

# Thoreau grew and ate beans at Walden Pond

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When the 19th century naturalist and writer Henry David Thoreau went off to Walden Pond to contemplate his existence, one of his main sources of sustenance was beans. He planted lots and lots of beans to help him sustain his solitude. For Thoreau, green beans were a reliable and bountiful crop, requiring only a little hoeing to keep back the weeds and a hawkish vigilance against hungry woodchucks, who also enjoyed green beans. But his



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bean fields provided the philosophical Thoreau with more than food. They were a metaphor for nature. In his book titled "Walden," his literary classic about his years at the pond, Thoreau dedicated an entire chapter to his musings on beans. "I was determined to know beans," he wrote.

If there is a sure bet in our backyard garden, it has to be green beans. You don't have to be transcendental about beans to grow a good crop or appreciate their flavor and usefulness. Green beans require a soil temperature of over 60 degrees in order to germinate, but other than that, they're a sure thing in your garden. When buying bean seed, you must choose between bush beans and those climbing pole beans.

The majority of us prefer the bush type that typically grow to a height of about 15 inches. They mature faster than pole beans and have a mild bean flavor. Pole beans are a good choice for smaller gardens and require some kind of climbing support or they likely end up visiting the tomatoes and the cucumbers. They mature a little later and have a beanier flavor than the bushies. Despite the name, green beans aren't always green. If you want some color in your bean patch, consider varieties that bear purple pods, which remarkably enough,

turn green when cooked. And then there are the wonderful yellow wax beans that many gardeners plant and enjoy. Remarkably, they remain yellow when cooked. I remember when green beans were very stringy and took hours to snap a sizable picking. In about 1948, the Burpee Seed Co. developed the first stringless bean, and, logically, named it Stringless Green Pod. Green bean lovers were overjoyed! Unfortunately, Henry David Thoreau grew his beans about a century too soon. My green bean of choice in the

garden is an All America winner from 1990 called Derby. But please know that there a dozen or more that are extremely flavorful and reliable in the High Plains garden. If I ever plant a pole bean I would probably plant Kentucky Blue or a filet bean called Fortex, a favorite in Europe. Every gardener should plant a row or two of green beans. When you bring in that first picking, you'll surely agree with Thoreau, who considered gardening to be a sacred art. In his book "Walden" he wrote, "It was a singular experience, that long acquaintance with beans."

# New shrub roses vulnerable to new rose virus

New varieties of easy-care shrub roses, resistant to fungal diseases, have brought a decade of rapidly expanding popularity for roses in parks and landscapes. Those carefree roses are now proving vulnerable, however, to a virus-caused disease called rose rosette, which has been highly destructive among wild multiflora roses for decades, said Megan Ken-

nally, Kansas State Research and Extension plant pathologist. "Since its discovery in the 1940s, rose rosette has spread throughout the Midwest and into other state with wild roses," Kennelly said. "It occasionally has shown up in domestic roses, too — hybrid teas, floribundas, climbers, miniatures and antique roses. "In fact, I suspect the reason

we're hearing about so many cases now is simply that we've planted a lot more roses." Typically, rose rosette symptoms appear in mid to late summer, she said. Temperatures, drought and plant stress may have an impact, though, Kansas state's plant disease diagnostic lab has already con-

firmed five cases this year. "Unfortunately, the only feasible way to control rose rosette is to dig up the infected plant — roots and all. Put it in a plastic bag and send it to the landfill," the plant pathologist said. "The microscopic mite that vectors the disease is difficult to control. It also can travel by just

drifting on the wind." The disease symptoms vary and can resemble herbicide damage, Kennelly warned. Common ones include: 1) rapid elongation of new shoots, often ending in a "witches' broom" of multiple branches; 2) leaves that may be red or mottled yellow; 3: excessive thorn produc-

tion; 4) aborted buds and/or abnormal flowers; and 5) infected canes that are noticeably thicker than their parent cane. She advised gardeners to learn more at the local extension office or online at [www.ksre.ksu.edu/library/entml2;mf2974.pdf](http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/library/entml2;mf2974.pdf).

## public notice

### Public Hearing for Zoning District Change

To whom it may concern and to all persons interested:

Notice is hereby given that at 6:00 p.m. on July 17, 2012, the City of Goodland Planning Commission, in the Second Floor Commission Room, at City Hall, 204 W 11th Street, Goodland, Kansas, will consider the following application: Case No. 010612

Zone change from the R-1 (Residential - Single-Family and Two-Family District) to C-2 (Downtown Business District) for property legally described and generally located as follows:

Lots One (1) and Two (2), Block Sixty-one (61), of the Subdivision of the Original Town of the City of Goodland, Kansas, known as 223 East 10th Street.

As provided in the Zoning Code the above amendment will be discussed and considered by the Goodland Planning Commission, and all persons interested in said matter will be

heard at this time concerning their views and wishes; and any protest against any of the provisions of the proposed changes to the zoning regulation will be considered by the Commission. Property owners within 300 feet of such property described above wanting to protest the proposed change will have fourteen days after the Planning Commission makes its recommendation regarding the requested rezoning to submit a protest petition to the office of the City of Goodland City Clerk. If a valid protest petition is filed with the City Clerk prior to the deadline, the change shall only be approved by a unanimous vote of the City Commission. Protest petitions are available in the Inspection and Code Enforcement Department of the City of Goodland.

Certified, this 22nd day of June, 2012.

Brian James, Building Official

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# Worship warms the heart



### Calvary Gospel Church

**Pastor:** Randy and Mary Payne  
 Fourth & College • 890-3605  
**Sunday:** Kid's Church: 10 am  
 Morning Service: 8:30 and 10:30 am  
 Prayer and Praise: 5:00 p.m. except last Sunday of the month  
**Wednesday:** Royal Rangers, Missionettes 6:30 p.m. during school year  
 Youth @ the Rock House, Sixth & Caldwell: 6:30 p.m.  
 Life Groups - Call for information  
 Join us on Facebook  
[www.calvarygospel.net](http://www.calvarygospel.net)

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Celebrant:** Father Norbert Dlabal  
 307 W. 13th • 890-7205  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
 5-5:45 p.m. Saturday or by appointment  
**Mass Schedule:**  
 Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am  
**Spanish Mass:**  
 Sunday: 12:30 pm

### 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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**Pastor:** Perry Baird  
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 Sunday School: 10 a.m.

### Promiseland Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Rick Holmes • 890-7082  
 225 W. 16th  
 (785) 890-7944  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.  
 Morning Service: 11:30 a.m.  
 Evening Service: 6:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study Service 6:30 p.m.  
**Thursdays:** Adult Bible Study 7-8 p.m.

### Bible Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Clifford Middlebrooks  
 Fifth & Broadway  
 890-7368  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 a.m.  
 Morning Service: 10 a.m.  
 Evening Service: 6:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m.

### Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO  
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**Sacrament Meeting:** 10 a.m.  
**Sunday School:** 11:15 a.m.  
**Priesthood/Relief Society:** 12 a.m.

### Iglesia Del Dios Vivo

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 1601 Texas • 899-5275  
**Daily Prayer:** Sunday thru Saturday: 5a.m. & 6 p.m.  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 a.m.

### United Methodist Church Brewster:

**Pastor:** Mike Baughn  
 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

### First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

**Pastor:** Rev. Carol Edling Jolly  
 Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233  
**Sunday:** Church School - All ages 9:15 a.m.  
 Worship 10:30 a.m.  
 Youth Group: 1st and 3rd Sundays 5-7 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Prayer Class - Noon  
 Pastor Carol's Class 5:30 p.m.  
[www.goodlandfccdoc.org](http://www.goodlandfccdoc.org)

### Kanorado United Methodist Church

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

### Church of the Nazarene

**Pastor:** Bob Willis  
 Third & Caldwell  
 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.

### St. Paul's Episcopal Church

**Celebrant:** Father Don Martin  
 13th & Center  
 Church 890-2115 or 890-7245  
**Services:** 5 p.m. Saturday evening  
**Bible Study:** 4 p.m. the first and third Saturday of the month

### Goodland Bible Church

109 Willow Road • 899-6400  
**Pastor:** Chad DeJong  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship: 10:45 a.m.  
 6 p.m. AWANA during school  
 Evening Worship: 7:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** 6:30 youth group  
 Growth groups call for information  
[www.goodlandbible.org](http://www.goodlandbible.org)

### 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

### H2O Church.TV

**Pastor:** Craig Groeschel  
 1022 Main  
 (785) 728-0123  
**Experience Time**  
 Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

### Harvest Evangelical Free Church

521 E. Hwy. 24 • 890-6423  
**Pastor:** Brian Fugleberg  
**Sunday:** Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.  
**Wednesday:**  
 Senior High: 6:30 p.m. at the church  
 Junior High: 6:30 p.m. at the church  
[www.goodlandefree.com](http://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

13th & Sherman • 890-6161  
**Pastor:** Darian Hybl  
**Sunday:** Christian education/fellowship:  
 10:15 a.m.  
 Worship Service: 9 a.m.

### Church of Christ

401 Caldwell  
 890-6185  
**Sunday:** Bible Study: 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study: 7 p.m.

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