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<http://www.edelweissgardenclub.com>

Our Mission

- To stimulate the love gardening
- encourage home and community beautification
- promote better horticultural practices
- encourage all forms of conservation
- provide education and resources
- promote the programs of MGC and NGC

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Flowers and Frogs

We are delighted to have Evelyn from 'Flowers By Evelyn' as our presenter for this March's meeting. Flowers By Evelyn has proudly served the Gaylord area for 22 years. This is a family owned and operated business from Evelyn's 85 year old mother to her granddaughter. They are committed to offering only the finest floral arrangements. Customer service ranks high with this business. The staff is professional and dedicated to making your experience a pleasant one. See their website for more information: <http://www.flowersbye.com>.



Get ready for an absolutely delightful meeting. Evelyn is going to demonstrate how to design an arrangement with each of us working on our own at our table. Evelyn is going to donate flowers and 'frogs' for each of us.

Please bring a short bowl/plate to make an arrangement. If you have a little clay, bring that also.



Let's Celebrate! Membership Luncheon Invitation

Snap your fingers and click your heels. Join us in this Cinco de Mayo Luncheon! This is a most important event for our club. This is an opportunity for you to invite a guest to experience garden fellowship, learn about our club and enjoy a marvelous lunch.

Please note the date is a change from the yearbook's date. The new date is Wednesday, May 2, 2012. More information to follow.

Three (\$750) Horticultural Scholarships Are Available

High School Seniors and those in college who graduated from Otsego County Public and Parochial Schools and are attending a Michigan based college are welcome to apply for one of our three scholarships. The criteria can be found on our website at www.edelweissgardenclub.com. Deadline is May 1, 2012.

After the deadline, Scholarship Co-Chairs, Pam Karbowski and Cynthia Hilling will meet with their committee members, Joan Shaeffer and Peggy Stafford to review the applications.

April 11, 2012 Business Meeting

We will hear highlights from the reports of the following committees at our annual business meeting:

Membership Luncheon- Cynthia Hilling
Habitat for Humanity – Linda Reinhardt
Library Showcase – Ruth Doss
Historian/Photographer – Sally Jarvis
Garden Walk – Tammy Fairchild
Plant Exchange – Carol Brown
Website – Nancy Valuet
Planting/Maintenance – Roseann Kujawa
Scholarships – Pam Karbowski and Cynthia Hilling
Mentoring – Denise Matteini



Keepers of the Earth RecycleChicken

EGC Proposed Bylaws Amendment

To be voted on at the
April 11, 2012 Annual Business Meeting
The Board of Directors recommend that the membership approve the proposed bylaw amendments. The amended bylaws can be found on our website: [www. Edelweiss garden club.com](http://www.Edelweissgardenclub.com). Member contact Joan for login information, if needed.

Rationale: To adjust calendar year activities as a result of calendar year change.

Rationale: Change in the description of the Planting/Maintenance Chairperson's responsibilities

Rationale: Add to the responsibilities of the Treasurer in regards to overseeing the purchase of plants

Rationale: Need to defray the cost of purchasing new binders.

Rationale: Add knowledge of Robert Rules to the responsibilities of the Directors

Rationale: Add secure a contract to the Christmas and Membership Luncheon information

Bylaws will be posted March 14, 2012

Looking for a new and interesting addition to your garden? You can reuse rain gutters to create a lovely herb and salad garden right on the side of your fence, house or garage. Simply attach gutters to a wall, fill with topsoil, and get planting. These gutter planters are perfect for herbs, as well as lettuce and any other vegetables that have shallow roots and don't spread too much.

<http://www.RecycleChicken.org>

Cutter's Edge Sharpening Service

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Calendar

Monday, March 12, 2012 –	Board meeting, Gaylord Regional Airport, 10:30 am
Wednesday, March 14, 2012 –	Newsletter Title Contest Deadline
Wednesday, March 14, 2012 –	Membership Meeting, BJ's Restaurant, 10:30 am
Friday, March 30, 2012 –	Spring Tree sale orders due. See http://www.otsego.org/conservationdistrict /treesale.htm
April 11, 2012 –	Membership Meeting, BJ's Restaurant, 10:30
April 19-20, 2012 -	Landscape Design School II, Registration deadline: March 15, 2012. Contact: Suzanne, (231) 690-9968
April 27–28, 2012–	Otsego Conservation District Spring Tree Sale
Spring 2012 –	Native wildflowers and grasses sale. Call (989)732-4021for details.