

# Griffin Parc HOA

## A message from your Landscaper!

AS SPRING IS COMING TO A CLOSE, and the dog days of summer rapidly approach, there are a few things in your lawn and flower beds that need your attention.



IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, please make sure your irrigation system is functioning properly. Water is crucial to life! It is impossible to maintain a healthy lawn, and ornamental bed without WATER!. Mother Nature just does not provide us with enough rainfall during these months of the year in our area to support a healthy landscape.



The application of fertilizer provides nutrients to the plant to help it thrive when stress can be increased due to warmer temperatures. Regular fertilizer applications ensure the turf maintains its color and vigor throughout the season. Thus, providing you with an aesthetically pleasing lawn that you can enjoy!



There are some insects to be on the lookout for this time of year that can be easily controlled (without causing any detrimental damage to landscape) if caught early! One is a "grub worm"! Grubs are larvae from June bugs. The June bugs lay eggs, and when the eggs hatch they become grubs that feed on root systems of your lawn. The damage looks similar to grass that is not receiving adequate irrigation so it will be a brown irregular shape. If you were to grab a handful of that grass and have it come easily out of the soil, it is likely grubs! Grubs can be treated with an insecticide purchased at any home improvement store or garden center.



The other pest common in our area is "scale". Scale loves to inhabit Crepe Myrtles and other specific shrubs. Scale are white and have a fuzzy texture. They will be located along the branches of plants and can easily be treated with an insecticide that contains "Merit" or the active ingredient "Imidacloprid."

Again, early detection is the key to successful control!

"Have a great summer!  
Stay cool!"

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