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Columbia Garden Club

Established July 21, 1919

"Keeping the Heartland Green"



**Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri
2025**



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GARDEN CLUB**

2025



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Organized July 21, 1919

Federated May 1934

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Members

47

Colors

Red and White

Flower

Red Rose



Club Website

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Facebook

Columbia Garden Club

Affiliated Organizations

National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Central Region NGC, Inc.

Federated Garden Clubs of MO, Inc.

FGCM Central District

Meeting Schedule

Second Monday of each month @ 1:00pm

(unless otherwise noted)

Trinity Presbyterian Church

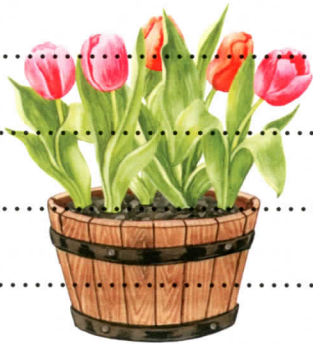
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COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB OFFICERS – 2025

President:

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Diana Cooksey – 573-999-6688

Second Vice-President and Membership Chairman:

Linda Antal – 573-819-4502

Secretary:

Diane Linneman - 573-356-4791

Treasurer:

Mary Nesladek - 573-424-3603

Parliamentarian:

Carolyn Doyle – 573-881-6376



ADVISORY BOARD

Betty Connelly 2024 - 2025
Barbara Rothenberger 2024 – 2025

2025 COMMITTEES & CHAIRPERSON

Audit	Alice Havard
Budget	Mary Nesladek
CGC Web Page	Charley Blackmore
CGC Facebook Page	Evette Nissen
Cleanup Columbia	Carolyn Oates
Conservation/Environment	Melissa Kouba
Courtesy	Jane Jacobs
Flower Show	Betty Connelly, Marie Pasley
Food Bank Volunteers	Marie Pasley
Garden Therapy	Diana Cooksey
Historian	Karen Blackmore
Historical Society Gardens	Alice Havard
Hospitality	Kay Kern, Leigh Speichinger, Patty O'Neal
Inspiration	Leigh Speichinger
Meals On Wheels Bouquets	Marie Pasley
Member Garden Tours	Karen Blackmore
Membership	Linda Antal
Newsletter	Evette Nissen
Plant Sale (Spring)	Betty Connelly, Marie Pasley
Scholarship	Rita Gerke
Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl	
Yard of the Month	Ann O'Dell
Yearbook	Evette Nissen



COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Clean-Up Columbia **Carolyn Oates-Chair**, Patty O'Neal, Rebecca Smith, Cindy Deegan, Betty Connelly, Cathy Fulkerson, Elaine Keely, Lynn Birkby, Maggie Sherburne, Melissa Kouba, Wendy Seaberg, Darlene Rasberry, Marie Pasley, Diane Linneman, Connie Blackmore, Vanita Johnson, Mary Nesladek

Conservation/Environmental **Melissa Kouba-Chair**, Linda Antal, Betty Connelly

Flower Show **Betty Connelly & Marie Pasley-Co-Chairs**, Karen Blackmore, Carolyn Doyle, Alice Havard, Barb Rothenberger, Barb Schuette, Carolyn Oates, Rita Gerke

Food Bank Volunteers **Marie Pasley-Chair**, Diane Linneman, Cindy Deegan, Vanita Johnson, Connie Blackmore, Karen Blackmore, Carolyn Doyle, Betty Connelly, Melissa Kouba, Elaine Keely, Mary Nesladek

Garden Therapy @ The Bluffs **Diana Cooksey-Chair**, Karen Blackmore, Betty Connelly, Rita Gerke, Marie Pasley

Historical Society Gardens **Alice Havard-Chair**, Betty Connelly, Carolyn Doyle, Karen Blackmore, Hugh Harrison, Darlene Rasberry

Hospitality **Kay Kern & Leigh Speichinger & Patty O'Neal-Co-Chairs**, All members sign up to bring refreshments

Member Garden Tours **Karen Blackmore-Chair**

Membership **Linda Antal-Chair** Betty Connelly



COMMITTEE MEMBERS (continued)

Meals on Wheels Bouquets *Marie Pasley-Chair*, Carolyn Doyle, Rebecca Smith, Karen Blackmore, Jane Jacobs, Betty Connelly, Donna Puleo, Jane Jacobs, Diane Linneman

Plant Sale (Spring) *Betty Connelly & Marie Pasley-Co-Chairs*, Mary Nesladek -Cashier and All Membership

Scholarship *Rita Gerke-Chair*, Leigh Speichinger, Ann O'Dell

Yard of the Month *Ann O'Dell-Chair*, Leigh Speichinger,

Yearbook *Evette Nissen-Chair*, Mary Nesladek, Donna Puleo, Betty Connelly, Diana Cooksey **Proofreaders** - Karen Blackmore, Mary Nesladek, Nancy Rold



MEETING OUTLINE

Program

Hospitality

Call to Order

Welcome New Members & Guests

Inspiration

Design Tip/Horticulture Tip

Committee Reports

Old Business

New Business Announcements



2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

13 - CGC Monthly Meeting 1:00

20 - Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl poster due to state chairman

31 - *Garden Forum Spring Issue deadline

FEBRUARY

1 - Club Yearbooks deadline

1 - Presidents' Reports deadline

1 - Scholarship applications to state deadline

10 - CGC Monthly Meeting 1:00

MARCH

4-8 Bloomin' Bus Tour

10 - CGC Monthly Meeting 1:00

21 - Bird Appreciation Day

24-27 - Environmental School Course 2 Land via ZOOM

APRIL

10 - Central District Spring Meeting-Community United Methodist Church, Columbia, MO

14 - CGC Monthly Meeting 1:00

20-24 FGCM State Convention, Springfield MO

25 - CGC Plant Sale Set-Up

26 - CGC Plant Sale

30 - *Garden Forum Summer Issue deadline



MAY

12 - CGC Monthly Meeting 1:00

17 - Clean-Up Columbia Day

18-22 - NGC Convention, North Charleston, SC

JUNE

9 - CGC Monthly Meeting/Members Garden Tours

JULY

4 - Independence Day

14 - CGC Monthly Meeting 1:00

31 - *Garden Forum Fall Issue deadline

2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS (continued)

AUGUST

- 11 - **CGC Monthly Meeting 1:00**
- 13 - Missouri State Fair Federation Day
- 15 - Bird Sanctuaries/Bluebird Trails to Dist. Chair
- 19-20 - Flower Show Judges Symposium, Columbia, MO
- 31 - Bird Sanctuaries/Bluebird Trails to State Chair

SEPTEMBER

- 4 - Central District Fall Meeting, Laurie, MO
- 8 - **CGC Monthly Meeting - Membership Potluck 12:00**
- 15 - Butterfly/Hummingbird app. due to District Director or District Chairman
- 20 - Flower Show - Daniel Boone Regional Library

OCTOBER

- 13 - **CGC Monthly Meeting 1:00**
- 27-28 - Flower Show symposium-Central Region
- 28-29 - Central Region Convention, Elkhart Lake, WI
- 31 - *Garden Forum Winter Issue deadline
- 31 - Butterfly/Hummingbird applications to State Chair
- 31 - District & State Dues to District & State Treasurer
- 31 - Youth Contest to District Chair or District Director

NOVEMBER

- 9-11 - Fall State Board Meeting, Jefferson City, MO
- 17 - **CGC Monthly Meeting 1:00**
- 30 - Books of Evidence to Designated Awards Chairs
- 30 - Project Award Applications to Designated State Chair
- 30 - Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl entries to Dist Chair or District Director
- 30 - Youth Contests to respective FGCM Chair

DECEMBER

- 8 - **CGC Monthly Meeting - Holiday Tea 12:00 and Installation of New Officers**
- 20 - Award of Honor and All Holiday Flower Show Books of Evidence to FGCM Chairs



COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB PROJECTS

Boone County Historical Society Garden

Description: CGC continues to maintain the flower beds of the courtyard at the Boone County Historical Society. This activity began when we celebrated our 90th birthday in 2009.

Location: 3801 Ponderosa Street, Columbia, MO
Community Benefit: Cooperate with other organizations to maintain gardens for the enjoyment and education of the public.

Members Participate: Members plan, plant, weed and prune the beds in the courtyard.

Chairperson: Alice Havard

Cleanup Columbia Day

Description: As part of the annual Cleanup Columbia Day, CGC members pick up trash at a public park. The city provides recycling.

Location: TBA

Community Benefit: To help promote civic beauty, aid in protection and conservation of natural resources, encourage improvement of parks

Members Participate: Members meet to pick up litter and trash.

Chairperson: Carolyn Oates

Columbia Yard of the Month

Description: From May through September the CGC recognizes monthly one or two yards within the city of Columbia for their superior workmanship. They are featured in the CGC newsletter. A sign is placed in their yard.

Community Benefit: Promotes civic beauty, encourages the establishment and maintenance of gardens for enjoyment, education and encourage membership.

Members Participate: Members make recommendations, committee members visit the sites. A one-year membership is offered the winners.

Chairperson: Ann O'Dell



PROJECTS (continued)

Garden Therapy at The Bluffs

Description: Members will create craft kits for the residents on garden related and seasonal projects. Kits will be delivered to the staff at The Bluffs so they can work with the residents. This is an updated procedure when CGC are restricted to enter the building due to health issues of the residents.

Location: 3105 Bluff Creek Drive, Columbia, MO

Community Benefit: Stimulate continuing interest in gardening or create seasonal joy to the residents and visitors to The Bluffs Residential Care Center.

Members Participate: Members will volunteer to make kits or work with the residents to complete the projects as developed by the chair.

Chairperson: Diana Cooksey

Meals on Wheels Bouquets

Description: CGC will make centerpieces for the Meals on Wheels Volunteer Appreciation Dinner held annually in the fall.

Location: TBA

Community Benefit: This will brighten the evening festivities and be used as giveaways to a lucky recipient at each table. Approximately 15 centerpieces are requested.

Members Participate: All members can participate by donating flowers, their time, and talents in creating the centerpieces.

Chairperson: Marie Pasley

Member Garden Tours

Description: Members and guests will tour members' gardens.

Location: Meeting time and place to be announced at a later date depending on members' garden locations.

Community Benefit: To help promote civic beauty.

Members Participate: Identify gardens to be toured, print maps, display signs, bring and/serve refreshments, provide a garden to be toured, participate in the tour. Learn ideas to better landscape their own gardens.

Chairpersons: Karen Blackmore



PROJECTS (continued)

Scholarship

Description: A \$1000 scholarship is awarded to a student majoring in the fields as set out by NGC and FGCM.

Location: University of Missouri

Community Benefit: Promotes the continuation of professionals in the described fields.

Members Participate: Members work at fund raising projects to provide the funding for the scholarship.

Chairperson: Rita Gerke

The Foodbank for Central & Northeast Missouri

Description: Members volunteer for the Central Northeast Missouri Food Bank packing boxes and sorting boxes of food for Seniors, Veterans. Members will volunteer one day a month.

Location: 2101 Vandiver Drive, Columbia, MO

Community Benefit: To support those in our community and Northeastern Missouri, (32 counties) who have food insecurities.

Members Participate: Chairperson will sign up volunteers initially. But then all member volunteers can participate by signing up for each month they will be volunteering.

Chairperson: Marie Pasley

NEW PROJECTS

Boone County Schools - Nature School

Description: The nature school building has been completed. A collaborative group including Missouri Master Naturalists and Master Gardeners is coming together to assist in the design and installation of multiple native plantings for the school. Columbia Garden Club will join this group. Plantings could include a rain-garden, a butterfly/pollinator garden, a native cooking garden and any other plot that might fit the curriculum to teach sustainable living, stewardship, and knowledge of flora and fauna.

Community Benefit: The collaboration of different interested parties will be an example to our community of cooperation. It will assist our teachers in their mission to enrich the curriculum for our children and the future leaders of our community.

Members Participate: All members can participate in varied aspects of this large multi-year project. It will require landscape design, native plant expertise, gardening expertise and leadership, organizing efforts.

Chairperson: Melissa Kouba

FLOWER SHOW PHOTOGRAPHS



2025 PROJECT & EXPENSES AND DONATIONS

Expenses

Convention Delegates	\$360.00
Courtesy	
Dues--District	\$88.00
Dues--State	\$440.00
Hospitality	\$50.00
Meeting Room/Zoom Fees	\$250.00
Memorials/Life Membership	\$50.00
Miscellaneous Cost	
Office Supplies/Stamps, etc.	\$80.00
Speakers	\$40.00
Yearbook	\$120.00
FGCM Gardens at Mizzou	\$100.00
FGCM Powell Garden	\$25.00
FGCM Endowment Fund	\$10.00
FGCM State President Award Fund	\$10.00
FGCM World/Gardening Disaster Fund	\$20.00
Other--Charitable Donations	\$2,000.00
Other--Name Tags	\$63.00
Spring Central District Meeting	
Total Expenses	\$3,706.00

Projects

Art in Bloom	\$50.00
Environmental/Conservation	\$50.00
Flower Show	\$400.00
Garden Therapy at Bluffs	\$50.00
Garden Tour	\$20.00
Historical Society Garden	\$50.00
Information Literature	\$10.00
Memorial Book for Library	\$40.00
Mini Bouquets/Meals on Wheels	\$100.00
UMC Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Workshop Materials	\$125.00
Yard of the Month	\$24.00
Other	



Total Projects

\$1,919.00

Total Expenses & Projects

\$5,625.00

CGC 2025 PROGRAMS & EVENTS

January 13th, 2025
1:00 p.m.
1600 West Rollins Road

Program: Debi Kelly ~ Horticulture Specialist for MU Extension and State Extension Master Gardener Coordinator. "Growing Holland Tulips"

Objective: To learn about the history of tulips, their breeding, and a bit about culture.

Tip: Allow ice to naturally melt off outdoor shrubs and trees as it can cause branches to easily break. Prune off broken or damaged branches promptly to prevent the bark from tearing.



February 10th, 2025
1:00 p.m.
1600 West Rollins Road

Program: Tim Moloney ~ MU Extension ~ "Gardening Through The Seasons"

Objective: To learn about the best plants to use to ensure the most beauty in our gardens throughout the seasons of the year.

Tip: If the ground is dry and unfrozen on a warm day, this is a good time to water evergreens.

March 10th, 2025
1:00 p.m.
1600 West Rollins Road

Program: All club member activity ~ "Planting for the Central District Meeting"

Objective: To involve members in the fun and essential planting of small succulent "favors" in preparation for the Spring Central District Meeting hosted by the Columbia Garden Club in April.

Tip: Ornamental grasses should be cut to the ground and large clumps divided just as new growth appears.

CGC 2025 PROGRAMS & EVENTS (continued)

April 14th, 2025
1:00 p.m.
1600 West Rollins Road

Program: After participating in the "Bloomin' Bus Tour, Charley Blackmore will share his presentation of "The Philadelphia Flower Show."

Objective: To appreciate exemplary gardening in other regions of our country.

Tip: Broadleaf evergreens may be showing signs of winter injury at this point ~ prune any dead and weakened wood.

May 12th, 2025
1:00 p.m.
1600 West Rollins Road

Program: Daniel Downing ~ MU Extension Specialist, Water Quality State Coordinator ~ "Drip Irrigation Basics"

Objective: To learn ways our members can implement simple and efficient watering systems in our home gardens.

Tip: Continue spraying new growth on roses with a fungicide to prevent black spot disease as needed.

June 9th, 2025
**** Member Garden Tours ****
**** Time and locations to be determined ****

Program: Member Garden Tours

We will tour in small groups to see 5 gardens. After a morning of touring, we will meet for a sack lunch picnic.

Objective: Observe design features and view a wide variety of plants to get ideas for our own gardens.

Tip: Leafcutter bees may be causing damage to plants ~ however, no control is needed as these native bees rarely cause actual harm.



CGC 2025 PROGRAMS & EVENTS (continued)

July 14th, 2025

1:00 p.m.

1600 West Rollins Road

Program: Jenna Sommer ~ Horticulture Manager, Mizzou Botanic Garden ~ "Seasonal Splendor: Designing Stunning Annual Container Displays"

Objective: Learn how to design vibrant annual container displays, explore color combinations, plant pairings, and gain essential care tips to keep your displays looking fresh and stunning all season long.

Tip: Powdery mildew is unsightly on lilacs but rarely harmful. Shrubs grown in full sun are less prone to this disease.

August 11th, 2025

1:00 p.m.

1600 West Rollins Road

Program: Carolyn Oates ~ Member of the Central Missouri Judge's Council ~ "Preparing for a Flower Show"

Objective: Members will learn tips to prepare for horticulture and design categories for the upcoming flower show.

Tip: Panicle hydrangeas may flop over with the weight of flower heads. This is normal, and removal is optional.

September 8th, 2025

12:00 p.m.

**** PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN TIME ****

1600 West Rollins Road

Program: Membership meeting and potluck ~ please bring guests!

Objective: To recruit and acknowledge new members and enjoy each other's company.

Tip: Cuttings of annuals can be taken now to provide vigorous plants for overwintering.

CGC 2025 PROGRAMS & EVENTS (continued)

October 13th, 2025

1:00 p.m.

**** PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN LOCATION ****

**** Tour of MU Gardens ****

Program: Karen Blackmore ~ Tour Coordinator for Mizzou Botanic Garden ~ Tour of MU Gardens.

Objective: To learn more about this valuable resource, and learn about the plants, trees, and shrubs that will grow best in our climate.

Tip: Harvest gourds when their shells become hard or when the color changes from green to brown.

November 17th, 2025

1:00 p.m.

1600 West Rollins Road

Program: Erika Van Vracken ~ Special Projects Coordinator ~ will send a representative from the Missouri Prairie Foundation's Grow Native! program to do a presentation on native plantings.

Objective: To learn more about Missouri native plants.

Tip: Continue watering trees and shrubs, especially evergreens, until the ground is frozen.

December 8th, 2025

**** 12:00 p.m. ****

**** PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN TIME ****

1600 West Rollins Road

Program: Holiday Tea & Officer Installation

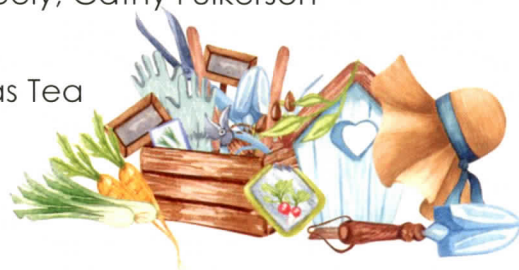
Objective: To celebrate the holidays, promote friendships, and socialize.

Tip: During the winter, houseplants typically need less water than in the summer due to reduced hours of sunlight. Err on the side of caution and use tepid water instead of cold water.

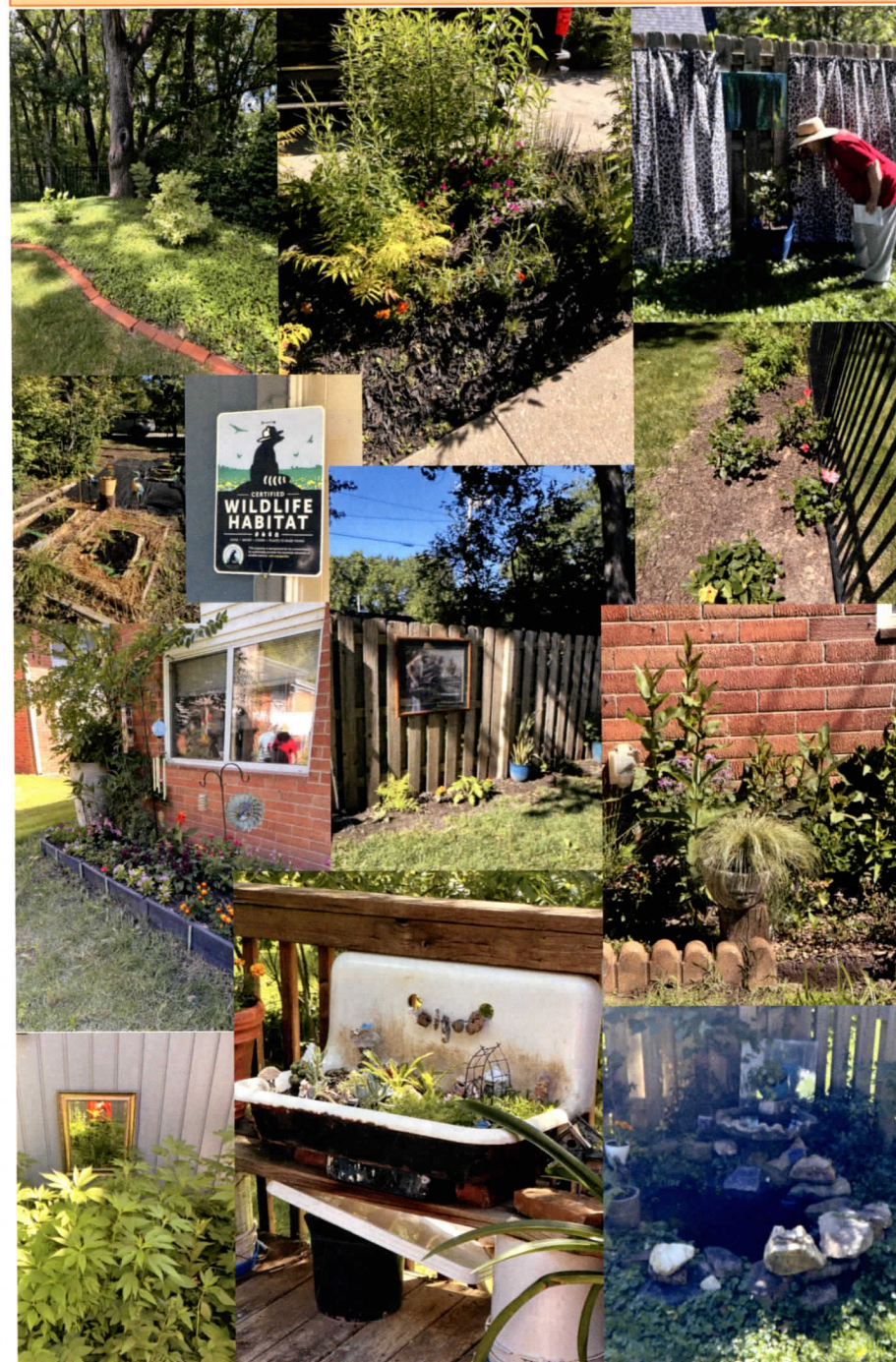


MONTHLY HOSPITALITY SCHEDULE

JANUARY 13	Melissa Kouba, Jane Jacobs
FEBRUARY 10	Ann O'Dell, Diana Cooksey
MARCH 10	Wendy Seaberg, Vanita Johnson
APRIL 14	Betty Connelly, Darlene Rasberry
MAY 12	Rita Gerke, Karen Blackmore
JUNE 9	Carolyn Doyle, Carol Tummons
JULY 14	Karen Blackmore, Mary Nesladek
AUGUST 11	Connie Blackmore, Diane Linneman
SEPTEMBER 8	Potluck
OCTOBER 13	Alice Havard, Cindy Deegan
NOVEMBER 17	Elaine Keely, Cathy Fulkerson
DECEMBER 8	Christmas Tea



GARDEN TOUR PHOTOGRAPHS



COLUMBIA GARDEN CLUB BY-LAWS

Article I Name

The name of this organization shall be the Columbia Garden Club



Article II Objectives

The objectives of this club shall be to stimulate knowledge and love of gardening through sharing of ideas and education; to encourage and participate in civic beautification, to support horticultural institutions and to aid in the protection and conservation of our natural resources, forests, wildlife and native plants.

Article III - Membership

Section 1. The membership shall consist of persons with an interest in gardening and the objectives of this club.

Section 2. Membership in this club requires acceptance of program and committee duties.

Section 3. Request for membership shall be made to the Membership Chair. Upon receipt of dues for the current year, the member shall receive a copy of the current yearbook and the by-laws with standing rules.

Article IV - Dues

Dues shall be paid annually at the first meeting in September for the coming calendar year, and shall be delinquent by October 15.

Article V - Officers and Their Duties

Section 1. The elected officers of this club shall be a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and two advisory board members. In alternate years the retiring President automatically becomes one of the advisory board members, with the other member being elected at the time officers are elected.

CGC BY-LAWS (continued)

Article V - Officers and Their Duties (continued)

Section 2. The **Parliamentarian** shall be appointed by the President. The Parliamentarian shall attend meetings of the Executive Committee and the Executive Board and when requested, advise the President and members of parliamentary procedures.

Section 3. The **President** shall preside at all meetings of the club, the Executive Committee, and Executive Board. The president shall convey all rules and regulations relating to the club. The President shall be the official representative in all State and District activities of the club.

The President shall call special meetings when deemed necessary and in the event of an emergency may cancel a meeting with approval from the Executive Committee. The President shall appoint the Parliamentarian and the chair of all standing committees. The President shall appoint the chair of the Nominating Committee from the Executive Board and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

Section 4. The **First Vice-President** shall be program chair and an aide to the President. The First Vice-President shall in the absence of the President perform the duties of that office, and in case of a permanent vacancy in the office of the President, shall become President for the remainder of the term. The First Vice-President shall schedule the yearly programs and remind the speakers at least one week prior to the date of the program. The First Vice-President shall introduce speakers and assist them in any way possible.



A weed is a plant that has mastered every survival skill except for learning how to grow in rows. – Doug Larson

CGC BY-LAWS (continued)

Article V - Officers and Their Duties (continued)

Section 5. The **Second Vice-President** shall perform the duties of the First Vice-President and President in their absence. The Second Vice- President shall be membership chair and with the aid of the Treasurer compile an accurate membership list for the club yearbook. When new members join, the Second Vice-President shall supply them with a yearbook and the club by-laws. The Second Vice President shall make a list of new members' addresses and telephone numbers and/or other contact information and give copies to officers and the newsletter editor.

Section 6. The **Secretary** shall record proceedings of general club meetings, the Executive Committee meetings, and the Executive Board meetings. The Secretary should have in her possession the minutes for the current year, plus the previous two years; all others shall be stored with other historic documents. The secretary shall send a copy of minutes to the President and newsletter editor within a week after any meeting. The Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the club as directed by the President.

Section 7. The **Treasurer** shall be custodian of the funds of the club and shall pay only bills approved by the assembly. The Treasurer shall collect all dues, notify delinquent members, file receipts and expenditures, and pay all State and District per capita dues by November 1st. The Treasurer shall make monthly reports at the general membership meeting and serve as chair of the Budget committee. The Treasurer shall submit the books for audit annually. A state Life Membership will be given to each outgoing President. The Treasurer will be responsible for obtaining the Life Membership for presentation at the December meeting.

CGC BY-LAWS (continued)

Article VI - Nominations – Elections - Vacancies

Section 1. Nominations.

1. The Nominating Committee shall consist of three members. To be eligible to serve on the committee a member must have attended at least three meetings during the year. The President shall appoint one member from the Executive Board to serve as the chair of the Nominating Committee. Two members shall be elected by the assembly at the June general meeting.
2. The Nominating Committee shall present the slate of officers at the September general meeting.
3. Nominations may be made from the floor provided that the consent of the nominee has been previously obtained.

Section 2. Elections

1. Elections shall be held every two years at the September meeting. Officers shall be elected for a term of two years and be installed at the December meeting. They shall take office at the general meeting in January.
2. Elections shall be by ballot except where there is only one candidate for office, in which case election shall be by voice vote. Majority of votes cast shall elect to office.

Section 3. Vacancies

1. If a permanent vacancy arises in the office of President, the First Vice-President shall succeed to that office and the new First Vice- President shall be appointed by the Executive Committee.
2. If a vacancy occurs in any office except that of the President, the Executive Committee shall appoint a member to fill the office until the next regular election.

*When the world wearies and society fails to satisfy,
there is always the garden. – Minnie Aumonier*



CGC BY-LAWS (continued)

Article VII - Executive Committee - Executive Board

Section 1. The elected officers, advisory board members, and the Parliamentarian shall constitute the Executive Committee.

Section 2. The Executive Committee and all chairs of the Standing Committees shall constitute the Executive Board.

Section 3. The Executive Board shall hold no fewer than two meetings per year upon call of the President.

Section 4. A majority of members, including three officers, shall constitute a quorum for both the Executive Committee and the Executive Board.

Section 5. Should circumstances require creative solutions, the Officers and Board may with approval of the membership at a general meeting take such actions as are necessary to provide for the well-being and continuance of the Columbia Garden Club.



Article VIII - Meetings

Section 1. The general club meetings shall be held on the second Monday of each month. (Rev. 11/2017)

Section 2. The annual meeting shall be held at the general meeting in November. Annual reports shall be given by the standing chairs and the President.

Section 3. The majority of members present at the previous meeting shall approve change of any general meeting.

Section 4. Special meetings may be called by the President when deemed necessary.

Section 5. In the event of an emergency, the President may cancel a general meeting by telephone with the approval of the Executive Committee.

CGC BY-LAWS (continued)

Section 6. Members present, plus two Executive Committee members shall constitute a quorum at any regular meeting.



Article IX - Committees and Chairs Duties

Section 1. All committees shall be subject to the call of their respective chairs.

Section 2. All committee chairs shall present a written report of their years work on an 8.5 by 11 inch sheet of paper at the annual meeting in November.

Section 3. The duties of the standing committee and chairs are as follows:

a. The Audit Committee shall audit the Treasurer's accounts after December 15th and shall present a report at the general January meeting.

b. The Budget Committee shall prepare and submit an annual proposed budget of estimated receipts and disbursements for approval by the Executive Board and the membership at the general January meeting.

c. The Citations Committee shall prepare and give local business/ institutional landscaping citations and send their names to the State Citations Chair.

d. The Community Projects Committee shall be in charge of all club activities pertaining to civic beautification and shall encourage participation in appropriate community activities.

e. The Conservation/Environmental Committee shall keep club members informed about National and State Garden Club conservation programs encompassing birds, butterflies, wildflowers, and the environment. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to promote club projects in this area.



CGC BY-LAWS (continued)

Article IX - Committees and Chairs Duties (continued)

f. The Courtesy Chair shall be responsible for all courtesies sent to members and friends of Columbia Garden Club. The Courtesy Chair shall keep a yearly record of deceased members and send this information to the State Chaplain by December 31st.

g. The Exhibits and Horticulture Committee shall be responsible for exhibits at the general meetings as programmed. Its members shall encourage other members to share plant information and shall create awareness of new information in horticulture.

h. The Flower Show Committee shall have charge of all flower shows of the club according to the rules of the National Council *Handbook for Flower Shows*, 2nd edition 2007.

i. The Garden Therapy Committee shall encourage and provide opportunities for special needs groups to participate in gardening-related activities.

j. The Garden Tours Chair shall arrange tours to members' gardens and provide directions for touring.

k. The Historian shall collect newspaper articles and other memorabilia of the club and compile it in a suitable scrapbook for display at the September meeting.

l. The Hospitality Committee along with membership shall be responsible for providing refreshments for club functions.

m. The Inspirational Chair shall present a suitable inspirational message at the beginning of each regular meeting.

n. The Membership Chair's duties are described in Article V, Section 5.

o. The Newsletter Committee shall publish a newsletter for the membership.

p. The Program Chair's duties are described in Article V, Section 4 and Standing Rule 3.

CGC BY-LAWS (continued)

Article IX - Committees and Chairs Duties (continued)

q. The Publications Chair shall make State and National publications available to members and shall order subscriptions when asked.

r. The Publicity Chair shall give news releases to the media about such items as club meetings and other garden club events.

s. The Telephone Committee shall contact members regarding activities such as tours, luncheons, and meetings.

t. The Ways and Means Committee shall provide ways of raising funds for the Club.

u. The Yard of the Month Committee shall select one or two yards in the City of Columbia for recognition during the months of May through September.

v. The Yearbook Chair and members of the Executive Committee shall compile the information for the yearbook and have it prepared

Article X - Parliamentary Authority

Roberts' Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern the club in all cases to which they are applicable and consistent with these by-laws or those of the National, State, or District.

Article XI - Amendments to By-Laws

These By-laws may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that a notice of the amendment changes have been presented in the club newsletter prior to the meeting. All amendments shall be dated, and the By-laws Committee shall give a copy to the President and the Program Chair.

Article XII - Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Columbia Garden Club, assets shall be distributed to the Central District of the Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, Inc

CGC BY-LAWS (continued)

Standing Rules

1. Time of the regular meetings will be 1:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted in the yearbook.
2. Garden Club meetings will automatically be canceled if the Columbia Public Schools are canceled due to inclement weather.
3. If an outgoing President is already a Life Member, \$50.00 will be donated to the State Scholarship Fund, Honor/Memorial Book (FGCM).
4. The Club shall contribute \$40 each year to the Columbia Public Library for a gardening book in memory of deceased members and friends of Columbia Garden Club.
5. Members joining after June 1st will pay half dues for the remaining program year. (rev. January 2010)
6. CGC will pay one membership fee for Yard of the Month award winners when they enroll as club members (2013).
7. CGC will pay the base registration fee for the CGC President and 1st Vice President or their representative to the annual FGCM State Convention as voting representatives for CGC at the convention. The Delegate Form (in the winter Garden Forum) needs to be sent by the club president by registration deadline. (3-2015)

By-laws revision approved by Columbia Garden Club on November 13, 2017.



Gardening simply does not allow one to be mentally old, because too many hopes and dreams are yet to be realized.

– Allan Armitage

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Marie Pasley 2021



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I grow plants for many reasons: to please my eye or to please my soul, to challenge the elements or to challenge my patience, for novelty or for nostalgia, but mostly for the joy in seeing them grow. – David Hobson

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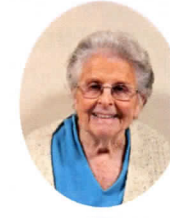
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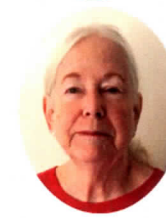
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