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President's Message

Gardenmasters is very pleased to announce that we are expanding our services to add termite prevention and eradication. With our existing lawn and ornamental and general household pest divisions, this is a very simple integration that will add value and savings to our customers. It is with great pleasure I introduce to you Jason Rose, who has over 20 years of termite experience, with 8 years as a licensed termite pest control operator.

July, August, and September are the rainy months that require us to be vigilant in our scouting for chinch bugs and turf fungus. August and September are the months that we apply another turf insecticide and micro-nutrients to your lawns to assure you a bug free, healthy landscape.

On a personal note, I want to congratulate my son, Jeff J., who was recently married and is enjoying his new life together with his wife.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for choosing Gardenmasters as your service provider.

Termites By: Jason Rose

Summer is now upon us in full force and all of the pests are running amok. From chinch bugs sucking the life out of the grass, to the ants and roaches trying to seek shelter in our homes. There is another pest that often goes unnoticed until the damage is already done, the dreaded Termite. Termites cause \$5 billion dollars' worth of damage annually in the United States. Gardenmasters is now fully equipped and prepared to protect its customer's most valuable assets, their homes, against termite damage. There are various methods to achieve protection, after your **FREE** inspection, one of our experienced estimators will go over all of the treatment options to find one that best fits your needs.

Bits and Bytes:

Importance of Irrigation By: Stephen Meyer

As always at this time of the year, with the hot temps and high humidity, keeping an eye on the rain and adjusting your irrigation will reduce the amount of fungus popping up in your turf. Making sure your rain sensor is functioning properly will reduce how much you will need to manually adjust your settings. For these 90° temps, your irrigation should be set as follows based on your turf type:

- St. Augustine 2x weekly, 25-30 mins. per zone for spray heads and 45-60 mins. for rotors.
- Zoysia 2x weekly, 20 mins per zone for spray heads and 30-40 mins for rotors.

Lawns can dry out quick this time of year so routine inspections of your system for not only broken heads but also off angle spraying and clogged heads will avoid dry spots throughout your turf.

Summer Annuals

Caladium, Celosia, Gaillardia, Gazania Daisy, Gebera Daisy, Portulaca, Purslane, Salvia, Wax Begonia, Zinnia.

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