If you need to amend, organic products are best.
- Lightly rake lawn to remove compacted grass.
- Leave grass clippings on the lawn to add nitrogen to the soil.
- Reduce or eliminate pesticides to protect your family and animals. Tolerate some weeds, they are not the enemy.

**SUMMER**
- Brown-yellow dormant grass is normal during summer's heat.
- Mow only when needed.
- Water deeply, 1 inch of water 2 times a week.
- Chemical, high-nutrient fertilizers put stress on the lawn.

**FALL**
- Aerate the lawn to introduce oxygen and reduce incidence of thatch in the lawn.
- Mulch leaves with your lawnmower. Leaves provide nutrients for healthy soil.
- Fall is the best time to feed your lawn.