

April 2015

Columbia Garden Club



THE NEWSLETTER OF COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB

Columbia Underground

President's Potpourri

April is a busy month for Columbia Garden Club members. We are making centerpieces for 30 tables for 4 different meals at the FGCM State convention at Tan Tara on April 14 and 15. We participate in *Clean Up Columbia* on April 12. We will be cleaning McGee Park again this year. If you haven't signed up but would like to help contact Janet Lasley. Our one fundraiser of the year is our plant sale on April 25, 8 to 2. We will set up at the church on Friday, April 24, 2 to 5. Contact Marsha Taylor or Connie Blackmore for more info. Ken Sadler will have some of his wonderful tomatoes for sale again. We rely heavily on members to provide plants from their gardens for this sale. Members sometimes think that dues we pay cover all of our project expenses each year, but dues only cover about one third of the expenditures that we have. So please participate in this important fundraiser by bringing plants, garden related white elephant items or baked goods. Encourage friends and family to attend the CGC plant sale. We need everyone to make this a successful sale. See you in April.

Marie

Plant...Protect...Participate



Bake Sale at Plant Sale

The April 26 club plant sale will also feature a bake sale and the usual coffee corner to tempt customers and club members to relax for a while.

Members are asked to bring baked goodies for the sale - items such as cookies, brownies, breads and rolls, cupcakes, trail mix, Chex mix, sugar free items, and anything that sounds good! Small packages of cookies, etc. are always appreciated for a quick snack while running errands. We will price the items - please wrap them securely, with the baked goods, etc. visible. No pies containing eggs can be sold- city rules. A note stating whether nuts are part of the ingredients is helpful. You may bring the items on Friday, April 24 to the church during set-up, or the next morning at start-up. Thanks!

March Meeting Minutes

COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB MEETING

MARCH 9, 2015

Program: "Protecting Our Gardens from Pests" Dr. Robert Pierce, Associate Professor with the Extension Fish and Wildlife presented a power point presentation on what can be done to protect our homes and gardens from annoying pests.

The meeting was called to order by Marie Pasley.

Inspiration was read by Lynda Blades.

Hospitality was provided by Carolyn Swope, Karen Blackmore, and Alice Havard.

27 Members attended.

February meeting minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

As a group we sang Happy Birthday to the members who have a Birthday in March. Leigh Speichinger, Marie Pasley, Carolyn Doyle, Linda Rubin, Marsha Taylor, Mary Redders.

Horticulture Tip: Trees, shrubs, perennials may be planted as soon as they become available at nurseries and ground can be worked. You may trim ornamental grasses now.

Committee Reports:

The Bluffs: Barb Rothenberger and 3 members: Donna Russell, Rita Gerke, and Connie Blackmore helped the residents who wished to participate make bud vases to take to their rooms. Barb provided fresh carnations and plant material and bud vases for the project. It was a very enjoyable afternoon for everyone.

Flower Show: Carolyn Doyle reported the theme name will be "Show Me Spring" based on the Conservation 2015 Natural Events Calendar. Carolyn Doyle provided detailed handouts for the members who wish to participate in the flower show.

Garden Tour: Carolyn Adams reported tour will be April 20th this year. She will provide the details later. Deb Corkery has planned the Triple B Tour with the University which will be March 24th, an email has been sent to members, along with hand outs at the meeting.

Clean Up Columbia: Janet Lasley stated this will be held at McKee Park on April 11 at 10:00am, and email will follow to the ones who have signed up for this project.

Plant Sale: Marsha Taylor reported April 24th we will set up 1:00 to 5:00 and the Sale will be on Saturday April 25th from 8:00am to 2:00pm. We will have bake sale, white elephant sale, annuals, perennials, tomatoes, herbs.

Blooming Bus Tour: Karen Blackmore stated several have signed up to go.

Old Business:

Blue Star Memorial Marker: Karen Blackmore and Rite Gerke are working with Stephens Park regarding the placement and cost.

Spring District Meeting will be March 24th in Boonville, the fee is \$15. Leigh Speichinger is collecting the money.

State Convention will be April 13th thru the 16th. Be sure to send registration fee before the deadline of March 13th.

New Business: Help is needed preparing the table decorations for the state convention on Tuesday afternoon 1:30 or 2:00pm on April 14th per Marie Pasley.

Announcements:

The State will be placing a Blue Star Memorial marker at Jacksonville Cemetery on April 7th at 2:00pm per Karen Blackmore.

Connie Blackmore

Secretary



April Treasurer's Report

Columbia Garden Club Treasurer's Report March 2015

Beginning Balance Checking		\$3,718.57
Deposits		
Registration Fees (cash) for District Meeting	\$135.00	
Total Deposits		\$135.00
Expenses		
Registration for District Meeting	\$135.00	
TBC Rent	\$25.00	
Reimbursement for Hospitality (C. Swope)	\$27.89	
Reimbursement for Bluffs' Project (B. Rothenberger)	\$19.06	
Total Expenses		(206.95)
Ending Balance Checking		\$3,646.62
Certificate of Deposit Balance-9-9-2014		\$3,213.41
Total Assets		\$6,860.03

Columbia Garden Club
 President: Marie Pasley
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"In the glow of the dawn,
 Welcome a new day,
 Greet the golden sunlight or rain,
 Nature in all its subtlety.
 Whip of the wind,
 Earth unfolds,
 Softly falling rain,
 Growing plants and buds blossoming.
 Visions of the earth, with glories of nature,
 Beauty of the daffodils,
 Sunshine and rain from a rainbow,
 Awe! Nature in full bloom."
 - Blanche Black, *Springtime*

Garden Tour

Columbia Garden Club Member's Garden Tour 2015

Monday, April 20, meet at first location by 8:15 AM

Remember to bring your brown bag lunch and drink.

Bring your cameras. Find and photograph surprises in the gardens!

1. City of Columbia Park Management green houses at Cosmo Park (Brian 874-7201)

We will start at Cosmo Park. Entering the park, take the first right toward the Rainbow Softball Center. Go to the far end of the parking lot and park by the chain link fence. Enter through the gate.

2. Carolyn Doyle 7903 W. Rollingwood Blvd, Columbia/midway area 445-1381

Leaving Cosmo park turn right on Business Loop 70, turn left on Stadium Boulevard, and turn right onto I-70 west. Take exit 121, Hwy 40, toward Fayette. Just past Midway Storage, turn left on Rollingwood Blvd. After the four way stop, look for a silver mailbox and the Garden Club sign, turn right. Carolyn's house sits back in the woods.

3. Barb Schuette 302 Parkwood Court Columbia, Missouri 447-2269

Return to I-70 and travel East to Stadium Blvd. Exit, turning right. At Broadway, turn right on West Broadway. Continue on West Broadway and it will become Scott Boulevard. Turn right at the light onto Smith Dr. Go .2 miles and turn right onto Stone Valley Parkway. Go .2 miles and turn left on Parkwood Ct. Barb's house is the second on the left.

4. Liz Kucera 500 Rock Hill Rd. Columbia 449-0100

Return to, Scott Blvd/W. Broadway. Turn right on Stadium Blvd & go 3.7 miles and turn left on S. College Ave. At University Ave, turn right. Turn right on Rockhill Rd. Liz's house is on the left, at the corner.

5. Carolyn Oates 1363 S. Mesa, Columbia 424-3308

Leaving Liz's house cross University Ave. continuing straight Rockhill Rd. Turn left on Cliff Dr. Take the first right on South Ann (you will be going by the east side of Boone Hospital Center.) Turn right onto Broadway. Pass over Hwy 63. Broadway becomes Hwy WW. At Casey's turn right onto EL Chaparral Dr. Go to the third right, turning onto S. Mesa Dr. Carolyn's is a brick duplex on your left, at the corner of Mesa and Sonara.

6. Strawberry Hill Farm 3770 E Hwy 163, Columbia, 449-1631

Return to WW. Turn left towards Hwy 63. Turn left onto Hwy 63, going south toward Jeff City. Go 6.7 miles. At E. Deer Park Rd, turn right onto MO 163. Strawberry Hill Farm is 1.7 miles, on your left.

As we enjoy our lunch, Steve Sapp will talk to us about what is new for the garden this summer.

Clean Up Columbia

Columbia Garden Club's help with Cleanup Columbia was successful for the 19th time. The club owes much appreciation for these workers who came to McKee Park armed with rakes, brooms, boots and strong backs: Carolyn Adams, Randy Adams, Sharon Brooks, Mike Brooks, Bill Clark, Cindy Deegan, Kay Egbert, Janet Lasley, Linda Lowenberg, and Brent Lowenberg. We had perfect weather for our collection of 15 bags of trash including a lawn chair, two halves of a basketball, a messenger bag, a skateboard and many unrecognizable objects. Leigh Britt, Columbia's Neighborhood Services Director, sent an email saying that the 52 groups who reported had a total 457 volunteers participating who collected 589.5 bags of litter and shared 855 hours of service!! 78 groups have not yet reported to her. Columbia Garden Club is proud to be part of such a grand community effort.

Thanks,

Janet Lasley, Chairman



Facebook Page

Marsha Taylor has set up a facebook page for Columbia Garden Club. Mary Redders is the administrator and posts pictures to the page. If you are on Facebook, type Columbia Garden Club in the search bar and like our page. As Mary posts pictures, like them and perhaps we can generate more interest in attracting new members to our club.

Save the Date

Mizzou Botanic Garden
presents

Chip Taylor

as part of the Jacquelyn Kay Jones
Lectureship Series

Thursday, April 23, 2015
6 p.m. in Room 22 of Tate Hall

Chip Taylor is the founder of Monarch Watch, a nonprofit outreach program that focuses on education, research and the conservation relative to monarch butterflies and a University of Kansas professor of ecology and evolutionary biology.

Parking is available in the Turner Avenue Garage





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