



## Let the eating begin!!

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I am so excited local organic spinach is ready and the asparagus is coming next week. Before you know it, the local strawberries will make their all too brief appearance. I am starting to gain ground in the battle with the ground hog (thanks Joel!), and squirrels, but they have had more of my lettuce than I have. My perennials are thriving, I am sure they benefited by the wet winter, but it is exciting to see the native and endangered plants spreading and liking their environment. The goldenseal has spread as well as the new bee balm. Same with the wild ginger. The hops are growing all over the place. I planted lots of dill seed yesterday and also sunflower seeds. I hope my sunflowers do well this year, last year I had only two. The peas are up and the Epsom salts around them seem to be protecting them from being consumed, but something keeps digging up the onion sets.

Next weekend, my husband is going to try and till a spot down at our farm plot while I am at school, so we can start some of the crops down there, and also let some of our new members pick a space they want to work.

The Beverly buying club is working out well for now, and we might even have a store to use to expand it. I will let people know how that works out.

Meantime I am still harvesting and enjoying the wild nettles, though soon I will let them grow some before cutting them to dry and also to tincture.

So the outdoors is keeping me busy and occupied but still leaving time to keep moving forward on our Beverly Gardner's Pod.

Green Blessings, Susan

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