

Gardening Journal
January
Week 4

Well it is time to start planning the spring garden. Yep I know, most people do all that work in December or even before but what can I say? I am a known procrastinator and I hate the paperwork. So with my much dreaded task in mind I start looking through the books we had accumulated over the years for a companion planting guide. That is when it happened... I came across a gift. My mother's old gardening journal. Obviously she knew I would need help with this years planning so she gave me a hand.

The journal is full of hand written notes, gardening tips, natural remedies. You name it and it is probably mentioned. My Mom was a seasoned gardener and a true child of nature. She always surprised me with all the knowledge she had stored away that was so easy to recall. Keeping this in mind this years harvest will be dedicated to my Mother. An awesome woman and a much missed but never forgotten part of Covenstead Farm.

Week four will be planning and going through the numerous seed catalogs that come in the mail.

We have to wait for the last frost before we begin to actually set out the plants.

The temps are still a roller coaster ride here on the North Texas plains going from 80 degrees one day down to 31 degrees the next. Not a lot of rain so far this year so we have to hope for a few more inches but hopefully not all at one time.

Happy spring planning,
The Crone