

Searing heat, lack of fruit set getting on my nerves

This business of searing heat and lack of fruit-set on tomato plants is beginning to get on my nerves! The very thought of many more days of triple digit temperatures makes you wonder if we're going to have any semblance of a tomato crop at all this summer. Most of us have lots of blooms, the plants show good growth and good color, and the blooms just fall off. You know the routine. As of July 20th, there have been 20 days of 100 degree heat on my garden.



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• the gardener

the top to consult with those who know more than I do about such problems.

Noted Whitehouse gardener Michelle Obama was out of town, so I made contact with a couple of other folks who might be able to offer some semblance of hope for the crop.

One of my contacts was Shirley

Buller, longtime Master Gardener, former greenhouse operator and current columnist whose "Hoe and Tell" garden column appears in at least 15 southwest and northern Oklahoma weekly newspapers. Shirley gardens big time just outside of Montezuma, south of Dodge City. Her column covers just about every facet of gardening from flowers and vegetables to fruit trees, shrubbery and lawns.

Last summer, southwest Kansas experienced more than 30 days of triple digit temperatures and toma-

atoes suffered greatly. Shirley told me that her plants never recovered, despite careful summer attention and she eventually pulled up the plants at the end of September.

She said there had been other summers of intense heat when the tomatoes survived and produced well when temperatures finally cooled in late summer. Shirley added that she was going to try to be patient in hopes of a decent harvest when things cooled down a bit.

I also had an email visit with a young extension horticulturist from Salina, Jason Graves, who writes a widely read weekly garden column in the Thursday edition of the Salina

Journal's "Home and Garden" page. Jason told me that once the temperatures "settle down," the blossoms will begin to set fruit again and should grow to harvestable size before the first frost.

He said he had experimented the last couple of years by giving his indeterminate plants a light pruning during the hot part of the season. The idea was to encourage new growth on the plant that would encourage fruit-set rather than plant growth. Jason added that even without pruning, he was confident that most plants would return to production once temperatures return to a proper range.

I find myself somewhat encouraged, and will continue to carefully tend to my tomato patch, heat or cold. Surely, Al Gore notwithstanding, cooler air and maybe even a few sprinkles of rain will favor us soon. As Shirley Buller told me, gardeners are made of tough stuff, and even if we end up on the losing end, you know we will put out another crop next spring, as if nothing was amiss.

To all tomato growers, patience is the key word. Things WILL get better in the backyard.

Soup being recalled

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service has announced the recall of 94,850 pounds of corn chowder soup.

The recall is in response to reports from two consumers who found pieces of a marker in the soup product, said Karen Blakeslee, Kansas State Research and Extension food scientist.

The soup products were marketed under a variety of brands in several

states. In Kansas, the recall involves Chef's Cupboard Chunk Chicken Corn Chowder. The 18.8 ounce cans are marked with a "best by" date of March 1, 2014.

Consumers who have already purchased the products can return them to the point of purchase for a refund.

Information about the recall is available at www.fsis.usda.gov/News_&_Events/Recall_043_2012.

sunflower 4-h

The Sunflower 4-H Club met on Monday, July 16, at Edwards Hall. President Kinsey Volk called the meeting to order and Vice President Jake Anderson led the flag salute and 4-H Pledge.

Roll call of "What street do you live on?" was answered by 13 mem-

bers, one leader, and five parents. Ryan Berls led the club in singing "I've got that 4-H Spirit."

Following the business meeting, Christopher Berls gave a demonstration on how to clean a shotgun.

Ryan Volk played a part of

"Amazing Grace" on the trumpet. Dalton Arntt gave a project talk on the swine project and Kinsey Volk read a poem called "Citizen."

A short recess was called for recreation and Robbie Lawson led the club in playing "Freeze tag."

The Anderson family served re-

freshments. The next club meeting will be Thursday, Aug. 2.

Ryan Berls, reporter

Worship warms the heart



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Pastor: Randy and Mary Payne
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Prayer and Praise: 5:00 p.m. except last Sunday of the month
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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.
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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.

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

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(719) 346-7984
Sacrament Meeting: 10 a.m.
Sunday School: 11:15 a.m.
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Sunday: Sunday School: 9 a.m.

United Methodist Church Brewster

Pastor: Mike Baughn
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m. CST
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. CST
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Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

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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
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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
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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

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1160 Cattletrail
Pastor: Jim McCurdy
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
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Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.
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