

# Pathways & Gardens

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## Mark Your Calendars!

**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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VOLUNTEER EDITOR Jackie Skinner 989-731-4043 jms1231@charter.net Our Edelweiss Garden Club and the Gaylord Area Council for the Arts have joined forces to present an exciting 2012 Garden Walk on Wednesday, July 18, 2012 from 1:00 -7:00 p.m. Rain or Shine. Children under 16 are free. This has become a favorite summer event celebrating gardening in the Gaylord area. Extraordinary gardens abound, providing inspirations for the povice and garden enthusiast alike. Additionally, low



tions for the novice and garden enthusiast alike. Additionally, local artisans will be demonstrating their talents, along with the opportunity to purchase their featured art.

This year's gardens feature a diverse mix: Jim and Nancy Pike offer a nature lovers spectacle... a woodland shade garden featuring 2 man-made streams flowing through the county hillside, Dennis and Sandy Freemans' extraordinary elegant country farm, discover a wishing door in the maple woods where wishes do come true at Bill an Joann Fury's, David and Kris Gahm features low maintenance landscaping with stone wall preservation, a highlight of Bob and Sharon Johnson is a special garden house, when you see it you will know why. And for the first time we are featuring a popular local business, Big Bear Deli. Begin your Walk at the Deli and get a free fountain drink or coffee with a

sandwich order.



Our local artists are sure to delight your visual senses! There will be Lucas Butcher s' sculptures and cement castings, George Smock's pottery, watercolors by Nina Gee, Sherri Flor, Peggy Hughes and Carlene LaGrou. Janet Taylor will feature her recycled window art.

This year's garden walk will provide something for everyone. Whether you want to go for a leisurely visit, or discover ideas for your next garden project, or are just curious about some of the beautiful gardens in our area. This is one of our club's activities designed to provide education and inspiration for our members and our community.

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

#### **BUSINESS MEETING** will be held Wednesday, July 25th

On July 25th, at 10:00 we will begin our meeting activities with a visit to the McCoy Garden. Plan on continuing our progressive garden viewing with a visit to the Courthouse gardens. A conversation with John Burt will follow at 11:00 in Room 100, Courthouse Building.

John Burt is an Otsego County Administrator and a leader in the Downtown Development work. He will be sharing the latest information regarding the Downtown Street Scape including the new look to the Courthouse grounds. Members of our club have participated in past planning committees.

On our agenda is a discussion and ballot vote regarding our future meeting place. This is an opportunity for you to determine our meeting place. Your Board

presents the following choices:

1. Return to BJ's: Lunch and meeting time the same

2. Sugar Bowl: Off the menu lunch choices. No room charge. Room is a first floor meeting room. Lunch and meeting time the same

3. Sportsplex: Catered box lunch from a variety of local eateries. No room charge because of all the work done by the Energy Outlet Garden Team. Meeting Time options include 10:30-12:00 with catered box lunch or 12:30-2:00 with drink and desert.

## **Circle Herb Farm Tour**

Words can't describe the flavors that come only when cooking with fresh cut herbs. Join us on Wednesday, August 15th for a visit to the Circle Herb Farm to learn more about herbs and cooking with herbs.

Share Ride Time: 10:30. Tour time: 11:00. Lunch following in Boyne City at Café Sante

Ron and Sue Falco began this seasonal farm in 1984. Basically, the two of them manage and operate the farm. Currently they supply herbs for restaurants in Petoskey and Bay Harbor. Their Gaylord connection includes working with herbs at the Blue Goose Restaurant and presenting at the Otsego County Library.

Growing herbs is a worthwhile addition to your garden. Its leaf and flower are valued for medicinal purposes, flavor or smell. Planting basil in different places the garden discourages insects from attacking more delicate plants.



A view from our Garden Walk!

#### WHAT'S HOT IN RECYCLED ART

- Teapot flowers
- Plastic bottles gardens
- Window picture frames
- Copper birdbaths

See <u>http://www.recylart.org</u> for more info.

#### **Basketweaver Friends**

Pearl Peurach's Basketweaver Friends have kindly donated 2 lovely yellow rose bushes and a birdbath in memory of Pearl. You are invited to meet these friends and family members on Friday, July 13th at 11:00 at the Sportsplex Memorial Garden. Thanks to Rose Gleason for making this possible.

## **August Business Meeting**

Come join the fun. The August 8th Business Meeting is delighted to highlight our members' creations. This is an opportunity for our members to share their **Art and Crafts**. We will be meeting at the Loon Rest Area at 11:00 am. Enjoy viewing the beautiful **Loon gardens**.

## **Online Committee Sign-up**

Go to the Edelweiss Garden Club web site at: <u>http://www.edelweissgardenclub.com</u> to sign up for Membership Luncheon Committee and Garden Walk Committee. From there, you may also sign up to be a Hostess, provide Table decorations and Garden Tip/ Thought for the day for January, February, March and April. Sign up is at this time because of the fiscal year change.

# Calendar

#### <u>July 2012</u>

July 13Meet Pearl Peurach's Basketweaver Friends & Family at Energy Outlet Garden at 11:00 amJuly 18"Countryside Gardens' 2012 Garden Walk (Alpenfest Week) 1-7 p.m.July 2510 am—View our Community Gardens. Business Meeting to follow in Room 100 at the<br/>Otsego County Courthouse

#### August 2012

- August 8 Business Meeting and Art in the Park at 11:00 a.m. Please bring lunch, beverage and lawn chair.
- August 15 Circle Herb Farm Tour. Share Ride Time 10:30 am at Peace Lutheran Church Tour at 11:00 am. Lunch will follow at Café Sante in Boyne City.