## Columbia Underground

News of the Columbia Garden Club

## **CALENDAR**

#### March 9,1:00pm

"Going to New Zealand"

Barb Rothenberger, PhD

### March 13-15

Art in Bloom

MU Art/Archeology Museum

Art in Bloom

St Louis Art Museum

## April 13, 1:00pm

"Going with Underused Evergreens in the Landscape"

Chris Starbuck, PhD

#### April 20-23

FGCM State Convention, Sedalia

## April 25

CGC Plant, Basket and Bake sale and Garden Bazaar

## April 25

Clean Up Columbia Day

## April 24-28

NGC Convention, Memphis Tenn.

## April 30

Central District Spring Meeting Eldon

## May 11, 1:00p.m.

"Going and Growing with Books & Websites for Garden Enthusiasts"

Linda Lowenberg

## March Meeting:

We are in for a real treat at the March meeting when our own Barb Rothenberger, PhD in Horticulture, will bring her experience in New Zealand to us through a power point presentation on flowers and sites of New Zealand. I know we will enjoy seeing the sites and appreciate her wealth of knowledge.



## <u>ART IN</u> BLOOM

WE had a great response to the request for volunteers for the Fifth Annual Art In Bloom (Columbia) scheduled for March 13-15 this year. Please note that the date is incorrect in our club yearbook. It will be held at the Museum of Art and Archaeology, Pickard Hall. Because we had 12 members volunteer, the Columbia Garden Club will have three entries!

The Art In Bloom weekend schedule is as follows: Friday, March 13, we will set up our designs in the afternoon (TBA). A reception and Art In Bloom pre-

view for museum associates and designers will be held from 5:30-7:00 pm that evening in the Cast Gallery. Following the reception, the museum will open to the public at 7 pm.

Saturday, March 14, Art In Bloom will be open from 9:00-4:00 pm. Art In Bloom for Kids 2:00-3:30 pm.

Sunday, March 15, Art In Bloom will be open from 9:00-4:00 pm. Art In Bloom for Kids 2:00-3:30 pm.

MU's Textile and Apparel Management Department will also display ten costumes with floral themes from the Missouri Historic Costume and Textile Collection.

To visit the museum's website to view past designs go to <a href="http://maa.missouri.edu">http://maa.missouri.edu</a>

Do you have something special you could add to the newsletter? If you are a committee chairperson, I would appreciate it if you would write a short article about your project plans as I know our members and advertisers would love to read about what we accomplish. See me if you have questions!

## Clean Up Columbia

Saturday, April 25 is Clean-Up Columbia Day and it coincides with our annual plant sale. We will certainly have a busy weekend but since it heralds the spring, we can handle it. At the March meeting there will be a sign-up sheet for those Garden Club members who wish to participate in cleaning up McKee Park, which is east of town off of Clark Lane. We will meet there at 10:30 Saturday morning rain or shine – since it is scheduled for later in April this year we may experience more pleasant weather than in the past. If the weather is bad be sure to wear boots (as there is a little stream running through the park), a poncho helps keep the rain off and gloves to pick up glass, etc. Also bring a rake or something to reach under the trees to pull out trash. A post-cleanup BBQ will be held at noon at Twin Lakes Recreation Area with lunch provided by APAC-Missouri, Inc. and the city will provide special T-shirts for the participants. At our march meeting there will be a sign-up sheet and you can let me know the number of BBQ tickets you will need and the sizes of T-shirts. We have always had a fun time in the past as each tries to find the most interesting junk. I will provide more information in April. Thanks, Janet Lasley, Chairman.

# Flowers to Wyatt Guest House and Daniel Boone Regional Library

Thank you to everyone who has contributed flowers and plants to Wyatt Guesthouse and Daniel Boone Regional Library. This can be more of a challenge during the winter months. If you have dried flowers from your garden, this would be one way to showcase your "green thumb" and share them with the community. And, don't forget that evergreens growing in your yard can be a major contributor in a flower arrangement. As stated on page 7 of our yearbook, the flowers and plants that club members take to Wyatt Guesthouse or the Daniel Boone Library are "in-kind" donations, meaning that they are contributions that club members donate. This thoughtfulness is much appreciated.

March contributions of flowers to Wyatt Guesthouse are from Janet Lindstrom and Barb Rothenberger will provide flowers to Daniel Boone Library. Any questions, call Lynn Birkby at 443-8704

## Dates to change in your yearbook:

March 13 thru 15: Art in Bloom, UMC

April 25: Clean up Columbia

June 7 to 13: National Garden Week

August 13 to 23: Missouri State Fair

August 19: Federation Day

## **Treats:**

Lucille Wayland and Janet Lasley will bring treats to the March meeting. Yum Yum!

## **MEET OUR NEW MEMBER**

Judy Franklin joined the CGC at the February meeting. She loves gardening. She and her family moved here from Penn Valley. Her daughters and their families moved here as well, bringing her four grandchildren! Retired, she loves to garden and found us thru the website. Please add Judy to your year-book and make sure you introduce yourself to her and make her feel welcome! She will have to miss the March meeting but promises to see us at the April meeting. I told her she should not miss the Plant sale in April!

Judy Franklin, 3031 Hwy. NN, Moberly, Mo. 65270, phone:

660-269-9036, E-mail: lbf2@bessi.net



The minutes from the February meeting will be available at the March meeting.

## **76th STATE CONVENTION**

The winter-spring edition of <u>the garden forum</u> includes in formation and registration forms for the 2009 convention in Sedalia. It will take place at the Best Western State Fair Motor Inn on April 21,22,23, 2009. I have not attended a state convention but have heard great comments about them in the past. I am interested in attending some of the events but not all. Is anyone else interested so we might carpool? Please contact me at 442-1873 if you are interested. Note the dead-line for registering to avoid a late fee is April 3,2009.

## <u>PLANT , BAKE , MAY BASKETS AND GARDEN BAZARR/ SALE</u>

We have several new members since the last sale. This will be a new experience for you! I have to tell you that this is a highlight for me. I remember my first sale and how wonderful it was to see so many plants that I wanted and some that I had never seen. The members who bring them can tell you about the plants and you will know how they perform in this area. As soon as it is nice enough, you might start digging your plants and potting them up to donate to the sale. We need a really big sale this year to make the extra money needed for our celebration. Another way to help is to make sure your friends and neighbors are aware of the sale early enough that they can plan to attend.

## **CLUB PROJECTS**

There are so many great projects in this club. Projects do require work but we are all great workers! If you have not signed up, now is the time to step up! I work at the Bluffs as we have four large beds there that need tending all season. They are not too hard as long as we stay on top of them. There are other wonderful projects listed on pages 10 and 11 in your yearbook. Please take the time to read those and decide where you can help. If you are no able to do a lot of physical work, we still have a job for you! We always need treats at the meetings, baked goods at the sale, articles for the newsletter, flowers for the library and Wyatt guest House or help with the Jr. Garden club, to name a few. Another important need is new members. All help is appreciated to keep our club going and growing for another 90 years!



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