

Edelweiss Garden Club, Inc.
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“Keepers of the Earth”
Minutes
April 11, 2012

Our guest speaker was Trish Duly, president of the Gaylord Area Council of Arts. She was introduced by her mother, garden club member Rose Gleason. Trish thanked us for the greens at Christmastime and talked about the juried photo exhibit that is currently at the art center. She passed out current GACA newsletters.

The meeting was called to order by president Joan Collick at 10:45. After the pledge of allegiance and our Edelweiss song a guest, Shirley Teankersley, was introduced along with new members Betty Hartman and Gina Olson.

The **minutes** were approved with the following correction: In the motion made by Cynthia Hilling *to differentiate between bylaws and operating procedures* delete the words *allow for different wording when needed*.

In the last board meeting, two smaller committees were formed. **Membership drive** headed by Denise Matteini and **By-laws** headed by Kathleen Normand and Karen Gurchiek.

Joan noted that leftover soil was stolen from her car when she stopped at the gym to pay her dues. **LOCK YOUR CARS!!!!**

There have been concerns regarding club liability. 501c3 liability reads: *Board members, officers and members will not be liable to contractors or members of the public unless they cause injury as a result of intentional actions, not actions which are merely negligent.*

Nancy Valuet resigned as a director. She was thanked for her many years of service. She will continue to do the website. Let her know if there is something you would like put on the site.

Denise Matteini announced that 33 members were present at the March meeting. Ten members need their membership book inserts. 27 have paid their dues of \$15 which are due May 31.

Sue Hegerty made a motion that *a one-time fee of \$25 be charged to new members to cover the cost of their planners. This will take affect for members joining at or after the membership luncheon.* Seconded by Mirja Hoeft. After discussion the motion passed.

Sue Hegerty reminded everyone eating lunch to be sure to get a colored tag denoting what they chose to eat. She also reminded us to vote on the name for the newsletter. The June meeting will be held at the **University Center**. The choices for the catered box lunches will be chicken salad, turkey and swiss sandwich or a club sub. Lunch includes chips and a cookie (yum!)

Choices will be e-mailed to Sue. And finally—**remember to pay your lunch checks!!!** **Lois Kallis** reminded us that if you were not wearing your name tag you owed a 25 cent fine. She handed out a list of shrubs that told when and how to prune them. **The weather station tour** on May 16 will be comprised of two groups of 15. Participants cannot bring large purses or backpacks. A photo ID is required. Those that want to car-pool will meet at the NE corner of the Peace Lutheran Church parking lot at 9AM. The tour will begin at 10AM and lasts one hour. The group will be going to the Frederic Inn for lunch (yum again!) Finally, Lois handed out a list of programs for 2013 from the Headwaters.

Treasurer Linda Reinhardt reported that we have a balance of \$6099.60. She then explained the budget sheet which she handed out.

Marge Williamson said that she has ordered the book in memory of Pearl Peurach that will be placed in the library. She reminded us that we should make changes in our membership books when she sends corrections or changes. She read the list of April birthdays and we sang happy birthday.

Cynthia Hilling reported on **the membership luncheon**. Except for the cost of \$18 (pay Cynthia) the details are a surprise. Wear colorful clothes—it is a celebration of Cinco de Mayo!! A messy workshop for the committee will be held on April 25 at 1:00.

Linda Reinhardt reported that a new **Habitat for Humanity** house is being built in Vanderbilt.

Planting Chair Roseann Kujawa said that each garden chair received an envelope with a check for their garden expenses. The journal procedure has also been explained to them. In their journal folders they are to keep information on soil, pictures with dimensions, planning, receipts, etc. Be VERY careful when using the Dairy Doo as too much will kill the plants.

Planting Day is June 6. We will meet afterwards at Michaywe's Opal Lake beach house for lunch. If your last name begins A-M bring a salad; N-Z a dessert. Arrive any time after 10:30. Bring a tablecloth on case we eat outside. Michaywe is waiving the \$100 rental cost for us (woohoo!!)

The Plant Exchange will be June 16 from 9-12. Save plants when you are cleaning personal or club gardens and bring them to the plant exchange 8:30-9:30. No later.

Tammy Fairchild reported that **The Countryside Garden Walk**, July 18 from 1-7, will have five house gardens and one business. Once again there will be artists at work on their talents in the gardens. There is a committee meeting at her home on April 19 at 10:30.

Pat Sitz reminded everyone to start gathering **pine cones** for the greens sale. NOT giant cones.

Pam Karbowsky is in charge of the basket that our club is preparing for the silent auction at the **State Convention**. It will contain items of food or objects made in Gaylord. Contact Pam if you would like to make a donation. Cynthia Hilling made a motion *that the club spend up to*

\$100 plus donations for the basket. Suzanne Stock seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Kathy Hughes gave the garden tip which was titled “What is a Garden?”

Recyclechicken.com is a good site if you have items to recycle and do not know where to recycle them.

Pathways and Gardens is the name of our newsletter. The title was submitted by Joy Jacobs.
You go girl!!!

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Pam Karbowsky
Recording secretary