



Spring Issue

# The Shade Tree Gazette



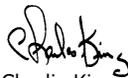
## Turf Talk

It is about time for our warm season lawns to begin to green up. There are literally hundreds of varieties of Bermuda and Zoysia that green up at different times and have different shades of green. One of the questions that customers call with the most is "why is my neighbor's lawn greener, or greening up faster?" Wow, I wish I had a canned answer for that one because I would use it right now. The reality is that every single lawn is usually different in some way. First of all, south facing slopes will almost always green up first. This is simply because they get more sunshine earlier in the year than north facing slopes. Second, installation is a major component of turf grass quality at all times of the year. You only get one chance to install a plant properly, please do it right. There aren't any do overs on that one. And now some tips on things you can do to help your lawn. Mow your lawn properly all year long. Begin to lower your warm season lawn in mid-February and take it down a little at a time until it is at about 3/4 or 1 inch. Be sure to move those bedlines. Trees grow, and

warm season lawns do not live in the shade. So trim the limbs up and move the bedlines out. And lastly, aerate the lawn at least annually.

While we do get winter damage and some diseases that affect spring green up, almost all lawns will green up when the soil temperature, sunlight, moisture and Mother Nature all get together and the time is right. If your lawn is not looking quite as good as your neighbors think about all of the things I mentioned. If you are still puzzled, give us a call and **King GREEN** will check it out.

Thank you again for using **King GREEN**. If we can help at any time call or write us a note on the web.

  
Charlie King



## About This Service

We applied the spring (Round 2) application to your lawn. Cool-season (Fescue) lawns received a balanced fertilizer, broadleaf weed control, and a pre-emergent herbicide for the control of annual grasses. This application will enhance the color of your lawn and aid in controlling weeds (which may be present at this time). Crabgrass and other annual grasses will be controlled by the pre-emergent herbicide.

Warm-season grasses (Zoysia and Bermuda) received a balanced fertilizer, broadleaf weed control, and a pre-emergent herbicide. Weeds that may be present should begin to curl and fade in the next two to three weeks. The pre-emergent herbicide will help to prevent annual grasses from germinating.



### DID YOU RECEIVE A TREE AND SHRUB APPLICATION TODAY?

The tree and shrub application today consisted of insecticide to control any young insects that might be hatching and a miticide to control mites on junipers and other shrubs. You may have noticed that we don't always spray every plant each time.

**King GREEN** uses only the most environmentally responsible products available. It is our policy to minimize all pesticide use. For this reason, we'll evaluate the landscape during each visit and spray only those plant materials that need spraying.

**THANK YOU FOR USING KING GREEN.**

## Refer A Friend

**Did you know that our number one source of new customers is you? Most of our customers are referred by our current customers.**

For each new referral that starts a **King GREEN** program, you receive \$25 towards any **King GREEN** service. There is no limit, so you can refer as many of your friends and family as you'd like.

We genuinely strive to provide a service that you want to share with your family and friends. We are grateful that you take the time to share **King GREEN**.



