

# footnotes

FOOTNOTES is a publication of Germania Seed Company as a source of information to our customers. Corky has encouraged his father, Rich Kane, to author this publication. Rich is starting his 46th year at Germania and will share with you many of his experiences, humor, letters, and incidents that he has enjoyed with many customers and good friends over the years...we hope you enjoy them.

## the birds and the bugs

Birds can migrate at night, using their navigation skills by the position of the stars. Some birds are known to travel at speeds of 100 mph.

Bugs are easily removed your car and windows when wiped with a rag that has been dipped in white vinegar, the process is also ideal for removing stickers on the bumper, etc.

## plants/plugs

Our Plant catalog is now available and we are listing over 12,500 varieties in over 50 different sizes...the largest selection available. As a broker, we represent only the best and most reputable growers. Combined with our outstanding Customer Service we can offer you the best products and service available in the industry. For additional information, contact our customer service dept.

## a million here and a million there adds up

1 Trillion dollars=a million thousand billion.  
(It is a 1 followed by 12 zeroes!)  
At the rate Congress is spending money, we could run out of trees by 2014!

## we ain't whistling dioxin

Dioxin is a chemical that causes Cancer. To minimize the absorption of Dioxin in your body.

NO plastic containers in a microwave.

NO water bottles in the freezer or left inside your auto in the sun.

NO plastic wrapping on food in a microwave.

NO foam containers heated in a microwave.

Use paper towels, plates, pyrex, or glass containers when using the microwave.

## gift certificate

The first three (3) customers submitting the correct answer by the 15th of the month will receive a \$50.00 Gift Certificate from Germania for Seed, Plants, or Plugs. (In the event of any ties, the winners names will be drawn from a bowl).

Submit your answers to Footnotes@germaniaseed.com.

What National League baseball franchise has had 18 different names? What is their present name and name at least 3 of their previous names.

The correct answers will appear next month.

## did you know 50 years ago...

It was possible to buy a week's groceries for a family for \$30.00!

Raising the price of cigarettes to .25¢ per pack is ridiculous.

The Post Office is going to raise the rate to mail a letter to a dime.

How can major league baseball afford to pay a player \$75,000.00 per year?

*My Mom once said, in judging people, observe how they deal with others and situations...Rainy days, the elderly, lost luggage, tangled Christmas lights, waiters and waitresses are a good indication of their personalities.*

## floret mignon

There are many edible flowers that you can enjoy in organic

gardens and use as a garnish on your food, like Nasturtiums, Chive Blossoms, Daisies, Jasmine, Pansies, Marigolds, Violas, etc. (Not suggested to use any flowers that could have been recently sprayed with pesticides or insecticides out of your control).

## walmart!

Walmart sells more food than any other retailer and has done this in only 15 Years! (In the past 15 years, 30 super market chains have sought bankruptcy!) Walmart is financially sound and profitable. They should help put the banks and Wall St. back on track.

## perennials for ground covers

Yes, we have a list of the favorite varieties available for you to grow from Seed or Plugs. Call our Customer Service Dept. for the complete list.

## Act Now!

Our response on at-once orders is **UNMATCHED!** All seed orders ship the same day! Call and you will talk to a **LIVE** customer service person.

## Mum-believable!

Our new listing of Yoder and Belgian Garden Mums is available now. Peak shipping time for rooted cuttings is early June! Visit us online at [germaniaseed.com/mums](http://germaniaseed.com/mums) or call to receive yours today!

### perennials as easy to grow as annuals

Yes, there are many varieties that you can grow and handle as easily as an annual, without the bother of cold treatments or overwintering. For a complete list of Seed & Plugs of suggested varieties, contact our Customer Service Dept.

*Your heart is only good for so many beats. Don't waste them on exercise... everything wears out eventually. Want to live longer? Take a nap.*

### last month's gift certificate answer

The most complicated musical instrument = Organ. (It has been the primary instrument used for church music since the 4th century)

### heirlooms

These are the "antiques" of the seed world. These flower and vegetable treasures are always non-hybrids with a long history of selection. These "old fashioned" varieties are very popular today and reflect back to an individual's heritage and what their relatives

grew more than a hundred years ago. Our listing and selection of Heirloom varieties, especially Tomatoes are unmatched!

### perennial cut flowers

Need another way to market Perennials? You should promote them as great cutflowers. We have a full list of Perennials (Seed & Plugs) to be used as cutflowers on our website at [www.germaniaseed.com/cutflovers.htm](http://www.germaniaseed.com/cutflovers.htm) or contact our customer service dept.

### ...and then the fight started

Recently, my wife Carol Annie sat down next to me as I was flipping the TV channels. She asked 'what's on TV? I told her dust... then the fight started.

We are having an upcoming anniversary and she suggested something shiny, that goes from 0-150 in 2 seconds. I bought her a bathroom scale... then the fight started.

*Chocolate is good for you, It comes from Cocoa Beans and is a vegetable!*

### you auto know better

Do you know what the letters of FIAT represent? Fix It Again Tony!

Do you know the difference between a FIAT and a door to door salesman? You can close the door on a salesman!

### perennials for early blooming and late blooming

Yes, we have a list of the favorite varieties available for you to grow from Seed or Plugs. Call our Customer Service Dept. for the complete list.

### contain yourself

Container gardening is fun for everyone and require only a minimum amount of space, including patio's and balconies. Interesting items are tomatoes, squash, cucumbers, peppers, eggplant, lettuce, herbs, radishes, beans, and baby carrots.

### order on-line

Place your SEED or PLANT/PLUG order with us on-line, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

### color tags for under 2 cents

Yes, we have Color Pixie Tags for all of your Seed and Plug varieties. Contact our Customer Service Dept. for more information.

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*You know you are getting old when the candles cost more than the cake!*

### friends

To our many friends, our sincere "thanks" for your patronage and our pledge to continue to serve you to the best of our ability with the world's finest quality Seeds and Plants with the best Customer Service Dept. in the industry. It is always a pleasure to hear from you as we begin our 78th year.

### a blooming variety

Perennials for Cut Flowers, Fragrant Foliage, Fragrant Flowers, and Long Blooming. Yes, we have a list of the favorite varieties available for you to grow from Seed or Plugs. Call our Customer Service Dept. for the complete list.

### thank you

We value both your friendship and your patronage and can think of no more appropriate time than now to tell you so.

## Coming Soon— Summer!

Our newest programs for Summer and Fall are out, make sure you reserve your needs now in order to receive your Early Order and Early Bird Discounts.