

Columbia Underground

News of the Columbia Garden Club

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President Linda Lowenberg

December 2009

CALENDER OF EVENTS

Dec. 12

CGC Flower Show "Holiday Treats"

Dec. 14, noon

Holiday Tea

Jan. 11, 1:00p.m.

"Enjoy the Quiet Beauty of Winter, Paint gourds"

Dorothy Colette, artist and member of the Grow and Glow Garden Club, Tipton Mo. .

Feb. 8, 1:00p.m.

"Seeds and Cuttings, the two best methods of propagation"

Jeff Oberhaus, owner of Vintage Hill Farms, New Franklin, Mo.



Bonnie Culley created the wreath above and Carole VanVranken created the tree below as a part of their program, *Growing with Holiday Design*. It was informative and fun!

"WINTER TREATS"

COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB

PRESENTS

A Standard Flower Show

Saturday December 12, 2009

Columbia Public Library

100 West Broadway

Columbia, Missouri 65203

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Free Admittance

Member of Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, Inc.

The National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Holiday Luncheon December 12, 2009 12 Noon

The December meeting will take place on the 12th with a carry in holiday lunch at : Trinity Presbyterian Church, 1600 West Rollins Road, Columbia, Mo. at 12 noon. Guests always welcome! Bring finger food for a holiday lunch. Table service and drinks will be provided. We will have a short business meeting for Installation of officers.

Jim Wilson will be at our Garden Club meeting He will be selling copies of his newest book, *Home Grown Vegetables, fruits and herbs, a Bountiful Healthful Garden for lean times*. It is \$16.95 and is a beautiful book with photographs by Walter Chandoha that are exceptional. Jim's writing is clean, concise and this book has lots of good, useful information. It makes a wonderful Christmas present if someone on your list grows vegetables, fruits or herbs.



Please bring canned goods to donate to the Food Pantry. Our goal is to donate 100 pounds. That is just a couple of cans each so bring an extra or two and we'll be sure to meet our goal!



November 9, 2009 Minutes

President Linda Lowenberg called the meeting to order at 1:15 P.M. First Vice President Emily Bonwich introduced members Bonnie Culley and Carol Van Vranken, NGC Accredited Master Show Judges, who discussed floral arrangements they had designed. They gave us tips on constructing our entries for the flower show.

Following the program and refreshments, the business meeting was convened. Inspiration Chair Marie Crenshaw read several selections from LIFT EVERY VOICE by Alexander Woollcott. There were 29 members and 7 guests present. The minutes of the October meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter. Treasurer Karen Blackmore reported a checking balance of \$3,288.13 and a Certificate of Deposit balance of \$3,080.01 for Total Assets of \$6,368.14.

President Linda Lowenberg announced she will use the Committee Chairman's Reports to complete the President's Report which will be sent to FGCM. Please submit your reports as her report is due January 10!

It was brought to the members' attention that several members were unable to attend today's meeting due to a conflict with the FGCM Fall Board meeting. Marlene Willick moved that in November, 2010, we meet on the third Monday (the 15th). Barbara Schutte seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Those present had an opportunity to sign up to provide an entry for the December 12th Flower Show. If you have any questions about your entry, contact Carol Van Vranken. The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 P.M. Virginia Itschner, Secretary



Fond Farewell

What an honor it has been to serve as president of the Columbia Garden Club, especially during our 90th year! I learned so much about what it means to be a "Federated Garden Club" and the impact we make at the local, state, national and even international level. Our club has a wealth of talent, knowledge and willingness to share with our members and the gardening community. I look forward to 2010 with Karen Blackmore as our new president! She has a "can-do" attitude, great ideas, and has already proven herself to be a valuable member. If we all work together it won't be long before we will be celebrating our 100th birthday!

Linda Jones Lowenberg

Dec. Treasurer's Report

Balance on Hand Nov.	\$3288.13
Income: Dues	\$20.00
Vision of Beauty (5@ \$5.33)	\$26.65
Flower Show H/B (3@ \$15.00)	\$45.00
Design by Type (1@ \$44.95)	\$44.95
Expenses:	
NGC, Inc	\$251.04
11 Vision of Beauty; 10 Flower show H/B; 1 Design By Type and 1 Collection of Installation	
Habitat For Humanity (Undistributed Funds)	\$265.39
Trinity Pres. - Dec Rent	\$25.00
Balance on Hand Dec. 2, 2009	\$2883.30
CD-Premier Bk.	\$3080.01
Total Assets:	\$5963.31



Another Fun Day with Russell Sprouts!



The Junior Garden Club met for the second time following our November meeting. President Linda Lowenberg read stories which the kids enjoyed. Splitting into smaller groups, everyone walked around the school grounds identifying trees and collecting leaves. Back inside, the kids made pictures using pressed leaves provided by the CGC members. A good time was had by all! Members helping were: Alice Havard, Linda Lowenberg, Cindy Deegan and Barbara Rothenberger.

CGC Veterans

The Columbia Garden Club has proven to be a venerable organization. It should be no surprise that it would have its share of WWII veterans. Ken Sadler and Marie Crenshaw, both over 20 years in the club, took part in the Honor Flights to Washington D.C. Both made the trips to three war memorials and both visited Arlington National Cemetery, the resting place of not only veterans, but presidents as well.

Marie joined the club in 1987 and was elected president her second year. Currently she is the Inspiration Committee chair, a job she has held several years. She has been Treasurer as well. During the war, she was stationed in Denver, CO. in the Army Nurse Corp at Fitzsimmons Army General hospital for fifteen months. She says the trip to D.C. "happened so fast" and "was interesting".

Ken, now 85, and his wife, Jane, have won many prizes in the annual Garden Club flower show, including "Best in Show." It will be a pleasure to look for their beautiful displays in the upcoming December show. They make substantial contributions to the annual plant sale. Ken was "all over" during his Army service from 1943 to 1946 as Lieutenant and platoon leader: Fort Benning, GA and the South Pacific (Philippines). He also oversaw the non-Japanese prison at a fine hotel in Japan after the war ended. He says his October Honor Flight meant "a tremendous amount".



Marie Crenshaw was happy and tired, returning home from her Honor Flight at 11:30

Another veteran is Art Schneider. We would welcome his comments and those of any other vets in the club. Write to Melissa Witherington at pianistwriter@yahoo.com or call (573) 256-1819.

We are very proud of our vets and appreciate their service to the country.

Ms. M. Melissa Witherington, EdSp

Who's Who in America 2009

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Karen and Connie Blackmore planting 220 daffodil bulbs between The Bluffs and Columbia Manor nursing homes to support NGC Pres. Renee Blashchke's project Golden Days. Included were 60 King Alford's, 60 Orangerly and 100 mixed varieties.



Barb Schuette is working thru a knee injury and is currently at the Bluffs Nursing Facility for care and therapy. She will be there a couple more weeks and sends her thanks to all who have sent flowers and cards and who have called or came by to check on her. We are sorry that she will miss the flower show and the December meeting! Barb, hang in there and call if we can do anything for you!

Hopefully you are ready for the Flower Show on the 12th and know how you will be helping. There are still openings in design classes. Please help all you can! If you have questions, call Carolyn Doyle at 445-1381 ; Marie Pasley at 474-5245 or me, Karen Blackmore, at 442-



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ATTENTION

Elaine Fix, webmaster, at the state level has been working on the FGCM website and uploaded the whole Garden Club Manual with 2007, 2008 & 2009 updates. The date of the updates since 2007 are highlighted in red for easier viewing. Now members can view the entire manual as it is written.

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