

**Marquette Beautification & Restoration Committee, Inc.**  
**Summary of Activities      December 2010**

**Goals for 2010**

1. Be a more visible and accessible committee to the community
2. Be more involved with local city committees
3. Attempt to expand our project visibility beyond S. Front Street
4. Promote educational programs for the community
5. Organize and host annual awards program
6. Promote Historic Preservation in the community

**Activities and Accomplishments:**

Contracted with Landmark Inn to meet at facility regularly in 2010

Conducted a membership drive (88 members) and published a directory

Conducted a Corporate and Friends Membership drive

Brochure used to increase membership and inform individuals about our committee at various events throughout the year.

Hosted several speakers throughout out the year – watched DVD of 2009 Philadelphia Flower Show, Barb Kelly on Flower Arranging, Earl Senchuk, Inventor on the Boomer Bloomer, Jack Deo, owner of Superior View presentation on 3-D Time Travel, Babette Welch U.P. Coordinator for the MI Water.org, Tiina Harris from Marquette Co. History Museum on Streetcar Renovation, author Larry Chabot on the C.C.C.'s, Rosemary Michelin, Marquette Co. History Museum on the Early Yankees of Marquette, Bill Thum from Superior Productions a video on the Beauty of Marquette, Marv Zehnder gave presentation on plants, David Bimel talked about restoring chimneys, Lynette Schneider on forcing bulbs, Steve Asplund from WLUC-TV on media support, Monica Nordeen gave a portrayal of Amelia Earhart, Carl Lindquist from the Superior Watershed Partnership & Land Trust, and Marquette City Manager Bill Vajda gave city update.

Continued working with Lake Superior Community Partnership. Our committee plants & tends the gardens around their building and large volume copying done at LSCP.

Continued membership with Keep Michigan Beautiful.

Joe Sabol updated our committee's website throughout the year. [www.mqtbeautification.org](http://www.mqtbeautification.org)

Continued our M-DOT affiliation with our Adopt-a-Highway on S. Front Street

Continued to have our Petunia Pandemonium project and our West End Garden as an Adopt-A-Park in the city of Marquette. A beautiful successful growing season.

Coordinated the city wide Spring Clean-up of Marquette for the 32<sup>nd</sup> year.

Awards given to area residents & businesses that made an impact &/or improvement on the community.

Continued our Banner Project on S. Front Street – Banners were changed by the Mqt. BL&P

Continued to sell a t-shirt designed for the committee.

Continued to sell sterling silver petunia with fresh water pearl jewelry as a pendant, earrings & pin.

Fall Bulb Sale – variety of bulbs were sold to members & garden club members.

Participated in the Spring & Fall Community Day Event at Younkers

Sold See's Candy as a fundraiser at the Holiday season.

Conducted the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Garden Tour on July 22. Honored the Host/Hostesses at the Holiday Luncheon.

Placed ad in Progress Section of the Mining Journal in March.

Hosted our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Garden Conference at Northern Michigan University on June 26. The featured speakers were Janet Macunovich and Steven Nikkila. Door prizes given to participants.

Continued to participate in the We Share Program at Econo Foods.

Participated in the Blueberry Festival in downtown Marquette.

Co-Hosted a presentation by Nan Meeks, a Field Representative for the MI Historic Preservation Network and the National Trust for Historic Preservation on "The Value of Historic Preservation"

Installed a sprinkler system in the newly constructed roundabout and the grassy areas leading to the area. Planted several hundred daffodil bulbs and tulip bulbs in the roundabout periphery.

Several MBRC members became involved in the proposed Citadel addition.