

Ruff'ton Roots Community Garden Meeting

Ruff'ton Roots Community Garden, NC
Tuesday, April 2nd - 5:30 pm

A. Welcoming/Community Agreements

Community Agreements

- Assume Good Intentions
- Be Kind
- Honor Time with Intentional Focus
- Any Contribution is Valuable
- We are all Learning and we all have Unique Strengths
- Any Question is a Good Question
- This is a Safe to Fail Environment
- Push your Edge - discomfort can lead to growth!
- Both/And Mindset, over Either/Or

B. April Schedule

- No April 4th or April 25th Work Nights - redirecting energy for FA&B and Plant Sale
- April 5th - FA&B Booth
 - Shift 1 - 5:30 - 7:30
 - Shift 2 - 7:30 - 9:00
- Garden Work Gatherings Details
 - Tuesday April 9th - Amending Victory Garden, Patio*
 - Thursday April 11th - Prepping Beds, getting ready for Saturday Spring Planting on April 13th
 - Tuesday April 16th - Weeding and Maintenance, Patio*
 - Thursday April 18th - Norris Park - Planting zinnias, amending
 - Tuesday April 23rd - Round About Planting, Tidy Up for Plant Sale, Patio*
 - *Blow Leaves, request mowing, weedeat*
 - Tuesday April 30th - Prepping Beds, begin sowing summer crops, Patio*

* Patio = Designated Safe Pathways Dates

- April 13th - Saturday Spring Planting Day, Patio*
- April 26th - Plant Sale transport and prep - details below
- April 27th - **NEW PLANT SALE DATE!!! 10 AM - 1 PM (or until sold out)**
- April 30th - 9 am - *projected* first harvest and wash
 - Includes harvesting Safe Pathways beds

All events through May are up on PointApp, please join!

C. Upcoming Fundraising Plans

• **FA&B Details**

- This Friday
 - Park and arrive at: 5:30 for Set Up
 - Volunteers needed
 - 5:30 - 7:30: *Al, Emily, Carrie, Dot, Kathy T.*

- 7:30 - 9:00 + load up: *Al, Mary*
 - *not allowed to pack up before 9:00 or set up before 5:15
- Booth location: TBD by FA&B Team
- New Merch Price List Printed, XL - XXXL are in
- Goals:
 - Engage! Recruit! Tell 'em who we are!
 - Plant Sale info
 - Merch Sales

● **Plant Sale Updates; Final Date: APRIL 27TH 10 AM - 1 PM**

- Marketing:
 - Flyers
 - Press Release submitted
 - Posted In 2 places on our website
 - In the Newsletter and Social Media Posted - (good job sharing!)
- *In the event of rain on April 27th, we will reschedule for May 4th*
- Check in from home growers
 - *Tomatoes Potted Up, Frost Kill Replaced*
 - *Gave out fertilizer bags and instructions*
- Transport of plants from Deer Valley
 - **Friday 4:00 pm** - drivers haul loads of plants from Deer Valley to Rutherfordton
 - *Drivers Signed Up: Rob, Kathy L, Linda, Bob, Gary on standby*
 - *Unloaders at Clubhouse, 4:30: Carrie, MJ, Lindy*
 - **Saturday 8:30 am** -
 - At Clubhouse loading up and transport to garden
 - *Al, Lindy, Adam*
 - At Garden to unload and set up
 - *Carrie, MJ, Debbie, Linda, Gale, Christine*
- Checklist of sale materials
 - 5 Tables
 - Tents
 - Chairs
 - RR Produce Labels for Kids booth
 - Seeds for Kids Booth
 - Display and Booth Bin (has brochures, etc.)
 - Merch
 - Cashbox
 - Charged Ipad and Card Reader
 - Sale Signage
 - Table Cloths
 - Tape, Push Pins, Scissors, Clips, Sharpies, extra plant tags
- On Main in Spindale - Hosting May 11th Plant Swap - volunteers can take leftovers from plant sale (Lindy out of town) Thoughts? Booth? Sale? Personal swap?

Empty Bowls

- Committee meetings beginning, 5:00 prior to May Meeting, May 7th
- Save the dates -
- **The Clay Trail**
 - **June 1st - 2:30 - 5:30**
 - **June 29th - 2:30 - 5:30**
 - **Sign Up on Clay Trail Website early May**
- **The Guild (formerly VAC) -**
 - **July 13, 9:30-Noon**
 - **July 27, glazing will be split in two groups, times TBD**
 - **Sign Up on Guild Website**
- Both Links will be in May Newsletter

D. Organization Updates

- Project Challenge (attempted collab dating back to 2021) has come to fruition!
 - Will be helping 3:30 - 6:00 scheduled intermittent Tuesdays

G. Open discussion, Adjourn.