



# Home & Garden

Gulf Breeze NEWS

## Early fall color could be sign of tree distress

In many parts of North America, people will soon enjoy one of nature's finest shows: fall foliage. Color-changing leaves make for a beautiful display, but early changes in leaf-color can be a sign that your tree is stressed and is susceptible to insect and disease attack.

If the leaves on your trees seem to have gotten a jump-start on fall compared with those on similar trees in the area, you might want to consult a professional arborist who can identify any problems and offer possible solutions.

"Premature colors can be an indication that a tree isn't vigorous enough to withstand insects and disease

organisms that may attack it, not to mention the usual changes that occur when the weather turns cold," says Tchuuki Andersen, staff arborist with the Tree Care Industry Association. "Occasionally, only one or two limbs of the tree will show premature fall color. This could be a sign of a disease at work, weakening only the infected limbs."

The more common situation is for the entire tree to exhibit premature fall coloration, a phenomenon usually linked to root-related stress. "Trees respond to these stresses by trying to curtail their above-ground growth," adds Andersen.

Leaves can be thought of as small factories containing raw materials, products and by-products, all in chemical form and some with color. As the leaf is "abandoned" by the tree, the green chlorophyll-the dominant chemical found in most leaves-is broken down and "recycled," leaving behind other-colored chemicals. Supply lines to the leaves also become clogged. If the major chemical remaining in the abandoned leaf is red, the leaf turns red. If it's yellow, the leaf turns yellow, and so on.

"The yearly variation in color intensity is due to varying weather conditions, which can affect the balance of chemicals and their composition in

the leaves," Andersen says. Differing amounts of rainfall, sunlight, temperature, humidity and other factors may have an effect on how bright, how quickly and how long the "leaf peeping" season will be in any given year.

### Find a professional

A professional arborist can assess your landscape and work with you to determine the best trees to plant. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA), a 68-year-old public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture. It has more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards

and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics and quality in business practices. An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies" program. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP Code search on [www.treecaretips.org](http://www.treecaretips.org).

## Lukewarm water raises hot topics...and a moldy toilet

By ED DEL GRANDE  
HGTVPRO.com

Q: Hi Ed, first let me tell you thanks! For single mothers like myself, your column and book is full of professional information that helps us finally figure out and understand many of our house problems on our own. My daughter and I just moved into a small house and the shower water will only get lukewarm while the rest of the house faucets in the bathroom and kitchen gets scalding hot. It's a one handle shower valve and my old valve was a three handle set up. Any ideas on how we can get the shower water hotter? Jane --Florida

A: Thank you Jane, when I wrote my book "Ed Del Grande's House Call" I pointed out that what homeowners really want and need is real information from real contractors. Not fluff thrown out by actors that you see so often these days. Fluff never helped anyone, so let me tell you straight out on how to deal with your problem.

First, the main concern I have is that you described the water temperature in the rest of your house's fixtures as "scalding hot." This is not a safe condition. Manufacturers of water heaters recommend that temperature settings for water heaters do not exceed 120 degrees F under any condition. Most water heaters even have a little drawing of a hand under a hot faucet and the print says something like; Danger, hot water can burn!

I know that sounds like basic advice, but this is a serious warning that many homeowners overlook. So, the first thing you need to do is have your water heater temperature lowered to your manufacturers safe hot water temperature range.

I know what your thinking: Everyone out there is saying, "wait a minute Ed. If she can't get a hot shower now with a very high water temperature, how is she ever going to get a hot shower with an even lower water temperature?"

Great question, and to understand the answer let me

explain to you how most modern one handle anti-scald shower mixing valves work. By the way most three handle mixing valves may not have anti-scald protection and every mixing valve should be checked by a licensed plumber to insure safe operation.

Modern one handle anti-scald tub and shower valves have balancing water flow pistons and/or thermostatic mixing controls built into the valve. These controls protect the user from excessive hot water conditions and many of them also have a built in stop setting so the handle may not be turned past a certain point and that would account for lukewarm shower water.

The good news is that most tub/shower valves can be adjusted and reset to match your water heater's temperature and this should give you back a reasonable hot shower. Since we are talking about adjusting your water heater and resetting your mixing valve, I suggest you call a licensed plumber to take care of both issues with one service call and that should save you a little

money. The best non-fluff information I can give any homeowner about working around their own house is to know when you should call in a professional. Trust me, when it comes to your families safety you don't want to get yourself into hot water by fooling around with equipment and controls that you're not familiar with.

Q: Ed, I have a strange problem. What would cause mold to form on the inside of the toilet tank above the water line? It's not in the bowl, just the tank. Phyllis --Michigan.

A: This can be a tricky problem! In order to grow, mold loves a moist, dark, warm area. In most cases where I have seen this problem, the toilet tank water has been raised to lukewarm temperatures for some reason and this completes the triangle for the three things that may attract mold.

Tank water can warm up due to the toilet tank being located directly over a heating source or some toilet water feed lines have hot water mixer valves on the water supply to cut back sweating of the toilet tank. Either way, that



Photo courtesy of Scripps Howard News Service  
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could heat up your tank water. Check to make sure you don't have lukewarm water in your tank and address the problem if you do.

Also, if your toilet is broken and running constantly that may account for extra moisture at the top of your tank, so check that as well. Finally, there are some good additives that may control tank

mold that you can purchase at your local home center and place in the tank. Be careful though: some additives can shorten the life of the rubber parts in your tank. I'm sure we'll get letters from a lot of people with this same problem and if I hear a good solution to an oldie moldy toilet tank I'll be sure to pass it along.

# L E G A L S

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT NEPTUNE 1 LLC holder of the following Tax Sale Certificate has filed said Tax Certificate for the Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Certificate Number and year of Issuance, the Description of property, and Name(s) in which it is assessed is as follows:

Certificate Number: 1124  
Year of Issuance: 2000

Description of Property: LTS 17 & 18 BLK 238, AVALON BEACH, AS DES IN OR 237 PG 72

Certificate Number: 2243  
Year of Issuance: 2005

Description of Property: PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN OR BOOK 1718 PG 772, LESS S 33' FOR RD Parcel ID: 15-2S-26-0000-16300-0000 Name in which Assessed: WILBUR E ZUG, ROSE M ZUG

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to Law, the Property described in such Certificate will be sold to the Highest Bidder, at the east end lobby of the County Administrative Complex at 6495 Caroline St., Milton, Florida on the 26th day of November, 2007 at 12:00 noon. Dated this 3rd day of October, 2007.

Mary M. Johnson  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Santa Rosa County, Florida

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MARCUS OR PATRICIA W BONNER holder of the following Tax Sale Certificate has filed said Tax Certificate for the Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Certificate Number and

following Tax Sale Certificate has filed said Tax Certificate for the Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Certificate Number and year of Issuance, the Description of property, and Name(s) in which it is assessed is as follows:

Certificate Number: 2656  
Year of Issuance: 2000

Description of Property: LTS 20 & 21 BLK B, JAY ROSA, AS DES IN OR BOOK 1670 PG 1179 Parcel ID: 41-5N-29-1970-00B00-0200 Name in which Assessed: PAUL MCCURDY, LISA K SMITH

All of the above property is located in Santa Rosa County, In the State of Florida.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT CONSTANCE V HICKS TRUST holder of the following Tax Sale Certificate has filed said Tax Certificate for the Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Certificate Number and year of Issuance, the Description of property, and Name(s) in which it is assessed is as follows:

Certificate Number: 1705  
Year of Issuance: 2005

Description of Property: PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN OR BOOK 672 PG 464, LESS N 25' Parcel ID: 13-1N-29-0000-00402-0000 Name in which Assessed: WAYNE FRITCHEY, FRANCES FRITCHEY

All of the above property is located in Santa Rosa County, In the State of Florida.

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### NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE

The reading and adoption of the following proposed Ordinance by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Rosa County, is scheduled for 9:30 a.m., November 8, 2007, in the Commissioners meeting room at the Administrative Complex, 6495 Caroline Street, Milton, Florida.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING A DEFINITION OF HYPODERMIC SYRINGE; REGULATING THE DISPOSAL AND RETAIL SALE OF HYPODERMIC SYRINGES OR NEEDLES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING A PENALTY; REPEALING AND REPLACING COUNTY ORDINANCE 74-4; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

These proposed Ordinances may be inspected by the public prior to the above scheduled meeting at the Office of the Clerk of Courts, BOCC Support Services Department, 6495 Caroline Street, Milton, Florida. All interested parties should take notice that if they decide to appeal any decision made by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter coming before said Board at said meeting, it is their individual responsibility to insure that a record of proceedings they are appealing exists and for such purpose they will need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record shall include the testimony and the evidence upon which their appeal is to be based. Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to these proposed ordinances.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BETTY N OR DICK N RILEY TTEE holder of the following Tax Sale Certificate has filed said Tax Certificate for the Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Certificate Number and year of Issuance, the Description of property, and Name(s) in which it is assessed is as follows:

Certificate Number: 2242  
Year of Issuance: 2005

Description of Property: PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN OR BOOK 1489 PG 52, LESS N 33' FOR RD, LESS ALL MIN RTS Parcel ID: 15-2S-26-0000-16000-0000 Name in which Assessed: ROBERT P SCHOENEBERG (DECEASED), MARY ELLEN LARSON

All of the above property is located in Santa Rosa County, In the State of Florida.

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according to Law, the Property described in such Certificate will be sold to the Highest Bidder, at the east end lobby of the County Administrative Complex at 6495 Caroline St., Milton, Florida on the 26th day of November, 2007 at 12:00 noon. Dated this 3rd day of October, 2007.

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NOTICE OF SALE BREEZE MINI WAREHOUSE 3036 Gulf Breeze Pkwy. Gulf Breeze FL (850) 932-5325 will have a sale on 11-15-07 Personal property in unit #77 Sharyn Lee Hawkins 7636 Shadow Bay Dr. Panama City, FL 32404 Contents in one sale. No single pieces.

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### NOTICE OF ACTION BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

IN RE: The unlicensed practice of contracting Terry Henderson and American Federation of Contractors, Inc. 196 East Fairfield Drive, Suite E Pensacola, FL 32514

CASE NO: 2005-017665, 2005-036698, 2005-062753CG UL LICENSE: Unlicensed

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation has filed an Administrative Complaint against you, a copy of which may be obtained by contacting, Jamie Duran, Office of General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 1940 N. Monroe Street, Suite 33, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2202, (850) 487-9651.

If no contact has been made by you concerning the above by November 29, 2007 the matter of the Administrative Complaint will be presented at a hearing pursuant to 120.57(2), F.S. before the Secretary of the Department or his/her designee, pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone: (850) 257-6097; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service.

Legal # 407

### NOTICE OF ACTION BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

IN RE: The unlicensed practice of contracting Paul Mulligan 201 North Pace Blvd. Pensacola, FL 32505

CASE NO: 2005-044819CG UL LICENSE: Unlicensed

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation has filed an Administrative Complaint against you, a copy of which may be obtained by contacting, Jamie Duran, Office of General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 1940 N. Monroe Street, Suite 33, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2202, (850) 487-9651.

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Legal # 406

### NOTICE OF ACTION BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

IN RE: The unlicensed practice of contracting Gerardo Sanchez 2510 Farris Avenue Navarre, FL 32566

CASE NO: 2005-028726CG UL LICENSE: Unlicensed

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation has filed an Administrative Complaint against you, a copy of which may be obtained by contacting, Jamie Duran, Office of General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 1940 N. Monroe Street, Suite 33, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2202, (850) 487-9651.

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Legal # 405

### NOTICE OF ACTION BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

IN RE: The unlicensed practice of contracting Frank E. Stevens, III 7843 Skyview Blvd Navarre, FL 32566

CASE NO: 2005-060194, 2005-058821CG UL LICENSE: Unlicensed

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation has filed an Administrative Complaint against you, a copy of which may be obtained by contacting, Jamie Duran, Office of General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 1940 N. Monroe Street, Suite 33, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2202, (850) 487-9651.

If no contact has been made by you concerning the above by December 6, 2007 the matter of the Administrative Complaint will be presented at a hearing pursuant to 120.57(2), F.S. before the Secretary of the Department or his/her designee, pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone: (850) 257-6097; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service.

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