

EDELWEISS NEWS



Gardeners of the Bluffton Pandora Area

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SEED STARTING

This is the time of year when people start to get the urge to plant something. Since it is too cold to plant outside they try to start seeds inside their homes and this often results in a lot of trouble with the seedlings. So if you want to know how to start seeds in your home then you should come to our March 12, 2019 meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Bluffton Public Library in the lower level meeting room. The presenter for this program will be Hancock County Master Gardener Volunteer Marilyn Beltz. Marilyn has been a master gardener for eleven years and for most of those years she has been the President of their organization. She is a good gardener and has helped many with gardening problems and she has given presentations on several subjects. So if you have a friend or acquaintance who has the desire to start seeds for their gardens please invite them to the meeting as this presentation/program will be free and open to the public. So come along see if you can learn something that will help you in your endeavors in the gardens.



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What will you grow in your garden this year? Have you made a seed order or will you buy your seeds at a store? Or will you go to the greenhouse and buy the plants when you are ready to plant?

Dues:

I sent our dues in to The Gardeners Of America and the Central Great Lakes Region. We should be receiving the membership cards soon. I wish that we could send in the dues earlier but we never seem to get them paid in a timely fashion. Maybe this year we will get the dues in by December like we are supposed to.

Planning the Year Ahead:

The plan for the year ahead is a good one but we still have a few holes to fill:

March 12th meeting will be on seed starting. The presenter is Marilyn Beltz;

April 2nd meeting will be vegetable and flower garden planning. The presenter is Patrick Flinn;

May 7th meeting is still undecided;

June 4th meeting will be on native plants. The presenter is Dave McPheron;

July 2nd meeting will be on propagating through cuttings of leaves/stems/roots. The presenter will be Betsy DeFrancesco;

August 6th meeting will be on Monarchs & Pollinators. The presenter will be Tim Brugeman;

September 3rd meeting will be a tour of Nanci Mistovich's garden in Bluffton;

October 1st meeting will be on plating garlic. The presenter will be Ray Person;

November 5th meeting will be on forcing bulbs. The presenter is not known yet;

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