

First frost beats gardener talking about it

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 My original plan for today's epistle was to write, at length, about the average first frost dates in the individual areas in which these words are read. But as I write today, it is Friday, Oct. 5, exactly a week before one of the papers that so generously allows me to use their space, actually reaches their subscribers.



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readers to think I am some kind of dumb. I have long understood that that may be the case anyway, but now, I face a critical decision.

You see, the National Weather Service has issued a forecast for the next couple of days, October 6th and 7th, that if correct, will effectively put an end to the growing

season in all areas of this column's circulation. Keep in mind that the papers that publish these ramblings will go to the printer after the scary forecast for October 6th and 7th. Still, they must have this blog in their hands no later than today, October 5th.

Really, there is no serious problem here. If the National Weather Service says it is going to freeze October 6 and 7, then it is certainly going to freeze on October 6th and

7th! I just hope they are also correct about a pretty good chance of some form of precipitation.

But really, fellow gardeners, we will no longer have to spend overtime hours worrying about those stupid tomatoes!! We've coddled them since late last April like they were some kind of special offspring, even through days and weeks of unrelenting heat and drought. We've sprayed, fertilized, watered and weeded those things as if their survival was a matter of life or death.

And I would venture a guess that

most tomato devotees have applied some kind of cover to protect those precious vines in an attempt to extend the season. Never mind that it will likely freeze again next week, and you'll do the cover up thing again.

I say "good riddance." And I will also say that I will be the first to shed a tear when I am forced to buy the hard, tasteless, over-priced stuff they call tomatoes at the supermarket.

Just so you will know, or may have forgotten, the average first frost according to Weather Library

records is supposed to occur in Rawlins County about September 29th. That's the earliest in Kansas. The magic date in Thomas and Decatur County is October 2nd. In Cheyenne, Phillips, and Sherman County, expect October 6th to be the last day of the growing season. Well I do believe that is tomorrow, as I'm writing this.

If you will excuse me, I think I'll slip out and cover up a couple of my best looking tomato vines. When these words are read in Goodland, I will be exactly a week late. I think.

matters of record

The following real estate transactions have been reported by the Sherman County register of deeds.

Todd Davidson to Thomas Richard Keil, the W40' of Lot 11 and W40' of Lot 12, Block 19, Second Addition to City of Goodland.

Eric Gray and Marianne Gray to Tyler Henderson and Deanna Henderson, a tract of land in NE/4 of Sec.8, T10S, R41W.

Ruth Elaine Ross to Ruth E. Ross and Chester W. Ross, Co-Trustees of the Ruth E. Ross Trust, the SE/4 of Sec.16, T8S, r38W.

Chester W. and Ruth E. Ross

to Chester W. Ross and Ruth E. Ross, Co-Trustees of the Chester W. Ross Trust, Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 16, Third Addition to Town of Goodland.

Peggy Scott and Ted Scott, John McClelland and Melody J. McClelland quit claim to John McClelland and Melody McClelland, the W/2 of NW/4 of Sec.1, T10S, R40W and S/2 of SW/4 of Sec.36, T9S, R40W.

Jay L. Pettibone and Janell S. Pettibone convey and warrant to Kimberly K. Jacobsen, all of Lots 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22, Block

16, Rules First Addition to Town of Kanorado.

Larry B. Minner and Jancie R. Minner convey and warrant to James S. Carver and Mona L. Carver, Lots 22, 23 and 24, Block 46, Original Town of Goodland.

Lisa R. Trow conveys and warrants to Michael B. Cochran and Glenda K. Cochran, a tract of land in SE/4 of Sec.20, t8S, R38W.

Loretta A. Boyington, Trustee of the John W. Boyington Revocable Trust UTD 1/26/1995, to Antoinette Ackerman and Eldon Boyington, a tract of land in NW/4 of Sec.29, T8S, r39W.

Lance Ihrig and Debra Ihrig quit claim to Lance Ihrig and Debra Ihrig, trustees of the Lance and Debra Ihrig Revocable Trust dated March 17, 2011, a tract of land in SW/4 of

SW/4 of Sec.18, T8S, R39W; a tract of land in SW/4 of SW/4 of Sec.18, T8S, R39W; all of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 1; all of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, Block 2; all of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, Block 3; all of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, Block 4; and all of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 16, 17 and 18, Block 5, all in Westmoor Acres Addition to City of Goodland.

Gary Krautschun and Donna Krautschun to Marci Ann North and Matthew Lee Johnson, a tract of land in W/2 of Sec.27, T6S, R41W.

Curt Sawatzky conveys and warrants to Rodney Dean Cody, Jr., trustee and any other successor trustees of the Ronald Dean Cody Family Trust, a tract of land in S/2 of SE/4 of Sec.19, T8S, R39W.

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