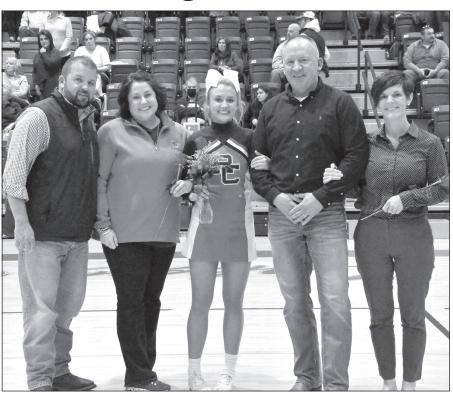
### **Senior Night Correction**



Ella Robertson, daughter of Brandon & Sherry Selby and Jamie & Terani Robertson

## **Garden Thoughts**

By John Ferrucci

As I look out my window while writing this I see a blue sky, and the sun casting a shadow on the large oak tree standing so majestically in the field. While I am eagerly awaiting warmer spring weather, I'll take this sunny but cold day. I am entertaining thoughts of what to plant in my garden, and how to lay it out. Seeds have already been purchased; trying to get a jump on what may be a shortage this year of them, who can predict.

I have been previewing YouTube videos on raised beds and that is usually the method I use. Now Phil, you know that famous weather guru of Punxsutawney, has

predicted six more weeks of winter. So it may seem that we have time still to plan. This gives me some extra weeks to research some of the growing recommendations of the various plants and vegetables that I am going to sow.

I have been gardening all of my life, mostly small patches enough to feed my family and recently just my wife and I.

Last year we had a great

crop on my 20 X 15 foot

plot. I started using raised

beds that are easier to weed and keep up. Some of the root vegetables I do plant directly in ground. Keeping a separate herb garden area

is such a great convenience

when cooking. Going out

to clip off some fresh basil or sage is wonderful.

With a bumper crop also comes the ability to home preserve. Last year I was canning well into October. Filling our pantry with all of the delicious fruits and vegetables is not only a savings on our weekly food budget, but they are so much more nutritional that store bought.

So if you ever thought of tilling up a parcel of earth and planting a few seeds just go ahead and do it. Weather its tomatoes, beans or okra, it is so satisfying to go to the garden and pick, cook and eat veggies that you nurtured.

Have fun, Get dirt between your figures and Happy Gardening.

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