

"Columbia Underground"

Member National Garden Club, Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, and Central District

Upcoming Events

June 10 CGC Tours Powell Gardens- More info below.

July 8 CGC Monthly meeting "4 Season Containers"

August 14 FGCM Day at the Missouri State Fair

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Columbia Garden Club June 10 Meeting Tour of Powell Gardens

Carpool-

When: Monday, June 10, 2019 @ 7:45

Where: Cosmos Park (first parking lot on the right)

At Powell Gardens- Entrance fee \$10, paid by each member.

Lunch- 11:45 @ Café' Thyme (at Powell gardens) pay per member \$7 to \$12.

Questions call Betty Connelly 1-405-808-6969 or bettyconnellywi@yahoo.com

Some of the featured gardens at Powell:

- Woodland & Stream Garden
- Fountain Gardens
- The Heartland Harvest Garden
- The Island Garden
- Meadow and Pavilion
- Perennial Gardens



"Jack in the Pulpit"

Arisaema triphyllum

"Jack" refers to the erect stalk (spadix) enveloped by the shroud (spathe), like a preacher standing erect in the pulpit.

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FGCM Day at the Missouri State Fair

August 14 is Federated Garden Club of Missouri day at the Missouri State Fair. This is the day to bring horticulture and design exhibits to show the rest of the state how garden club members "Make Missouri Bloom". If you aren't up for exhibiting just go to the Fair, it is a fun place to see lots of exhibits and animals. If you have an interest in exhibiting at the State Fair, contact Marie Pasley 573-474-5245 for information.

Columbia Garden Club History "A Century of Beauty" Continued

In 1959 the club set a 5 year goal of community members purchasing and planting, 500 'Hopa' Crabapple trees throughout Columbia.

In 1965 membership is 105. The 'Hopa' Crabapples are still being sold in the community. The club plants 5 in the Maude Hall Jones Park. The cutting garden at Ellis Fischel is eliminated because a research center is built on the garden grounds. A memorial garden is established with the support of Columbia Garden Club at Ellis Fischel. Members support the State Scholarship fund by donating a Federated Garden Club of Missouri Life membership to the outgoing club president, a tradition that continues today. The Jr. Garden Club continues. The club purchases and donates one acre of land to Rockbridge State Park.

In 1969 membership is 110. 300 invitations are mailed out to prominent Missourians to attend the 50th Columbia Garden Club Anniversary. The celebration was held at the home of Mrs. Harold "Eutsy" Johnson, now the home of Old Hawthorne Golf Course/Country Club.

1972 membership is 89. The litter committee sets a goal of having a litter bag in every car. A flower arranging workshop is held for the patients at Mid Missouri Mental Health. Members consult with Columbia Parks and Recreation on the redesigning of planter boxes downtown and support landscape rehabilitation at Nifong Park. A plant sale fundraiser is held at Candlelight Lodge. Members appear on the "Ladies TV Show" to discuss club activities.

1976 membership is 71. Members continue work on the Memorial garden at Ellis Fischel Hospital. Landscaping and upkeep is done at the Wardrobe. Marking Indian trails and "Thong Trees" is a new club project. Members design a garden for Boone Retirement Center.

1987 Membership is 60. Club members continue to establish bird sanctuaries and do bird and butterfly counts. Members serve as hostesses for the

Maplewood Home Christmas tours and provide decorations and arrangements for the home. Members also provide Christmas arrangements for Boone Retirement Center. A Horticultural Tip is given at every club meeting.

1990 membership is 57. Members work on the development of a master landscape plan for the Boone County Historical Society Museum and plant a tree on the museum grounds.

In 1995 the membership is 51. Members donate trees to the Habitat for Humanity homes. The Club becomes a "Partner in Education" with Columbia Public Schools by working with special needs elementary students teaching gardening information. The Club honors 3 Columbia businesses with Citations for outstanding landscapes. 2 Yard of the Month gardens are selected monthly April through September.

2000 Membership is 69. A club web site is developed on COIN. Members work with KMIZ TV in locating and highlighting outstanding gardens in Columbia to present on "Gardening the Wright Way" with weatherman Randy Wright. Members develop and plant a historic garden around the log cabin at Rockbridge State Park.

2009 Membership is 63. Members continue to support state scholarships by giving a Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri life membership to the outgoing club president, the club donates to Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri projects of the Nature Conservancy, World Gardening/Disaster Fund, Powell Gardens, Roadside wildflowers, and Habitat for Humanity, locally donate gardening books to the Columbia Public Library. Projects continued are annual plant sale, annual club garden tour, club web page and monthly newsletter, 2 Yard of the Month winners are presented April thru September, Business Citation awarded for outstanding landscape, and the annual flower show (on Dec. 12 at the Columbia Public Library this year). Although members don't work with Ellis Fischel patients, we do provide floral bouquets to the Hospital guest house "Wyatt House", monthly. 3 years ago we started entering the University Art & Archeology Museum annual "Art in Bloom" design project. Members continue to work with local Habitat for Humanity

homes. A Jr. Garden Club was restarted in 2008 at Russell Blvd. School, named the "Russell Sprouts".

2015 CGC has 48 members. Columbia Garden Club assist in hosting the Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri state convention at Tan Tara at Osage Beach this year. Columbia Garden Club partnered with the Central Missouri Judges Council to design and place all centerpieces for the convention. We volunteered at the Food Bank of Central & Northeast Missouri, packaging seeds to be distributed to patrons of the food bank. We do "Garden Therapy" with the patients at *The Bluffs*, this consist of helping patients with flower arranging, decorating seasonal items; gourds, pumpkins, mugs, etc. Columbia Garden Club continues to maintain gardens at the Boone County Historical Society facility. Columbia Garden Club developed and maintained 4 storybook gardens at the Women and Children's Hospital; a succulent garden "Franklin Goes to the Hospital", herb garden "Wizards", "A Fairyland Garden", and white garden "Goodnight Moon". We won \$100 from the FGCM Landscape Design Council for this project.

In 2019 Columbia Garden Club has 44 members. We continue to do "Garden Therapy" with patients at *The Bluffs*. We continue to plant and maintain gardens at the Boone County Historical Society building. The children gardens are growing well at the Women and Children's Hospital. We participated in our 12th year cleaning up McGee Park in northeast Columbia as part of *Clean Up Columbia*. We have given a \$500 scholarship to a college student going into a horticulture related field for several years. This year our \$500 scholarship winner won the Federated Garden Club of Missouri \$4,000 scholarship and \$4,000 from National Garden Clubs, we were very proud of him. We publish a monthly newsletter and have added a web page for members and the community to browse.

After 100 years Columbia Garden Club continues the mission started by our founder, Mrs. James Gordon of beautifying and educating the community on the benefits of gardening.

This invitation was read at the Spring Central District meeting on May 9.

CGC Invite to Fall CD Meeting & 100 Anniversary

- Columbia Garden Club has been federated for 85 years. But we will be a club for 100 years in July of this year. We were formed in July 1919.
- We are hosting the Central District Fall Meeting on September 28. So we felt it was a great idea to invite our friends and fellow gardeners of Central District to celebrate our 100 year anniversary with us.
- Our program will be "A Century of Beauty" presented by Stephens College fashion department.
- The Meeting will be held on September 27 at Olivette Christian Church on Hwy. WW, east off of 63 south in Columbia. Registration starts at 9 am.
- Columbia Garden Club members will be wearing our favorite clothing style of the past 100 years, we hope you will join us by wearing your favorite fashion style of the past 100 years.