The First Impression Counts – Let's Make it a Good One!

The most important single reason that a home sells is its emotional appeal. Over 90% of buyers in today's market buy on emotion. Looking at your house through the "buyer's eyes" can help you prepare your home to sell for the best price in the least amount of time.

Below is a list of items to review:

Repaint the front door and trim. Repaint the rest of the home, if needed. (Inside and out)
Check gutters and roof for dry rot and leaks
Prune bushes and trees. Remove any dead shrubs and trees
Weed and maintain all planted areas. Add a fresh layer of mulch if needed
Sweep all areas and walkways
Check all screens and windows. Repair or replace if appropriate
Test all fences, gates and latches. Repair or replace any weakened areas
Clean the swimming pool, Jacuzzi, or hot tub
Check external structures, patio cover, gazebo, sheds. Repair, repaint or clean
Use driveway cleaner to remove oil stains from the driveway or garage floor
Replace worn, badly stained, or personalized door mats
Open the front door. If it squeaks, groans, or drags, fix it
Review each room. Paint walls, clean windows, window coverings and shampoo soiled carpets
Rearrange or remove some furniture. Less furniture in the room makes the room appear larger
Clear all unnecessary appliances from the kitchen countertops
Remove messages and magnets from refrigerator fronts
Clean the stove, stove hood and screen, microwave and sinks
Remove all extra items from tubs, shower stalls, commode tops and countertops in the bathroom
Check all light fixtures. Replace all burned out light bulbs
Locate operating manuals for appliances. Have warranty information available
Fix leaky plumbing
Remove holiday lights that may still be hanging
Place potted flowers around front door