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Jonathan Hightower wrote:

“Good point. I have some friends who purchased a home with a couple of trees out front. One tree just wouldn’t do well no matter what they tried...eventually it died, and they pulled it out, to find that the builder who put the tree in never took the bag off of the root ball...so it could never expand its roots.”

Jonathan points out a common problem; bad planting. Whether the trees are planted by the builder or a landscaper, leaving the burlap on is quite prevalent. Just because you are buying a house with relatively new landscaping you should not assume the trees are in good condition.

A student in law enforcement from Cheyenne, Wyoming says:

“You are absolutely right!! Short story: Family owns an older home on a corner lot. The main selling point of the large lot with older home are the various, and huge majestic pines that line the side and sit in back- providing a natural fence and sound barrier. Each year, from about April to June or July, begins roosting season for turkey vultures. Please do your homework on how turkey vultures “mark” their territory- it’s pretty gross. The turkey vultures LOVED the majestic pines, and took up roost for a few years in a row. Now the majestic pines are not so beautiful, and over \$30,000 in damages have been done to the property with most of the expense being the majestic pines. Thought I would share.”

While this doesn’t look like a case where the inspection would have helped I think it would have. Just like a local Chicagoland arborist would be

able to tell which trees are likely to be eaten by deer, I bet an arborist in Cheyenne would have been able to alert this homebuyer to the problem of the turkey vultures.

Even though this feedback came from around the country it still applies to Chicagoland. I urge homebuyers especially to consider a *Pre-Sale Arboricultural Inspection*™.

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Featured Arborist

This is the first of what I plan to be many articles featuring Chicagoland arborists and their companies.

J.F. Campion Tree Care

James Campion always had the ambition and drive to be an entrepreneur and in 2005 he realized his dream. That is when he started his company *J.F.Campion Tree Care---Let’s Talk Trees.* (www.letstalktrees.com).

While he loves being able to make his own decisions about how to take care of trees, he is still plagued by the same problems a lot of small business owners have; finding good help and high overhead---the cost of liability insurance and workmen’s comp.

One of the biggest mistakes he sees homeowners making in regards to their trees is hiring unqualified people or doing it themselves when it comes to pruning and mulching. “Get a good tree care professional to look at your trees” says James, and “mycorrhizae, mycorrhizae”.

He also thinks that homeowners do not realize the value of trees on their property.

Please contact James at **866-628-4067**

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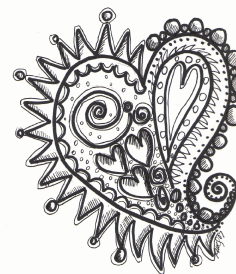
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