<u>"Columbia Underground"</u>

Upcoming Events

<u>September 11- 9 AM (NOTE TIME</u>

<u>CHANGE)-CGC monthly meeting-</u>Warm Springs

Stable & Garden Tour. Check below for details of meeting and tour.

<u>September 15- Central Region Awards due</u> to Awards chair Sherry Wilson

<u>September 27- Central District Fall Meeting</u>, Knights of Columbus Hall in St. Martins, MO.

Columbia Garden Club September 11 Meeting

The September CGC meeting will be a tour of Warm Springs Ranch, home of the Clydesdale horses, with a luncheon next door at Karen Brooke's home. Meet at Cosmos Park at 9:00 for carpooling. Park in front parking lot at Cosmo, take left at roundabout. We will leave parking lot at 9:15 am. Entry to Warm Springs Ranch is at 10 am.

Directions to Warm Springs Get on 70 going west and go to Overton/Wooldridge exit. Turn right on exit and right at stop sign. Ranch is on the left.

Admission cost is \$ 14.00 per person.

After tour we will turn left from ranch to Karen Brooke's for lunch. Please <u>bring</u> your favorite dish for luncheon and a chair.

For those of you not wanting to attend the ranch tour but would like to come for luncheon, come to Karen's at 11:15 am. This will be a wonderful annual luncheon event, hope to see everyone there.



"Flower of the Month for September is Aster"

2018-2019 *CGC* Officers

Carolyn Oates and Marsha Taylor have been working diligently on getting a slate of officers for the 2018,2019 year for CGC. They have some positions filled but still need some others filled. Marsha will talk with the group at the September meeting regarding filling the positions. Please consider volunteering for an officer position. It is an opportunity to assist CGC and can be fun to meet other members from other clubs, and network with gardening enthusiast in our community. We will pass around a list for program ideas at the September meeting, so bring ideas and contacts if you have them to put on the list.

Central District Fall Meeting is September 27

Members are invited to attend the Central District Fall meeting September 27. Hospitality 8:30 to 9:30. Business meeting 9:30 am. Program by Beekeeper & Photographer, Dan Bernskoetter.

Meeting at St. Martins Knights of Columbus Hall 537 State Hwy T. Jefferson City- take Hwy. 50 West to Lohman/St. Martin Exit, Go north to Lomo Drive/Rt. T. go 1.3 miles to hall. Hosted by Bittersweet Garden Club.

Following the general meeting the Central Missouri Judges Council will offer a review of the 2017 Flower Show Manual. The new FS Manual has several changes that will be discussed for any member interested in entering a flower show.

Cost for Meeting is \$15 per attendee. Checks should be made to CGC and given to our treasurer, Leigh at the September meeting. She will write one check for all members attending.

FGCM Day at the Missouri State Fair

FGCM Day at the State Fair was August 16. The Floriculture building was full of horticulture and floral designs totaling 283 entries brought by FGCM members. This was an increase of 17 entries over 2016. It was great to see FGCM friends from throughout the State and enjoy a beautiful show, along with seeing many of the information booths at the Fair.

August/September Gardening Tips

Ornamentals

-Deadhead annuals and perennials as needed. Cut

back leggy annuals.

- -Continue spraying roses that are susceptible to black spot and other fungal diseases. Remove diseased leaves that have fallen from beneath plants.
- -Do not fertilize roses after August 15th. Fertilizing late in the season can promote new growth susceptible to freeze damage.
- -Divide bearded iris now. Replant so tops of rhizomes are just above ground level, do not mulch.
- -Evergreens can be planted or transplanted now to ensure good rooting before winter arrives. Water both the plant and the planting site several days before moving.
- -Soak shrubs periodically during dry spells with enough water to moisten the soil to a depth of 8-10 inches. One inch per week is adequate. This amount is equivalent to 5 gallons of water.
- -Once bagworms reach full size, insecticides are ineffective. Pruning off and burning large bags provides better control.
- -Hummingbirds are migrating through gardens now. Mix 1 part sugar with 4 parts water and bring to a boil to kill any bacteria or mold present. Cool and fill the feeder.
- -Monitor plants for spider mite activity. If found, hose them off with a forceful spray of water.

Vegetables

- -Compost or till under residues from harvested crops to provide organic matter to the soil.
- -Keep cool-season plants well-watered and mulched with straw.

- -Cure onions in a warm, dry place for 2 weeks before storing. Spread them apart rather than stacking them.
- -Begin planting lettuce and radishes for fall the last 2 weeks of August. Water them regularly to keep the soil cool.
- -Pinch the growing tips of gourds once adequate fruit set is achieved. This directs energy into ripening fruits, rather than vine production.

Source: Jennifer Schutter, Horticulture Specialist

**This is the time to apply "Milky Spore" for Japanese Beetle Control next year. The Spore will multiply in the soil and attack the grub next spring before the grub becomes an adult beetle.



COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB
JUNE 19th, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Columbia Garden Club members and guests met at the commuter parking lot next to Lenoir. Every car pool was given a map thanks to Carolyn Adams, for the following members gardens: Kay Kern, Ann Ricketts, Donna Russell, and Deb Corkery. We would like to thank these ladies for their hospitality and willingness to show their unique and delightful gardens. We were all inspired to go home and tidy up our own yards after seeing theirs. It was a great 2017 Garden Tour. We enjoyed our sack lunch at Deb Corkery's beautiful

setting overlooking the bluff. As a bonus, everyone was invited to tour one of our guests amazing gardens, Thank you Barb S, we hope you will come and join our club.

The meeting was called to order by Marsha Taylor.

<u>Treasurer's report</u> will be filed for audit.

May minutes were approved as written.

Lynda Blades read the inspiration.

Design Tip: Observe design features on our garden tour.

Garden Tip: Watch for milkweed blooming on the roadsides.

Committee Reports:

- -Barb Rothenberger reported on **Garden Therapy** at the Bluffs. Decorated hats were a fun project for the residents, as well as our members. Thanks to all who helped to make this worthwhile.
- -Carolyn Adams thanked all who volunteered to let us tour their gardens today. We will be touring Karen Brooke's garden in the fall along with the Clydesdale at Warm Springs Ranch.
- -Marie Pasley reported Central District Flower Show held in Fulton was a great success. Many of our members participated taking home several awards. Thanks to all who entered.

Announcements:

- -Marie Pasley, reported a Private tour will be at Jefferson Farm and Gardens Butterfly House on July 11th for CGC.
- -Karen Blackmore reported on Blooming Bus Tour in Chicago on June 5th thru June 8th.
- -FGCM Flower Show & Federation Day at Missouri State Fair is August $16^{\rm th}$.
- -September Meeting will be at 10:00AM at Warm Springs Stable & Karen Brooke's home for a tour.

Connie Blackmore, Secretary