



# Pathways & Gardens

Spring Edition 2014

<http://www.edelweissgardenclub.com>



## A Delightful March Presentation ... Get Your Taste Buds Ready!

### 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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### Chef Patrick Hegarty Presents --- with Herbs!

Chef Hegarty is a European trained chef with fifty years of experience including Food Service Director and Culinary Arts/ Hotel Restaurant Management Department Chair at Joliet Jr. College, Joliet, Illinois. We warmly welcome Chef Hegarty! Please plan on meeting on **Wednesday, March 12, 2014** at Isabel's Copper Pot. Arrival time is 10:00. Chef Hegarty will begin at 10:15. Announcements will follow presentation. Lunch on you own.



## Growing Membership.....

## Helping Our Membership Bloom



Our club is so delighted to have 6 new members join us this year: Merrily Sterrett, Mary Kolb, Joann Fury, Darlene Widger, Jeanne Freymuth and Kathleen Moblo.

Let us continue to keep blooming by:

\*Taking our Club Brochures and give pass them out at our Garden Walk, Fundraisers, Plant Exchanges, Social Events, Library, local Garden Shops, Golf Leagues, Church, Work Out Centers, and while standing in the line at the Grocery Store.

\*Placing in our home and community gardens signs advertising Edelweiss Garden Club.

\*Providing flowers to the Library, recognizing National Garden Week, Greens in the winter, implement 'Deck the Halls'.

\*Assigning a Big Sister to any prospective Member who may attend a meeting

\*Continuing Photo Intros of New Members

\*Warmly welcoming new members, wear our name tags.

\*Bringing a friend, relative, or neighbor to our Planting Day,

**Wednesday, June 4, 2014.**

## Ah, Spring is Comming!

Our final Business Meeting of our year will be **Wednesday, April 9, 2014**. Garden Teams will have the opportunity to work together at the April Meeting. This will be an opportunity to finalize plans for your 2014 Gardens. Discussion will also include this year's plan for soil enhancement, budgets, Plant Day responsibilities and our new 8:00 a.m. Plant Day Kick Off at Big Boy restaurant. Remember to invite a friend to come and dig in the soil with us! Please bring your Garden Journals.....Thank you.



## Happy Birthday Mr. DeLong!

Mr. DeLong is still sharpening tools out of Advance Electric, 846 Carpenter St., 989.732.2485. Now is a good time to drop off your gardening tools for cleaning and sharpening. You will be notified when to pick them up. I learned that Mr. DeLong just celebrated his 93rd Birthday!! Wow, Mr. DeLong, Congratulations and Best Wishes!

### Our Legacy.....

Once again, our club is able to offer two \$750 scholarships. High School Seniors and those in college who graduated from Otsego County Public and Parochial Schools and are attending a Michigan based college are invited to apply for one of our two scholarships. The criteria can be found on our website at: [www.edelweissgardenclub.com](http://www.edelweissgardenclub.com). Information is available at the schools and in local newspapers.

### A Personal Note...

It has been an honor to be your President. I have learned so much! As I reflect on the last two and a half years, I feel, that along with all of you, we have made a difference. We have made a difference as 'Keepers of the Earth'. We continued to make a difference in our home town with our dedicated commitment to beautify our community. We have learned more about our community from our community's leaders. Also, I have so enjoyed the opportunity to meet, work, and have quality fellowship with you.

I appreciate all the help and support you have so generously given me. I greatly appreciate your tolerance and civility. For those of you that came to me with concerns and a solution...thank you.

I want to especially thank our Board, who value the differences in others, who worked so effectively together and applied win-win positive thinking to reach outcomes for the good of the club. Along with our Board, I would like to thank Jackie Skinner for all of her valuable help, teaching and most of all her friendship.

My feelings and thoughts are expressed so eloquently by Hans Selye, "A long, healthy and happy life is the result of making contributions, of having meaningful projects that are personally exciting and contribute to and bless the lives of others".

Thank you.  
Joan



## March / April / May / June 2014 Calendar

### March

12 Club Meeting, Chef Hegarty presents Cooking with Herbs, Isabella's Copper Pot. 10:00 Social Time, Chef Hegarty begins at 10:15. Dues payable at this meeting,

### April

9 Annual Business Meeting, Sportsplex, 10:00 Social Hour, Business Meeting after 10:25, Invitations for the Membership Luncheon will be available. Dues payable at this meeting.

21-23 Garden Study School Course IV  
24-25 Environment Studies Course III  
29-30 Landscape Design School Course II

### May

13 Spring District V Meeting, at Boyne Mt. Resort  
14 Spring Membership Luncheon, 2014-2015 Club Planners available  
24 Membership Deadline. Dues can be mailed to Denise Matteini, P.O. Box 185, Waters, MI 49797-0185.

### June

3 State Convention at Eagle Eye Golf Course, Bath MI., (north of E. Lansing)  
4 EGC Plant Day, Kick Off at Big Boy's, 8:00 a.m. Individual checks. Enjoy!  
7. EGC Community Plant Exchange, 8:30-11:00. Downtown Pavillon  
11 EGC Business Meeting  
17 View My Garden – Roseann Kujawa

