

November 2011



## News from our President

How can it be November already? I have always heard the older you get the faster time goes and I certainly agree! We have aerated the lawn and reseeded following the tough summer. I cannot see the grass emerging yet but the yard is looking so much better with the cooler weather and the rain we have had so far. While I dread the cold and snow, I am already thinking about what will pop up in the spring! No wonder times flies! Just like my money, I use my time ahead!

What a great workshop we had in October. We had such a good turnout, learned a lot about bonsai, met a very nice man in Jerry Antel and 15 of you went home with a Bonsai! Add to that, we had terrific desserts! That is what I call a successful meeting. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as I did. I bought a very small mugu pine that week and potted it up. It has been looking good outside even though I felt like a murderer after cutting so much of it away. I have it safely buried in the garden and look forward to digging it up in the spring. How fun!

Members who are on the State Board will be attending a meeting in Jefferson City on November 14<sup>th</sup> so we have moved our meeting to November 21<sup>st</sup>. We should have some news from our meeting to share on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Our November program will be presented by **Bob McConnell of McConnell's Plantland**. He will talk to us about the **Beauty of Hostas**. Many of you know Bob and he is actually a personal friend to several members of our club. He was the very first recipient of the Columbia Garden Club scholarship. He sells a large variety of hosta thru his business and is very knowledgeable about so many plants. You are sure to get a lot out of his presentation.

Karen Blackmore, President

### New Member

Barbara Beckett is our newest member. Please add her information to your yearbook: 816 Bucks Run, Columbia, 65201, kenyonmook@aol.com

Unless otherwise noted, our meetings take place at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 1600 West Rollins Road, Columbia, MO 65203 We always welcome new members and guests.

OCTOBER 27, 2011

TREASURER'S REPORT

September 30, 2011 Checking Account Balance		\$3391.29
Income		
Calendars (25 @ \$6)	\$150.00	
2012 Dues (20 @ \$20)	400.00	
Total Income		550.00
Disbursements		
Evette Nissen	80.86	
(Newspaper 30.23, Envs. \$6.63, Stamps \$44.00)		
Trinity Presbyterian Church (Oct. Rental)	25.00	
Barbara Schuette (Plants/ Bonsai Program)	47.25	
Linda Lowenberg (Jr. Garden Club Books)	30.00	
Total Disbursements		183.11
October 27, 2011 Checking Account Balance		\$3758.18
Certificate of Deposit Balance		\$3162.07
TOTAL ASSET		\$6920.25

Hospitality

Chair: Connie Blackmore

November Hostesses:

Rose Mayfield, Tanya Patton,  
Evette Nissen

Flowers to Library and Guesthouse

Chair: Lynn Birkby

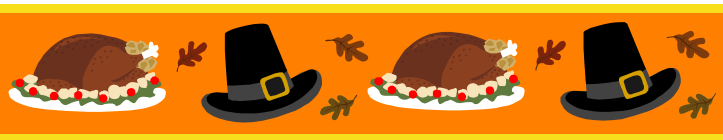
Daniel Boone Reg. Library      Wyatt Guesthouse

Nov: Terry Reid

Nov: Carol Nothbohm

Dec: Rose Mayfield

Dec: Connie Blackmore



**October 10, 2011**

**Columbia Garden Club Minutes**

**We had a great turnout for our Bonsai Lecture and Workshop given by Jerry Antel. We had 5 members of the Twin City Garden Club join us for the workshop, and we had 2 visitors, Marsha Taylor and David of David the Salon, and a new member, Barbara Beckett.**

**President Karen called our business meeting to order at 2:27. The minutes and treasurer's report were approved as they were printed in the newsletter.**

**Old Business:**

**We received a thank you card from our scholarship recipient, Cooper Martin. We will be looking at making a change to award the scholarship to a University student who has already declared horticulture as a major. Barbara Schuette has "cheerfully" agreed to chair that committee and will need some help.**

**Dues for the year 2012-2013 are due today.**

**Healing Gardens are being planted at the new Cancer Center at the University and at Boone Hospital. Mary Jane said there is also a new one planned at the Alzheimer's Building. We need to decide which garden we would like to donate money to.**

**New Business:**

**New Garden Club manuals are being printed and President Karen needs a count of how many to order.**

**For the December Luncheon, we will be having a table decorating contest. If you are interested in being in charge of a table, please sign up after the meeting.**

**Recap of District Meeting:**

**The Chillicothe Garden Club, which has 90 members, wants to become a federated club. Our club will be the host of the Spring District Meeting in 2013. \$5,000 has been collected from state garden clubs to purchase trees for Joplin and \$5,000 worth of trees have been donated from nurseries to be planted in Joplin.**

**Committee Reports:**

**Sign up sheets are available to sign up for committees for next year. Thank you to all of you who have so cheerfully agreed to chair committees! Committee reports are due in November. Please send your report to President Karen, so she can include your committee's work in the President's report.**

**Carolyn Swope, Dee Bauer, and Virginia Itschner have agreed to take over the Hospitality committee for next year.**

**Junior Garden Club will be making posters for Woodsy Owl and then collecting leaves.**

**Please remember that our November meeting is on the 21<sup>st</sup> due to the State Board Meeting.**

**President Karen adjourned the meeting at 3:05**

**Respectfully submitted, Evette Nissen, Secretary**



# Bonsai Workshop



## TABLE DECORATING FOR THE HOLIDAY



To add a little spice to the holiday luncheon, we will decorate the tables this year. Five members have signed up to be in charge of a table.

Barbara Rothenberger

Virginia Itschner

Lynda Blades

Kay Egbert

Karen Blackmore

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8.

We will have 8 tables and each table will seat 8 members or guests. Tables may be decorated with fine china, pottery, plastic, paper or whatever you choose. Each should include complete service including the utensils and beverage service of your choice. Iced tea and water will be provided as well as coffee.

You may choose whatever holiday you prefer. Most will choose Christmas but New Years, Hanukkah, or any other holiday that we will all enjoy will be appreciated. Each table should have a floral centerpiece, either fresh or dried and you may be as creative as your team decides. Many ideas are in the catalogs we are receiving already.

We are also in for a treat as Carolyn Adams will decorate the food table with a special collection.

We still need 3 people to take charge of a table. At the November meeting we will get numbers of which table we will help with and where we will sit for the luncheon. Following the business meeting, plan to meet with your team to decide how you can help.

Please e-mail [Karen@kewpie.net](mailto:Karen@kewpie.net) if you are willing to take charge of a table.

**Courtesy Committee:** If you know of any member who is ill, please notify Carol Nothbohm, 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" to someone. Just notify Carol or Rose.

## November Gardening Tasks



Continue watering evergreens until the ground freezes. Soils must not be dry when winter arrives.

Now is the ideal time to plant trees and shrubs.

Remove the spent flowers and foliage of perennials after they are damaged by frost.

Newly planted broad-leaf evergreens such as azaleas, boxwood and hollies benefit from a burlap screen for winter wind protection. Set screen stakes in place before the ground freezes.

Now is a good time to observe and choose nursery stock based on fall foliage interest.

Plant tulips now.

Mums can be cut back to within several inches of the ground once flowering ends. After the ground freezes, apply a 2-3 inch layer of loose mulch such as pine needles, straw or leaves.

Mulch flower and bulb beds after the ground freezes, to prevent injury to plants from frost heaving.

Roses should be winterized after a heavy frost. Place a 6-10 inch deep layer of mulch over each plant. Top soil works best. Prune sparingly, just enough to shorten overly long canes. Climbers should not be pruned at this time.

Fall tilling the vegetable garden exposes many insect pest to winter cold, reducing their numbers in next year's garden.

Any unused, finished compost is best tilled under to improve garden soils.

To prevent insects or diseases from overwintering in the garden, remove and compost all plant debris.

For Thanksgiving, weave a holiday wreath of garlic, onions, chili peppers and herbs. It will make a gourmet gift for a lucky friend.

To prevent injury to turf grasses, keep leaves raked up off of the lawn.

For cyclamen to bloom well indoors, they need cool temperatures in the 50-60 degree range, bright light, evenly moist soils, and regular fertilization.

Reduce or eliminate fertilizing of houseplants until spring.

Information taken from the Missouri Botanical Garden website.

# Fall Blooming Perennials



Helenuim 'Moerheim Beauty' or Sneezeweed

Sneezeweed blooms in Late Summer-Mid Fall. It grows 4-6 feet tall and likes full sun. It's 2-3 inch wide flowers are highly attractive to bees. It is a good cut flower. Sneezeweed tolerates drought,



Rudbeckia Subtomentosa or 'Henry Eilers' Sweet Coneflower

This plant grows 4-5 feet tall and it's unique flowers are 2-inches wide. The leaves of the plant have a vanilla and anise scent. The flowers attract butterflies and they make a good cut flower. The seed heads attract birds. Sweet coneflower tolerates clay soil, dry soil, drought and deer. It grows in full sun-light shade.



Tricyrtis 'Lightning Strike' or Variegated Toad Lily

This Toad Lily grows 18-24 inches tall. It likes partial to full shade. The orchid-like flower makes a good cut flower. The foliage of this variety is variegated.



Gentiana andrewsii or Closed Gentian

This Missouri native plant grows to a height of 1-2 feet. It grows best in part shade. Closed Gentian tolerates clay soil and deer. Plants will naturalize if left undisturbed.

## Reminder!!

Our next meeting is Monday, November 21st. Bob McConnell will be giving our program, The Beauty of Hostas.



## Columbia Garden Club

Karen Blackmore, President  
 Gayle Fry 1st VP  
 Arthur Schneider, 2nd VP  
 Evette Nissen, Sec.  
 Virginia Itschner, Treas.

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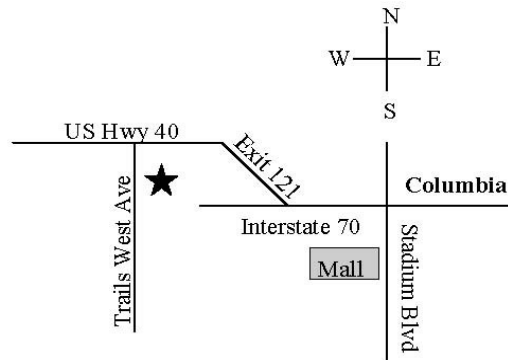
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