

# “Columbia Underground”

Member National Garden Club, Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, and Central District

## Upcoming Events

June 11 Member Garden Tour; Meet at Crossroads west parking lot at 8:30 am (More details below)

June 4-8 FGCM “Bloomin Bus Tour” to Cincinnati- Always Fun contact Carolyn Oates for further info

June 23 & 24 Jefferson Farm & Gardens 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual “Butterfly Festival” 10 to 4 pm

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“Orioles begin nesting”



## June CGC Monthly Meeting Member Home Tour

NOTE: location and time for carpooling

Members will meet at Crossroads West parking lot behind Missouri Credit Union at 8:20 am for carpooling LEAVE promptly at 8:30. Donna Russell & Barb Bectel will have maps available. Members should bring a chair & brown bag lunch, water will be provided.

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Remember to invite your friends, neighbors, and relatives to join CGC. We want to raise our membership by 10% in 2018.

## Jefferson Farm & Gardens “Butterfly Festival”

Join the community on June 23 & 24 at Jefferson Farm & Gardens (JFG) for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual “Butterfly Festival”. Attendees will see butterflies along with plants used as host and nectar for butterflies. The “Pollinator Café” is a newly planted garden along the side of the butterfly house. This would also be a great time to check the “Quilt of Many Colors” bed, sponsored by Columbia Garden Club. This bed is located in the demonstration gardens area.

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**Yard of the Month- May 2018 -2503 Lenox Place,**



The front yard of Sandy and Craig Edlund’s home is lovely. There are several lush beds of hosta, creeping phlox, moneywort, and various shrubs, specimen trees and newly planted annuals. You can see the peonies and day lilies waiting their turn.

Even though the award is for the front yard, I included a couple of photos of their backyard which is an incredible woodland oasis. It is hard to describe how peaceful this area is.



Sandy and Craig have been living and gardening at 2503 Lenox Place since the home was finished in September of 1993. Craig gives Sandy all the credit for being the gardener, but I’m pretty sure, he has contributed to the many projects.

Sandy, a gardener for 40 years, says she learned by watching her grandparents and mother. She also went through the Master Gardener program in Oregon. Her love of flowers started when she was young when her grandfather grew pansies for commercial trade.

Initially her gardens were for landscaping purposes, but now she just wants to make things pretty around herself. She enjoys the way plants impact their surroundings.

**Gardening by Month - June**

Monthly Tips and Tasks from Missouri Botanical Gardens

Category	Week				Activity
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Ornamentals	x				Deadhead bulbs and spring flowering perennials as blossoms fade.
	x				Watch for bagworms feeding on many garden plants, but especially juniper and arborvitae.
	x				Thin seedlings to proper spacings before plants crowd each other.
		x	x	x	Plant tropical water lilies when water temperatures rise above 70 degrees.
		x	x		When night temperatures stay above 50 degrees, bring houseplants outdoors for the summer.
		x	x		Apply a balanced rose fertilizer after the first show of blooms is past.
		x	x		Rhizomatous begonias are not just for shade. Many varieties, especially those with bronze foliage, do well in full sun if given plenty of water and a well-

Category	Week				Activity
					drained site.
		x	x		Most houseplants brought outside prefer a bright spot shaded from afternoon sun. Check soil moisture daily during hot weather.
			x	x	Apply organic mulches as the soil warms. These will conserve moisture, discourage weeds, and enrich the soil as they decay.
			x	x	Continue spraying roses with a fungicide to prevent black spot disease.
			x	x	Trees and shrubs may still be fertilized before July 4th.
			x	x	Pruning of spring flowering trees and shrubs should be completed before the month's end.

COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB MINUTES

The Columbia Garden Club met May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Jamestown garden of Clarice Brown and Jesse Emmons. Many thanks to Betty Connelly for organizing this event.

The meeting was called to order by President Carolyn Oates.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

No treasurer’s report was available.

Marie Pasley gave a report on awards received at the State Convention: \$25 cash award for our works with the residents at the Bluffs; CGC received a purple ribbon club activities; blue ribbon on yearbook; \$200 Landscape design award for Patriot gardens; and Central District won for the flower show in Fulton.

The plant sale proceeds did not have actual totals, but it was estimated that the plants brought in \$2000 and the bake sale \$150.

The June meeting will be held in conjunction with the garden tour. In order to qualify for state awards we will need 3 Landscape Design Consultants for the tour; they will need a driver. There are several specifics that the judges will be looking for.

The July meeting will feature a formal tea. A sign up sheet was passed for members who will sponsor a table (provide tea cups, dessert plates; spoons, etc.); we will also need tea pots.

**Dates to remember:** June 9<sup>th</sup>: Iris show at the Capitol Mall in Jefferson City, from 12 to 4.

Last Sunday in June: Jefferson City garden tour.

May 24<sup>th</sup> need bud vases and helper at the Bluffs beginning at 2 o’clock.

2019 will be the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Columbia Garden Club. Should start discussing plans at the August meeting.

Members are encouraged to visit the Jefferson Gardens, taking special note of the “Lettuce Bed” sponsored and planted by club member.

There being no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Secretary

Lynda Blades