

SlammCo Lawncare, formerly known in the area as Gaston Lawns & Landscapes, will begin first applications in April.

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Opportunity knocked, and the Cole family of Grant answered—with April only weeks away, they are busily planning to start their lawn service business which they've recently acquired from Gaston Lawns & Landscapes of McCook.

Shawn and Monica Cole have purchased the Grant portion of Rod and Pam Gaston's business.

They have renamed the business SlammCo Lawncare.

To start, they will be working only in, and close to, the Grant area.

Offering the same service to customers, SlammCo will have a four-application lawn spraying package and optional grub control. If a customer doesn't want all four, they will quote a price for only the spring, summer or fall application desired.

Monica will do the necessary office work and phone communication out of the couple's home. A storage unit will be rented for the equipment.

For the first year, Shawn and Monica will handle the lawn service themselves, but will plan to hire additional help as their business grows.

"Our goal to you is to give you satisfactory customer service and to fulfill all of your lawn care needs," said Shawn. "We are very excited to embark on this new journey that has been placed into our hands. We feel that this community is one of the best, and to be able to serve it is a reward in itself for us!"

The Coles have been in Grant for six years, moving from Kearney after Shawn acquired his education degree from UNK and finished student teaching.

Shawn said he has enjoyed every second of his job as the kindergarten through fifth grade and ninth through 12th grade physical education teacher. He is head Plainsmen boys basketball coach and serves as assistant coach for high school girls and boys track. He is also the class sponsor for the Perkins County High School freshmen.

Monica is a stay-at-home mom, which makes it convenient to run the office and do the book work at home for their business. She is also involved at the high school, serving as assistant volleyball coach for the Lady Plainsmen.

The couple has three young children. Libby, age five, is in preschool, Alex is three and Macey is one year old.

The SlammCo name comes from the Coles combining their initials—Shawn, Libby, Alex, Macey, Monica!

The Coles are anxious for spring to arrive and to get started on their new venture—which, Shawn says, he gave thought to for a while before deciding to accept an offer.

“I thought about it for a couple of weeks and then decided that it would be a good thing for our family, and that opportunities like this don’t knock on your door every day.”

Those interested in lawn service from SlammCo Lawncare may call 352-6931 or email slammcolawn@gmail.com