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**PEONY WEEKEND AT ELLWANGER GARDEN:
PUBLIC WELCOME TO VIEW 80 KINDS OF PERENNIALS**

ROCHESTER, NY May 13, 2014 — More than 100 herbaceous peonies will be in bloom in one of Rochester's loveliest gardens when Ellwanger Garden opens to the public on Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for Peony Weekend. Located at 625 Mt. Hope Avenue, the garden is maintained by The Landmark Society of Western New York. Admission is free but donations by visitors are welcome to help maintain this historic garden and keep it open to the public each season.

Visitors will be greeted with a blast of color and fragrance that weekend. Two rose beds with both heirloom and modern roses will add to the spectacular show. Coral bells, blue false indigo, hardy geraniums, foxgloves and many other perennials accompany the peonies

Established in 1867 by famed Rochester nurseryman George Ellwanger, this living preservation site boasts eighty different kinds of perennials, including daylilies, hostas, irises and spring- and summer-flowering bulbs. The historic landscape is open all year by advance appointment and this summer on Tuesday evenings from 5 p.m. 7 p.m. This year the garden will also be open during the Landmark Society annual House and Garden Tour on June 7 and 8.

Don't miss any opportunity to take in the colors and scents of this beautiful historic perennial garden as its plantings bloom in succession from early spring until late fall. For more information, visit

www.landmarksociety.org

About The Landmark Society: *The Landmark Society of Western New York, Inc. is one of the oldest and most active preservation organizations in America, serving nine Western New York counties. Formed in 1937, The Landmark Society continues to protect the unique architectural heritage of our region and promote preservation and planning principles that foster healthy and sustainable communities. For additional information about The Landmark Society, visit www.landmarksociety.org. The Landmark Society is supported in part by New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.*

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