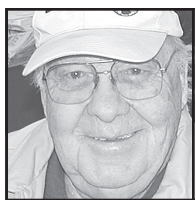


Symbol is sign of best vegetables, flowers

The All-America Selections symbol seen in many see catalogs this time of year is a symbol in which we should all give our undivided attention. The symbol is in the form of a red, white and blue shield, and is not difficult to see beside some of the very best vegetable and flower selections in the catalog.

All-America Selections is a 75 year-old non-profit organization that evaluates new seed-grown flowers and vegetables from around the world. Only those varieties proving to be significantly improved over comparable varieties receive All-America Selection honors.



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The process begins when plant breeders, who work several years to develop a new improved vegetable or flower, believe they have found one that is exceptional. They will then submit their new product to the All-America Selections committee. Maybe it's a unique green bean or carrot or any

other vegetable that he has been able to breed in unusual sweetness or disease resistance. Maybe it's a new multi-colored columbine, a sunflower or a hardy marigold with a brighter color or later blooming reliability.

In all regions of North America, some 35 volunteer plant growers are asked to nurture these new plant developments over a three or four year period. They are carefully tested for all the traits necessary to produce a better quality vegetable or flower. If, for any reason, these individual tests do not produce a superior product, at ALL of the test locations, they are elimi-

nated from the possibility of winning All-America designation. They might appear in the seed catalog or on the rack at the store, but they cannot display that red, white and blue shield. It becomes rather obvious, I think, that any All-America selection would be worthy of your or my garden. We should look carefully for that symbol as we buy our seed this year.

Some of the more noteworthy All-America vegetable winners over the years has been Melody Spinach (1977), Derby green beans (1990), Sweet Success cucumbers (1983), Super Star onions (2001) and Salad Bowl lettuce (1952). A few of the flower of-

ferings of Profusion zinnias (2000 through 2010) and the gorgeous new Mesa Yellow gaillardia (2010).

Some garden experts criticize the All-America Selections organization for not appointing and utilizing more test locations, and I'm sure that would be nice. However, there are indeed test locations in every single hardiness zone of North America and that's good enough for me.

I'll continue to buy All-America Selections seed and plants and I highly recommend you do the same. You simply cannot go wrong when you do!

Fathering classes to be held in March

A basic fathering program for expecting dads and dads with children younger than eight years of age or with children older than eight will be offered at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays for six weeks, starting Tuesday, March 9, at the First Christian Church, 711 Arcade.

The 24/7 A.M. is a basic fathering program for expecting dads and dads with children younger than eight. The 24/7 P.M. is the program for dads with children older than eight. The P.M. class is more in-depth. Both programs focus on characteristics fathers need to be a great dad 24 hours a day and seven days a week and cover many aspects of fatherhood so that men of all cultures, races, religions and backgrounds

can walk away with beneficial information.

Classes will include discussion points. The programs works to build and maintain healthy and supportive relationships with a man's children, wife, family, friends and community.

Facilitators will be Dr. W.G. Romine II, pastor of Redeeming Love Ministries Regional Church and Leon Volk of Commercial Sign of Colby and Goodland resident. There is no cost to participate in the class. To register call Paige Campbell, Community Consultant of the Regional Prevention Center, at (785) 460-8177 or paigec@st-tel.net by Thursday, March 11,

Another class will be held in the fall.

Good time to check for scale insects

The dormant season is a good time to check woody plants for scale insect infestations. This time of year, deciduous plants do not have leaves, so scales are more easily seen. If an infestation is detected, make plans to apply a dormant oil for control late this winter.

Scale insects are easily overlooked because they are small and immobile most of their lives, and



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they do not resemble most other insects. Many of them resemble small shells that are oval or circular, but some have more unusual shapes like

oysters shells. Coloring varies, but can include white, tan and brown. Plants that should be inspected for scales include apples, pears, other fruit trees, bush fruits, lilac, crabapple, oak, ash, elm, lilac, maple, linden, arborvitae, juniper, pine, spruce and yew. Manhattan euonymus is

especially noted for having scale problems. Plants are not harmed if only a few scales are present. But scale population can increase dramatically during the growing season. Heavy scale infestations can damage fruit crops, destroy branches and kill entire plants.

*Source: KSRE Horticulture Newsletter

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