



March 2021

Members,

It is hard to think of sunshine and flowers as we look at 18 to 30 inches of snow, but Mother Nature is preparing for spring and summer. Sooner or later the snow will melt and robins will appear. Did you know that March is the National Umbrella Month?

The Board has met to discuss the best way to move forward in yet another unique year. Our first meeting will be held May 11, 2021. The program and location is still to be determined. We unanimously voted to proceed with the Plant Exchange to be held on Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

These are hopeful signs of normalcy that we are looking toward.

Dues of \$30 are now due. Please consider dropping your check in the mail. Even though we have not met, we continue to offer Community Grants and Beautification Awards that are subsidized by our dues.

The Mountain View Garden Club continues to be a vital part of this area and plays a key role in the beautification efforts of so many individual communities. Please consider becoming a more active member.

We have a current need for a Publicity Chairperson. Please contact me if you are interested in helping out.

Here's to a sunny spring!

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## PLANT EXCHANGE & MARKETPLACE

**Mark your calendar for  
Sunday June 6, 2021!**

At our board meeting on February 10, everyone felt that it would be safe to have our Plant Exchange & Marketplace this year. After a year's hiatus due to COVID, we will have the event at the Clifford Township Community Center on Sunday, June 6. The plan is to ask vendors to provide their own tents which will be out in the park area. We will have 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Rose and a few vendors inside the big garage... but only a few so we don't have large crowds gathering inside.

So please spread the word to friends, neighbors and fellow gardeners. The committee will be meeting this month to start making plans. We all need some normalcy back in our lives so, hopefully, our members, vendors and attendees will be eager to get on board.

The Plant Exchange Committee



# MEMBER NEWS

Nancy Ross, a founding member of the Mountain View Garden Club, was recently presented with the 26<sup>th</sup> annual Thomas P. Shelburne Environmental Leadership Award. She was honored for her many years of commitment to protecting the environment in Susquehanna County. Nancy has been involved in many successful conservational endeavors over the years. Most notable is her dedication to the Rail-Trail Council. Nancy's story was featured in the November 2020 edition of the Rail-Trail News.

Member Helene Tinsley has published a children's book titled, "Rudy the Löwchen and the Last Slice." The book details an adventure of her and her husband's beloved dog Rudy. After the death of both her husband and her dog Helene set about to write the book to help her with healing. She has since fallen in love with another Löwchen named Tino, and hopes to be able to further market her book which is currently available on Amazon. Helene's story was recently featured in The Times-Tribune.

[https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/lifestyles/widow-finds-another-adventure-in-sharing-dogs-story/article\\_2ce5f457-25f1-54b5-bd49-d901d3402a61.html](https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/lifestyles/widow-finds-another-adventure-in-sharing-dogs-story/article_2ce5f457-25f1-54b5-bd49-d901d3402a61.html)

## Tinsel Trail



Thanks to Janelle Zigon for organizing the tree decorating and all the members who helped make the ornaments and with the trimming of the tree.



## Gift Exchange



## Gifts left for the exchange



A few of the items collected for the Women's Resource Center.



Belated wishes to our winter celebrants,  
hope your day was fun.

### January:

Janell Zigon - 11<sup>th</sup>  
Judy Borosky - 28<sup>th</sup>  
Kim George - 30<sup>th</sup>

### February:

JoAnn Hall - 4<sup>th</sup>  
Mary Monahan - 4<sup>th</sup>  
Susan Haff - 13<sup>th</sup>  
Matilda Gavalis - 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Louise Venturella - 26<sup>th</sup>



**Dues are Due!**

Checks can be sent to:

Mountain View Garden Club  
PO Box 81  
Clifford, PA 18413

The first meeting of the MVGC is  
scheduled for May 11<sup>th</sup>. Check  
your email for updates. We  
hope to see you there!

### March:

Ann Marie Noone - 4<sup>th</sup>  
Ethel Breuche - 10<sup>th</sup>  
Nina Ruedemann - 18<sup>th</sup>

### April:

Ann Marie Warren - 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Mary Ann O'Pecko - 20<sup>th</sup>  
Audrey Vasquez - 22<sup>nd</sup>

### May:

Bobbi Achey - 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Juliana Piccini - 9<sup>th</sup>  
Judie Senio - 9<sup>th</sup>

### A LITTLE SEASONAL HUMOR:

Can February March?  
No, but April May!

What goes up when March rain comes  
down? Umbrellas!



This issue's recipe is thanks to JoAnn Hall.

### Jezebel Sauce

- 1 ¾ cups orange marmalade
- 1 ¾ cups pineapple preserves
- 2 Tbsp red pepper flakes
- ¼ cup horseradish
- 1 ½ Tbsp Dijon mustard

Serve over a block of cream cheese with crackers.

Juliana Piccini commented on the Apple Cider Doughnut Loaf Cake recipe in the October 2020 MVGC newsletter:

“The cake is very good, moist. It isn't that hard to make, but it does require you to use about 5 different bowls.”  
~Juliana

Do you have a special dish? Share it with your fellow club members. Send recipes to: [suze.haff@gmail.com](mailto:suze.haff@gmail.com)

The MVGC has a website that contains up to date news as well as past postings from the club. Visit it at:  
[www.mountainviewgardenclub.org](http://www.mountainviewgardenclub.org)

### MORE SEASONAL HUMOR:

Why is everyone so tired on April first?  
Because they just finished a 31-day March

What April flower grows on faces? Tulips

### What's Growing On...

Although it doesn't seem possible with all the accumulated snow in the area, but spring will soon be here and our gardens will be sprouting. Send a picture of your spring garden to: [suze.haff@gmail.com](mailto:suze.haff@gmail.com) and we will share it with your fellow garden club members.



### *I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud*

WILLIAM WORDSWORTH

I wandered lonely as a cloud  
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,  
When all at once I saw a crowd,  
A host, of golden daffodils;  
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,  
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine  
And twinkle on the milky way,  
They stretched in never-ending line  
Along the margin of a bay:  
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,  
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced; but they  
Out-did the sparkling waves in glee:  
A poet could not but be gay,  
In such a jocund company:  
I gazed—and gazed—but little thought  
What wealth the show to me had brought:

For oft, when on my couch I lie  
In vacant or in pensive mood,  
They flash upon that inward eye  
Which is the bliss of solitude;  
And then my heart with pleasure fills,  
And dances with the daffodils.