



# Charlevoix Area Garden Club

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## Note From The Pres



Lots going on this month, so I know you are having fun and ready for the onslaught of all our tourists and friends.

I hope all of you have a wonderful trip to Mackinac Island for the Lilac Festival. Sue and Diane have worked very hard to make this an exciting and enjoyable trip. I am devastated that I have to miss it as I love the island and the lilacs. That's what happens when a person can't say "no" to a request. So, I will head to Lansing for the annual MGC conference, along with Dorothy and Carolyn, to represent our club. We will be thinking of you.

All our volunteers for the plant sale kept their commitment and it was greatly appreciated by the co-chairs. This really made the sale a huge success. A big thanks to all of you!

I don't know about you, but I am really looking forward to the huge Luncheon in July. Ticket sales are going well so we should reach our goal of 200 people. Please be sure you are promoting it at every chance you have.

Beautification awards are going to be awarded the last week in June. Our friend Shirley Polakowski has "passed the torch" to Marty Sutton, so we will try to make her proud. Let's have a wonderful summer!

Martha

## No June Meeting Field Trip to Mackinaw!!!



## July Meeting

July 7, 2022 (Note Date)

1:00 pm.

Depot Gardens

Preparations for our Biennial Luncheon

## Newsletter Deadline

Submission deadline for the July issue of the CAGC newsletter is June 25<sup>th</sup>. Send your information and articles to:  
[bnds@att.net](mailto:bnds@att.net)



### **An Enchanted Garden Luncheon**

If you plan to attend the 2022 garden club luncheon hosted at the Castle on July 13, you will need to purchase your tickets by contacting Joanne Hawkins to secure your seat or entire table before tickets sell out.

### **Needed**

Igloo container for luncheon. We have 2 and need 4 or 5.

### **Beautification committee – Volunteers Needed**

The beautification committee would be thrilled to add some new members for the committee this summer. For new Garden Club members, the committee evaluates and rewards merchants and organizations for outstanding displays of container plantings and gardens. It's a great way to get connected in the Garden Club and have some fun in the community. And it's not a lot of work!! The review of plantings and evaluation process are tentatively scheduled for the last week in June. Please contact Marty Sutton if you would like to join in the fun at: 205-999-9790 or [marthasutton13@gmail.com](mailto:marthasutton13@gmail.com)

### **Depot Heritage Garden**

The Depot Heritage Garden invites you to join our gardening committee. Two of our long-time gardeners are leaving us and so, perhaps, there is a new member, or a long-time member, who would like to join our group. We meet at the Garden on Wednesday mornings throughout the summer months. Contact Joan Nowak at 231-547-1388 or 231-313-1339.

Submitted by Joan Nowak, Depot Garden.

## **Conservation**

### **Create a Wildlife Oasis**



Instead of regarding your garden as an individual space, think of it as part of a green corridor for local wildlife. Look at what is around you in the parks and gardens nearby—are there trees, shrubs and ponds. Look at which plants are lacking and also which plants are attracting the birds and wildlife.

Choose long-blooming plants such as portulaca to keep bugs and other wildlife happy in multiple seasons.

Choosing plants with flowering times outside of spring and summer means that your garden is a potential food source for early season hatchlings and migrating wildlife.

A well-chosen tree or large shrub will provide food and shelter for many species, from tiny insects to larger birds and mammals. Even the tiniest garden or backyard can usually accommodate a tree or large shrub—after all, the great thing about a tree is that it goes upward. Trees can also be the focus for wildlife-friendly additions to the garden such as hanging feeders, nesting boxes and birdhouses. You don't want an oak tree in a garden the size of a handkerchief. Weeds are some of the best wildlife-friendly plants there are. Nettles, daisies and buttercups are important sources of food for many insects, butterflies and moths. They flower readily and for a long time no matter the weather providing much needed food when other plants are not. Clothing your walls and fences with climbers provides a wealth of habitats for many creatures. Bees, butterflies and insects of all kind will enjoy the flowers as well as cover. Clematis, roses, honeysuckle and other climbers provide a better refuge and home for wildlife than a plain fence.

Birds and Blooms Feb/Mar 2022 Submitted by Carrie Minch



## Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Congrats



Overall Winner



Second Place Winners

## Adopt a Hwy Gang



## Adopt a Hwy Report from April Pick UP

It was a cold, windy Monday on April 25<sup>th</sup>, and 7 loyal members and 1 helpful husband were able to accomplish our clean up for our desinated two miles of highway 31 North. If took us fifteen cummulative hours and we filled twenty one bags. This number does not include tires, boxes and car parts added to the piles. Brightening our day were some appreciative honking cars and a couple who actually pulled over and stopped to say "thank you".





## ***What a Plant Sale!!!***

### ***The Facts:***

Over 2000 plants were on sale

Over 40 folks volunteered

Over 300 to 500 customers showed up

\$450 in luncheon tickets sold

\$367 in Ways and Means

\$6800 net income from The SALE!!

Unsold plants found a home with a grandmother from Gaylord, whose beds were destroyed by the tornato

And a good time was had by all.

A Giant Thank you to Every Member, Spouse,  
Family member and  
Friend that helped support Sue and Dorothy.





## District 5 Spring Meeting



14 clubs were represented, 42 members attended

Mark your calendars for the Fall Meeting to be held at the Hagerty Center in Traverse City  
October 6, 2022



## Vegetable- Timber Press Guide

Growing vegetables requires regionally specific information—what to plant, when to plant it, and when to harvest are based on climate, weather, and first frost. *The Timber Press Guide to Vegetable Gardening in the Northeast* tackles this need head on, with regionally specific growing information written by local gardening expert, Marie Iannotti. Monthly planting guides show exactly what you can do in the garden from January through December. The skill sets go beyond the basics with tutorials on seed saving, worm bins, and more.

st parts of Ontario, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Quebec are also included

## DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

### Friday Morning Meetings

Check the website for 2022 dates

10 am zoom presentations

ID 912 729 4983

Passcode mgc meets

On Vacation until September

## NGC HAPPENINGS

### Monday Morning Meetings

2pm zoom presentations

Go to the NGC website

Click on Member Resources

Scroll down to Membership Mondays

And register

A zoom invitation will be sent to you.