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BROWN PATCH ON LAWNS



Brown Patch of St. Augustinegrass.
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The moist conditions, mild days and cool nights, are ideal for the development of brown patch. The disease occurs most consistently in the fall but it may also appear in the spring. St. Augustine is the most common lawn grass affected by brown patch.

Affected patches of this lawn-devastating disease are brown in color and circular in shape but may become irregular as diseased areas enlarge and merge. They range in size from small spots during the early stage of development to areas over 50 feet in diameter later in the season.

In addition to circular patterns of brown grass, brown patch can be identified by the ease in which yellowing leaves can be readily pulled from the main stem. Select yellowing leaf samples from the outer edge of an affected area for the "pull test." As affected areas enlarge, new green growth may develop toward the center of the patch, causing a donut-shaped appearance.

Heavily fertilized and over-watered lawns are very susceptible to brown patch. Lush-growing, moist grass creates an ideal environment for development of this disease.

Not only is brown patch unsightly but weeds are more likely to invade the lawn in disease-weakened areas. Fungicides containing bayleton (such as Green Light's Fung-Away and a variety of other labels), chlorothalonil (Daconil 2787), or PCNB (Nitro-Phos Total Brown Patch Control & Terraclor) will control brown patch when applied according to label instructions.

For the fungicides to be most effective, it is best to apply them during the early stages of disease occurrence. Even in cases where the disease is in advanced stages, it will be well worth the effort to treat such cases as soon as possible. In lawns to be spot-treated, be sure to also treat the areas that were previously infected since the disease has a tendency to reappear in the same areas.

It's also a good idea to raise the mowing height to 1 or 2 inches for affected lawns. The taller grass provides more cover and insulation for the growing points of the grass in addition to reducing overall plant stress.

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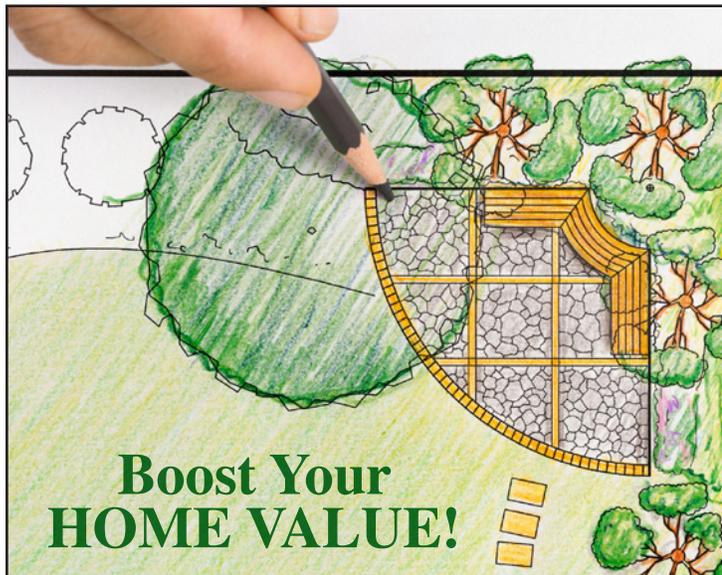
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Cardiologist Suzanne Steinbaum says, "We, as a society, have made intellect and rationality a priority over emotion and compassion. We prioritize our heads over our hearts which is a mistake. A recent study claimed that people who are optimistic have a 50% reduced risk of a first heart attack.

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Spring is here and our grounds overall are looking very good. Greater Houston Landscaping is continuing to work on many unfinished details throughout the community.

Some of the improvements include:

1. The Tocatta Blvd. entrance (off Fairbanks) right side

monument wall damaged by a vehicle has been fully repaired. Damaged was done to the monument entry light fixture, plants and concrete street curb. All have been fixed. HC Pt. 4 did curb repair.

2. The new MUD 261 sign was installed along Windfern on section #1 side of the street.

3. The dead Bottle Brush tree in front of the family pool has been removed and replaced with two Sweet Olive trees.

4. A few cul-du-sacs in sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 will get a bit of a make-over during the next two week to replace dead or dying plants

5. The sink-holes in section #2 are being completed this month. Soil and new sod will be added to complete the work.

6. The Serenade bridge in section #2 needed to be moved for the swale dredging. This is being done to allow better water drainage and avoid future sink-holes. Unfortunately the bridge was poorly constructed and fell apart during the move. The HOA will need to decide what type of crossover is needed if any.

7. The Pavilion pool opens on May 1, 2018 and the Family pool opens May 26, 2018 for the Memorial Day weekend.

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SCALE INSECTS

Scale insects are divided into two basic categories- soft scales and hard, or armored, scales. Soft scales produce a soft, thin, cottony, powdery, or waxy covering that cannot be separated from their body. They also

produce a lot of honeydew (a sweet, sticky substance excreted by some insects). Hard scales produce a hard, shield-like covering made of shed skins and wax that conceals their body but is not attached to the body.



Hard scale.

Scale insects lay eggs which hatch into crawlers. Eggs are usually hidden under the female's body, but some may be placed under a cottony or waxy covering secreted by the female. The first instar is called a "crawler" because when they emerge from the egg, they move around on the plant to locate a place to settle down and feed. Crawlers may be transported to other plants by wind, people, or animals such as birds. After they choose their spot, the insects typically do not move for the rest of their life.

Scale insects cause damage to plants by puncturing and removing plant juices via their piercing-sucking mouthparts. This can lead to yellowing, wilting, leaf drop, or sometimes killing sections of the plant. Soft scales produce honeydew which can lead to growth of a black fungus called sooty mold that can further stress your plant. Depending on the type of scale, they may be found on foliage, stems, or even roots of the plant.

Tips for managing scale insects:

- Prune sections that contain scales from the plant and discard in sealed bags.
- Try spraying the plant with a high pressure water spray to knock the insects from the plant.



Soft scale.

- Try treating the plant with insecticidal soap or horticultural oil.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com This work is supported by Crops Protection and Pest Management Competitive Grants Program [grant no. 2017-70006-27188 /project accession no. 1013905] from the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

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