vkmelia@vahoo.com It's the week we've waited all winter for! Spring is here. Rototillers are receiving special attention. Garden hose leaks are being patched. Radish and lettuce seeds are jumping off the seed racks. The National Weather Service people are keeping an eye out for a cloud... any kind of a cloud that might bring us a bit of much-needed moisture.

I would guess that a number of gardeners all over the High Plains took advantage of the unusually warm weather of the last couple of weeks and proceeded to bury a few



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seeds. In my opinion, it's still a little early to do that, but when you have three or four straight days of near 80 degree temperatures this time of year, it's the natural thing for a gardener to do. And really, there are a few of the so-called cool weather crops that thrive when planted in a

 $Take\,peas\,for\,instance.\,Peas\,must$

the hot weather kicks in. They'll sprout in soils that are as cool as 40 degrees, and most varieties require at

least 60 days growing time until that first picking. When you consider the fact that we usually have some 90 degree temperatures by June 10th when peas simply will not produce, then the earlier the better to get them in the ground. Much the same scenario plays out for spinach, radishes and lettuce. All

be planted early in the the aforementioned crops can safely grees and preferably 65 to 70. We're den too early season so that they can withstand a light frost, including talking cucumbers, tomato plants, reach maturity before onion plants. Potatoes? I'll wait until about April 15 to plant those, and hope for no frost after they emerge. I am very much aware that many good gardeners plant potatoes in mid-March, and then watch them freeze back a couple of times. Usually, they recover nicely from that, but I prefer to wait a couple of weeks and not have to worry about them. To each his own.

> On the other hand, we MUST wait until after the 1st of May to plant all those warm weather crops, after soil larger than you can take care of. temperatures reach at least 60 de-

peppers, green beans, okra, sweet thickly. corn, cantaloupes and of course, those poor old zucchini.

In the book I wrote several years ago, the final chapter listed my "Don't Do Thats" that offer some important rules for a new gardening season. Here they are:

1. Don't choose a low lying area for your garden plot.

2. Don't plow your garden plot when the soil is too wet.

3. Don't plant a garden that is

4. Don't plant most of your gar-

5. Don't plant the seeds too

6. Don't plant the seeds too

deeply. 7. Don't move your transplants into the garden without a proper

"hardening off" period. 8. Don't mulch your growing

plants too early. 9. Don't water your plants too

much or too often. 10. Don't plant the same thing

every year...try a new variety.

It is indeed an exciting time of the year! Enjoy!

It's a good time to remove dead from grasses

Now is a good time to remove dead foliage from ornamental grasses. Grasses green up earlier if foliage is removed and are more attractive without a mixture of dead and live leaves.

Anumber of tools can be used including hand clippers, weed whips (if the foliage is of a small enough diameter), weed whips with a circu-



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doesn't pull in debris easier to dispose of. and clog

Burning is another option - but relatively quickly. Also, it is often only if it is safe and legal to do so. helpful to tie foli- Note that these grasses may not burn little growth, the plant would benefit age together before long, but they burn extremely hot. from division.

to cut so the saw cutting so it doesn't interfere and is Even so, the crown of the plant is not damaged and new growth appears separate. Then replant the vigorous

If the center of the clump shows

Dig up the entire clump and growth found on the outer edge of

Use the top of the chainsaw bar matters of record

Real Estate

The following real estate transactions have been reported by the Sherman County register of deeds. Thomas G. Livengood and Penny Livengood, Trustees of the Thomas G. Livengood Trust dated August 22,2006, to Timothy D. Livengood,

the S/2 of Sec.11, T10S, R42W.

Douglas E. Gerber and Coda Michele Gerber convey and warrant to Curtis L. and Beverly E. Hurd Revocable Inter Vivos Trust dated November 6, 2000, Lots 4, 5, 6, Block 26, Third Addition to City

of Goodland. Charles W. McClone and Leslie A. McClone, co-trustees of the Mc-Clone Family 1993 Revocable Trust to Jill M. Deeds, the SW/4 of Sec.2, T6S, R37W.

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lar blade, or even a chain saw.

 $Walter\,N. Adams\, and\, Elizabeth\, B.$ Adams convey and warrant to MAS LLC, Lots 4 and 5, Block 22, Second Addition to City of Goodland, and Lots 6 and 7, Block 22, Second Addition to City of Goodland.

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corportation to Jackie Wayne Doyle and Melva Lea Doyle, Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 11, First Sub-division to the first Addition to the City of

Loretta A. Boyington, Trustee of the John W. Boyington Revocable Trust UTD 1/26/1995 to Gary Forsythe, a tract of land in NW/4 of Donald A. Dempewolf and W. NW/4 of Sec.29, T8S, R39W.

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