

**Edelweiss Garden Club, LLC Minutes**  
**Loon Rest Area**  
**June 9, 2014**  
**10:00-12:00 pm**

**Attendance:** Refer to sign in sheet

Topic	Speaker	Discussion	Action
<b>I. Pledge of Allegiance</b>	All		FYI
<b>II. Approval of Minutes 4/9/2014</b>	Sue H.	Not available	FYI
<b>III. Report of Officers: A. President</b>	Sue H.	<p><b><u>Plan of operation:</u></b>  Sue's discussed her plans will follow the:  Mission Statement  By-Laws  Operating Procedures  Operating Procedures important for all members to follow were reviewed. Committee Sign-up sheet was circulated for review. Sue's review revealed 11 members had not signed up for a committee and many had signed-up for multiple committees.</p> <p>Roberts rule will be used and meetings will try to be 1 hour in length.</p> <p><b><u>Yearbook corrections:</u></b> To be distributed with minutes as an attachment.</p> <p><b><u>MGC 2014 Convention report:</u></b>  Theme: getting children involved in gardening. Members discussed pros/cons of having children involved in maintaining gardens</p> <p><b><u>Huron Pines Summer education sessions:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Gardening study school</u></b></p> <p><b><u>MGC convention 2015</u></b>  Hosted by District V (June 2015)  Site: Odawa Casino in Petoskey.  Marilyn McIntosh to be installed as State President  Dee is treasurer for the convention  Ideas for EGC involvement were discussed.</p>	<p><b><u>All Members:</u></b>  <i>Plant &amp; maintain gardens</i>  (pg. 38, item #2)</p> <p><i>Serve on @ least 1 committee</i>  (pg. 38, item #3)</p> <p><i>Attend 5 out of 12 meetings</i>  (<i>pg. 38, item #5</i>)</p> <p>Members to make corrections in their books.</p> <p>FYI</p> <p>Contact Sue H. for more information</p> <p>Contact Sue H. for more information</p> <p>Sue H. to donate a large basket for EGC to fill!!!  More to come.</p>
	Denise		

<p><b>B. 1st VP's Report</b></p>	<p>Denise</p>	<p>55 active members. Introduced Betsy Mitchell as our newest member/Sue H. to be Big Sister. She will be working in the Lilac garden.</p> <p>A \$500.00 donation/grant from Otsego Co. for plantings in the courthouse entrance---plants from Home Depot.</p>	<p><b>Welcome Betsy!</b></p>
<p><b>C. 2nd VP's Report</b></p>	<p>Marylee</p>	<p>Change in July meeting plans--- Dana Bensinger to speak</p> <p><i>July field trip postponed.</i></p>	<p><b>Meeting change</b> July 9<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 @ Univ. Center.</p>
<p><b>D. Treasurer's Report</b></p>	<p>Linda R</p>	<p><b>Balanc of \$6089.00 in checking. This is \$400.00 more than last year this time.</b></p> <p>Karen submitted an article to MGC regarding the 2013 Garden Walk---received honorable mention and a check <b>for \$25.00</b></p> <p>Other money updates: Pam &amp; Joan ---- meeting with businesses to encourage them to add plantings in front of their businesses. Pam completed MGC Landscape Design School and presented slides to the DDA to show businesses how landscaping can draw in business. Positive response from 24 out of 25 members. Pam requested possible grant info from Proven Winners. Nothing available but gave her a contact @ Ball Horticultural Co. aka Burpee Seed Co. to us. She received a check for <b>\$250.00</b> for use in this project.</p> <p><b>6 baskets donated</b> by from Cheery Hill Nursery for Courthouse update.</p>	<p><b>Congratulations Karen!</b></p> <p><b>Great job Pam and Joan</b></p> <p><b>Congratulations Pam!</b></p>
<p><b>E. Corresponding Secretary</b></p> <p><b>F. Director's</b></p>	<p>Carol (abs)</p> <p>Linda K.</p>	<p>No report.</p> <p><b>Food Pantry Chair:</b> Box to be circulated at each meeting for donations.</p>	
<p><b>4. Committee Reports</b></p>		<p><b>Awards:</b> no report</p> <p><b>Xmas Luncheon:</b> no report</p> <p><b>Garden Walk:</b> Karen requested 1 more hostess and 15 greeters for the 'Walk'. Tickets distributed and sign-up sheet circulated.</p>	<p><i>All members requested to sell or purchase at least 2 tickets</i></p>

		<p><b>Greens Sale:</b> Dee will be 'pine cone' chair this year. She warned of possible shortages and encouraged members to begin collecting now. Also explained what types to collect.</p> <p><b>Habitat for Humanity:</b> Planting on 6/12/2014</p> <p><b>Library:</b> Display is in place with the Garden Walk being the theme.</p> <p><b>Membership Luncheon:</b> Very successful event</p> <p><b>Mentoring/Big Sister:</b> All new members will have a 'big sister'.</p> <p><b>Nominations:</b> N/A</p> <p><b>Plant Exchange:</b> Successful event. Requesting the purchase of a tent for future events. Karen will check with her daughter for a possible donation. \$50.00 in donations received.</p> <p><b>Plant Maintenance:</b> Court House Update: Major work-has been done including a power wash by the County. One bench is in place--- would like 2. PAT/COMMITTEE NEED HELP!!! Many hours of work completed by this group of gardeners. Thanks for all the hard work and applications for funding.</p> <p>Joan working with Brad Morgan re problems receiving Dairy Doo this spring. For now Nature Safe will be applied and in the fall Dairy Doo will be available.</p> <p><b>Publicity:</b> no report</p> <p><b>Scholarship:</b> Awarded 2 out of 4 applicants Addition \$100.00 to be added to fund from the memorial donation earlier this year.</p> <p><b>View My Garden:</b> N/A</p> <p><b>Yearbook:</b> N/A</p>	<p>All members requested to collect 75 pinecones.</p> <p>FYI</p> <p>FYI</p> <p>All members encouraged to stop by and enjoy the gardens. Offer help if possible.</p> <p>FYI</p>
<p><b>V. New Business</b></p>		<p>Problem of too few workers in some gardens: Betsy---suggested the use of 'seasonal volunteers' to work in gardens. How to get help was discussed. Ideas included RSVP, Crossroads, ask neighbors, etc. Sue S. to email members to</p>	<p>FYI</p> <p>Decision:</p>

		<p>get ok to see if Cross Roads clients would be able to work in Energy Outlet gardens. Use of children discussed, but supervision would be an issue, as well as, the ability to keep kids engaged.</p> <p>Motion by Sue; seconded by Denise that Energy Outlet needs 2 more workers. Several members are sidelined for health reasons. Courthouse needs additional help also.</p>	<p>Sue/garden chairs to get together to solve the problem</p>
<p><b>Meeting adjourned @ 11:30 pm.</b></p> <p><b>Next meeting :</b></p> <p>Submitted by: Ruth Doss</p>		<p><b><u>7/9/2014 @ the University Center</u></b></p>	