

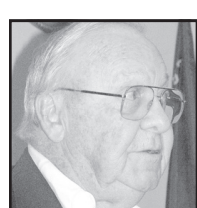
This is a critical time for planting in garden

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Every gardener knows there are several critical time lines out there in the backyard that we must meet head-on if we expect to enjoy good production. There is a critical time for planting, for watering, for mulching, and of course for harvesting. Guess what time it is now?

Due to the unusually early advent of the spring season, we have all been given the extended opportunity to eradicate the influx of those miserable weeds!

If you mulched well, then your



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job is much easier. If you haven't mulched, you are probably noticing a great deal of wear and tear on your hoe and any other weeding devices that you may have in your arsenal. Those ugly amaranth type of pig weeds have been giving me early trouble again this spring. You know the

ones. Three inches tall yesterday — six inches tall today. But that's not the only weed problem I had out there before I mulched. Not by a long shot. There were Mexican sand burrs, spurge, hen bit, lambs quarter, (most of which I ate), eastern black nightshade, Russian thistle, marrow, oxalis and goat heads. Others remain nameless. The worst ones are the delicate little grassy types that always seem to show up between the onion plants which of course is out of reach of

the hoe. Therefore, the old "thumb and forefinger" method of weed control must be instigated, and once again this year, I have developed the dreaded affliction better known as Weed Puller's Finger. My doctor tells me I will fully recover by the time of the first frost in October. And so, getting rid of the weeds is Job One right now, just like it was last year at this time. When the weather warms up, the weeds grow, usually faster than the beans and the beets. And if we don't get rid of them, we have what is generally referred to as "crop failure."

If only we had added large hand-

fuls of mulch between those rows of potatoes and tomatoes a few weeks ago, the weed population would have been greatly reduced. But even now, as you clean out the weeds, replace them with some dry grass clippings or straw, or old hay, or even shredded newspaper. It goes without saying that most rapidly growing vegetables in our gardens are at a critical stage right now, and if we don't do something to reduce the weed population, then the competition between the good and the bad could end up in defeat!

As temperatures rise into the 90's now on a regular basis, the weeds

will begin to take over if we are not extremely diligent. Weeds sap the moisture and the nutrients from the soil, and if not eliminated, crop production will be limited, at best. But hang in there! Get out of bed an hour earlier for a few mornings and enjoy the best part of the day before the thermometer rises. The birds are singing; the air is delightfully cool, and the quietness is wonderful! The weeds await your visit, and so does all the GOOD things in your garden.

Summer months can be challenging

If you have a home-based business and school aged children, the summer months can be challenging. How do you get any work done when the kids are constantly at your desk



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wanting to play on the computer or singing loudly while you're on the phone? Here are a few tactics that might help: Work while the kids are asleep. I'm a morning person, so I usually get up early and get quite a bit done before my little guy gets up. If you're a night owl, you could get work done after your kids are asleep. Enroll your kids in fun summer activities. Many churches have Vacation Bible Schools filled with teaching, games, crafts and snacks. Check also with your local recreation department and library to see what fun summer activities they have planned. Let your kids spend some time with their grandparents. I couldn't do what I do without the help of grandparents. Put your kids to work. Have them

file or shred documents for you to earn a little extra cash. Take your work with you. Get some work done at the park or the pool while your kids play. Just beware of splashes! Finally, if you're in a pinch to meet a deadline and are out of options, rent some fun movies, pop some popcorn and make it a movie day for your kids. Summer will be over before you know it. Get creative with your work schedule and make time for fun. Kids don't stay little for long. This tip was brought to you by Western Kansas Business Consulting sponsored in part by Sherman County. We offer free and confidential business consulting to Kearny, Scott, Sherman, and Wichita counties. For more information or to set up an appointment, contact Jamie Morphew at #620-874-0771 or e-mail wkbc@wbsnet.org.

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Deborah Lucas of Chapter Z in Goodland was among more than 250 delegates who attended the 110th annual convention of Kansas State Chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood, Friday to Sunday, June 1 to 3, in Wichita. The theme was "Peace, Love and P.E.O." Kansas State Chapter President Teresa Franz of Chapter By, Hutchinson, presided.

P.E.O. is a philanthropic educational organization with local chapters in the U.S. and Canada whose mission is promoting educational opportunities for women. P.E.O. was founded in 1869 at Iowa Wesleyan College in Mount Pleasant, Iowa. Six philanthropies are sponsored by the organization: P.E.O. Educa-

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Seller, Houston, Texas, president of the International Chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood. There was also a "Golden Girl" luncheon honoring 50-year members and election and installation of officers. Exhibits, project reports and other business rounded out the convention.

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Faye Ross, Goodland.
 Justin Duke Lamb and Kimberly Denise Burgett, Goodland.
 Wesley Don Cooper, St. Francis, and Candice Marie Meisinger, Goodland.
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