Dear Kathy,

The days have become longer and brighter; everywhere little bits of green are popping up. "It's SPRING!" our hearts shout, and we are filled with an overwhelming urge to giggle. What are we to do with this sensation of joy? How about celebrating the arrival of spring at our annual May Day Faerie Festival? This year, the event takes place on **Saturday, May 6, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**, and **Sunday, May 7, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**. This festival is fun for all ages and admission is only $1.00 per person!

Our two-day event includes **FREE**:

- Morris Dancers from Ann Arbor - performing Saturday only at 12:30, 1:45, and 3:15.
- Storytelling on Saturday at 11:30 and Sunday at 1:30.
- Faerie Parade/May Pole Celebration both days at 12:00, 2:15 and 4:30.
- Wee faerie cake for all!

Join us for on-going faerie workshops

- Faerie Photo Hanger $8.75
- Faerie Finder $11.75
- Faerie Solar Night Light $16.75
- Faerie Garden $29.75

Have lunch, prepared by our Savory Thymes Café:

- Caterpillar Sandwich (Hotdog with chips and drink) $6.00
- Faeries' Delight Walking Taco $6.00
- Edible Flowers Faerie Salad with tomato-basil bread $10.00
- Water, coffee, tea, pop, juice $1.50
- Taxes included in prices
This event takes place rain or shine. You won't want to miss out on the fun!

**SPEAKING OF FAIRIES...**

The Cicely Mary Barker Flower Fairies are no longer being produced and our supply is dwindling. If there's a charming fairy or two that you've been wanting to add to your collection, be sure to stop in!

**New and Exciting in the Shoppe**

- This month, faeries reign supreme! Stop in and see our large, metal faerie sculptures for the garden. They're a fabulous way to add interest among your taller plants and flowers. Maybe large faeries are just not your cup of tea - how about a smaller garden stake topped by a faerie seated on a glow-in-the-dark orb? Placed in a flower pot or near your walkway, this gem is sure to add a magical touch to your garden space.

- We are excited to offer colorful ceramic mushrooms again this year! They come in many sizes from mere inches tall to over a foot in length! With their vibrant hues of pink, green, yellow, orange, and blue they make an enchanting addition to potted plants or to faerie gardens.

- Rocks for your garden - what a delightful idea! This year we have sculptures fashioned of smooth stones shaped into hearts and spirals. You will also find rock cairns in several stacked formations as well as rain chains constructed from medium sized stones and smooth sea glass.

- We have received our last shipment of faerie stones. This charming, round stepping-stones embedded with polished rocks are hand made locally by Judi Moore. After years of hand mixing concrete and carefully setting the polished stones, she's decided to turn her creative attention to new projects and will no longer be making these. If you've been meaning to add a bit of local artistry to your garden, be sure to stop in and get some before they're gone!

**Greenhouse Gossip**

- Our greenhouse is open and stocked to the brim with interesting plants. The petunias are beginning to peak over the sides of the hanging baskets and the scented geraniums and herbs are growing more leaves daily. Stop in for a visit today!

- Spread spring cheer by giving a May basket to somebody special! Ours are moss-covered baskets, tin pots
dusted with a soft green tint, and small wicker containers - all planted with cheerful, hearty pansies. Is there anything more delightful?

- The widely fluctuating temperatures of May leave us wanting to garden with zeal but fearful of frost. Why not satisfy your urge to plant by creating a tiny realm inside a terrarium? Imagine your glass-enclosed world with a backdrop of "Baby Blue" shamrocks and a dwarf fuchsia rising above a carpet of "Plum Crazy" baby tears. We carry all of these plants and so many more! We even have the hanging glass terrariums in a several sizes! Hang your creation in a bright space in your home for instant gratification!

**Kitchen Pantry**

Floral veggie spring rolls are an easy way to celebrate spring and they look so lovely on the plate! The following idea was taken from the book *The Forest Feast Gatherings*, by Erin Gleeson: Use rice paper wraps after you have soaked them individually in a skillet of water. Place your prettiest items down first, such as violas, nasturtium petals, or fresh herbs such as basil and cilantro. Add romaine lettuce leaves, thinly sliced red onion rounds, avocado sliced thinly, carrots, grated or peeled into ribbons, scallions sliced into long strips and cucumbers, cut into thin spears or rounds. Roll the items in the rice paper wrap, as if you are creating a burrito, tucking the ends under. You can make a tasty dip using equal parts soy sauce, olive oil and sesame oil, the day before.

**Faerie Whimsy**

Does your faerie garden look like it's missing something? Maybe it needs some landscaping such as a new house or arbor! This year we've added several delightful structures to our faerie shelves. Pansy Place is a small cottage decorated in darling blue and pink pansies; Woodsy Way is covered with birds and vines. Add a bit of adventure with the Faerie Fort, a small tree-house built on a platform with a sweet, wee ladder. You'll also find a colorful new blue and green arbor, the charming "Kitty's Corner" fairy door, and several new furniture pieces and signs among our faerie treasures!
Amusement and Diversions

Are you feeling antsy? Maybe it’s your creativity looking for an outlet. Why not sign up for one of our workshops? You’re sure to have fun and meet some interesting people!

- **Painted Hydrangea Flowers on a Vintage Window**  
  Saturday, May 13  
  10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
  $74.75

- **Stained Glass Copper Tree**  
  Saturday, June 10  
  10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
  $89.75

- **Painted Garden Pole**  
  Saturday, June 24  
  10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
  $68.75

Pre-registration is required for classes. This can be done with a check by mail, in person at the shoppe, or by giving us a call with your credit card information. (At this time we are not set up for on-line registration.) Please refer to our website for additional details about upcoming events.

**Suggestion Box**

What classes would you like to see us offer at Heavenly Scent? Do you have a question or comment about our gardens? Drop us a line on our Facebook page or send us a message at email@heavenlyscentherbfarm.com with your comments and suggestions. We welcome your input!

**Food for Thought**

"Happiness is like a butterfly which, when pursued, is always beyond our grasp, but, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you."

- Nathaniel Hawthorne

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