

You Know You're a Gardener if.....

I am always on the hunt for fun lists about gardeners and I hit the jackpot the other day as I was reading a newsletter from a garden supply business. It included the following points to ponder:

“You know you're a gardener if.....

1. You consider well-aged manure a thoughtful gift.
2. When you see someone trimming trees, you wonder if you could use a cutting of that.
3. You have taken bags of leaves (i.e. other people's trash) off the street to use as mulch or compost.
4. You have saved pits or seeds from fruit you liked, in your purse or pocket, to sprout at home.
5. You hoard yogurt containers, plastic bottles and egg cartons because they are useful in the garden.
6. You sometimes forget your “to-do” list because the plants just need some staring at.
7. You think store bought tomatoes are disgusting.
8. A sale at the nursery is more exciting than a sale at the department store.
9. When you meet someone who likes to garden, you feel an immediate and unbreakable bond with them. Secretly you also wonder if their harvests are better than yours.
10. You would NOT be reading this if you weren't a GARDENER!”

Guilty of all? Or just a few? I am certain that we could all add at least 10 more items to the list! For instance, If you carry a shovel with you in your vehicle; If you always have a pair of garden gloves in the vehicle, If you have several garbage bags in the vehicle (just in case another gardener wants to divide some plants).

In these times of “Social Distancing” and no group meetings larger than 10 people, due to the Coronavirus, many events are being cancelled. We have cancelled the April 15, 2020 garden seminar and Susan has agreed to talk about Straw Bale Gardening next year. The OSUE Brown County Office is temporarily closed but you can still reach staff by phone and email.

I have started my group of plants under the carport staging area. My husband's annual statement is, “Where are you going to plant those?” My annual reply, “Not sure yet, but I am making a plan!”

Have you started planning? Summer is right around the corner!