

# Columbia Underground

News of the Columbia Garden

December 2010

#### President Karen Blackmore 442-1873

Dec 13, noon Holiday Tea

#### Reminder—

We want to send at least 100 pounds of food to the food bank. Bring you donations to the Holiday Tea and we will see that it is delivered! This will be a tough year for many people and they need our donations more than ever.







Marie Pasley, Carolyn
Kemper,
Karen
Blackmore,
Gayle Fry
and retired
Mayor Darwin Hindman at the
Groundbreaking of
the Discovery
Garden Nov.
6, 2010.



As you read this, I am in new Zealand! I will return home on December 5th to get Christmas shopping all finished. As usual, I will be rushing around at the last minute, all excited about seeing grandchildren open their gifts and worried that they will not be as happy as I am about them. I have had a great year as President! You are all such great friends and I appreciate your support. I am proud of what we have accomplished. I want to wish all of you a wonderful holiday season filled with happiness and good health for you and your families, the two things that matter most!

The December meeting is one of our most fun! We all dress in holiday clothes and bring one of our favorite dishes for a lovely tea. This year, we will have displays from Cindy Deegan of her wonderful herb products and a display of Lucille Wayland's beautiful artwork. Both are so talented!

Please make sure you give your dues to Virginia Itschner if you have not! We want you with us in 2011! Gayle Fry has been busy lining up programs for 2011. We have made a commitment to work on the Darwin Hindman Discovery Garden project with Columbia Parks and Recreation! What an opportunity to have input as to the plants included! 2011 is sure to be another great year for CGC!







Our own Janet Lindstrom did a great job with her program "Bringing the Beauty of Nature inside for Thanksgiving". Several members made beautiful arrangements and others took home some the things members brought in to share. Janet taught all of us a lot and especially about wiring and taping cut flowers. Thank you Janet!





Kay Egbert was proud of her holiday design, especially the celosia brought by Linda Lowenberg

The Christmas Luncheon is always a lot of fun and we do have some great cooks in the club. If you have anything pretty in your garden at that time, please bring a centerpiece for a table. We all enjoy seeing what members bring in and it is a chance to show off your talent! See you Dec. 13th at noon!

# <u>Please welcome our newest members</u> and update your yearbooks:

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Mary Redders, 5205 Thornbrook Pkwy., Columbia, MO. 65205 573-445-4805 maryredders@yahoo.com (joined in Oct.)

<u>Linda Rubin,</u> 609 Heidman Rd. Col., Mo. 65203 443-1928 lindarubin@centurytel.net

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<u>Dr. Deb Corkery</u>, 16101 N. Tucker School Rd., Sturgeon, Mo. 65284 573-289-3023

Are you interested in Kincaid Plant Markers? I have had several people ask if I have more and I do not.. I know we could make a good deal on getting some if we have a large enough order. Please let me know how many you want and, if we have enough interest, we will make another order.

>>>>>Karen

#### **Columbia Garden Club Shirts**

We ordered more shirts and only have 3 left. If you want one, see Virginia Itschner. We have two large and 1 extra large left. We can order more but only six at a time so get yours now! See treasurer

Virginia Itschner

#### TWO NEW PROJECTS

We have been asked by the city of Columbia Parks and Recreation Department to work on the Discovery Gardens project. You might remember Jen Courtney who helped us with our dedication. She is the one who asked us. Barbara Rothenberger has agreed to chair the committee and Carolyn Doyle and Karen Blackmore have agreed to serve on the committee. If you are interested and would like to help, please see any of the three and they will be happy to add you to the committee.

We have also been ask to donate tools that we can spare or need to get rid of as well as any vegetable plants that we can spare to the various community gardens in Columbia . Lily, who works at Trinity Presbyterian Church, will be talking to us early in the year about what the needs are. I know I have some things to get rid of and I feel certain you do as well.

Both of these "new" projects will not cost us and also will not require manual labor, both of which makes them good projects for us since we have gardens to tend already.

Karen B.

<u>Courtesy Committee</u>: If you know of any member who is ill, please notify Carol Notbohm, Courtesy Committee Chair, or Rose Mayfield, Courtesy Committee member, so they can send a card from the Columbia Garden Club! There may be other occasions when you feel we should send a "courtesy" someone. Just notify Carol or Rose.

<u>To new members:</u> We ask that all members sign up for at least one project (and more if you want). Please look at the projects listed in the yearbook on pages 12 and 13 and let President Karen know which project you choose. All the projects are fun, and the very best way to get to know us is to get involved. Do not be intimated, as we welcome your input, experience, ideas, time and energy! We are proud of our long standing club and want you to have the full experience of the Columbia Garden Club. Welcome!

**Select a committee where you can serve**. We ask that you serve on the committees where you can best serve in 2011. There are several to choose from and many of you will want to participate in several of the things we have planned. Look the list over and e-mail karen@kewpie.net with your selections! (Or turn them in at the December meeting!)

ART IN BLOOM- Chair- Mary Jane Wheeling	Chair - Alice Havard	CLEAN UP COLUMBIA- Chair- Janet Lasley	FLOWER SHOW- Co-Chairs Barbara Schuette & Carolyn Doyle	TOURS Chair-Cindy	HISTORICAL SOCIETY GARDENS- Chair-Virginia Itschner	Chair-	JR. GARDEN CLUB- Co-Chairs- Marie Pasley & Linda Low- enberg	PLANT SALE Co-Chairs Janet Lindstrom & Connie Blackmore
Janet Lindstrom Emily Bonwich Connie Blackmore Karen Blackmore Carolyn Doyle	Janet Lasley Lynda Blades Leslie Rosenkrans Dee Bauer Marie Pasley Rose Mayfield Barb	Cindy Deegan Mary Redders Linda Lowenberg Evette Nissen Virginia Itschner Kay Egbert Carolyn Doyle Carolyn Swope Dalton Swope Nancy Bedan	Jane Sadler Ken Sadler Linda Lowenberg Carolyn Kemper Sue Williams Lynn Birkby Alice Havard Evette Nissen Connie	Ken & Jane Sadler Carolyn Basnett Deb Corkery  We need two	Cindy Deegan Evette Nissen Lynn Birkby Carolyn Doyle Tanja Patton Carol Notbohm Gayle Fry	Jan: Deb Corkery Linda Rubin Feb: Jane Sadler Virginia Itschner Mar: Kay Egbert & Lynn Birkby Apr:	Virginia Itschner Alice Havard Cindy Deegan Carolyn Doyle  We can use your	Diane Poole Evette Nissen Carolyn Kemper Linda Rubin Janet Lasley Virginia Itschner Karen Brooks Sue Williams Lynda Blades Deb Corkery
Please consid- er this as it is so much fun!	Rothen- berger Nancy Bedan	Nancy Bedan	Blackmore Gayle Fry Karen Blackmore Barb Rothen- berger Tanya Patton  We will	more yards here!		Carolyn Adams Karen Blackmore May: Leslie Rosenkrans Lynda Blades, Alice Havard & Barbara Rothen-	help here!	Dee Bauer Ken Sadler Jane Sadler Kay Egbert Karen Blackmore Carol Notbohm Carolyn Doyle Rose Mayfield Nancy Bedan
			need every-			berger! June: Garden tours- sack lunch		We will need eve- ryone's

Thanks to all who volunteer! We need all of you and appreciate your willingness to help!!
Remember everyone should sign up for at least one project.

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here!

We will need everyone's help here and you will want to be involved with our one and only ways and means project!

Oct: Sue Williams &

Kay Egbert

Nov: Evette

Rose May-

Holiday Tea

Nissen

field Tanya Pat-

ton

Dec:



#### <u>HOLIDAY ARRANGE-</u> MENTS

Chair-Lynn Birkby

#### <u>Daniel Boone</u> Library

Jan: Linda Lowenberg Feb: Alice Havard Mar: Kay Egbert

Apr: Barb Rothenberger May: Carolyn Adams June: Deb Corkery

July: Aug: Sept:

Oct: Virginia Itschner

Nov:

Dec: Rose Mayfield

# Wyatt Guesthouse

Jan: Lynn Birkby

Feb: Mar:

Apr: Kay Egbert May: Janet Lindstrom

June:

July: EvetteNissen
Aug: Alice Havard
Sept: Janet Lasley
Oct: Dee Bauer
Nov: Carol Notbohm
Dec: Connie Blackmore



#### December Gardening Chores

#### **House Plants** (FROM: garden-helper.com)

Sponging off glossy leaved plants such as Rubber plants and palms is a good idea in December if for no other reason than to make you feel like you are still gardening. Doing this allows your plants to breathe and being indoors during the time of year when indoor pollution is at its' height makes it a great time for this chore.

Give your house plants extra humidity by grouping plants together. The indoor climate during the winter tends to be dryer as we heat our homes.

#### **Lawn Care in December**

Lawn care in December is nearly oxymoronic. Really the main thing to consider in December is to keep off the frozen grass. Simple isn't it?

#### **Vegetables, Fruits and Flowers**

If you have not yet mulched your rose bushes don't wait any longer than early December to get this done.

Any perennial beds you have should receive two to four inches of light mulch this month.

If you have any leftover seeds store these in a cool and dry place. Some gardeners save their seeds in a jar placed in the refrigerator. If you have vegetables in storage check them for spoilage and disease and remove affected vegetables.

#### Planting and Transplanting

If the weather allows and your soil has not frozen December is as good as <u>November</u> for transplanting. If you managed to do planting or transplanting in November be sure to keep these newly planted treasures well watered in order to prevent dry soil conditions.

**Bulbs** - It's *still* not too late to get your hands dirty with planting. Tulip bulbs may still be planted in the early part of the month. We recommend the use of <u>Bulb-Tone Bulb Fertilizer</u> to get your bulbs off to the right start.

**Cuttings**-December is a great month to take cuttings of rhododendrons, heathers, azaleas, and other evergreen shrubs. The cutting should be taken from newly established tip growth, and kept indoors under bright light. The temperature should be kept near a constant 70 degrees.

#### **Pruning in December**

Stone fruits such as cherries, prunes and peaches are prime for pruning in December. Holiday decorations can be made of branches pruned from hollies, junipers and pines.

#### **Composting in December**

Encourage winter breakdown of your compost by giving it a good turn in December.

#### **Odd and Ends**

If you live in a cold climate you may want to drain and store your garden hoses for the winter to prevent freezing and bursting if you did not do this at the end of November

Clean and oil your tools for winter storage if you have yet done so. This is also an excellent month to replace any tools that should be retired while the demand and prices are both low.

**Prepare!** Start planning your garden for next year. Review notes you have taken from this year and start the daydreaming with your catalogs.





Summer has slipped by one more time. The Old Highway 63 location is shut down completely now. The new location on Trails West Avenue is being built as you read this. Unfortunately we are not able to open this fall. Watch our website and your inbox for the latest information. You can contact us through email if you have questions or concerns. Due to construction we are not open to the public at our new location but will open Spring 2011. We are working hard to get the new location ready for you. We are going to have more room which means more selection to choose from. We appreciate your business and look forward to seeing you Spring 2011.

Superior Garden Center is a division of Rost Inc. Currently our phones are being answered by Rost Inc. Just ask for the garden center and we can help you. If we are not available please leave a voice mail and we will return your call.

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#### November 15, 2010

#### **Columbia Garden Club Minutes**

President Karen Blackmore called our November meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Janet Lindstrom, a garden club member and former florist, was our speaker and she gave a presentation on flower arranging. She focused on the elements of design and the different techniques of wiring flower stems.

President Karen called our business meeting to order at 2:20. She welcomed one guest, Angie Holtgrave from Illinois who was visiting Deb Corkery. Terry Reid, a visitor last month, became a new member.

Phyllis Jiji was unable to attend the meeting, so President Karen gave the inspiration, 'The First Thanksgiving'.

The October meeting minutes in the newsletter were approved as written. Virginia gave the treasurer's report and it was approved. She reported we have 60 members who have paid their dues.

Mary Jane Wheeling reported on Art in Bloom. She also discussed the new evening garden club. They are called the Discovery Garden Club and they have 22 members.

Gayle Fry's conservation report was on Urban Trees. She gave us a very colorful and informative brochure.

The city has asked our club to form a committee to help research plants for the Around the World Garden which is part of the Discovery Garden in Stephens Park. Barbara Rothenberger has agreed to be the chair of that committee and Carolyn Doyle and Karen Blackmore have volunteered to be on the committee.

Marie Pasley and Barbara Schuette are our new advisory board members, replacing Gayle Fry and Barbara Rothenberger effective January 2011.

Janet Lindstrom said the plant sale will be April 30<sup>th</sup>. We will once again have the white elephant sale, but they would like to restrict it to garden related items.

The flower show is June 4<sup>th</sup> at the library. Carolyn Doyle and Barb Schuette are the chairs and are putting the committees together. The theme will be Summer Vacations Around the World. Everyone in the club will be asked to do something for the show. We want to have 100% participation this year. The garden tours will be June 13<sup>th</sup>. Cindy Deegan said we have 3 gardens on the tour and she is look-

ing for 2 more people to volunteer to have their gardens on the tour.

Lynn Birkby still needs several people to sign up to take flowers to the library and the Wyatt Guest house.

Barbara Rothenberger has donated daffodil bulbs to be planted at The Bluffs and Alice Havard is looking for volunteers to help her plant them.

President Karen thanked Emily Bonwich and Carolyn Swope for the wonderful job they did with Yard of the Month this year.

Marie Pasley said the Jr. Garden Club has 25 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders participating. They could use extra help if anyone is interested. They will be making flower arrangements this meeting.

President Karen talked about the Bloomin Bus Tour to Niagara Falls which is scheduled for May 16-21, 2011.

We have more garden club red polo shirts available. If you are interested in purchasing one, let Virginia Itschner know. They are \$18.75.

Written committee chair reports are due to President Karen in November. She has only received one so far.

If you have planted daffodils in any public place this year, please let President Karen know.

It was decided that the November meeting for 2011 will be November 7<sup>th</sup>. This is because of a conflict with a state meeting. Please bring food for the Food Bank to the December Meeting. This is also our Holiday Tea, so wear your holiday sweater and bring a covered dish.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10.

Respectfully submitted, Evette Nissen, Secretary

## Columbia Garden Club

%Karen Blackmore

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