

December 2012

Columbia Garden Club



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB

Columbia Underground

A Note From Our President

Here we are, right in the midst of the 'Holiday Season'. Thanksgiving is over and done, I'm finally sated with turkey, the rest of the leftovers are in the freezer, and hopefully I'm working off the extra pound or two. And now we begin thinking about Christmas. Don't know about you, but I refuse to consider Christmas til after Thanksgiving, and don't celebrate Black Friday.

A few of us got into the spirit on November 27 by decorating one of the parlors at Maplewood House for Christmas, for the Women's Symphony League's annual Tour of Homes. The décor will stay up til after the *Candlelight at Maplewood* weekend of December 8 and 9. This is one of the many projects, large and small, that Columbia Garden Club participates in. Hope you were able to attend one or both of these events.

As the State Club Ratings chairman, I read the president's reports from all the Federated Garden Clubs in Missouri. I'm always amazed at the variety and extent of projects and good works performed by garden clubs in our state. In the past, the stereotype of garden clubbers was ladies in hats and gloves, having tea, or carefully arranging tasteful bouquets of flowers from their perfectly tended flower beds. If that was ever the case, it's not so now. We're hard working, get your hands dirty gardeners, but we're also truly a service club. Take a minute or two, and read in your yearbook about all the projects our club does, and be proud! We enjoy the interesting programs provided for us at our meetings, but the real work of planning and organizing these projects occurs during the business meetings.

So, if you tend to slip out after the program and coffee and cookies, I urge you to attend and participate in the less glamorous, but very necessary part of being an active garden club member. And sign up for a committee or two, I've made a bunch of good friends I'd never have know otherwise, by serving with them on committees.

Speaking of good projects, don't forget to bring your canned goods, etc. for the Food Pantry to the December Holiday potluck luncheon!

See you then.

Carolyn Doyle, Co-President

Two more of our members are in care centers. Betty Gladney and Clair Kucera have both fallen. Betty is at The Neighborhood and Clair is at Lenoir. Both would love a visit, a card and certainly prayers for a speedy recovery.

Our sympathies go out to Karen Blackmore in the death of her sister, Willie Jo Metz.



December Meeting Table Assignments

Karen has assigned each member to a table to decorate for our December Holiday Luncheon. If you haven't been contacted by your table captain yet, please get in touch with them and see how you can help create a beautiful holiday table! The table assignments are listed below. Please feel free to bring a guest to the luncheon.



Table #1—Captain—Connie Blackmore
Janet Lindstrom, Dee Bauer, Barbara Beckett, Nancy Bedan, Lynn Birkby, Hazel Keel

Table #2—Captain—Karen Blackmore
Jane Sadler, Ken Sadler, Liz Kucera, Clair Kucera, Diane Poole, Phyllis Jiji

Table #3—Captain—Carolyn Doyle
Carolyn Adams, Buffie Balling, Marti Buell, Cindy Deegan, Rita Gerke, Sherry Robinson

Table #4—Captain—Leslie Rosenkrans
Alice Havard, Virginia Itschner, Carol Notbohm, Mary Redders, Marsha Taylor

Table #5—Captain—Leigh Speichinger
Deb Corkery, Karen Brooke, Janet Lasley, Leona Litteral, Linda Lowenberg

Table #6—Captain—Lynda Blades
Mary Jane Wheeling, Evette Nissen, Wilma Rajcher-Levy, Terry Reid, Linda Rubin

Table #7—Captain—Kay Egbert
Betty Gladney, Katy Graznak, Kathie Shreves, Carolyn Swope, Gayle Fry, Dorothy Anderson

Table Assignments Continued

Table #8—Captain—Barbara Rothenberger

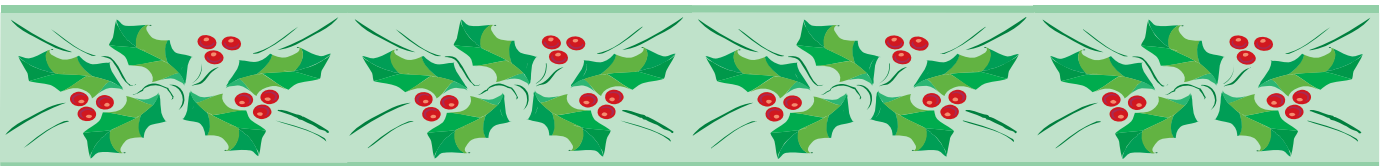
Emily Bonwich, Lucille Wayland, Carole VanVranken, Marie Pasley, Sue Williams

Table #9—Captain—Alice Havard

Lou Eva Brouk, Ann Creighton, Barb Devine, Bonnie Culley, Patsy Danner, Margaret Sullivan



A Parlor at Maplewood House decorated by Columbia Garden Club Members.





November Meeting Minutes

Columbia Garden Club November 5, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Chris Starbuck, Emeritus Associate Professor of Horticulture, MU Plant Sciences and Extension Specialist for Woody Ornamentals presented a power-point program on the "Drought of 2011-2012" He discussed the importance of continuing to keep shrubs and trees watered for the winter months. He also stated that mulching would help them survive the winter. He felt the effects of the drought would be felt for up to 5 to 10 years. Trees and shrubs will be more susceptible to disease with the drought.

Karen Blackmore, co-president called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm. 20 Members were in attendance with no guest.

Lynda Blades gave the inspiration "It's not what we have but what we enjoy that constitutes happiness".

Minutes- with no corrections the minutes were approved as written.

Treasurers report -was sent for audit with no additions or corrections to what was published in newsletter.

Membership- Karen stated that membership for 2013 has dropped to 43. She encouraged members to ask friends to join the group. Mary Jane Wheeling will be moving out of town and various reasons were given by other members for dropping out.

Old Business-

-CGC members have been asked to design a shade garden for Candlelight Lodge. Members felt that we have a lot of commitments scheduled for spring 2013 and didn't think we could undertake this for 2013 but it might be considered for 2014.

-Karen asked if members would have an interest in donating a new projector screen to the church. Karen will check on what style the church would want and if they would want this, as well as, the cost of a screen.

Chairman Reports-

-Karen reminded everyone to sign up for some of the many projects for 2013 on lists at the sign up table. She encouraged participation in projects by all members.

Central District Spring Meeting-(March 28, 2013) Approx. 100 are expected. Marie Pasley, chair reported that members will be needed to help set up and take down. Set up will be on March 27. Members are asked to bring breakfast foods; cookies, muffins, sweet breads for continental breakfast. We will have a sign up for this later. We will also need members to assist with helping keep food line, and drinks filled during breakfast and lunch.

Children's Garden at the Children's Hospital- Marie Pasley reported that the design committee chairs met. The hospital requested Storybook themed garden areas. We have 4 gardens to design, plant selections for the gardens will be: Garden #1 Succulent garden (sun), Garden #2 Herbs (sun), Garden #3 Woodland Garden "Fairies" (shade), #4 White Garden (shade). This should be a fun project, with designs to be completed by Feb. 1, 2013. Grand opening for the area is scheduled for Earth Day 2013, around April 20. The hospital would also like for CGC to stay involved in the education of the garden to the public after the garden is open. This will be discussed later.

Hindman Garden- Karen reported that several members attended the dedication of the garden, stating that it is very nice, encouraging everyone to go see it.

Flower Show Symposium (June 12,13, 2013)- Barb Schuette, co-chair encouraged members to attend one or both days of the symposium. One day will have horticulture information given and the other day will be discussion on basic floral design, specifically table designs. It should be a very educational event for horticulture and design information. Cost for one day will be \$25 or both will be \$50 which will include a box lunch each day.

Maplewood Home Christmas- Carolyn Doyle, chair states that the Maplewood Home will be on the Symphony Home Tour this year so we will need to decorate the week of November 26th. She will check on the safety precautions for plant material uses. We will be decorating the Slater's Sitting Room (first room to left of entry) for the Christmas season. Please contact Carolyn D. if you wish to help, she could still use helpers. 573-445-1381

Announcement

Christmas Tea- December 10- The next meeting will be our Christmas Tea, December 10. Members will decorate tables with real or paper table service. Table captains will be-- Carolyn Doyle, Lynda Blades, Connie Blackmore, Karen Blackmore, Leslie Rosenkran, and Leigh Speichenger. Members are to bring finger foods for a carry- in luncheon and non-perishable food items for giving to the Food Pantry.

Adjourned 1:55 pm

Respectfully submitted by Marie Pasley, Secretary



November Treasurer's Report

Columbia Garden Club Treasurer's Report November 30, 2012

Beginning Balance Checking		4,117.08
Deposits		
Membership Dues	20.00	
Discovery Garden Club Plant Sale Publicity	50.00	
Total Income		70.00
Expenses		
Ck#1835 FGCM Central District Dues	1.50	
Ck#1836 MBS – November Newsletter	9.52	
Ck#1837 Trinity Pres. Church – Nov. rent	25.00	
Total Expenses		(- 36.02)
Ending Balance Checking		4,151.06
Certificate of Deposit Balance	5-3-12	3,189.45
Total Assets		7,340.51

Calendar of Events

December 1—Deadline:
All Books of Evidence,
Youth Contests

December 10—
Columbia Garden Club
Meeting—Holiday
Luncheon

December 20: Deadline:
State Award of Honor
nominations due

Hospitality

December Meeting Holiday Luncheon

Bring a dish to share.



Columbia Garden Club

Co-Presidents: Carolyn Doyle

Karen Blackmore

1st VP: Barbara Rothenberger

2nd VP: Connie Blackmore

Secretary: Marie Pasley

Treasurer: Evette Nissen

Parliamentarian: Carole Van-
Vranken

Newsletter Editor: Evette Nissen

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Meetings take place at Trinity
Presbyterian Church, 1600 West
Rollins Road, Columbia, MO



2013 Sign Up Sheets

All Columbia Garden Club Members are asked to serve on at least one committee. Listed below are the committees and the people who have signed up for them. If you haven't signed up yet, please contact Karen Blackmore (573-442-1873, karen@kewpie.net) so she can publish the committee members in the yearbook.

CENTRAL DISTRICT SPRING MEETING- BRADFORD FARM

March 28, 2013
Chairman-Marie Pasley

Carolyn Adams-decorations	Food-Alice Havard
Barb Rothenberger-Food	Lynda Blades
Registrar-Evette Nissen	Decorations-Connie Blackmore
Leslie Rosenkrans	Carolyn Doyle

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL PROJECT

Marie Pasley, Carolyn Doyle and Karen Blackmore Co-Chairs

Kay Egbert	Linda Rubin
Mary Redders	Barbara Rothenberger
Evette Nissen	Cindy Deegan
Alice Havard	Connie Blackmore

Flower Show Judges Symposium Co-Sponsor with Judges Council

Barbara Schuette and Karen Blackmore co-Chairmen

Marie Pasley-Food	Carole Van Vranken-Registrar
Gayle Fry -Horticulture	Connie Blackmore-Page
Barbara Rothenberger	Janet Lindstrom-page
Carolyn Doyle	

YARD OF THE MONTH

Carolyn Swope and Emily Bonwich Co-Chairs

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2013 Sign Up Sheets

PLANT SALE

April 26, 27

Connie Blackmore and Marsha Taylor-Co-Chairmen

Friday Set up and Members Sale	Saturday
Karen Brooke	Linda Rubin
Janet Lindstrom	Kay Egbert
Nancy Bedan	Janet Lasley
Barbara Schuette	Evette Nissen-treasurer
Marie Pasley	Cindy Deegan
Karen Blackmore	Leigh Speichinger

Flower Show October 12, 2013 Carolyn Doyle-Chairman

Barbara Rothenberger	Evette Nissen
Karen Blackmore	Barbara Schuette
Marie Pasley	Rita Gerke
Carole VanVranken	

Members Garden Tour June 10, 2013 Carolyn Adams and Barbara Beckett-Co-Chairmen

Gardens to Tour
1.Linda Rubin
2.Marsha Taylor
3.
4.
5.

Calling Committee Kathie Shreves-Chairman

Carolyn Adams



2013 Sign Up Sheets

HISTORICAL SOCIETY GARDEN

Virginia Itschner-Chairman

Carolyn Doyle
Karen Blackmore

CLEAN UP COLUMBIA

Saturday, April 13, 2013

Janet Lasley- Chairman

Kay Egbert	Evette Nissen
Cindy Deegan	Marie Pasley
Nancy Bedan	

ART IN BLOOM

March 22, 23, 24, 2013

Karen Blackmore-Chairman

Carolyn Doyle
Leigh Speichinger

YEARBOOK 2014

Editor-Karen Blackmore

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NEWSLETTER

Evette Nissen-Editor



2013 Sign Up Sheets

HOSPITALITY

Carolyn Swope, Dee Bauer, Virginia Itschner-Co-Chairs

JAN	Karen Blackmore		
FEB			
MAR	Linda Rubin	Karen Brooke	Mary Redders,
APR			
MAY	Leigh Speichinger		
OCT			
NOV			

YARD OF THE MONTH

Carolyn Swope and Emily Bonwich Co-Chairs

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LIBRARY AND WYATT GUEST HOUSE

Lynn Birkby-Chairman

Library

Guest House

<u>JAN</u>		<u>JAN</u>	
<u>FEB</u>	Carolyn Doyle	<u>FEB</u>	Janet Lindstrom
<u>MARCH</u>		<u>MARCH</u>	Nancy Bedan
<u>APRIL</u>	Barbara Rothenberger	<u>APRIL</u>	
<u>MAY</u>		<u>MAY</u>	
<u>JUNE</u>	Leigh Speichinger	<u>JUNE</u>	Leona Litteral
<u>JULY</u>	Kay Egbert	<u>JULY</u>	
<u>AUGUST</u>		<u>AUGUST</u>	Janet Lasley
<u>SEPTEMBER</u>		<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	
<u>OCTOBER</u>	Carolyn Adams	<u>OCTOBER</u>	
<u>NOVEMBER</u>		<u>NOVEMBER</u>	
<u>DECEMBER</u>		<u>DECEMBER</u>	



Donations for Food Pantry

Don't forget to bring canned or boxed food to the December meeting. We will be collecting food for the local food pantry.

Vision of Beauty Calendars

There still are copies of the Vision of Beauty 2013 calendars available. They are \$6.00. I will not be at the December meeting, but I will have them at the January meeting if you are interested. If you want some for Christmas gifts, let me know and I will make arrangements to get them to you.—Evette

The Christmas Poinsettia

Among the folklore stories of the poinsettia is one about two poor children in Mexico, Maria and Pablo, who were looking forward to the Christmas festival in their village. The celebration would include the annual Nativity play in which a large manger scene was set up, parades and parties that were centered around the church. All the people, especially children, presented gifts to the baby child on Christmas eve. Maria and Pablo did not have money to buy even the simplest offering. Sad in heart and disheartened, on Christmas eve they made their way toward the church, taking a longer way hoping to find something to bring with them. Finally, they picked some wild weeds as the only gift available to them. As they placed their offering carefully around the manger, a miracle took place. Bright, red star-shaped flowers burst forth from the weeds and were the brightest of all the gifts that the Christ child received that day.

By Martha Gore



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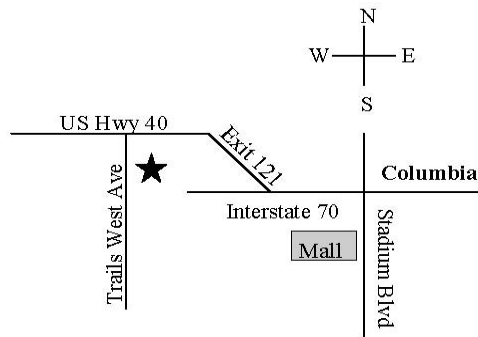
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