

Established trees need care in hot, dry weather

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Trees form the framework in our landscapes, providing shade, cleaning our air of dust and pollutants, absorbing carbon dioxide, releasing oxygen, protecting our soil and helping to manage storm water. Once established, they often are overlooked when summer has us dragging hoses to water flower and vegetable gardens to keep them alive.

Make ongoing care of trees part of your gardening routine, especially during extremely hot, dry weather. Proper care will

help keep your trees healthy and reduce the risk of insect pests and diseases that often attack drought-stressed trees for the following years.

Let the weather, soil type and type of tree determine the watering schedule. High temperatures and fast draining soils dry out quickly and trees will need more frequent watering. Cooler temperatures and slow or poorly drained soils stay moist longer. Established trees with larger root systems and drought tolerant trees need less frequent watering than moisture lovers and new plantings.

Check the soil moisture

and water established trees when the top few inches of soil are dry. Always water thoroughly, moistening the top 12 inches of soil under the canopy of deciduous trees. Do the same for evergreens, extending the area three to five feet beyond the dripline.

To do this, apply 10 gallons of water for every inch diameter of trunk measured at 4.5 feet above the soil surface. For example, a 4-inch diameter tree should receive about 40 gallons of water.

Apply the water directly to the soil surface using a soaker hose. Set the soaker hose in wide circles

under the tree, starting several feet away from the trunk with the loops several feet apart.

Or you can make your own drip irrigation system with five-gallon buckets. Drill several holes in the bottom of the buckets, set around the tree, fill with water and let gravity do the rest.

Spread a 2- to 3-inch layer of wood chips or other organic mulch over the soil surface. Pull the mulch away from the trunk of the tree to prevent rotting and disease. You'll help keep the soil and roots cool and moist, suppress weeds and improve the soil as the mulch

decomposes.

Create as large a mulch or planting bed around your trees as you can tolerate. You'll help eliminate competition from the grass and damage caused by weed whips and mowers that get a little too close. You'll also save time by eliminating the need to hand trim around individual plants.

If large beds of mulch do not fit your landscape design, create a beautiful garden in the shade of your trees. Shade tolerant ground covers, perennials and shrubs can dress up the space with additional texture and color.

Be careful when plant-

ing under mature trees. Do not cover the roots with soil as this can result in the decline and even death of your tree in coming years.

Also, avoid deep tilling that can damage the surface roots and fine feeder roots used to absorb water and nutrients. Instead, dig relatively small holes to accommodate the plant, mulch and spot water new plantings. It may take a bit longer for them to fill in, but your tree will be healthier and longer lived.

Your investment of time and care with be rewarded with years of beauty and the many benefits mature trees provide.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Real estate transfers reflect information from deeds filed in the county clerk's office.

- Samuel I. Miller and Elizabeth M. Miller, married, South US 127, Dunnville, to Andrew N. Lee and Amanda F. Lee, married, Gaddis Ridge Road, Elk Horn: four acres shown on Plat Survey for Samuel I. Miller in Plat Cabinet F. \$325,000.
- Douglas P. Willems and Judy A. Willems, married, Dora Elizabeth Court, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, to Ronald E. Stewart and Tina C. Stewart, married, Wildflower Drive, Campbellsville: Lot 6D of Johnsport Subdivision, 3rd Addition. \$309,900.
- Sandy Y. Hammon, unmarried, Lemon Bend Road, Campbellsville, to David A. Dudgeon and Dana L. Dudgeon, married, East Lemon Bend Road, Campbellsville: For and in consideration as a gift. Tract 4 of R. Lemon Farm Division. Fair cash value \$360.
- Andrew Craig Larimore and Kathy Larimore, married, Crawford Street, Campbellsville, and Stephen Blake Durrett and Whitney Durrett, married, Tonieville Road, Hodgenville, to Ricky Myers and Janice Myers, married, Twin Creek Road, Campbellsville: Lot 42 of Twin Creek Subdivision. \$209,000.
- Donald E. Stauffer and Beverly F. Stauffer, married, Stoner Creek Road, Elk Horn, to Jared Reed Stauffer, single, Stoner Creek Road, Elk Horn: two tracts on a plat found in Plat Cabinet F, slide 132, total acreage being 13.61 acres more or less. \$85,000.
- MCI Properties LLC, Tabernacle Road, Campbellsville, to Brandon Young and Makayla Young, married, M. Moss Lane, Campbellsville: Tract 2 (0.761 acre) of Earl Babbitt Land Division No. 1. \$269,500.
- Rattliff Investments LLC, Cambridge Way, Campbellsville, to Jerry Phillips and Linda Phillips, Campbellsville: Beginning on south right-of-way of Sportsman Lake Road from northwestern most corner of an existing dwelling

along south right-of-way of Sportsman Lake Road, leaving right-of-way and dividing the lands of J.R. Simpson and Joyce Simpson, containing one acre more or less. \$199,000.

- Casey Seaborne, unmarried, Liberty Road, Campbellsville, to Oliver Investments LLC, Reids Chapel Road, Campbellsville: Beginning on north right-of way of Kentucky 70 and being a corner common to Samuel Harden and Helen Harden with the north right-of-way of Kentucky 70, leaving right-of-way and dividing the lands of Robert Boston and Wilma Boston, containing 0.7911 acre more or less. \$79,000.
- Christopher Graybeal and Kristie R. Graybeal, married, Birdie Avenue, Campbellsville, to David M. Mings, Bucknersville Road, Greensburg: Parcel 1, beginning on south side of Kentucky 70, corner of John D. Harris property, thence with south side of highway to a concrete right-of-way marker, continuing with south side of said Kentucky 70 to a new division corner in the Larry G. Graybeal property, containing 14.61 acres; Parcel 2, beginning at a concrete right-of-way on south side of Kentucky 70, approximately 513 feet east of northeast corner of John D. Harris property and also being a new division corner in the Larry G. Graybeal property, containing 0.62 acre. \$468,000.
- Daris Arnold, single, Arnold Road, Campbellsville, to Jeff Arnold and Connie Arnold, married, Arnold Road, Campbellsville: For the exchange of property: Beginning on the south side of Kentucky Highway 323-Bengal Road, being a corner of the Daris Arnold and Jeffrey A. Arnold property. Fair market value \$2,500.
- Sarah Beth Nunn, unmarried, Old Greensburg Road, Campbellsville, to Ken Willard and Dawne Willard, married, West Southern Avenue, Tempe, Arizona, beginning on north side of Old Greensburg Road, corner of Troy and Patricia Wilson property, containing 0.658 acre. \$145,000.

- Nathan D. Williams LLC, East Broadway Street, Campbellsville, to Kincaid Brady, unmarried, Charles Campbell Road, Lebanon, Arkansas: Tract 1 of Donnie and Sue Newton Property Division. \$230,000.
- Tammy Faye Southern and James H. Southern, Jr., married, Christerson Lane, Campbellsville, to Justin Brandle and Sophia R. Schnepf, married, Rose Street, Campbellsville: Beginning on Rose Street, W.M. Bowen's corner, thence with Bowen's line 100 feet to a stone in the division line between Lots 24 and 25, 57 feet to a stone, corner of lot sold to Sarah E. Ferguson. \$116,600.

EARLY DAYS

TEN YEARS AGO
August 2016
Campbellsville Police investigate the scene where a man's body was discovered in a van in the parking lot of the Campbellsville Wal-Mart. Campbellsville Elementary School's after school program Wings Express program was set to begin for the new school year.

Matt and Michael Hart, both sons of Cynthia and Scottie Hart of Campbellsville, and both graduates of Taylor County High School, were both on Centre College's dean's list.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
August 2006
Fourteen young ladies were set to take the stage at

Hamilton Auditorium as they compete for the title of Taylor County Junior Miss.

The recent Campbellsville Lay-Led Rally for Christ collected \$6,100.96 for the Taylor County Food Pantry.

Teresa Spuling of Campbellsville, assistant professor of education at Campbellsville University, received her Ph.D from Capella University.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
August 1996
Enrollment at Campbellsville schools was down slightly while the number of Taylor County students had increased from 1995.

Barry and Patricia Bright, Campbellsville, announce

the birth of their son, Dylan Ray.

Eva McCubbins's Sweet and Sassy Cloggers were set to perform at the Kentucky State Fair.

Kim Dicken was given a wedding shower at the home of Brenda Franklin.

FORTY YEARS AGO
August 1986
Registration for membership in Girl Scouting was scheduled Taylor County Elementary School gymnasium.

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HOUSE & LOT

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Near Green River Lake - Auction Signs Posted



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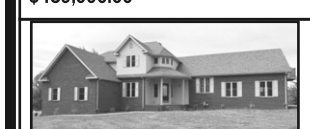
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PENDING

UPCOMING AUCTIONS

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Charles Edward "Eddie" Murphy Estate
Brick House & Lot
2842 Smith Ridge Road, Campbellsville, Ky

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