

# GARDEN CLUB Newsletter

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The sun is rising earlier and setting later. The days are getting a bit longer – can planting time be far off? While it's still too early to be digging in the dirt, a gardener can dream!

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, March 14 at 12:00 noon** at the First Presbyterian Church on Brady. Our speaker will be Matthew Bertrand of the Friends of the Rouge. He'll be talking about rain gardens. As many know, the Environmental Interpretive Center at UM-Dearborn has a rain garden next to its building. Please plan to join us for an interesting and informative presentation. Guests are always welcome!

The April and May meetings will be held at First Presbyterian Church on Brady at **6:00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, April 12 and Tuesday, May 9**. Speakers will be announced in the near future. Members are encouraged to suggest topics or recommend speakers for future meetings. Are you curious about different or particular plants? Have you attended an interesting lecture? Please let us know.

This year we have alternated the dates and times of our meetings to give those who work during the day and those who don't like to drive at night an opportunity to attend. Let us know your thoughts. Feedback can always be voiced during our regular meetings. In addition, this and any other meeting comments are always welcome and can be sent direct to the editor at [sdkammer@aol.com](mailto:sdkammer@aol.com).



Our Valentine Lunch at Park Place was a success. There were approx. 45 people in attendance. As always, the food and service were great. Thanks to Wanda Unis Flaim for handling the registration table and to Rose Wiggle and Karen Marzonic for distributing raffle tickets. Mary Bugeia brought bunches of fresh flowers to fill teapots brought by members and used as centerpieces on each table. Six lovely tea baskets were donated by a Club member and raffled off at the event. The Garden Club was also pleased to welcome Eva Gogola and Mary Ellen Matigian as new members.

Our speaker was Jonathon Furman, assisted by Kevin Ryan, both of the Michigan Depression Glass Society. Jonathon brought and displayed examples of Depression glass, elegant glass, and utilitarian glass from his personal collection. He explained the differences, described some of the various patterns, and talked about how the glass was distributed to the customers. Kevin presented various pieces to each table for a better view of the items fine detailing. Jonathon very graciously donated a small pink fan vase as a door prize.





Also attending the lunch were Anne Ryan, Director of District 1 of the Michigan Garden Club and Ed Maurus of the Dearborn Historical Society. Anne spoke briefly and stated she was looking forward to our Club hosting the MGC Spring Leadership Conference on Wednesday, April 27. Ed spoke about the free lectures offered at the McFadden-Ross House Museum and the Dearborn Public Library Centennial Branch. Museum lectures are at 7:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Library lectures are at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month. Additional information is available on the websites of each organization.

We are very pleased to announce that the Annual Report/Club of Distinction Award Application for 2021-2022 was recently filed with the Michigan Garden Club reporting a total of 1,810 points putting us at the Diamond Club of Distinction level. Points are awarded in various categories for activities by the Club as a whole and by individual Club members. We will be working toward even higher levels during the 2022-2023 year.



### **February Birthdays**

Elaine Trocino  
Ron Wiggle

### **March Birthdays**

Mariya Toohey Fogarasi	Terri Bungee
Judy Polcyn	Jennie Somers
Sharon Snider	Eleanor Dolega
Mary Ellen Matigian	



# GCD Valentine's Day Luncheon February 14, 2022



to energy drink the wine of the pink depression glass vase donated by guest speaker Jonathan Fuhrman

