

It is important that we know who is going to come so that we can better organize the day. If you have questions, suggestions, and especially if you think you can come, please call Doug Welch at 379-9564, Bill Sutkus at 287-3759, Ross Kostin at 344-7066, or Valerie Summer at 386-4393 as soon as possible. Besides being a worthwhile project, it should be fun!

GENERAL MEETING/WORK PARTY

Where: At the Scott-Adams property on the Pink Schoolhouse Road in Canton. There'll be a sign.

When: Sept. 30 (or Sept. 29 rain date), 8:30 A.M.

Food: Cold pot-luck or something to be cooked on an open fire. Bring your own dishes, etc.

Tools: Hammers, tape measures, nail aprons, levels, shovels, chain saws, etc.

Call with your questions, suggestions, and to say that you are coming.



SHARE YOUR GARDENING SECRETS



Over the past few months of attending work days and other social events, I have indulged in one of my favorite pastimes: touring people's gardens. I find that everyone has at least a few good ideas that no one else has thought of but that no one else is likely to find out about unless they happened along at the right time. As a service to the community, I decided to put together a compendium of people's gardening ideas in the RLA Newsletter. Thus I would get to drive around and visit more gardens. But alas, the summer is fast slipping away and my travel time is limited. So now I must ask a favor of all you expert gardeners, even those who don't think they are experts: The next rainy morning, while waiting for your coffee to perk, please take a few minutes to scribble down your best gardening ideas and send them to me (Box 57, Route 1, Hermon, 13652). This modest effort will be rewarded many times over. A few ideas: Do you plant anything with unusual spacings? Why? Do you plant certain crops next to each other? Have you found any novel way to control potato bugs? What crop rotations do you use? Do you mulch, compost, green manure? Do you save seed? How? What varieties work well for you? What do you use for potting mix in the spring? Do you have a favorite tool? How do you store food for the winter? Etc., Etc.

Spelling, grammar, and writing style don't matter; sentence fragments are acceptable. Thanks in advance,

- David Katz