

September 2015



Columbia Underground

Columbia Garden Club

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President's Potpourri

Hard to believe our summer is almost at end. Soon the leaves will be turning the brilliant colors of fall. It's time to divide and transplant your perennials and take cuttings of those special annuals you want to save. Remember to spray your houseplants with safe soap to kill any unwanted pest before bringing them in also, remove trays and clean before bringing plants in. Critters have been know to get into double potted plants so check in between pots also.

This is also the time of year to start planning our 2016 garden club year. We will elect new officers in September . Your new president will be looking for committee chairs and people willing to make the Columbia Garden Club the best garden club in the state. If you are contacted about working with a committee, say yes, it can be a lot of fun and a great way to get to know your fellow garden clubbers. As they say "many hands makes for small work". It really is true the more helpers on a job make it go such much faster and easier on everyone.

The September 14 meeting is our annual noon carry-in luncheon and meeting. It's a great time to share some of the wonderful bounty from your garden. We will have a program on "Tulips in Holland" for all to enjoy. Invite your friends and neighbors that you think would enjoy joining Columbia Garden Club. See everyone on September 14!!

Marie

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Columbia Garden Club

Cordially Invites you to attend the

Dedication

of a

BLUE STAR MEMORIAL MARKER

A tribute to the

Armed Forces of the

United States of America

September 29, 2015

1:00 P.M.

Stephens Lake Park

2001 E. Broadway
(Broadway and
Old Highway 63)
Columbia, MO.

Refreshments to Follow the Ceremony at the same location.

E-mail karen@kewpie.net

Blue Star Memorial Dedication

The committee for the dedication has worked out most of the details for the dedication on September 29, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at the entrance to Stephens Lake Park near the Old Highway 63 entrance to the park. The city is helping us so much by placing the marker, providing two tents, a sound system and the podium! The dedication will take place just two days after the Roots and Blues Festival so keep your fingers crossed that the park will get all cleaned up for our dedication. We are assured that it will be ready for our event.

You may read about the history of the Blue Star Memorial on the National Garden Clubs web site by going to National Garden Clubs, click on ongoing projects and see it listed there.

We will talk more about the dedication and where help is needed at the September meeting.

I hope you are all planning to attend to help honor our service men and women. We owe them so much. This will be a beautiful ceremony and such a great thing for Columbia Garden Club to do for our men and women in uniform; past, present and future. Please also encourage every veteran you know to attend. We especially hope your spouses who served will attend so we can honor them.

Karen Blackmore

Treasurer's Report

Columbia Garden Club Treasurer's Report August 31, 2015

Beginning Balance Checking		\$4,377.71
Expenses		
	Ck. 1973– Eldon Garden Club – Reg. x 4	\$60.00
	Ck. 1974 –Eldon Garden Club – Reg. x1	\$15.00
Total Expenses		\$(75.00)
Ending Balance Checking		\$4,302.71
Certificate of Deposit Balance-9-9-2014		\$3,213.41
Total Assets		\$7,516.12

Central District Meeting

You Are Invited Central District Fall Meeting

**Hosted by
Eldon Garden Club**

- **Election of New Officers –**
- **Presidents' Reports –**

Program:

Trailing “Ahead”

- Understanding The Rails to Trails Concept

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**8:30 am – Coffee / 9:30 am – Mtg Convenes
Friday, September 11, 2015**

**First Christian Church
Fellowship Hall
101 S. Aurora
Eldon, Missouri**

Hope to see you there for a fun day.

BBB Tour—McConnell's and Urban Garden

Photos by:
Mary Redders



June Meeting Minutes

COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB MINUTES OF MEETING JUNE 8, 2015

Columbia Garden Club members met at 1:00PM at Trinity Presbyterian Church.

The program was presented by Billie Long, Advanced Master Gardener. Billie gave a power point presentation on identifying weeds in our landscapes and discussed how to remove and control them.

Hospitality was provided by Kay Egbert, Evette Nissen, and Marie Pasley. Thank you ladies for the wonderful treats and some of the recipes were from P. Allen Smith's cook book.

The meeting was called to order by Marsha Taylor, First Vice-President.

Inspiration was read by Alice Havard.

28 Members attended.

Happy Birthday was sung by our members to Gayle Fry.

Horticulture Tip: Scout for bagworms, remove and burn or dispose of in an airtight container.

3 Beautiful Designs were provided by the "Flower Design Class" that was held before the meeting today.

May meeting minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

Committee Reports:

Flower Show- Carolyn Doyle thanked all who participated, attended, and helped in any way at the show. We had over 50 percent participation of our members.

B&B Tours- Karen Brooke for Carolyn Adams reports the next tour will be at McConnell's Plant Land and the Center for Urban Ag Gardens.

Grow Well Missouri- Evette Nissen reports they will be packaging seeds June 23, and will be passing out seeds 3 Saturdays in July. Volunteers are needed for both projects.

Yard of the Month- Alice Havard reports on the yard of month for June, she stated the owner was honored that her garden was chosen. Alice asked members to keep an eye out for a nice yard and contact her or Barb Rothenberger, so they can contact the owners.

Old Business:

Karen Blackmore reported Blooming Bus Tour was a great tour, 14 members attended out of the 42 that went. They toured many wonderful places, and the highlight of the tour was P. Allen Smith's home and garden. It was a very enjoyable trip for everyone.

Alice Havard received a Thank You note from the 2015 FGCM 82nd State Convention chairs (Tanya Stanley, Joan Martin, and Mary Bullock) for all the participation from our club for the successful event.

New Business:

Marsha Taylor will chair the nominating committee, and Cindy Deegan volunteered to assist her. One more member is needed to help.

Announcements:

Boonslick Master Gardeners June 14 walking tour in Booneville 1:30 to 4:30 PM. Purchase at the Jail on Morgan Street at 1PM or after the day of tour. \$8.00 for 8 gardens.

Bittersweet Garden Club driving tour June 28- \$10 for 5 gardens.

Federated Garden Club Day at the State Fair is August 19th. You can enter horticulture or a design that day. Check The Garden Forum Spring issue page 23 for rules about entering. Entry cards are to be filled out in advance of show day- page 26.

Daylily Show will be held at the Columbia Public Library June 27th 1:00 to 4:00PM. The theme is Dancing with Daylilies per Alice Havard.

Iris Society Flower Show is June 13 at the Columbia Public Library 12:00 to 4:00PM.

Barb Schuette donated a huge variety of iris bulbs and tomato plants from her garden to sell to our members, the money will be deposited in our garden club account. Thank You Barb for your contribution.

The next meeting will be on September 14th at noon for our annual luncheon.

Connie Blackmore

Secretary

Save the Date: March 5-13, 2016 Pennsylvania Convention Center



The 2016 PHS Philadelphia Flower Show will honor our treasured national parks with acres of themed and floral displays, breathtaking imagery, and heart-pounding adventures to expose the vast beauty of our national parks to your group.

Group reservations will be available in mid-July 2015. We hope to see your group at the Show!

Group Rates: \$25 per person

Complimentary ticket provided to each group upon request. Group rates offered to groups of 25 adults or more. Advance purchase required and full payment is due at the time of the reservation.

Experience acres of gardens, thousands of artistic floral and horticultural displays, more than 160 shops in the Marketplace, live entertainment, and interactive exhibits.

Special events include Early Morning Tours, Garden Tea, a Butterfly Habitat, and a miniature Train Garden. Enjoy fine wine and spirits during daily free tastings and hourly demos and presentations.

Groups enjoy free motorcoach drop-off and an enclosed waiting area for pick-up. Free motorcoach parking is available at an off-site lot.

CONTACT: Michelle Ullman, Ticket Sales • PHS • [215.988.8871](tel:215.988.8871) • advtix@pennhort.org • theflowershow.com

Helping Pollinators

We are all aware how important pollinators are. If you are interested in helping our pollinators there are many sources where you can get information.

Missourians for Monarchs is one of those sources. Missourians for Monarchs is a citizen-led initiative to create and expand monarch butterfly habitat in Missouri. This statewide project was started in February 2015 by a small group of Missouri Master Gardeners and Master Naturalists. They have a facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Missourians-for-Monarchs/441431742673348>
and a blog: <http://missouriansformonarchs.blogspot.com/>.

The Xerces Society is a nonprofit organization that protects wildlife through the conservation of invertebrates and their habitat. They have a campaign called Bring Back the Pollinators. You can go to their website to get information and sign up for their newsletter: <http://www.xerces.org/pollinator-conservation/>

Natural Resources Conservation Service is part of the United States Department of Agriculture. They have a section of their website dedicated to pollinators and have many more information sources:

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/plantsanimals/pollinate/gardeners/#>

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