



## *June 14, 2015 Newsletter*

### **Presidential Notes**

Everything is growing and Petoskey's gardens look beautiful! You all have planted our South bed, the Gaslight bed, the new bridge baskets, the new History Museum garden, Pennsylvania Park and the library boxes. Planting day for annuals is my favorite garden club event. Many thanks to all of you for your volunteer hours this month!

MGC Convention in Petoskey was informative, good speakers, good fun.

Coming up: July 15 and 16 are the garden walks for Charlevoix Garden Club, Friendly Garden club (TC), and Alden. I'll bring ticket information to our June meeting. See you then, and happy gardening!

Sandy

### **Meeting Reminders**

We are having Lindsay Walker from Emmet County Recycling speak to us about Composting at Emmanuel Episcopal Church on June 24.

For the following meeting on July 22, we do not meet until 1 p.m. at Independence Village near Meijer's. We will be hearing from Mary Agria, a local author of numerous books about gardening and a series of novels that deal with community building and the issues facing older Americans. Both should be very interesting. I hope to see you there.

Sharon Schappacher

### **Landscape Maintenance Report**

Barb Kromm and I visited our various projects on Monday, June 8th. All our beds and boxes look lovely. Planting day, June 3rd, was well attended with the exception of Penn Park. The few members who did plant, did double duty. Thanks to all who participated. We really appreciate all your efforts.

Your input is important to us so, when you weed this summer, please think about any changes we could make to do an even better job next year. Pictures of other garden layouts similar to ours would be particularly helpful. Pass your ideas along to your bed captain.

If possible, please wear garden club apparel when you are planting or weeding so the public knows it is PAGC doing the work not the city. Hats and shirts will be available at the June meeting. The cost is quite reasonable, shirts and hats are \$10.00 which is at cost or below. I will have a few polo shirts available for \$20.00 and can order more. If enough members want aprons, I can order those too. See you on the 24th,  
Nancy Graham

### **Treasurer's Request**

Each year local garden club member information is checked for correct home and email addresses, and phone numbers and sent to MGC, Inc. This is the way to assure that each member has access to the Thru the Garden Gate newsletter, and the way to calculate dues owed to the state level. All members in the club must pay dues to MGC, Inc. (\$5 per member, \$7.50 per couple). Even life members of MGC and NGC pay dues.....their title doesn't dismiss them from dues. The MGC bylaws state the membership dues are payable on June 1 this year. Thank you to all that have taken the time to send your membership dues. Only a handful of members have not, and I have contacted them individually in hope that they will respond immediately so I can submit our member roster before the end of June.

I'm really enjoying watching all our gardens grow!  
Thank you, Sandee

### **Membership Updates**

Welcome to new member **Marjorie Green** at 616 Michigan Street, Petoskey, MI 49770.  
517-230-2361 [greenmarj@gmail.com](mailto:greenmarj@gmail.com).

Also, **Jan Miller** has moved to Associate Member status and **Marty Maloney** has requested a leave of absence.

Finally, note new address for **Judy Mainland**: 810 Harbor Watch Dr., #64, Petoskey, MI 4970.

### **Rhea's Reminders:**

Sandy Selden will serve as hostess and greeter at the June 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. Members are reminded to bring their name tags if they took them home to wear to the convention

Thank you to those who assisted at the Petoskey Open House. Accolades to those who planted the Historical Museum Bed, a great job! We appreciate those who participated in the MGC spring convention, and those who replanted the bridge baskets and the members working on the planning of the City Center Bed. A ton of work was accomplished this month in addition to our normal spring clean-up and planting. We and the residents of Petoskey and the visitors appreciate your efforts and dedication. Keep up the good work.



**TO YOU ALL!**