



Charlevoix Area Garden Club

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Three New Life Members



Sue Wilson, Ellen Kendall, Mary Lynn Heid

At our October meeting three outstanding members were awarded with Michigan Garden Clubs, Inc. Life Membership in recognition of their accomplishments and contributions to CAGC and to our community.

Susan Wilson, a member since 2011, has co-chaired both our annual Plant Sale and the Post Office garden for 4 years. She improved both the location and the storage facilities for the Plant Sale. Sue was instrumental in initiating our Garden Walk Scouting Committee. She has been our Archives/Historian Chair for 2 years and has also worked in many capacities at the annual Garden Walks and Fall Bulb Sales. She has served on the Conservation and Adopt-A-Highway Committees. Sue has also completed the National Garden Club Landscape Design Study Program.

Sue is a conscientious, hard working, intelligent, dependable leader and initiator.

Ellen Kendall, a member since 2010, has been a Director and Treasurer of our club. She has served on the Yearbook, Printing and Publications, Downtown Beautification, and Newsletter Committees. She has worked on the Depot Garden and in different capacities at the Garden Walk and Plant Sale. Ellen has shared her musical talent with us by playing the piano at our holiday luncheon and she also played at the National Garden Club Convention in 2016. She is an active musician in the community, performing (singing and playing piano) and volunteering time in several groups. She is also an accomplished knitter and shares her finished products with friends, family, and charitable organizations.

Ellen is a creative, organized, dedicated and calm individual.

Mary Lynn Heid, a member since 2012, has served as 1st Vice President, Director, and Program Chair for the Program/Yearbook and Garden Walk multiple years. She has been active in recruiting new members, working on the Harsha House and Library Gardens, the Floral Design Group, as a monthly meeting Head Hostess, and at the Plant Sale and Bulb Sale. Mary Lynn is a Master Gardener, active in her church, has volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, and serves on the Charlevoix Library Board of Trustees. She is known for beginning our monthly meetings with poems, inspirational sayings and garden humor.

Mary Lynn is energetic and cheerful, a quick and decisive leader.

Congratulations and thank you to all three of our new Life Members!



November Meeting

November 8, 2016

1:00 p.m. (note location below)

Location: Bridge Street Blooms
Friendship and Floral Design

Instead of evergreens, we will make holiday decorations using boxwood. Bring enhancements from home. We will provide boxwood and some mini decorations. Thanks to Chris Helstrom for allowing us to meet at Bridge Street Blooms! See right hand column for more details.



NOVEMBER MEETING BOXWOOD TREE TIME

Below is a description of our boxwood tree trimming meeting. Our **November 8** meeting we will be making Boxwood Trees. The meeting at **1:00** will be at **Bridge Street Blooms**. Chris Helstrom will have the greenhouse warm and welcoming for us. Karen Bueby, the Boxwood Tree expert from **Petals**, will be on hand to instruct us. The cost of \$10 will cover the cost of the **boxwood and other greens**, plus the **base**, the **oasis**, and some **small decorations**. The trees will be about 18" high. If you have your own decorations or your own container, you may bring those along. You will need to bring clippers and/or scissors. If you have a glue gun, that might come in handy.



December Meeting

December 13, 2016 11:30 a.m.

Weathervane Restaurant

See more information on next page of newsletter.

Holiday Luncheon and Officer Installation

2017 Officers

Carolyn Navarre, President
Diane McMahon, 1st Vice President
Joan Nowak, 2nd Vice President
Nancy Cleland, Recording Secretary (6 mos)
Charlotte Koger, Corresponding Secretary
Kathy Tepper, Treasurer
Sandy LaLonde, Director
Kris Jones, Director
Joanne Hawkins, Director

DONATIONS

Mary Chavez sent 2 donations to the Memorial Garden in memory of Donald Manley (Ruth Augustine's father) and Effie Acker (Rhea Dow's mother).



Deer Protection Information

"Many members were interested in the motion sensitive sprinkler heads that we use for deer protection. The brand we use is Contech and we buy them on Amazon. Orbitz makes a good one too but we have always gone with Contech. Chris from Bridge Street Blooms also has some effective products that he has had good results with."

-Submitted by Sue Thurow



December Meeting and Luncheon Invitation

The annual holiday luncheon and officer installation is
Tuesday, December 13th
at Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant.

Social time begins at 11:30 a.m.

lunch will be served at noon.

A sign-up sheet has been e-mailed
to each member.

Please return sheet with lunch selection and check at
the CAGC November meeting
or mail to:

Shirley Polakowski

301 Mason Street

Charlevoix, MI 49720

Please mail by November 18th!

Contact Anne Golski with questions at

[231-675-2164](tel:231-675-2164)



December Newsletter Deadline

Submission deadline for the December issue of the CAGC
newsletter is November 26th.

Send your information and articles to:

sawleonard@gmail.com.



Sarah Leonard, Patti Aikin, Sue Thurow working the Bulb Sale booth at Apple Fest.



Conservation News

A 2005 study found that it is not big trucks and busses that cause the most pollution but "mom and pop" drivers like you and me. The exhaust from idling vehicles pollutes our air causing health issues including heart disease and asthma. In addition to causing earlier death to humans, air pollution is also toxic to lake, stream, and forest ecosystems and contributes to global warming. Studies have shown that idling for more than 10 seconds burns more fuel than restarting the ignition. Changes in technology have eliminated the need to warm up engines before driving in cold weather. Engines will now warm up faster while being driven. And other advances have better equipped cars to endure frequent stopping and starting with little battery wear. So turn off that engine when you are stopped for any length of time and help our planet and all of its inhabitants.

-Adapted from Defenders of Wildlife Magazine Fall 2016

-Submitted by Carrie Minch



A festive creation by October Head Hostess Jennifer Nash.