



Did you know you could be paid for your tree? By: Ruel

Trees have a value just like the car or truck in your drive; each tree has something like a blue book value based on a number of different factors. If your car was damaged or destroyed, it is only fair to know what your loss is; and if you were selling your farm and the truck went with it, you would need to know the truck's value as well. Trees are very similar, although most people are not aware of this value standing in their own yards. There are several things that you can do yourself to help protect this growing investment if by chance you had an unexpected loss. One thing is to take pictures of the tree or trees just like you would of jewelry or other valuables. Another is to document the type and size of the tree; you wouldn't need to do this more than once every five or ten years in most cases. Although if your trees are young (3 to 15 yrs.), you may do it more often. You could also get a tree survey and inventory, listing an important tree or all of them. Furthermore, if you have an extra special tree or mature stand of trees, it may be in your best interest to get an appraisal, an actual dollar amount they are worth.

Call for more informative tips of what YOU can do to secure the true value standing in your yard.

Fertilize Your Trees!

Out of the many things that are available to enhance tree beauty, safety and value, a liquid soil injected fertilization could be the most important. Winter time (before bud break) and late Spring (just after full leaf) are two of three perfect times to help your trees. Waiting till your favorite tree is looking ugly and sick makes it very difficult to revive and bring back to good health. If you have a tree that's important or special, we are here to help you take good care of its health and safety.

Congratulations! to Brentwood Downs for winning the "Best of the Best" Award and Autumnwood for winning "First Place" in the 16 to 20 year category.



Autumnwood

We are proud to be a part of this winning landscape maintenance combination for 2006, and look forward to another beautiful season.



Brentwood Downs

Greater Nashville Apartment Association Beautification Awards 2006

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We have several interesting, informative topics. We'd be happy to speak for any size group you have!



Keep Your Trees Protected!

By: Kristina Mouksian

Did You Know?

- Unlike some other investments that depreciate, a tree's value increases with each passing year. Trees increase home property values 7-21 percent, depending on the number and size of the trees.
- On average, each American uses more than 600 pounds of paper and almost 200 board feet of timber a year.
- Trees are one of the few organisms that continue growing for many years at pretty much the same rate its whole life.
- Trees improve habitat for endangered migratory birds, and other wildlife.

Lightning protection for trees has been used as far back as the 1800's. Years ago when trees were more plentiful, it did not seem as important to protect them from one of nature's most destructive forces — Lightning.

Tall trees, and even isolated shorter trees, attract lightning. Short of removing the tree, it is not possible to prevent a tree from attracting lightning.

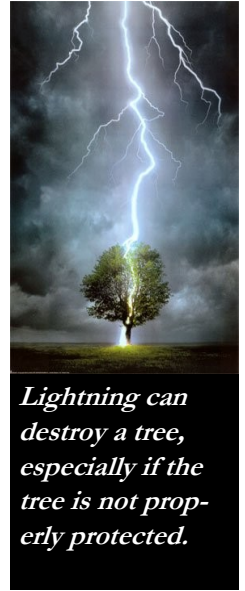
It takes years to grow a large, magnificent tree. It takes only seconds for lightning to strike one down. Although a tree lightning protection system does not prevent a tree from being struck by lightning, it is possible to equip a tree so that lightning will be conducted harmlessly into the soil. A system of heavy, copper cables is installed from the highest point in the tree and from the ends of major branches, down the trunk, and into the soil.

Lightning protection for trees works by implementing the same principle as a lightning protection system on a building. A tree lightning protection system does not attract lightning, nor does it prevent a lightning strike from occurring. A tree system intercepts the lightning bolt between the cloud and the earth and harmlessly conducts it to ground without damage to the tree.

Because electric current follows the path of least resistance, the lightning strike follows the cable of the lightning protection system rather than entering the tree. Studies using fuses connected into the protection system have proved that some trees have been struck four or five times with no resulting damage. Lightning protection is also a good investment, it lasts up to 20 - 30 or more years.

Installation

Like all tree care operations, there is a proper way to install a lightning protection system. It usually takes less than one day to install and it can be done any time of the year. With periodic checks and inspection, the system should last as long as you own the property.



Lightning can destroy a tree, especially if the tree is not properly protected.

Woodchips delivered for free!

- Swing set and play areas.
- Trails and walking paths.
- Dog pens and horse corals.
- Gardens, large planting areas.
- Shaded areas where grass won't grow.
- Composting for topsoil.
- Erosion control, etc. etc. — see page 4.

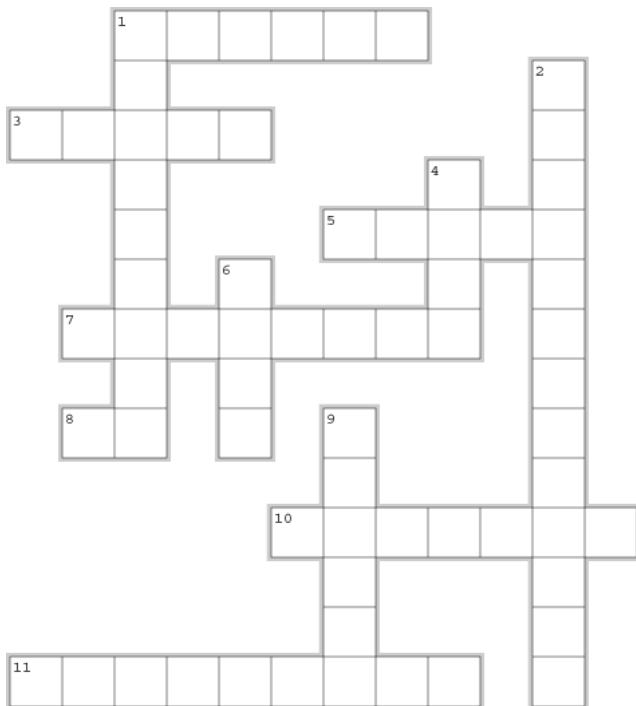
Want a no hassle beautiful lawn?

By: Ruel Jones

After living and working in the green industry for the past 24 years, I have learned that the majority of turf companies care more about selling applications than providing you with a beautiful lawn. If you are paying for more than five turf applications a year, you may be paying too much money. Our turf program will give you the beautiful lawn you want while only applying 4-5 turf treatments annually. We believe in taking our time and doing a complete, thorough job. This is why we are the best lawn care company in Nashville, and we will prove it to you! ☺ ☺ ☺



Crossword Puzzle:



DOWN

1. We deliver _____ for free.
2. Enhances tree beauty, safety and value.
4. Planet closest to Earth.
6. _____ increases home property value 7-21%.
9. The average American uses 600 _____ of paper.

“Trees are your best antiques.”

~Alexander Smith



ACROSS

1. One of the two best seasons to help your trees.
3. Tall and even _____ trees attract lightning.
5. Lightning follows the path of _____ resistance.
7. Decaying organic matter feeds soil _____.
8. Inform _____ if your address has changed.
10. _____ Tree Surgery is the best tree care company in Nashville.

Poetry Corner:

Think Like a Tree

by Karen I. Shragg

Soak up the sun
 Affirm life's magic
 Be graceful in the wind
 Stand tall after a storm
 Feel refreshed after it rains
 Grow strong without notice
 Be prepared for each season
 Provide shelter to strangers
 Hang tough through a cold spell
 Emerge renewed at the first signs of spring
 Stay deeply rooted while reaching for the sky
 Be still long enough to
 Hear your own leaves rustling.



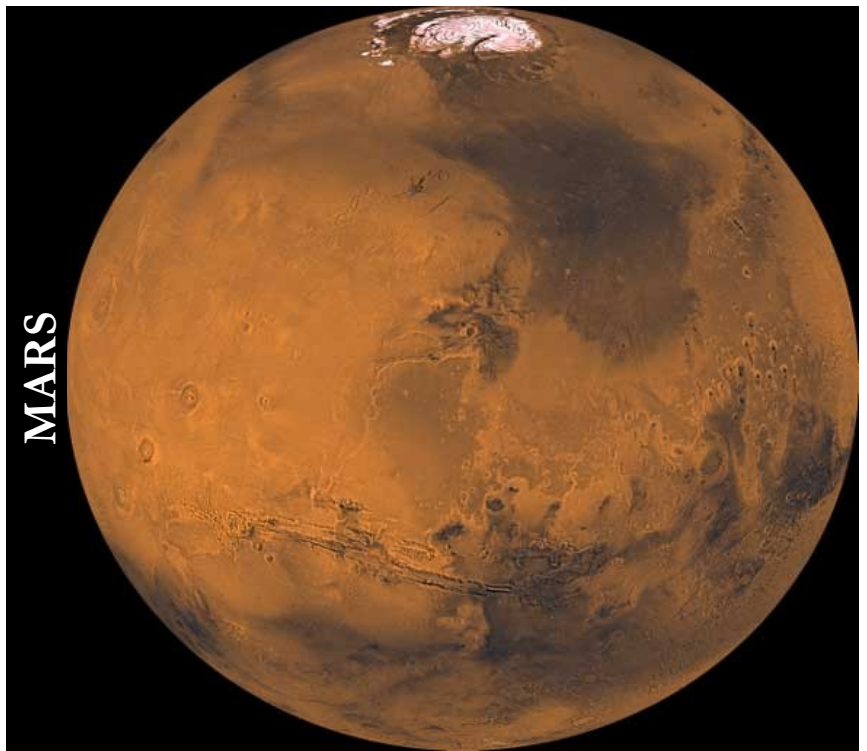


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ADDRESS CHANGED?
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uncompromising
Quality.”



By building highly-trained staff and professional Arborists, Quality Tree Surgery's mission is to consistently deliver 100% customer service satisfaction for all of our tree, turf, and landscape maintenance customers.

WOODCHIPS

Free wood chips are now available for delivery within our working area. Wood chips can be used as mulch to recycle important nutrients back into the soil. Mulch also helps to protect your tree's root system from compaction, rapid temperature changes and holds in moisture during droughts. Its decaying organic matter feeds soil microbes keeping soil healthy. Woodchips can also be used for fill to help alleviate erosion problems! They can also be spread around play areas and they're great for making foot paths. Allow them to compost and they are a great additive to the soil. It's just a beautiful way to recycle our natural resources.



Here's how it works: Just give our office a call at **833-6638**, tell us exactly where you want the chips dumped and we'll put you on our list. When a crew is working in your area and have a load of chips, they will show up and put them in the requested spot. Due to the way our chipper trucks dump, we can only deliver a full truck load at a time. If you are wondering how many chips are in a load, it would be enough to fill a large pick-up truck 6 or 7 times, it's a lot of chips! You will also need an area at least 12 feet wide and 20 feet long that a big truck can access easily to place the woodchips for you. If you are interested, give us a call!

