



# Columbia Underground

## President's Potpourri

June is bustin' out all over! The weeds look especially happy with the rain and cool temperatures. We had a warm and sunny trip on the Bloomin' Bus Tour to Michigan - the highlight was our stay at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island and the carriage ride through the forest filled with yellow Lady's Slippers, *Cypripedium calceolus*.

Here at home, the 81st annual garden club convention, "Flowers and Friends Forever" was held in St. Louis May 20, 21 and 22. Tours, floral designs, district educational exhibits, vendors, state business, friends and flowers - it was a great experience! Columbia Garden club was honored on their 80th anniversary as a Federated Club. We also won a state and national flower show award ("A Touch of Frost" October 2013), a purple award for our club year (2013) and an award of \$100 for the landscape design and build project at the University Women's and Children's Hospital. Thank you to everyone for supporting our club and state goals.

Carolyn Adams and committee have arranged a tour of members' gardens, (June 23) and you are welcome to bring guests. We will have a short business meeting after lunch. Please note the time and place we are to meet to carpool and get maps. Next up is the club flower show, in conjunction with the Central Missouri Daylily Society show July 12 at the Columbia Public Library. The show title is "A Daylily by Any Other Name..." and schedules will be available at our June meeting. We will have a daylily photography section too - enter to win the people's choice award!

Other opportunities to spend a day with flowers and friends include the Victorian Flower Show Saturday June 28 1-4 pm at Lake Ozark Christian Church, 1560 Bagnell Dam Blvd, given by Arrowhead, Eldon and Lake Bloomers Garden Clubs. Bittersweet Garden Club tour (\$10) is Sunday June 29, 12:30-5 pm, [mireed217@gmail.com](mailto:mireed217@gmail.com) We are all invited to the dedication of a Blue Star Memorial marker at 10 am July 4th in Jefferson City at the National Cemetery on E. McCarty Street. The Capital Garden club is the sponsoring club.

Garden Club will not meet in July or August, but our regular schedule will start again Monday September 8th. We'll keep you posted. See you soon.

Alice

Plant...Protect...Participate

## Members Garden Tour

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### Members' Garden Tour

**Monday, June 23, 8:15 AM**

Meet at Patricia's at 8:15 to get your map and directions. We will be driving a lot, but it will be worth it. We have very talented gardeners again this year.

#### Itinerary

1. Marie Pasley: 3300 N Hwy Z (Modern country living with charm)
2. Evette Nissen: 10721 S LaVista (Idyllic Courier and Ives setting)
3. Ruthanne McCoy: 403 Tandy Court, Ashland (Clematis heaven: 15 clematis in this all season yard)
4. Mary Redders: 5205 Thornbrook Pkwy (Downsizers dream. Masonry raised planters integrated with spacious patio)
5. Thornbrook Clubhouse lunch (bring own lunch, drinks, plates and silver, chairs provided)
6. Carolyn Adams – optional: 6691 S. Hill Creek Road (will have new plants blooming since you were here last)

Questions????? Call Carolyn

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Please welcome Joan Smith as the newest member of Columbia Garden Club. Her contact information is:

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# May Minutes

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## COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB MINUTES MAY 12, 2014

### PROGRAM: TOUR OF THE MIZZOU BOTANIC GARDENS

Members and guests were guided by Charles Paxton on a tour of the beautiful Mizzou Botanic Gardens. The tour included the planning and the history of the many trees, shrubs, plants, annuals, and perennials which encompasses the entire University of Missouri Campus. What a great tour and a delightful day.

**CALLED TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order by Alice Havard.

**MEMBERS:** 22    **GUESTS:** 3    **NEW MEMBER:** Joan Smith

The Minutes were approved as published.

The Treasure's report will be filed for audit.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**PLANT SALE:** Marsha Taylor thanked all who chaired and helped at the Plant Sale. Estimated profit after expenses was a little over \$2000.

**YARD OF THE MONTH:** Linda Rubin, Mary Redders, and Karen Brooke are doing a great job selecting beautiful gardens created by their owners.

**SEEDS OF CHANGE:** Evette Nissen reports help is needed to hand out Peppers and Tomato plants for potting on May 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Contact Evette Nissen if you can help.

**CONVENTION:** Those attending the convention, please bring a non-dripping potted plant for Ways and Means. The Club voting representatives are Carole VanVranken and Rita Gerke. The Club is celebrating the 80<sup>th</sup> Year of belonging to the Federated Garden Club of Missouri.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Triple B Tours will be touring the Amish Country in Clark, Mo on May 30<sup>th</sup> arranged by Deb Corkery per Carolyn Adams.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS;

**MEMBERS GARDEN CLUB TOURS** will be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, our monthly meeting will follow after the last tour.

**2015 CONVENTION:** Marie Pasley is still in need of 100 cheap clear bud vases, and 150 Blue (beer or wine) bottles to use for center pieces on the dinner tables.

**MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN TOUR:** sponsored by Master Gardeners will be held on June 14<sup>th</sup>, bus trip included, cost \$50 per person. Contact Marie Pasley if interested.

Connie Blackmore  
Secretary

## June Yard of the Month (Linda Rubin and Mary Redders)

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When I first moved to my home at 415 Parkade Blvd. the front landscaping consisted of a yew hedge tired and yellowing. I really wanted flowers. Flowers for all seasons, Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter.

I began to dig up the weed yard and gradually planted bulbs, daffodils , variety of tulips, a dogwood tree, lilacs , redbud tree and Magnolia tree.

Then came the peonies- double and single, tree peonies and my prize a fern peony. This variety is an old fashion one not seen or known by many and brought from my home state of Minnesota.

Each year found me searching and planting more and more perennials with annuals giving a shot of color whenever needed. My garden now consists of a horse shoe shape framing my front yard. As the years go by my flowers grow more dense and my weeding time less.

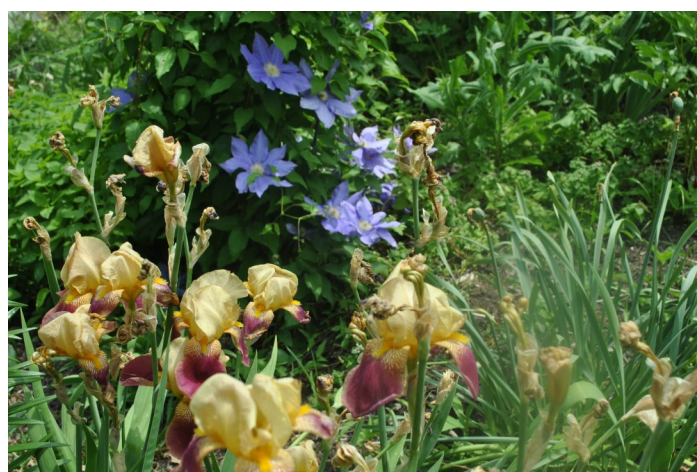
I truly cherish the change of seasons and the colors my garden provides. Not only do I enjoy it but the birds, bees and butterflies do as well. I know that my neighbors also enjoy my garden. I hope you enjoy it too!

Missy Blocher





# June Yard of the Month (Photos by Mary Redders)



## Reminder!!

There will not be a newsletter for the months of July and August. I will send out a special edition for Yard of the Month as the committee chooses them. Have a great summer everyone!





# Treasurer's Report

## Columbia Garden Club Treasurer's Report June 14, 2014

Beginning Balance Checking		\$6,006.32
Expenses		
Ck#1920– Advertising for Plant Sale	\$177.00	
Ck#1921 – Blue Star Memorial	\$470.00	
Total Expenses		(-\$647.00)
Ending Balance Checking		\$5,359.32
Certificate of Deposit Balance-9-4-2013		\$3,206.99
Total Assets		\$8,566.31

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