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WATCH FOR SIGNS OF WINTER KILL IN YOUR LAWN

Winter has given us colder than normal temperatures that can affect Centipede, Zoysia, and St. Augustine lawns. While winter kill is hard to predict until the temperatures moderate in mid to late April, the leading areas that are subject to damage are lower areas that don't properly drain, higher or more open areas not protected from wind, and shady areas that receive no sunlight. We all get excited in the early spring as grass starts the spring green-up, but any freezing temperatures can be most damaging. Please contact us for more information and helpful suggestions regarding your lawn.



Dorsey's Landscaping Acquires Lawn Majic

With more than 25 years of experience, Dorsey's Landscaping has the strong financial backing necessary to support growth and expansion in the green industry. As such, we are pleased to announce our acquisition of Lawn Majic of Griffin, Ga.

With this acquisition, we have added 400 new customers to our existing customer base of 3,000. We have also offered Lawn Majic employees the opportunity to remain with the company as Dorsey's Landscaping employees. "After the acquisition, it is important to maintain customer consistency," said Larry Dorsey, president of Dorsey's Landscaping.

We're looking forward to working with you in 2010. We're confident that our acquisition of Lawn Majic will enable us to serve each and every one of our valued customers better than ever before. If you have any questions about the acquisition, please feel free to give us a call.



Weed Management in Annual Beds

Maintaining quality annual color beds requires planning to prevent and control weeds. Weeds compete with plants for water, light, and nutrients. To minimize these problems, a successful weed management program should include the following:

- Understanding weeds (proper identification and knowledge of life cycle)
- Choosing the best available weed management options
- Implementing a combination of effective methods to prevent and control weeds

We have researched the management of weeds in beds and have developed a program that consists of two treatments per year. The first will be in the spring with a product known as XL 2g, and the second will be in the fall with a product called Snapshot tg. Both products specialize in controlling different varieties of broadleaf and grassy weeds.

If you have any questions about our weed control program, please give our office a call.



Lawn Care Programs/ Tree & Shrub Programs Plus the Following Services:

- Core Aeration & Overseeding
- Grub Control
- Insect & Fungus Control
- Pest & Termite Control
- Fire Ant Control
- Free Service Calls
- Excellent Service
- Guaranteed Results

Easy Fruitcake

This cake tastes more like a cake with fruit than a fruitcake. It's very good served warm from the oven. Or, wrap in plastic, refrigerate, and serve at room temperature.

Mix together: 6 eggs, 1 cup sugar, 2 sticks melted butter, 1 tsp. vanilla, and 1 cup flour.

Chop: 1 lb. candied cherries, 1 lb. candied pineapple, and 4 cups pecans. Combine with $\frac{1}{2}$ cup flour.

Place the floured fruit and nuts into a greased bundt or tube cake pan. Pour the batter mixture over the fruit and nuts. Bake at 300 degrees until done (about 1½ hours).

Variations: Any candied fruit, mixed candied fruit and citrus, walnuts, dates, raisins, etc. If you don't want to use nuts, just use more fruit.



TERMITE SPECIAL

Spring is just around the corner. Even though termites are active year-round, spring is when homeowners notice them most. Swarmers begin leaving the colony to start a new one, and this can show homeowners that there is a problem. Swarmers resemble flying ants and come out mostly in the morning and early evening hours.

Dorsey's sent out postcards offering an advance baiting special for \$299 that expires on February 15, 2010. However, we're pleased to inform you that we've extended this special offer until April 15, 2010. Call us for details before termites get started!

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