

## FELLS COVE LANDSCAPE TIPS

### **MOWING St. Augustine Grass**

- A. Keep grass at least 3.5 to 4 inches high and always cut less than 1/3 of the grass blade each time you mow
- B. If your grass has grown very high, adjust your mower to cut only 1/3 of the grass blade
- C. Cut damaged grass higher while the grass is recovering from insect, disease or heat stress damage
- D. Recycle clippings on your lawn to reduce water loss and return nutrients to the soil
- E. Don't cut wet or wilted grass
- F. Edge along driveway, sidewalk and plant beds

### **WATERING St. Augustine Grass**

- A. Deep soaking encourages the development of a deep root system and healthy grass
- B. Inadequate watering can cause your grass to thin and lose color
- C. Most grasses require about one inch per week
- D. Water in the morning if possible
- E. New sod requires daily water for approximately 3 to 4 weeks
- F. Check with the County guidelines for lawn watering schedule
  - even # addresses - Thursday and Sunday
  - odd # addresses - Wednesday and Saturday

### **FERTILIZATION & PEST CONTROL - St. Augustine Grass**

Jan-Feb: Fertilize with nitrogen, potassium and manganese. Add weed control and pest control if needed

Mar-April: Add St. Augustine fertilizer, add application for weed control and pest treatment for cinch bugs and mole crickets

May-June: Add St. Augustine fertilizer, spot treatment for weeds and add pest control to entire lawn

July-August: add balanced fertilizer to maintain color. Add application of insect control on entire lawn and spot treat for broadleaf weeds.

Sept-Oct: Fertilize lawn with nutrients. Apply post emergent weed control for the winter slow-down. Spot treat for damaging insects.

Nov-Dec: Apply balanced fertilizer for the Winter. Apply post emergent weed control to prevent excessive weeds. Spot treat for insects.

### **TREES & PALMS**

- A. Trim dead or unsightly branches and palm fronds as needed
- B. Trim any branches that are blocking the sidewalk and street - hitting walkers or cars
- C. Add a tree or trees to your yard - it will add shade and improve your property investment

### **Bushes, Flowers and Plant Beds**

- A. Keep bushes uniformly trimmed, add bushes to front plant beds as needed
- B. Add flowers to your landscape - there great!
- C. Add mulch to plant beds - it will help control weeds and hold moisture for your plants
- D. Weed all plant beds as needed