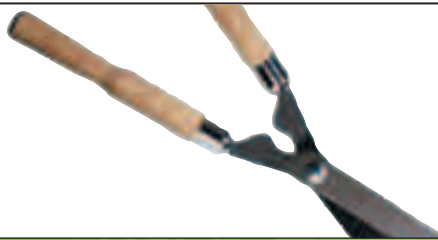


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HERE'S A CURRENT LIST OF CONDITIONS TO LOOK FOR IN YOUR YARD THIS SUMMER.

WEEDS

- NUTSEGE
- BLACK MEDIC
- OXALIS
- CRABGRASS
- SPURGE
- PURSLANE

DISEASES

LAWN

- BROWN PATCH
- DOLLAR SPOT

TREES & SHRUBS

- POWDERY MILDEW
- ROOT ROT

INSECTS

LAWN

- BILL BUGS
- SOD WEBWORM
- GRUBS

TREES & SHRUBS

- APHIDS
- SCALE
- JAPANESE BEETLES

If you notice any of the items listed above, Tomlinson Bomberger can help. Call today to set up an appointment with one of our licensed lawn care technicians at 399-1991.

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COLOR YOUR GARDEN WITH PERENNIALS

BY JOHN OTTERSON

Summer is the perfect time to enjoy the colors, shapes, textures and creatures in your landscape. If you ran out of time and didn't plant your annuals or perennials in the spring, consider this: for instant color, add a Purple Coneflower, Shasta Daisy and Black-eyed Susan. They're all readily available in quart or gallon containers. Choose a spot that's visible from your porch or patio and plant one of each of these flowers about 12 inches apart, in the shape of a triangle. You'll have an instant perennial garden for the remainder of the summer.

For more color, fill a container—anything from a galvanized pot to concrete urn—with annuals, ornamental grasses or vines. If all this sounds like too much work, visit the entrance to the LGH Health Campus along the Harrisburg Pike. Tomlinson Bomberger is developing a perennial garden for masses of summer color.

Sit back and watch your garden grow.



CONEFLOWER

ABUNDANT RAINS MAKE WEEDS A PAIN

BY BOB KANDRATAVICH

Q: Why do I have weeds even though my lawn was treated in the spring?

A: Abundant spring and early summer moisture provided ideal growing conditions for weeds. There are numerous types of broadleaf weeds that had not germinated when we treated in the spring. Therefore, they require a summer treatment to control them.

Some summer weeds are annuals—they grow for one year and then die. Others are perennial weeds, like yellow nutsedge, which appear each year in the late spring and early summer. When soil-moisture levels are high, these weeds flourish in your lawn.

Q: How do I get rid of summer weeds?

A: Under normal conditions, two spray treatments for weed control (spring and fall) will manage weeds in your lawn. However, during summers with high moisture levels, as in 2003 and 2004, an additional summer weed treatment is needed to manage weeds. Some weeds, like yellow nutsedge, require treatment with a specific material different than what we typically use on broadleaf weeds.

Another Summer Pain: Grubs. Wet summers provide ideal conditions for white grub activity to continue. Grubs feed voraciously on the roots of your lawn, creating brown areas. An application of preventive grub control will prevent turf damage by these pests.

IN RECOGNITION & APPRECIATION

I recently had the privilege of playing in the Senior Professional Golf Association ProAm in Kansas City, MO. It was an experience I will always treasure. As I walked the 18th fairway with the gallery cheering and clapping in approval of our approach shots, it occurred to me that I really appreciated their recognition and applause. I couldn't wait to play the next day, hit some good shots and receive another positive reception.

Everyone enjoys recognition and appreciation. And it's so important to acknowledge the achievements of others—whether it's a parent, child, spouse or colleague. Tomlinson Bomberger is committed to recognizing our coworkers' successes, accomplishments and exemplary performances. We are especially grateful for customer feedback that credits our coworkers for a job well done. We share these comments with our colleagues and during our company meetings.

In closing, thank you for your loyalty, recognition and the opportunity to partner with you in beautifying our world.

Clark Tomlinson, President

CONGRATULATIONS ON CERTIFICATIONS!

Join us in congratulating Mike Lindenmuth and Mike Massimo, who attended the Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute's two-day course and earned their ICPI Certification. This qualifies Mike and Mike to supervise projects involving pavers, walls and patios.

Kudos to Jay Koller, who is now licensed to spray weeds in non-turf and ornamental sites. This license, issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, is in addition to those required for all technicians who treat your property.

Tom Shotzbarger has passed the four-hour exam required to become a Certified Landscape Professional (CLP). This designation is offered by the Associated Landscape Contractors of America (ALCA).



IN THE CAREER SPOTLIGHT MIKE FERRO

Mike Ferro joined Tomlinson Bomberger this spring and has brought new versatility to our force of technicians. Mike began his career in the green industry in 1993 with J.C. Ehrlich's Green Team. His cross training has provided quality services to many of our clients. Mike is licensed with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture to apply materials for lawns, ornamentals, rights-of-way and vegetation management. Always ambitious, he has already acquired another license for perimeter pest treatments.

By learning all aspects of our business, Mike has displayed his hard-work ethic. He joins his coworkers in preparing for exams to become a Certified Turfgrass Professional and a Certified Arborist.

OUR PRESENCE IN THE COMMUNITY

Each year, lawn care companies and industry suppliers dedicate their time, expertise and equipment to beautify Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, DC. This year, five coworkers from Tomlinson Bomberger Lawn Care & Landscape, Inc. are volunteering their time to help The Professional Lawn Care Association of America in their effort. We look forward to honoring those men and women who fought for our country in "Renewal & Remembrance 2004."

CLIENT FEEDBACK

We always welcome client comments, especially when they're positive!

- "Your employees presented themselves in a professional and friendly manner." **Rosemary Swiegart, Lancaster**
- "Quality work. We are delighted to be your customer!" **Glenn & Ruth Heisey, Lititz**

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