

# Ida's Notebook

by  
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It is a pleasure to share. For years I shared vegetables from my large garden, and now people are giving me things.

My sisters visited us last week and brought a bag of English walnuts. They also had a variety of mums. We also got green peppers and potato salad.

A lady who lives in my area phoned to say that she had lima beans that I could have. But, I do have a few of my own. However, I really appreciated the nice

green beans and sweet potatoes that she gave us. My own saffron bed bloomed nicely in October.

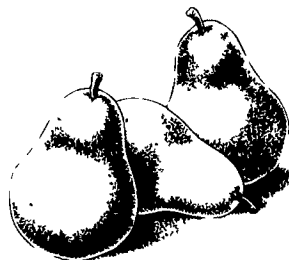
Sometimes, long ago, I would take a basket and fill it with six or more vegetables and take it to a lady friend who I knew had no garden. Usually, it was a big surprise for them as they sorted through the basket. Now I'm being given things.

When our children visit to see how their father is coming along they do extra jobs for us. Our

heavy air conditioners have been moved to a basement shelf. Our fence to protect the tomatoes has been taken down and stored. Our daughter from New Jersey even weeded the raspberries. Now that is job that we did not even do in a good year.

I've put some flowers in pots but I'm running out of space on the window sills. Let's hope the red, white and pink geraniums will bloom all winter. Some folks think of the dropped blossoms as "dirt" but I'm simply glad that they bloom.

Allen is still weak but we are hoping he will improve. He uses a cane as he moves from his bed to the table or the television.



# New Hunting Regulations

**HARRISBURG** (Dauphin Co.) — Under new antler restrictions, hunters in most Pennsylvania counties must abide by a three point on one side rule. Exceptions include the 10-county area of western Pennsylvania where hunters will be required to abide by a four point on one side antler restriction: Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Crawford, Erie, Indiana, Lawrence, Mercer, Washington and Westmoreland. Exceptions also include the six special regulations areas counties of Allegheny, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia, where hunters will be able to abide by the previous antler restrictions of one antler of three or more inches in length or one antler with at least two points. Junior military personnel, active duty citizens and certain disabled hunters may use previous antler restrictions.

The Pennsylvania Game Commission defines a point as an antler projection at least one inch long from

base to tip. The brow tine and main beam tip will be counted as points regardless of length.

Hunters who mistakenly kill bucks that do not meet these qualifications must complete the harvest tag and attach it to the deer before moving it. The mistake must be reported within 12 hours to the regional office that serves the county where the buck was killed. Hunters are permitted to keep the deer but required to pay \$25 restitution and surrender the antlers.

This year, unsold tags may be used to harvest antlerless deer on either public or private land in the county of issue. All hunters may also use crossbows during the statewide firearms deer season.

Hunters with questions regarding the upcoming season may contact the Game Commission in Harrisburg at (717) 787-4250. Additional information is also available on the Game Commission's Website: [www.pgc.state.pa.us](http://www.pgc.state.pa.us).



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