

# GALLATIN GRUBBER

January 2017

## Jan. 2 Program

Our next meeting will be on Monday, Jan. 2 at Hope Lutheran Church on South 19th Ave. beginning at 7 p.m. The folks at Seven Spruce Farms will talk about their fairly new hydroponic tomato-growing operation in Bozeman. Their business supplies fresh tomatoes to many local restaurants, so you may have already tasted them if you've eaten out lately. Come find out how they produce tasty tomatoes year-round under greenhouse conditions.

**Refreshments:** Frank Erickson, Carol Flaherty and Susie Mathre.

Also, we will circulate a sign-up sheet for providing refreshments for the remaining 2017 meetings.

## Christmas Party

We had a record turnout for the Christmas dinner of 55 individuals. For the first time, we had it at the Story Mansion with the food catered by MSU Catering. It was a great affair and the food was excellent. We are considering having next year's Christmas dinner at the same location with the same caterer.

## 2017 Program Schedule

Here's the proposed program schedule for our monthly membership meetings in 2017:

- **January 2**— (see notice at left.)
- **February 6**— Linda Iverson, owner of landscape consulting service in Big Timber, "Alternatives to Lawn."
- **March 6**— Cathy Cripps, Associate Professor of Plant Sciences at MSU, on fungi.
- **April 3**— Michelle Flenniken, Assistant Professor of Plant Sciences at MSU, on honey bees.
- **May 1**— To be announced.
- **June 5**—Toby Day, Extension Horticulturist, on the Montana Heritage Orchard Project.
- **July**—Summer Picnic. Date, time and location to be announced.
- **August**— Garden tours. Dates, times and locations TBA.
- **September 11**— Author Michael Fox on "The Food System in the United States."
- **October 2**—Club members share their gardening experiences at the annual "What worked and didn't work" meeting.
- **November 6**— Club member Frank Erickson will present videos of selected club member gardens.
- **December**— Annual Christmas Dinner. Date, time and location to be announced.



*Tour of the Spring Creek Community Garden, August 2016*

## 2017 Club Grants

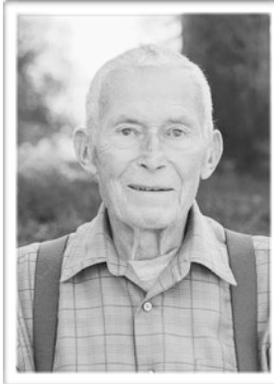
The executive board of your club has sent out requests for project proposals to a variety of individuals and nonprofit organizations and has asked that proposals for funding in 2017 be received electronically by the board no later than Jan. 15, 2017. The board will review these proposals at its meeting on **Monday, Jan. 23 at 1 p.m.** at Hope Lutheran Church. Any club members are welcome to attend this meeting, especially if you have ideas or concerns about any proposals the board may receive. This will be your chance for input. At the regular membership meeting on Feb. 6, the club will take an up-or-down vote on the recommendations that come out of the Jan 23 board meeting. We have about \$16,000 available for funding projects in 2017.

## Dues due!

For those of you who were not at the Christmas dinner and have not paid your dues for 2017, now is the time to send in your check to our treasurer, Janne Hayward. The dues are \$10 for individuals and \$15 for couples. Janne's address is 325 Concord, Bozeman, MT 59715. **DON'T FORGET!** We now have 99 individuals on our membership rolls but not all have yet paid their dues.

## Werner Egloff 1928-2016

We are sad to report the passing of long-time Gallatin Garden Club member Werner Egloff. He was a great friend to all in the club and will certainly be missed. We extend our condolences to his widow Leslie, also a member of our organization. In his memory, the club will honor him this spring by designating one of our horticulture scholarships, that we provide to MSU, in Werner's name.



Werner was born in Stuttgart, Germany in 1928. He completed an apprenticeship in restaurant and hotel management in the early 1950s in Germany and in 1955 immigrated to the United States. By 1960, he found his way to Alaska. After working at various restaurants and hotels in Anchorage, he settled in Girdwood, Alaska, running the food service for Mount Alyeska Ski Resort. In 1971, Werner met Leslie Norquist of Bellevue, Wash. They married in 1972, the same year Werner opened The Bake Shop at the base of Mount Alyeska. Werner and Leslie raised three children in Girdwood while running The Bake Shop. During this time, Werner was an integral part of the Girdwood Volunteer Fire Department and also an active member of the Girdwood City Council and participated in the Greater Anchorage Beautification. In 1997, Werner sold The Bake Shop and he and Leslie purchased camper and enjoyed many years of travel and adventure. In 2001, they moved to Bozeman to be closer to family and grandchildren. Werner was a Master Gardener, active in the Gallatin Gardener's Club, and enjoyed woodworking in his retirement.

## Containers Needed

Over the winter and spring, we need for you to save the following: plastic grocery bags with handles, paper grocery bags with handles, plastic boxes that cherry tomatoes or raspberries and blueberries come in. We don't need the larger plastic boxes. Bring them to any of our winter or spring meetings. We use them for a variety of purposes related to our farmers' market sales.