

# COLUMBIA UNDERGROUND

NEWS OF THE COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB

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"Sow Hoe and Grow"

October 1, 2007

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### OCT. 8, 1:00

DAVID MASSY, MU LANDSCAPE SERVICES WILL LEAD A TREE ID WALK ON MU CAMPUS.

WRITTEN COMMITTEE REPORTS ARE DUE

### OCT. 17-19

LANDSCAPE DESIGN SCHOOL III, ST LOUIS

### NOV. 12, 1:00

ARTIST DORIE DRAPER WILL PRESENT A SLIDE SHOW OF BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATIONS SHE HAS CREATED

### NOV. 13-14

FCGM FALL BOARD MEETING - COLUMBIA

### DEC. 10 NOON

HOLIDAY TEA

### *Cool Cuties*

Cold weather is just around the corner, but don't count all the flowers out yet. Pansies and violas are widely available this time of year, and most varieties continue blooming even after a light frost. Look for colors to accent your fall landscape: orange, burgundy, and blue.



(I apologize for the poor quality of the photos. It was kind of dark and I was not too close. The subjects were beautiful! Not their fault!)

## MARIE AND ALICE MAKE US PROUD!

"The Future is Now-Horticulture Education" was the theme for the Central District Fall Meeting hosted by the Arrowhead Garden Club at Osage Beach, Missouri on September 25, 2007.

Our own Marie Pasley was installed as Central District President and Alice Havard as treasurer by State President Maisie Keeser. Both will need and appreciate our support during their terms in office.

Congratulations and best wishes to both of you. We appreciate your willingness to serve!

## October 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting- Tree Walk

In his note to Julie Fisher:

"Julie,  
We could meet at the Beetle Bailey Statue. Parking is close in the Turner Garage. The Golf Cart and Tree Trail Guides will be available. I can keep the tour in the area around the south side of Jesse Hall so there will be a minimum of walking.

I'm looking forward to meeting your group and talking about our trees.

David Massey"

SEE YOU THERE AT 1:00 OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup>!

## Officers Elected for the coming year are:

President:

Linda Lowenberg

Secretary:

Virginia Itschner

1st Vice President:

Emily Bonwich

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:

Art Schneider

Treasurer:

Karen Blackmore

Thank all of you for agreeing to serve and best wishes for a great term in office!

## Pots to Planks

The fall recycling event at Superior Gardens is set for Friday Oct. 12-Sunday Oct. 14. If you signed up for the event, you know the Columbia Garden Club will work a shift on Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> from 9a.m. to 1p.m. For you who are unable to work, you still can help by bringing your empty extra plastic pots to Superior during the event. The pots will be recycled into usable and beautiful plants. (The Ashland Garden Club is working a Saturday shift). Thanks to Betty Gladney, myself and two new members, Leslie Graves and Connie Blackmore, for volunteering.

*WELCOME 5 NEW*

*MEMBERS!*

*Connie Blackmore*

*(my sister-in-law)*

*Leslie Graves*

*Kay Egbert*

*Phyllis Jiji*

*Melissa Witherington*

*We are fortunate to have  
them join us!*

*I know we are gonna*

*love'em!*

“Anybody who can still do at sixty what he was doing at twenty was not doing much at twenty! “

Jimmy Carter, *the Virtues of Aging*

## SEPTEMBER YARD OF THE MONTH

Karen and David Gross, at 3512 Wakefield, have maintained a beautiful yard in spite of the summer's lack of rainfall. Their whitewashed brick ranch style house, with a white wraparound porch, has hanging baskets of geraniums and a flourishing border of rudbeckia Goldsturm and pastel colored zinnias. Drought tolerant accents of sedum Autumn Joy and purple-stemmed fountain grass with waving feathery tops add great texture to the landscape.



## What's in Season?

Winter Squash

Apples

Asters

Japanese Anemones

Ornamental Grasses

Goldenrods

Mums

Onions

## Columbia Garden Club

### Minutes

September 10, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Mary Jane Wheeling.

**Treasurer's Report** - \$2,238.72 checking balance

**President Mary Jane Wheeling** read a thank you note we received for the floral displays that have been provided by our club to the Daniel Boone Library.

**Carolyn Doyle** has sent information to THE FORUM about the passing of Grace Edwards, a former president of our club. We will also donate a book to the library in her honor.

Betty Ratchford, a former member, also passed away.

Donna Lantry passed away. Donna was instrumental in the Blue Star Memorial projects and the State is collecting funds from clubs to donate for her Blue Star Memorial. The price will be about \$1100.00 which will just cover the basics. Marty Buell made a motion for our club to donate \$1.00 (per member) from our treasury. Carolyn Swope seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Senior Garden Therapy:** Karen Blakemore has made a DVD of her garden and the residents at Columbia Manor enjoyed "visiting" a garden via television.

**Garden of the Month:** Carolyn Swope explained that this was a difficult task due to poor weather conditions this last month. She is considering continuing the award into October if anyone finds a suitable garden and encourages all members to keep looking for sites.

**Business Citation:** Julie Fisher has discovered that "Creative Surroundings" is responsible for many of the attractive gardens in Columbia. She would like to give Columbia College a citation as they are consistently above average in beautifying their campus.

**Conservation Committee:** Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for applying for the Blue Bird Award.

Marie Pasley reminded members to check the website for forms and other information.

**Adopt-a-Spot:** Mary Jane Wheeling reported that we received an "excellent" report from the City in June; but in August we received a report that our spot needs work. Mary Jane and others volunteering at this site have been fighting a losing battle with Bermuda grass. Julie Fisher made a motion for our club to discontinue the Adopt-a-Spot since we have fulfilled our commitment to the city. Motion passed.

**Nomination Committee** presented our slate of officers for 2008-/09:

President: Linda Lowenberg

First V.P.: Emily Bonwich

Second V.P.: Art Schneider

Secretary: Virginia Itschner

Treasurer: Karen Blackmore

Carolyn Swope made a motion to accept the slate of officers. Motion passed.

**New Business:** Superior Garden Center is looking for volunteers for their "Pots to Place" recycling event- which will be held Oct. 12, 13, and 14<sup>th</sup>. Please call if you can help or recycle your used plastic pots during that time. This will be held in conjunction with Solid Waste Management.

**Old Business:** Marie Pasley attended the Judges Symposium. She reported that the new Flower Show book is very "user friendly".

**Linda Lowenberg** received positive feedback on the Garden Tour - attended by about 55 people.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Devine, Secretary



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