

COLUMBIA UNDERGROUND

News of the Columbia Garden Club

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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