

# Sweet potatoes can be grown in our area

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Sometime during your gardening career, you may have heard a conversation (or participated in one) that went something like this:

Old gardener: "Well I better plow that area over there. It's almost sweet potato planting time."

Young gardener: "Say what? You can't raise sweet potatoes in this country!"

Old gardener: "Whaddaya mean I can't grow sweet potatoes here? I plant 'em every year!"

Young gardener: "You may plant 'em but I'll bet you don't dig any. I read a book once that said sweet po-



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tatoes had to be grown in the south, like in Louisiana, or other parts of the south."

Old gardener: "Listen you young whippersnapper. I plant 'em and dig at least a bushel every year, and if you tried 'em, even YOU might grow a few!"

Sometime, somehow, word got around that you just couldn't raise a crop of sweet potatoes in this area

because of the short season we supposedly have here. Sure, our growing season is shorter than it is in, say Shreveport, but we still have plenty of growing time and warmth to harvest a bumper crop of sweet potatoes. Most of today's sweet potatoes require from 90 to 100 days to mature after planting the slips. In an average year, our region is blessed with an average of 150 days of growing season, which is plenty of time for the sweet ones.

I mentioned planting the "slips." Unlike Irish potatoes, you must

plant little pieces of growth from a regular sweet potato. Here's how you do it. Stick about six toothpicks around the middle of a store bought sweet potato, and place the root-end in a quart jar filled with water. The toothpicks will hold the top of the potato out of the water. Soon, the sweet potato will sprout and send out stems and leaves. When about six inches long, simply snip off the slips, place the bottoms in a glass of water and they will soon form roots. Then, when fully rooted, plant the outside when the soil is very warm and the calendar says go.

Very few sweet potato growers do it that way anymore. If the local gar-

den center guy doesn't carry them, then you can order a dozen plants and they will be shipped to you at the proper planting time. Proper planting time in this area is now. Expect to pay about \$12 to \$15 for a dozen plants. Planting soil should be worked very deeply because the tubers will be large and need good soil as they expand. Many gardeners still set out their plants into a previously formed mound, approximately six inches high and a foot wide. You really don't have to do that if your garden soil is worked deeply.

China is the world's largest producer of sweet potatoes with 80 million tons grown in 2010. About

half the crop is used for pig feed, which seems kind of a shame unless you prefer bacon to eat rather than sweet potatoes. New Zealanders eat the most sweet potatoes, averaging about 15 pounds per person per year.

You have many varieties of sweet potatoes to choose from, but Georgia Jet seems to be the favorite around here. Beauregard and Centennial are close behind. Vardaman is a newer variety that is gaining popularity because it is a bush type of plant...a good space saver.

How about it young gardeners? You, too can grow sweet potatoes, but get them planted very soon!

# Miller moths make their appearance

If you have went out in the evening much you probably saw an abundance of miller moths that seem to invade every year about this time.

There are several different species that are referred to as miller moths but the one we are seeing so much of this year is the moth of the army cutworm.

These moths can seem to be everywhere; mailboxes, homes, garages, outbuildings, shrubbery and vehicles. Though they cause no damage, they can be an irritating nuisance.



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Keeping them out of places you don't want them is very difficult as they can invade through very small openings. Also, control is virtually impossible as those killed will be replaced by others migrating in. The males being brownish and the females are more gray. These moths

are not sexually mature yet and so do not lay eggs. The miller moth is migratory and will soon leave as they

travel to Colorado. They then fly to higher elevations, feed and mature. Though bears eat them like popcorn (40,000 moths a day), there are still many left to return to the plains in

the fall and lay eggs. Eggs hatch in the fall and partially grown larvae, overwinter. The cycle starts all over again in the spring.

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**899-2338**

## public notice

RESOLUTION NO. 1361

A RESOLUTION FIXING A TIME AND PLACE AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF A HEARING BEFORE THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GOODLAND, KANSAS, AT WHICH THE OWNER, HIS OR HER AGENT, LIENHOLDERS OF RECORD, OCCUPANTS AND OTHER PARTIES IN INTEREST OF STRUCTURES LOCATED WITHIN SAID CITY AND DESCRIBED HEREIN MAY APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY SUCH STRUCTURE SHOULD NOT BE CONDEMNED AND ORDERED REPAIRED OR DEMOLISHED AS AN UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS STRUCTURE.

WHEREAS, the enforcing officer of the City of Goodland, Kansas, did on the 7th day of May 2012, file with the governing body of said city, a statement in writing that the structure, hereinafter described, is unsafe and dangerous.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GOODLAND, KANSAS:

That a hearing will be held on the 18th day of June, 2012, before the governing body of the city at 5:00 o'clock p.m. MST at the City Commission Chambers, 204 W 11th, 2nd Floor; Goodland, Kansas, at which the owner, his or her agent, any lien holders of record, any occupant and any other parties in interest, as that term is defined by law, of the structure located at:

Lots One (1), Two (2), and Three (3), Block Eighty-Five (85), Original Town of Goodland, Kansas, according to the recorded plat thereof. Also known as 302 W 15th.

may appear and show cause why such structure should not be condemned as an unsafe or dangerous structure and ordered repaired or demolished.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk shall cause this resolution to be published two consecutive weeks in the official city paper and shall give notice of the aforesaid hearing in the manner provided by law.

Adopted this 7th day of May, 2012.

John Garcia,  
Mayor  
ATTEST:

Mary P. Volk,  
City Clerk

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A tract of Land in the NW 1/2 of Section 29-8-39 f of Goodland, Kansas, according to the recorded plat thereof. Also known as 811 E Hwy 24

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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  
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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  
5:45 - 6:45 p.m. Simple Supper "Free will Offering"  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Classes for all ages

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Rt. 1, Box 180 • 3190 Road 70  
(785) 694-2807  
**Pastor:** Perry Baird  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9 a.m.  
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  
(719) 346-7984  
**Sacrament Meeting:** 10 a.m.  
**Sunday School:** 11:15 a.m.  
**Priesthood/Relief Society:** 12 a.m.

### Iglesia Del Dios Vivo

La Luz Del Mundo  
Spanish Speaking Church  
**Minister:** Esteban Ortiz B.  
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:** 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

### 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

### 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**

### 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

### 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

### 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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