



*Consultants to the Professionals!*

## Answer sheet to the July Consulting Arborist Quiz

**Many homeowners do not understand problems with their trees. When a contractor performs a service on a property and a week or two later a tree nearby develops a problem often it is related to your client's work. Here are the answers.**

1. This is obvious herbicide damage on an oak.

**Answer** -False. This is vein pocket gall on a red oak. It causes leaves to curl and could be misdiagnosed as herbicide damage. It is generally found in the south west but has recently been found in Indiana.

2. This is damage from his asphalt equipment which was allowed to get to close to the tree.

**Answer** - False. This is severe Chlorosis in a pin oak.

3. This is damage from a lawn care application.

**Answer** - False. This is emerald ash borer damage. If it was herbicides from the lawn service chances are the damage would be worse on the lower area or the windward side of the tree not just on the top.

4. This is an aberrant growth which grew after a spill of paint thinner.

**Answer** - False. These are the flower buds of a Rose of Sharon and they have an insect infestation.

5. This is fire damage caused when your client burned a pile of wood debris.

**Answer** - False. This is a bacterial leaf scorch on a red oak.

6. This is damage from your client's muffler during a directional borer project.

**Answer** - False. This is squirrel damage. If you look closely you will see the limb has been girdled just below the dead section.

7. This is caused by root damage when your client installed a sewer line near this tree.

**Answer** - False. This is a girdling root which is choking the trunk of the tree and causing it to decline.

8. This is herbicide damage from a spill.

**Answer** - False. This is a low spot that has standing water that drowns out any plants.



**Remember, if your claim is worth more than a cup of coffee call me and ask for a "Claim Review", it may save you a lot of time and money!**

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