

CHEYENNE COUNTY 2010 DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES LIST

Published in The St. Francis Herald, St. Francis, Kansas, and The Bird City Times, Bird City, Kansas, Thursday, August 18, August 25, September 1, 2011. Notice is hereby given that the taxes assessed for the year 2010 on the lands, lots and blocks described in the following list, accompanied by the names of the owner and situated in Cheyenne County, State of Kansas, are in whole or in part unpaid and that said lands, lots or blocks will be, on the first Tuesday of September 2011, bid off by me in the name of Cheyenne County, NO BIDDERS BEING allowed and sold to Cheyenne County for the amount of delinquent taxes and interest and legal charges due thereon and unpaid to said date, according to the provision of Chapter 79, Articles 23 of The Kansas Statutes Annotated unless otherwise prohibited by applicable Federal or State law. Dolores Jenik, Cheyenne County Treasurer(33-35)

Table with columns: Name, Legal, Taxes Due. Lists property owners and their delinquent taxes for 2010.

Across the County By Marty Fear, County Extension Agent

Stressed Lawns May Be Going Dormant ... or Dying

If central U.S. lawns are looking faded or patchy and increasingly wheat-colored, that's because most area homeowners grow cool-season turfs - tall fescue or Kentucky bluegrass. Unless irrigated regularly, those turfs normally go dormant in summer.

But, July's weather has been so extreme that even some well-watered lawns are now slipping into dormancy, said Rodney St. John, K-State Research and Extension turfgrass specialist.

"Lawn management needs to be in survival mode, not problem-fixing mode. Excess thatch or compacted soil may be making the situation worse, but it can wait until fall. Right now, we need to concentrate on keeping grass alive," he said. "What that means in terms of watering, however, depends on how ready the turf was for little to no rain and triple-digit heat."

This is the second year in a row Kansas lawns have faced a stressful summer, he said. Ironically, the stress has been hardest on lawns that homeowners babbled through spring.

"If your lawn is strong and healthy when it enters dormancy, you can quit watering the weeds. That kind of turf can go up to a month between waterings and still keep its crowns alive," Mr. St. John explained. "But, if you or the weather watered the lawn incorrectly through spring - too much or too often - shutting the turf off 'cold turkey' could cause damage and even plant death.

"That's what happened to many lawns last year. They had short-short roots, resulting from too-frequent spring rains. They weren't prepared for the weather's rapid turn to high heat and drought. Their root systems couldn't supply enough water for plant growth and cooling

enough to allow the plants to enter dormancy gracefully. So, many turf plants died." For homeowners whose lawn is suffering now, he suggests waiting about seven days after its last good drink and then irrigating.

"If the lawn still has some green then, you can continue watering, or you can ease it into dormancy - your choice," the horticulturist said. "If you decide on dormancy or your turf already looks dormant, you should extend the interval between waterings several days at a time until you're on a two-week schedule. Your lawn probably won't be tough enough to go any longer than that this year."

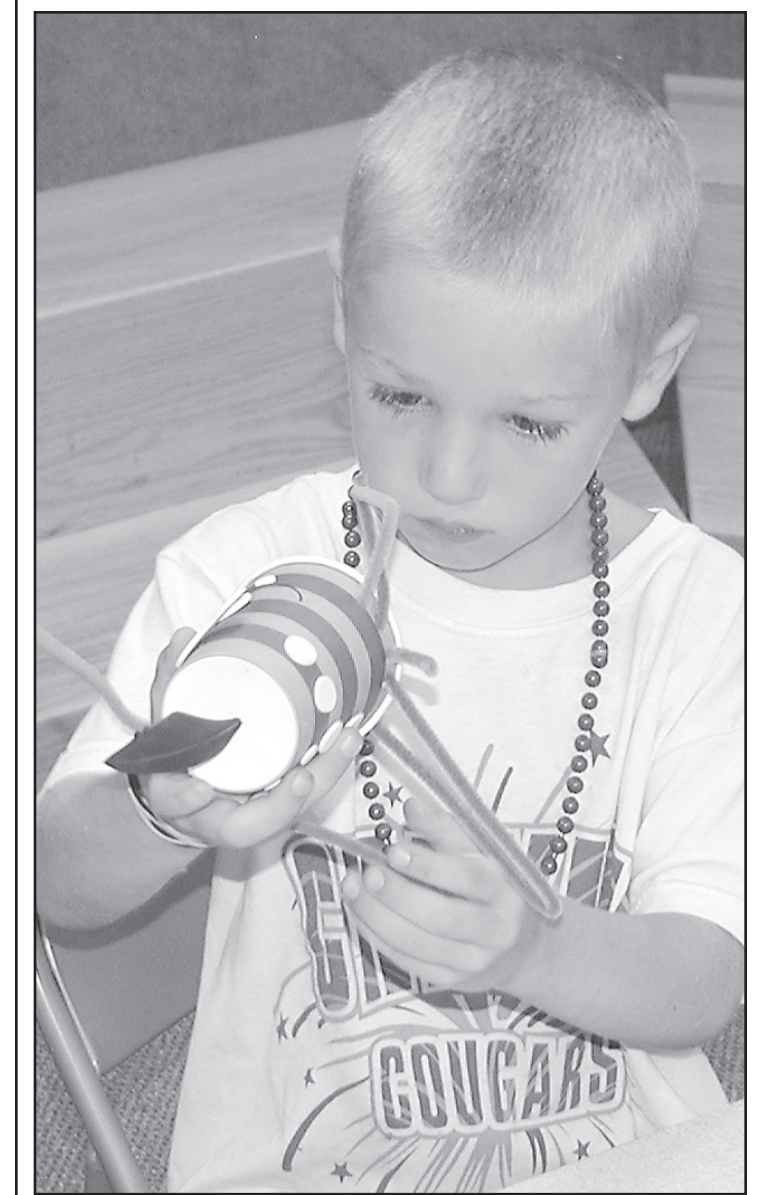
In general, he said, the rule of thumb for lawns in Kansas is to ensure they get an inch of water per week. But, that rule varies in line with weather extremes.

"Given this July's weather in most of the state, maintaining a green lawn and preventing dormancy required applying about an inch of water every three to four days," St. John said. "In contrast, when the weather cools in fall, that rate will decrease, eventually reaching an inch every couple of weeks."

**Be slow to mow in hot weather** Mowing during extremely hot weather adds to lawns' stress, said Mr. St. John.

"When it's as hot as the weather has been this July, mowing will even stress out warm-season turfs, such as bermuda, zoysia and buffalo grass. But, their stress isn't nearly as severe as what happens to cool-season grasses," he said. "Fortunately, grass blades don't elongate much in hot weather, so you may be able to put off mowing until the temperature cools a bit - preferably into the lower 90s or upper 80s."

When homeowners do mow, grasses, it's 3.75 to 4 inches tall. They should set their mower at the high end of their turf's recommended cutting-height range, the horticulturist added. For warm season turfs, that height is about 2 inches. For cool-season



HARLEY MCPHERSEN is making a spider during the library reading program.

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