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Summer, 2026 June, July, August The Mason County Garden Club Quarterly Newsletter (Since 1926-our 100th year)

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Musings from the President:

"It's Summertime and the living is easy". But not so easy for those of us still trying to get our gardens planted due to the lingering cold and rain. It's been a busy time regardless. Dawn, Judy and I attended the District 4 conference in Grand Haven in May.

Dawn, Judy, Vicki and I attended the State Conference in Ann Arbor. We went a little early and visited the Matthaei Botanical Gardens. Unfortunately, we didn't get to see the Peony garden, which I've heard is amazing. Our club has received many awards which I will present at our next meeting. I really enjoy attending these meetings to hear the guest speakers, vendors and especially interacting with other clubs and talking about best practices, etc. If you can, try to attend one of the upcoming conferences.

This time, Judy and I spent a lot of time with Sharon from the Charlevoix club. They had their 100th Anniversary last year and she went over a lot of their projects and gave us a copy of their yearbook. She did a project a month to generate interest in her community. One thing they did was make rocks. We think that is something we could easily do in our community with Ludington Rocks. So at our meeting in July, I would like to have members decorate 100 rocks and hide them around town. Please plan on staying a little longer to help us with this project. We will be marching in the July 4th parade and our celebration dinner will be in August, but the rocks will generate interest in the local community. After all, celebrating our 100th Anniversary is a BIG DEAL!

Gail



June

- 7 Diane Nemitz
- 22 Kevin Butterfield
- 23 Barb Scherer

July

- 5 Christine Schultz
- 9 Marilyn Austin
- 12 Melinda Dougherty
- 12 Joanne Duquette
- 17 Carolyn Ptalszenski

August

- 3 Mary McConnell



Featured Member-- Jackie Christensen:

Jackie has been a member of the club for 28 years, serving as President (2006 and 2007), 1st and 2nd VP for several years and served on various committees. She is married, with three sons, two grandsons and two granddaughters. She grew up in Ann Arbor, graduating from U of M with a degree in Dental Hygiene and worked in that profession for about 43 years. Her grandfather, next door neighbor and mother-in-law got her interested in gardening. Her favorite flowers are red geraniums and Lilies of any variety. Jackie enjoys the friendliness of club members and the programs we offer

(Submitted by Gail Burkhart)



Upcoming Mason County Garden Club Events:

June:

Saturday, June 6 – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. : Spring Plant Exchange and White Elephant Sale – Rotary Park – Ludington, MI.

Thursday, June 25 – 1:00 p.m. – Methodist Church - Meeting and Program: **“Wildflowers and Grasses”**: Josh Shields, Ph.D., Mason- Lake and Manistee Conservation Districts.

July:

Saturday, July 4th – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Float and Walking in the parade – Ludington Area Jacees Freedom Festival.

Thursday, July 23 – 1:00 p.m. – Methodist Church – Meeting and Program: **“Final Logistics for 100 Celebration Banquet”** – Dawn Rollenhagen, Chair of 100-Year Celebration Committee.

August:

(see 100th year celebration)

September:

Saturday, September 5 – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Fall Plant Sale and White Elephant Sale – Rotary Park, Ludington, MI.



Mason County Garden Club

100

And Still Growing

Important Dates to Remember for 100th Year Celebration:

Saturday, July 4 – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.:

Ludington 4th of July Parade – Ludington Area Jacees Freedom Festival: We will be having a float in the parade and walkers walking along with the float handing out floral pens and carrying a floral umbrella.

Sunday, July 19 – 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.:

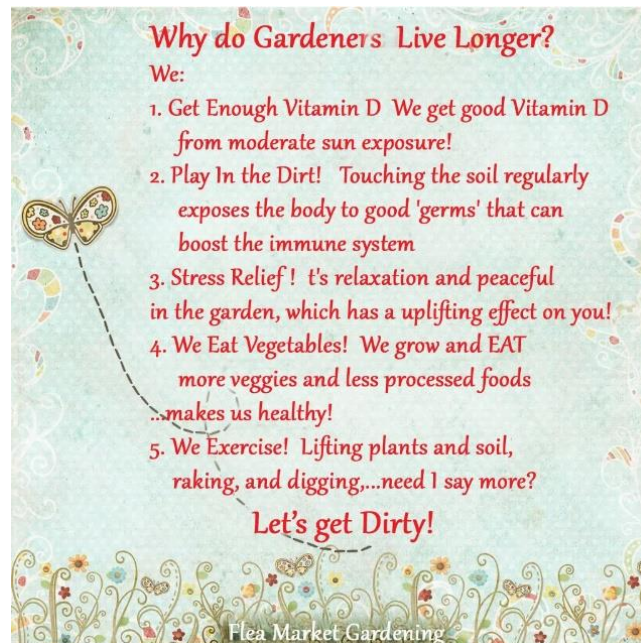
24th Garden Walk & 100th year celebration activities: “A Bouquet of Gardens” and “100 Years & Still Growing” – Ticket price is \$10.00. - They will be available at featured gardens and Rotary Park.

On this date, the community will be encouraged to visit the following locations, where they will be greeted by Club members.

- * 4-5 private gardens
- * Leveaux Park
- * Blue Star Memorial
- * Legacy Plaza (part of the Downtown Plaza Planters Committee and Cups of Cheer)
- * Rotary Park Veterans and/or Stearns Beach War Memorials

Thursday, August 27 – 5:00 p.m. – Lincoln Hills County Club:

Celebration of Mason County Garden Club – 100 Years & Still Growing: Cash bar, followed by dinner. Opened to all members, and their significant other. We will be joined by several dignitaries from the Michigan Garden Club. Past members will also be invited. Cost will be no more than \$30.00.



Upcoming Local Events:

June:

June 19-20 – 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.: - White Pine Village – Revolutionary War Soldiers Encampment -

June 20 -21: Sterns Park – Gus Macker 3-on-3 Charity Basketball Tournament

June 25 – 8-10 p.m.: Stearns Park Beach Bonfire Series – The World Famous Scottville Band

June 26 – 6-9 p.m.: Love Ludington Street Party

June 27: Petunia Parade Weeding Day

June 30-7 p.m.: Waterfront Park – Scottville Clown Band Patriotic Concert

Ongoing: Ludington Farmers Market and Live in the Plaza music series.

July:

July 3: White Pine Village 50th Anniversary

July 4: Ludington area Jaycees Freedom Festival and Fireworks.

July 4-5: Rotary Park - West Shore Art Fair.

July 11: Petunia Parade Weeding Day

July 21: AFFEW Beach Scoop

July 25: Petunia Parade Weeding Day

July 30: Stearns Park Beach Bonfire

August:

August 8: Petunia Parade Weeding Day

August 8-9: Gold Coast Artisan Fair – Rotary Park

August 11-15: West Michigan Fair

August 15: Mainistee, Mason & Oceana County Household Hazardous Waste Collection- 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Mason Co. Road Commission Building.

August 18: AFFEW Beach Scoop

August 20: Stearns Park Beach Bonfire

August 22: Petunia Parade Weeding Day



Local Farmer's Markets:

Ludington: Fridays – 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – May – September – Legacy Plaza Pavilion.

Manistee: Saturdays – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 P.M. – May – October – located on Memorial Drive.

Pentwater: Monday & Thursday – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., - June – Labor Day- Village Green

Michigan Garden Club Upcoming Events:



*Plant America -
Grow, Share and Connect
to a Brighter Future!*

SAVE THE DATE

MGC District 5 Fall Meeting
Thursday, September 10, 2026
Great Lakes Center for the Arts, Bay Harbor



Celebrating the Gifts of the Garden

Presented by the Petoskey Area Garden Club
Join us for an engaging meeting from 9:00am to 2:30pm
Presenting Guest Speakers-
Bear River Organic Farms

Things to Remember on Hard Days



Rest is not laziness.



You don't need to fix everything today.



Small actions still count.



You are allowed to ask for help.



Your thoughts are not always facts.



Doing less than usual is still doing something.



You don't need to earn rest.



Surviving the day is enough.



You don't have to explain your limits.

Look What We Did!

Planting Pots to Beautify Downtown Ludington:

I'm so thankful for the hard work of my team of Mason County Garden Club members (Ferd and Cindy, too!) to help make Ludington shine this summer! Fifty-five pots planted that will line the streets downtown! (Submitted by Chris Schulte)



Planting at Leveaux Park:

Garden Club members working hard on beautifying Leveaux Park after the long winter. Planting annuals and weeding! Wonderful day to get outside and do some gardening!



Petunia Parade...Planting Petunias in Front of the Cartier Mansion:

Many volunteers were on hand to get the Petunia Parade planted along Ludington Avenue.

The [Mason County Garden Club](#) was there on the 400 block and the crew finished in record time!

Keep up the good work! (From the LDN)



Spring Plant Exchange and White Elephant Sale:

Mother Nature smiled on our plant exchange June 6. The day started out overcast, highlighting our many shade plants. Then the sun came out so people could focus on all our sun loving plants. The community brought plants to exchange throughout the event time. It looked like they appreciated the opportunity to add to their gardens at no cost. There were also people who donated money to the club. The white elephant was primarily garden objects and was also well received. We shared the space with AFFEW. They were selling native plants. The shared space worked out well for both of us. We had lots of plant experts from both organizations to answer questions. (Submitted by Gail Martin)



Scholarship Recipient:

Alaina White is the 2026 Mason County Garden Club's scholarship recipient. She is a student at Grand Valley State University and is studying Natural Resources and Environmental Management, minoring in Biology.



Dear Mason County Garden Club Members,

I want to express my sincerest thanks for awarding me the Mason Country Garden Club Scholarship to help me pursue my Bachelor of Science degree at Grand Valley State University. I am honored and sincerely appreciate your investment in my education and future. This award will help pay for my final year at GVSU. I am majoring in Natural Resources and Environmental Management, minoring in Biology, and pursuing two professional certificates in Ecological Restoration and Geographic Information Systems. I hope to pursue a career in environmental science and become a consultant to help companies develop more environmentally sustainable practices. I want to use my education and career to make a positive impact on the world's environment. This scholarship will help me pursue my education with less financial stress and allow me to focus directly on my studies. Your investment in me brings me another step closer to my goal. Thank you very much for your confidence in me and your generous support. I will use these funds wisely and work to the best of my ability in my academic and career pursuits.

Many thanks,
Alaina L. White





MGC 95th Annual Conference and Flower Show: Ann Arbor:

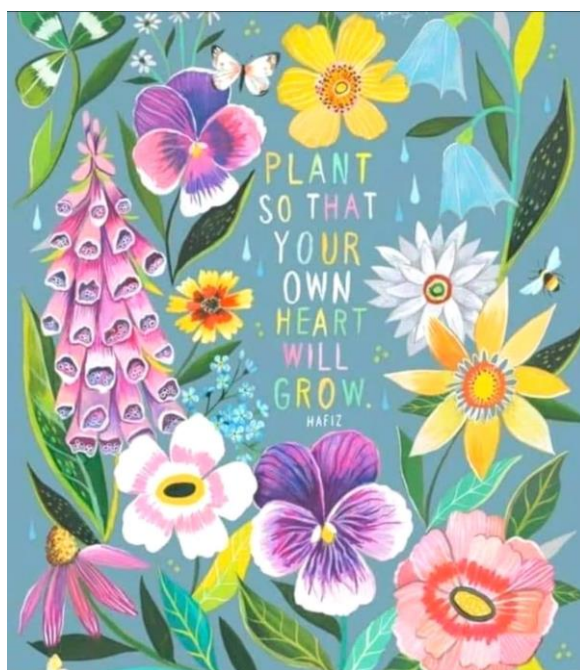
Gail Burkhart, Vicki Houk, Judy Olson and Dawn Rollenhagen attended the MGC Conference in Ann Arbor and enjoyed the flower show and botanical gardens. Many awards were presented to the Mason County Garden Club, which will be presented at the June meeting.



June Garden of the Month:

Mason County Garden Club announces the Garden of the Month for June:

Located at 603 N. Harrison St in Ludington. Industrious homeowners Grace and Phil have turned this lovely property into a gardeners delight. The beds encircle the house and most can be viewed from the front sidewalk and alley. They have used annuals, perennials, herbs, shrubs and trees. The sound of water draws you into the yard; each water feature unique as there are six or seven of them. One is a reclaimed bathtub spigot. The creativity of this couple knows no bounds. They have used Marbles to accent a fence, ends of a baby crib for a garden gate, a faux rabbit hutch, two adorable garden sheds to sit in and rest a while, and a privacy fence that allows them to sit in their patio in quiet. The privacy fence becomes a backdrop for more hosts, lilies, azalea ,clematis and rocks. Grace is a bit of a “Rock Hound” and she shows them off in her many flower beds. A River Birch in the backyard provides shade and she has planted varieties of hostas around the base. Allium are in bloom now. as is the 30-40 year old Rhododendron. Take a walk around Harrison St and stop to enjoy this lovely garden. (Submitted by Gig Rose).





Recipes Submitted by Members:

Dill Dip for Veggies (submitted by Deb Gundersen)

- 1C. Mayo (I use low fat)
- 1C. Sour Cream (low fat)
- 1 tsp. Seasoned salt
- 1 T. Dill weed
- 1 T. Parsley flakes
- Grated onion or onion powder, optional. Stir together and chill several hours before serving.

Creamy Cabbage Salad: (Submitted by Randee Smith)

For the Salad:

- 1 lb. Savoy cabbage (I used Napa Cabbage)
- 2 cups corn kernels, thawed if frozen
- 2 cups peas, thawed if frozen

For dressing:

- 1/2 c mayonnaise 1/2 c sour cream
- 1 TBL. fresh parsley chopped 1 TBL fresh dill, chopped
- 1/2 tsp. Onion powder 1/2 tsp. Garlic powder
- 1 TBL lemon juice salt and pepper to taste
- 1/2tsp celery salt

Preparation:

In a large bowl, whisk together the mayonnaise, sour cream, Lemon juice, dill, parsley, garlic powder, onion powder, and Celery salt. Taste and add more lemon juice if needed and Season with salt and pepper.
Add Cabbage, corn, and peas to bowl and toss to coat with Dressing.
Chill until ready to serve. Hope you enjoy this recipe.

Taco Salad (submitted by Kim AnDyke:

- 1 lb. extra lean ground beef
- 1 small can green chilies, undrained
- 1 head iceberg lettuce, outer leaves removed (all other lettuces will wilt)
- 1 packet taco seasoning mix (or a mixture of cumin, chili powder and garlic powder)
- 1 cup ranch sour cream mayonnaise, divided (recipe below)
- 1 (15 oz.) can of your favorite beans, rinsed and drained very well
- 1/2 can (about 7 oz.) sweet corn, drained very well
- 1/2 cup chopped purple or green onion + more for top
- 8 oz. of your favorite tomato salsa
- 1 (3.8 oz.) can sliced black olives, drained very well
- 1 Roma tomato, seeds removed, chopped

(Taco Salad con't.)

Cook the ground beef, canned chilies and taco seasoning in a skillet until beef is brown all the way through and the liquid from the chilies has evaporated. Place in refrigerator and allow to chill until completely cold. Then, place in an even layer on the bottom of a 9×13 glass cake pan. Top with a double layer of crisp, iceberg lettuce leaves (half the head), 1/2 cup of the ranch sour cream mayonnaise smoothed into an even layer, beans, corn, onion, another double layer of lettuce (press down gently after placing the lettuce,) the other 1/2 cup of ranch sour cream mayo, salsa, cheese, olives, tomato and a little more purple onion. Place cover or foil on cake pan and refrigerate for 12 to 24 hours before slicing into pieces, crunching tortilla chips over the top, and serving. Feel free to top this with avocado chunks, extra tomato chunks, and your favorite hot sauce too!

Ranch Sour Cream

3/4 cup real mayonnaise

1/4 cup full fat sour cream

3 to 6 Tablespoons dry buttermilk ranch dressing mix (or Hidden Valley) add gradually, according to individual taste.

Mix well. Chill until ready to use. Enjoy!

Fruit Salad (Submitted by Diane Davis):

Ingredients:

1 can pineapple chunks, in their own juice

1 can mandarin oranges, drained

1 bunch green grapes, halved

2 bananas

1 pkg. strawberries, sliced however you want

1 small box of vanilla instant pudding

(you can also add other fruits that you like this as you please.

Directions:

Pour the pineapple juice and all into a bowl. Add the pudding mix and stir until creamy. Refrigerate the salad for awhile until it is nice and chilled. Don't let it sit too long or the bananas will turn brown. I usually leave out the bananas if I'm going to serve the next day.





12 Subtle & Unexpected Benefits of Tending a Garden

There are a great many reasons to get to work in the garden, and, for the most part, these are fairly straightforward and obvious: gardening can be a source of fresh food, it greens up your outdoor space with beautiful blooms, it gets you outside and in view of nature, and ultimately, it is so satisfying to nurture and care for plant life.

This last point is important since it drives at the heart of why we do it in the first place – to feel a connection to other living things. **Biophilia** is the name given to the instinctive bond that humans have with the rich tapestry of life, an innate attraction to the natural world. Green environments are a cure for what ails us on so many different levels, and actively engaging with that space, as in the garden, is eminently good for the mind and for the body.

The deeper benefits of gardening are less evident at first glance. Read on to discover the hidden ways gardening is an elixir for good living.

1. Homegrown Food is Tastier & More Nutritious

Food that is grown in your own backyard or in a community garden is about as fresh as it gets. And fresher equals tastier, especially when it is ripened on the vine. There is nothing quite like biting into the first plump and juicy tomato of the season or the fragrant sweetness of a just-plucked strawberry.

By harvesting food at the time of peak ripeness, fruits and vegetables picked by the home gardener are teeming with more vitamins, antioxidants, fiber, minerals, and trace elements than those that have traveled far and wide. Typically, store-bought produce is harvested before the food reaches maturity and this spells **a loss of vital nutrients**.

Industrial agricultural practices have changed remarkably over the past 50 years. From prizing aesthetics over function, newer storage and ripening techniques, and the use of chemical fertilizers, purchased produce is less nutritious than it once was. Take this startling example: an adult woman in 1951 could eat just two peaches to meet her vitamin A needs; today, she would have to consume nearly 53 peaches to achieve the same effect!

2. Food Gardeners Eat More Fruits & Vegetables

Among the more pleasurable ways to prevent chronic disease is **to eat more fruits and vegetables**. And yet, only 1 in 10 Americans are getting the recommended 5 to 9 servings per day. Meeting the daily requirement is difficult for some, but **less so for gardeners** who consume 40% more fruits and veggies each day than non-gardeners and are 3.5 times more likely to meet (and exceed) the dietary guidelines.

And then there's that daily ritual of parents everywhere to cajole, demand, or plead with their children to eat their greens. But it turns out that, just like adults, **kids who grow their own food** eat more fruits and vegetables on average. What's more, kids who help out in the garden have improved attitudes toward produce and a willingness to taste new things. Gardening habits that are developed in childhood often form a **lifelong appreciation of nature and horticulture** and kids who eat their greens are much more likely to consume more fruits and vegetables as adults.

3. Gardening Burns 200 – 600 Calories per Hour

All the assorted tasks that go hand in hand with gardening – digging, tilling, **mixing soil**, weeding, pruning, watering, turning the **compost**, transplanting seedlings, applying **fertilizers**, and harvesting – together these and other gardening activities add up to a good amount of physical activity.

Ranging from moderate to low intensity exercise that works the upper and lower body, one **study** found that three hours of gardening is the equivalent of an intense one-hour workout at the gym. Depending on your weight, the activity, and its intensity, gardening has been **clocked** at burning anywhere between 200 to 400 calories per hour for light gardening tasks (planting and weeding) and 400 to 600 calories per hour for heavy yard work (landscaping and hauling soil).

Best of all, gardening is goal-oriented. Running on a treadmill can make you feel like a hamster in a wheel, but expending energy in the garden is purposeful and productive. It confers a tangible sense of achievement that usually only comes from seeing the results of your work.

4. Gardeners Maintain Healthy Body Weights

Perhaps it's because gardening is physically demanding or maybe it's a result of eating more fruits and vegetables, but studies have **shown** that the body mass index (BMI) of gardeners is significantly lower than those of their non-gardening peers.

Researchers compared BMIs from each of the 198 gardeners in the study with three control groups: neighbors, siblings, and spouses. They found that on average, gardeners measured two BMI points lower than non-gardeners, which translates to a weight difference of 11 to 16 pounds.

5. Gardeners Get Vitamin D

While the nation struggles to get enough **vitamin D**, gardeners are getting it the old fashioned way: by simply spending time in the sun. Just 10 to 15 minutes of sun exposure between the hours of 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. a few times a week will give you your vitamin D fix. A vitamin D deficiency has been linked to a slew of **illnesses** like heart disease, cancer, dementia, multiple sclerosis, and depression.

But vitamin D isn't all about prevention. This steroid hormone strengthens bones, regulates insulin levels, boosts the immune system, and promotes good cardiovascular health.

6. Gardening Prolongs Life

Gardening and other do-it-yourself activities can increase longevity according to **research** published in 2013. The study, performed in Sweden on 4,000 sixty year olds, recorded daily activities, assessed cardiovascular health, and measured blood sugars, insulin levels, and blood clotting factors over the course of 12 ½ years.

Of the study's participants who were most physically active on a daily basis, researchers noted a 27% decrease in the risk of heart attack or stroke. Overall, there was a 30% reduced risk for death from all causes for those who engaged in routine activities, like gardening.

7. Gardening Keeps Hands Strong

Hand strength is one of those abilities that is easy to take for granted when you have it. Range of motion, forearm muscles, and grip and pinch strength tend to weaken as we get older, and scientists are now using hand strength as a metric to **gauge** a person's "true age". Specifically, low grip strength has been associated with premature mortality, the development of a disability, and an increased risk of complications after surgery.

If nothing else, working in the garden is extremely hands-on. Researchers at Kansas State **University** found that older adults who garden have better hand strength than their non-gardening counterparts. Pinching deadheads, squeezing pruning shears, and gripping a spade are among the tasks that helps keep those hands nimble and dexterous.

8. Gardeners Come in Regular Contact with Good Bacteria

Humans did not evolve in a vacuum. For millennia, we have lived alongside the microorganisms that inhabit our bodies, forging a mutually-beneficial relationship whereby we provide them a place to live and they keep us healthy. Of the 100 trillion cells in the human body, only 1 in 10 are purely human – the rest are bacteria, viruses, and other microbes.

In our age of cleanliness and hyper-sanitization, many of these "old friends" have been beaten back, which has in turn has caused a rise in autoimmune and chronic inflammatory diseases like asthma, arthritis, diabetes, multiple sclerosis, depression, and cancer.

One of the good guys, *Mycobacterium vaccae*, is a benign bacterium that is readily found in soil. You breathe it in when you spend time in nature and ingest it when you eat food grown in it. It thrives especially in dirt that has been enriched with organic matter, like a garden.

M. vaccae strengthens the immune system by stimulating immune cells in the body. In effect, it makes the body less susceptible to inflammation. Not only that, but *M. vaccae* has been **found** to elevate mood and reduce anxiety by triggering a release of serotonin – a brain chemical responsible for mood regulation. And because serotonin is associated with learning, tending a garden could **even make you smarter**.

9. Gardening Relieves Stress

The theory of **restorative environments** put forth by Stephen Kaplan informs us that being in the presence of green spaces allows our minds to rest. The idea is that much of our lives are taken up by focused concentration (which takes effort) and this

prolonged attention eventually becomes fatigued, leading to stress and irritability. Being in nature, however, offers respite from this “directed attention” by engaging our minds with an effortless form of attention he calls “fascination”.

The sounds, smells, sights, and other stimuli of being outside allow us a personal escape from our hectic lives and provides an opportunity for quiet reflection.

Putting this theory to the test, researchers found that gardening offers powerful stress relief and is far more effective in alleviating anxiety than other leisure activities. In **the study**, participants performed a stressful task and afterward were randomly assigned to 30-minutes of outdoor gardening or indoor reading. Measuring the stress hormone cortisol, the researchers noted that, while both groups had decreases in cortisol levels during the recovery period, the gardening group’s stress levels were much lower than the reading group. When asked how they felt, the gardeners reported a complete return to positive mood while the reading group stated that their mood had actually worsened.

10. Gardeners are Happier

Spending just one session in the garden is enough to dramatically boost self-esteem and mood, according to a case study published in the *Journal of Public Health*. Regardless of how often you garden or how much time you devote to gardening, the curative effects were clear: gardeners reported better health, experienced less depression and fatigue, and had more vigor and vitality.

The use of therapeutic horticulture as a treatment for depression has shown a lot of promise too. Based on the self-reports of clinically depressed subjects, researchers **found** the severity of depression declined during a 12-week gardening program and its curative effects persisted for up to three months after the program’s completion. The researchers noted that this treatment was most effective for individuals who felt immersed in the gardening tasks, which helped keep their attention in the present and prevented rumination and negative thoughts.

11. Gardening Stimulates the Mind

More and more, horticulture therapies are being employed by hospitals and out-patient clinics as an effective treatment for traumatic illnesses, such as strokes and brain injuries, when patients experience cognitive deficits. It improves memory, concentration, attention span, language skills, and helps people regain lost abilities and learn new things.

While gardening can help rehabilitate, it also can help prevent the onset of debilitating brain diseases like dementia and Alzheimer’s. Affecting **47.5** million people worldwide, the risk of developing dementia doubles every five years after the age of 65.

In an attempt to identify lifestyle choices that reduce that risk, researchers followed 2,805 men and women aged 60 or older for 16 years and **found** that daily gardening reduced the risk of developing dementia by 36%. These results were replicated in another **study** which identified traveling, knitting, and gardening as invaluable ways to keep the mind active and ward off cognitive decline.

12. Gardening Fosters Empathy

The type of environment we immerse ourselves in truly affects us in subtle, unseen ways. Spending time around plants not only benefits our physical and mental health, but it also improves our relationship with others as well.

Immersion in natural environments predicated greater feelings of compassion, empathy, generosity, and a deeper bond with the community, according to a **study** published in 2009. By contrast, those who viewed man-made structures, like buildings and roads, placed a higher value on extrinsic, self-seeking things like wealth and fame and were less considerate and charitable with others.

And surely, this world could stand to be a kinder, gentler place.



I hope you have enjoyed this Summer edition of “over the picket fence.” Thank you to those of you who contributed articles for the newsletter. Please continue to help me with future newsletters by submitting ideas, articles, recipes and suggestions. I want to be able to continue with the newsletter, as I feel it is important to be able to communicate in this way and you can be a big part in helping me do so. **Yours In Gardening....Diane D.**

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NGC: www.gardenclub.org

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Keep us, O God, ever mindful of nature’s generous bounty. May we always bear in mind it is ours to trust, to protect, to nurture and to enjoy.

Mrs. C.C. Caswell

