

Apply preventers before crabgrass germinates

Crabgrass preventers are pre-emergence herbicides that prevent crabgrass seeds from developing into mature plants. Many people have a somewhat foggy idea of how they work. They don't actually keep the seed from germinating; rather, the germinating plant takes up some of the herbicide and dies.

Crabgrass preventers are just that — preventers. With few exceptions, they will have no effect on existing crabgrass plants. Therefore, preventers have to be applied before crabgrass germinates.

Also, they don't last forever once applied to the soil. Microorganisms



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and natural processes begin to gradually break them down soon after they are applied.

If some products are applied too early, they may have lost much of their strength by the time they are needed.

Most crabgrass preventers are fairly ineffective after about 60

days, although there is considerable variation among products. Dimension and Barricade, exceptions to the rule, are season-long products.

For most of Kansas, crabgrass typically begins to germinate around May 1 or a little later, so April 15 is a good target date for applying preventer. That gives the active ingredients some time to disperse in the soil before crabgrass

germination starts.

Weather varies each spring and so does the timing of crabgrass germination, so it is often better to base timing on the bloom of ornamental plants. The eastern redbud tree is a good choice for this purpose. I also like to use the Forsythia bloom.

When these plants are approaching full bloom, apply your crabgrass preventer. A follow-up application will be needed about eight weeks later unless you are using Dimension or Barricade.

Dimension and Barricade are the only two products that will give season-long control of crabgrass from a single application. In fact, they can be applied much earlier than April 15 and still will have sufficient residual strength to last the season.

Barricade can even be applied in

the fall for crabgrass control the next season. Dimension can be applied as early as March 1. Because of the added flexibility in timing, these products are favorites of lawn care companies that have many customers to service in the spring.

Though Dimension cannot be applied as early as Barricade, it is the herbicide of choice if you must apply later than recommended. It is the exception to the rule that pre-emergence herbicides do not kill existing weeds. Dimension can kill crabgrass as long as it is young (two- to three-leaf stage).

Dimension is also the best choice if treating a lawn that was planted late last fall. Normally, we recommend not using a pre-emergence herbicide unless the lawn has been mowed two to four times. However, Dimension is kind to young tall fes-

cue, perennial ryegrass and Kentucky bluegrass seedlings and can be applied as early as two weeks after the first sign of germination. Lawns established in the fall can be safely treated with Dimension the following spring even if they have not been mowed.

Note that products that contain Dimension and Barricade may use the common name rather than the trade name. The common chemical name for Dimension is dithiopyr and for Barricade is prodiamine. Remember, when using any pesticide, read the label and follow instructions carefully.

Dana Belshe is agricultural agent for Kansas State University Research and Extension and the Sunflower Extension District, covering Sherman, Wallace and Cheyenne counties.

vfw auxiliary news

The Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary held its meeting Thursday at the post home. President Carlene Fenner presided.

The state winner in the Patriot's Pen placed 20th at the national level and received a \$1,000 bond.

The theme for next year's essay is "Why I am an American Patriot." The contest is open to sixth through eighth graders, and they need to submit a 350 word essay by Nov. 1 to enter.

The state winner for Voice of Democracy won \$1,000 at the national level. The theme for next year's program is "My Role in Honoring America's Veterans."

This contest is open to ninth through 12th graders. They need to

submit a three to five-minute taped speech by Nov. 1.

The National Ladies Auxiliary is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to members, their children or grandchildren. The deadline to enter is June 1. The deadline to enter for the local scholarship is April 1. Seniors at Goodland High School who are children or grandchildren of a post or auxiliary member.

Thank yous were read from the Tribune Junior Girls Unit for the donation of stamps for their projects and from the Larry Wilkinson family for support in their time of need.

The charter was draped in memory of Dorothy Fairbanks, Isabelle Hellerud and Wilma Pfau. Donations of food for the con-

signment sale were appreciated and brought in a nice amount for the roof repairs. Thanks go out to Gary and Cindy Kickler for their donation of time and materials for the stained glass items that were sold.

The Ninth District Spring Convention will be Sunday, April 22, at Oakley. The meeting starts at 8 p.m. with a banquet featuring the district Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen winners. All are encouraged to attend.

The next meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5, with the election of officers. All members should be present.

The meeting adjourned with the retiring of the colors.

Submitted by JoAnn Wahrman.

matters of record

Sherman County Sheriff

The following incidents have been reported to the Sherman County Sheriff:

March 5 — Frontier Equity, 1202 W. Hwy. 24, received a worthless check for \$31.73 on June 15, 2005.

March 6 — Dairy Queen, 2402

Commerce Road, received a worthless check for \$19.54 on Nov. 17, 2006.

Cowboy Loop, 1631 Main, received a worthless check for \$37.40 on April 7, 2005.

Hank's, 118 E. 17th, received a worthless check for \$15 on Sept. 3, 2006.

S&M Fireworks, 1570 Hwy. 24, received a worthless check for \$180.40 on June, 30, 2006.

public notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Bankwest of Kansas Plaintiff,

vs.

Soraya Vaughn a/k/a Soraya L. Vaughn; Glen Vaughn; Unknown Spouse, if any, of Soraya L. Vaughn; John Doe (Tenant/Occupant); Mary Doe (Tenant/Occupant); Defendants.

Case No. 07CV11
Court Number:
Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

Notice Of Suit

The State Of Kansas, to the above-named defendants and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in partnership; the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of any defendants that are minors or are under any legal disability; and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any person alleged to be deceased, and all other persons who are or may be concerned.

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Sherman County, Kansas, praying to foreclose a real estate mortgage on the following described real estate:

Lots Seventeen (17), Eighteen (18), Nineteen (19), Twenty (20), Twenty-One (21) and Twenty-Two (22) in Block Thirty-One (31) of the Rule's First Addition to the City of Kanorado, Sherman County, Kansas, commonly known as 310 Rule Avenue, Kanorado, KS 67741 (the "Property")

and you are required to plead to the Petition on or before the 23rd day of April, 2007, in the District Court of Sherman County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

NOTICE

Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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LEGAL PUBLICATION

Results of the market study analysis for Sherman County for the Assessment Year 2007.

Pursuant to L.191,CH.279§S.

A study of the residential real estate market indicated that the market is stable with no general upward or downward trend.

A study of the commercial real estate market indicated that the market is stable with no general upward or downward trend.

A study of the real estate mar-

ket for vacant land indicated that market is stable with no general upward or downward trend.

Value on specific properties may not follow the general trend because of change in the property, correction of description information or adjustment values based on sales of similar properties.

In accordance with K.S.A. 79-1476, the Division of Property Valuation is required to annually furnish each county the results of its' study relating to changes, if any, of the use value

of agriculture land. Changes can and do occur as a result of several factors including cropping practices, commodity prices and production costs.

The study relating to use value of Agriculture Land completed by the Division of Property Valuation indicated the following changes compared to the prior year:

All Grassland: Decrease of \$7.00 per/acre on majority of soil mapping units.

Dry Cropland: Decrease of \$6.00 to \$10.00 per/acre on majority of soil mapping units.

Irrigated Cropland: Decrease of \$13.00 to \$20.00 per/acre on predominate irrigated soil mapping units.

Terry Ballard
Sherman County Appraiser

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Here's a few other homes for your consideration:

- 807 Washington....\$75,000
- 119 Walnut.....\$67,500
- 222 E. 5th.....\$69,000
- 823 Cattletrail...\$83,500
- 809 Eastridge....\$73,500
- 617 Center....\$39,000
- 609 Washington.....\$39,900

It would be my pleasure to show you any homes currently listed for sale in Goodland. Put me to work helping you find your next dream home....you'll be glad you did.

Thanks, Donna Moore

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