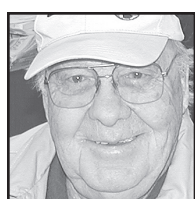


Gardener had fun talking about zucchini

In the past 25 or 30 years, I've had a lot of fun writing and talking on the radio about zucchini. It seems as though zucchini has always been the butt of hundreds of jokes, mainly because of its profuse production habit. Plant a couple of hills of the stuff and you are almost guaranteed to grow enough for your family, and most of the rest of the families in your block. Grow more than two hills and you have real trouble.

Strangely enough, there are people who seem to enjoy eating zucchini. I sell quite a bit of it at the Farmer's Market on Saturday



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mornings, most to folks who never volunteer to tell me how they fix it for their family. I enjoy slipping some of it into unsuspecting friends cars, or dropping off a sack full on their front porch. Some of the people I know have learned over the years to keep their cars locked during the

period of zucchini production, which doesn't really work for non-gardeners who have no idea when zucchini production begins. A friend of mine used to tell everyone how to determine when zucchini production began by watching the ditches along the roads near my house for zucchini vines that were growing from the zucchini that people had thrown out of their cars after stopping at my house. That wasn't true of course, because zucchini

does not grow as a vine. It's a big leaved bushy plant, with no vining capability.

My friends, the late Bill Gray and I were helping to judge a pie contest at the County Fair one year. The pies would be passed down the line of judges who would cut themselves a small slice and taste it. Bill passed me an apple pie which I proceeded to taste, and when my mouth was full, Bill whispered that it was not apple, but mock-apple. It was zucchini pie! I almost gagged, but had to swallow my mouthful because all the ladies who entered

the contest were sitting out front, intently watching. Bill thought it was funny.

And then there was they guy who discovered a useful idea for utilizing zucchini. He would peel it, chop it and put enough pulp into a plastic bag so that it would fit into a shoe he had purchased that was just a little too tight. He forced the bag into the shoe carefully, and put the shoe in the freezer for a day or two. Remove the shoe from the freezer, take the bag of zucchini out of the shoe when it melts, and bingo! Your shoe had expanded enough that it fit

perfectly. You may want to try that on both shoes!

One spring, a friend of mine bought a dozen very small cantaloupe plants at the store, and at the correct time, stuffed them in the ground in his garden. Alas! The plants had been mislabeled at the store. They were zucchini plants! Imagine the sorrow and hard feeling when the plants matured and production began. A sign was put up in his front yard that read: Zucchini for Sale...\$1 per cord.

Wonder, wonderful zucchini! What is your favorite use for it?

Emergency fund is key to financial security

Saving for a specific purpose - a home, car, education or vacation - might seem challenge enough, yet a specialist recommends building an emergency fund first.

"Having money in the bank to pay unexpected expenses is a must," said Carol Young, Kansas State Research and Extension financial management specialist.

An accident, injury or illness can happen any time, said Young, who said stress from unexpected events increases when there isn't money to cover costs.

In the current economy, a possible job loss or layoff is another incentive to save, said Young, noting that money managers recommend an emergency fund to cover at least six months of living expenses.

If not in the habit of saving, however, she encourages saving one month's expenses as an initial goal.

• State saving and save regularly.

• Pay yourself first. Deposit \$10 or more from each paycheck in an interest bearing account.

• If available, choose direct deposit to make sure savings go into the account.

• Save all or part of a raise.

• Shop with coupons and add money saved to a savings account. A \$10 per week savings 52 weeks a year will add up to \$520 plus

interest.

• Weigh needs versus wants and earmark funds to meet needs first.

• Save to pay cash or use layaway, rather than add to a credit card balance during an emergency.

Information on money management is available at www.ksre.ksu.edu and at www.ksre.ksu.edu/financialmanagement/ and www.kansassaves.org.

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www.calvarygospel.net

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Sunday: Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Morning Service: 10 a.m.
Evening Service: 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m.

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1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO
(719) 346-7984
Sacrament Meeting: 10 a.m.
Sunday School: 11:15 a.m.
Priesthood/Relief Society: 12 a.m.

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La Luz Del Mundo
Spanish Speaking Church
Minister: Esteban Ortiz B.
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Daily Prayer: Sunday thru
Saturday: 5a.m. & 6 p.m.
Sunday: Sunday School: 10 a.m.

United Methodist Church Brewster:

Pastor: Dorine Chambers
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m. CST
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. CST
Winona:
Minister: Sheryl Johnson
Worship Service: 9 a.m. CST
Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

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Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233
Sunday: Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.
Activities: Junior High & High School Youth Groups, Adult Bible Study, Choir, Men's and Women's Groups, Devotions Study, Monthly Fellowship
Special Notice: Handicap Accessible, Hearing Assistance Equipment and Infant and Toddler Nurseries Available

Kanorado United Methodist Church

Pastor: Leonard Cox
399-2468
Sunday: Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:15 a.m.

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Pastor: Bob Willis
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899-2080 or 899-3797
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:50 a.m.
Evening Service: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Evening Service: 7 p.m.

Goodland United Methodist Church

1116 Sherman 899-3631
Pastors: Dustin and Shelly Petz
Saturday: Worship: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: Adult Classes: 9:15 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Wednesday Nite Live
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6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Classes for all ages

Goodland Bible Church

109 Willow Road • 899-6400
Pastor: Chad DeJong
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: AWANA (Winter) and prayer: 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church

Pastor: Travis Blake
1121 Main
890-3450
Sunday:
Coffee fellowship: 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship: 10 a.m.
Sunday School: 11:15 a.m.
Thursday: Bible study 9:30 a.m.
Wheatridge Center

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

13th & Center
Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969
Priest: Father Hal Lycett
Holy Eucharist: 10:00 a.m. Sunday
10:00 a.m. Thursday
Daily Morning Prayer
For emergencies 890-6969

Harvest Evangelical Free Church

521 E. Hwy. 24 • 890-6423
Pastor: Brian Fugleberg
Sunday: Worship: 9:30 a.m.
No Sunday School this summer.
Wednesday:
Senior high 6:30 p.m. at Chuck and Janet Redlin's
www.goodlandefree.com

Seventh Day Adventist Church

1160 Cattletrail
Pastor: Jerry Nowack
Saturday: Sabbath School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 11 a.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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Sunday: Christian education/fellowship:
10:15 a.m.
Worship Service: 9 a.m.

Church of Christ

401 Caldwell
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Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday: Bible Study: 7 p.m.

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Tickets can be purchased at the above businesses when the guitar is being displayed, or by calling Aaron Thompson (785) 821-4222, Amy Thompson (785) 821-2700, or Ashley Kear (785) 821-2412

Sunflower Contest

RULES

- Write down as many words (at least 3 letters) that you can think of using the word "Pericarp"
 - Do not use proper names
 - Bring your completed list to The Goodland Star-News office at 1205 Main by 12:00 p.m. by Monday, August 16th
- Winners will be announced in the Friday, September 3 edition.

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(If you have more than 50, please attach an additional sheet)

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