



## News from the Community Garden!

The Community Garden is up and running again this year. We had our first work day Saturday, June 19. With competition from the softball closing ceremonies and other previous commitments we had a smaller turnout than anticipated and we found ourselves overcome by the weeds that have shot up in the past few weeks. We did find lots of wintered-over onions, cabbage, and broccoli. The potatoes planted by the elementary school students earlier this spring are doing well, and their peas have set and are ripening.

It's going to be an exciting year for us! We have a new, clear mission this season: to grow salad bar ingredients for the school cafeteria to use in September and October. If we can accomplish that, then the school will be able to stretch their produce budget and keep the students and staff in salad through the end of the school year. We know how much everyone misses the fresh veggies in May and June, when the kitchen budget has all but run out!

We have great plans for the rest of the year, too. We have renewed negotiations with the Ford Family Foundation to fund the garden effort this year and the prospects look good. Most of the high school classes have agreed to a partnership in the Community Garden. Together we are planning to build a greenhouse at the high school and a hoop house at the elementary school by next March. These two additions to our program will allow us to start our growing season much, much earlier in the year and produce a wider variety of plants during the summer. We are exploring ways to create opportunities for student-run businesses using our plants and produce, too. We have great new, longer-term ideas for a points-for-plants program whereby community members would earn points for garden work that they could exchange for plants, seeds, and produce.

The one thing we REALLY look forward to is an influx of new volunteers. *Community* is our first name! There simply is no community garden without community involvement. We want your participation! Neighbors, parents, kids, students looking to earn community service credit—we need YOU! No experience is necessary, and we provide all the tools and equipment! If you like to grow things, or think you would, come join us on our next work day! Our only restriction is no unsupervised children under the age of 12. Young children are welcome with a parent, guardian, baby-sitter, or older sibling.

We have work days planned every other Saturday morning throughout the summer from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. The next work day is Saturday, June 26. Come on over to the garden plots next to the new playground at the elementary school! Bring water and a sun hat. We will be planting starts and seeds in our newly weed-whacked and tilled garden plots, and setting irrigation lines. For more information, or to add your name to the list of volunteers, call Miriam at 826-6994.

### Council Openings...

If you would like to become more involved in your community and you like to volunteer, please consider running for office. The town council of Butte Falls will have 4 positions open this January 2005. The mayor's seat and 3 council seats will be up for election this November. So, if you are a registered voter in this precinct and have lived inside the city limits for the past 6 months, then we have the job for you.

Contact Lori at City Hall, 865-3262 and pick up the necessary paperwork to become an elected official. Signature sheets have to be returned to City Hall by August 10<sup>th</sup>. Volunteering can be a very rewarding experience.

Lori Paxton- City Recorder

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