

COLUMBIA UNDERGROUND

News of the Columbia Garden Club

Editor: Karen Blackmore-442-1873

November 1, 2008

First Thanksgiving

Venison for stew and roasting,
Oysters in the ashes toasting,
Geese done to a turn,
Berries (dried) and wild grapes (seeded)
Mixed with dough and gently kneaded~
What a feast to earn! Indian corn in strange disguises,
Ash cakes, hoe cakes (many sizes),
Kernels roasted brown...
After months of frugal living
What a welcome first Thanksgiving
There in Plymouth town.

~By Aileen Fisher

Membership Drive Complete!

Thank you for the prompt payment of your dues for 2009! 63 members will work together to have a great year! Dues have been sent to the FGCM and the District treasurer. Your

names have been sent to the State Membership Chairman and she in turn will see that your name is submitted for the *Garden Forum*, published quarterly. Please let me know if you do

not receive your copy. Again, thank you and I look forward to working with you next year.

Karen Blackmore,
Treasurer

Have you decided on a committee?

Marie Pasley is contacting many of you to fill committees for 2009. One way you can become better acquainted and enjoy the CGC more is to work on committees where you have the opportunity to get to know people while improving our community. There is plenty of work to go around. The sign up sheets will be available at the November meeting.



Calendar of Events:

Nov. 10, 1 pm:

"Beyond the Bird Feeder"

Nov. 13, 14: FGCM
Fall Board Meeting-

Dec. 8, noon:

Holiday Tea

Officers:

President :

Linda Lowenberg

First Vice President:
Emily Bonwich

Second Vice President:

Arthur Schneider

Secretary:

Virginia Itschner

Treasurer:

Karen Blackmore



Welcome New Members!

Since the September meeting we have 7 new members. Please look for **Bonnie Stevens, Hazel Keel, Linda Kanagawa, Andy Kanagawa, Judy Fry, Gayle Fry and Kay Balthazor** and introduce yourself. It is uncomfortable to come into a new group, as we all know. Please make them feel welcome and help them to get acquainted with us. They are bound to like us! You might help them choose committees to work on!

Pots to Planks

This recycle project, sponsored by Superior Gardens, continues to grow. The fall donations amounted to more than a 6 horse trailer full of plastic pots. This will most likely be an ongoing event. Please continue to save your pots to donate in the spring. Members who helped are Rose Mayfield, Linda Lowenberg, Virginia Itschner Hazel Keel, Barb Schuette and Karen Blackmore.

“Beyond the Bird Feeder”

Mel Toellner, owner of *Songbird Station* will give information and show products for attracting birds to our backyards at our meeting on November 10 at 1:00. If you have had the opportunity to attend one of Mel's programs, you know we have a treat in store and will learn a lot about taking care of our birds this winter.



Pecan Pie Muffins

1 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup flour
1 cup chopped pecans
2/3 cup real butter-melted
(1 stick plus 1/3 stick)
2 eggs, beaten

Mix sugar, flour and pecans, set aside. Mix butter and eggs and stir in to flour mixture until moist. Fill greased mini muffin pans 2/3 full. Bake at 350 degrees for 18 minutes. Makes 36.

-Mary Jane Wheeling's
recipe.

Do you have a special recipe you want to share?

Have you eaten something good at our meetings and want the recipe?

Let me know and I will try to put it in the Columbia Underground!—442-1873

COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB

MINUTES

OCTOBER 13, 2008

The October meeting was called to orders at 2:30 P.M. following a program presented by **Don Whitener, Advanced Master Gardener** and recycling hobbyist. He demonstrated many ways of turning trash into useful items. Roll call was taken with members answering how or what they recycle.

Barbara Rothenberger showed us several roses dyed by cutting the stem in four places and putting the stem in different colors.

The September minutes were approved as printed in the October newsletter.

Treasurer Karen Blackmore reported a checking balance of \$2,861.13 and a CD balance of \$2,921.89 for total assets of \$5,783.02. Karen reminded us that dues are payable now. The reason dues are payable in October is that Missouri State Garden Club needs the membership information by November 1.

President Linda Lowenberg read correspondence from Wyatt Guest House thanking us for the floral arrangements they receive each month.

Committees: Marie Pasley asked that members sign up for committees. We need more help on Jr. Garden Club, Hospitality, and Scholarship.

Children's Garden Club: Co-Chair Linda Lowenberg asked for volunteers for the November meeting. The club meets from 3:45 to 4:45 P.M.

Rock Bridge Cabin and the Bluffs – Karen Blackmore reported that State President Maisie Keeser , 1st V P Jean Roseman and 4th VP Joyce Lewis stayed overnight at her house after attending the district meeting. During their time in Columbia, they toured the Bluffs garden. Maisie found the garden qualifies as a healing garden and will complete the necessary information to have it added to the National List of Healing Gardens..

Wyatt Guest House and Columbia Public Library - Chair Lynn Birkby recognized Art Schneider for the 16 times he has shared his flowers with the people at Wyatt Guest this summer. Also providing flowers were Karen Blackmore, Connie Blackmore, Martie Buell, and Betty Gladney. Lynn needs a volunteer for November for the guest house. Those who have provided arrangements at the library are: Marie Pasley, Carolyn Doyle, Betty Gladney, Mary Jane Wheeling. Jane Sadler will be furnishing flowers for Halloween.

Old Business: Marie Pasley reported that at the Central District Meeting several changes were made to the Standing Rules. One change affecting anyone attending the annual meeting is the cost has been raised from ten dollars to fifteen dollars. Karen Blackmore announced that the Pots to Planks Recycling Collection was very successful. One and one half six horse size trailers were filled, which is the most we have collected. Working on this project were Linda Lowenberg, Virginia Itschner, Rose Mayfield, Barbara Schuette, Hazel Keel and Karen.

New Business: Two new Advisory Board Members, Barbara Rothenberger and Gayle Fry were elected unanimously.

Announcements: Cindy Deegan received certificates for having a hummingbird garden and a butterfly garden.

Get Well Cards were signed by members to send to Clair and Liz Kucera, Emily Bonwich, and Clara Hansen.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 P.M.

Virginia Itschner, Secretary



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