Columbine Garden Club February 2023 Newsletter

Check out our new logo! Many thanks to **Larrice Sell for the** lovely design.



January 12, 2023 **Meeting Recap**

- Kris Miller reported that we received a grant in the amount of \$7500 from the CO Garden Foundation. The funds will be used to refurbish the Ann Hector/Kris Miller Perennial Garden and picnic area in Ruth Mill/Bill Macy Park at 5th and Colorado Blvd. in Idaho Springs. It is anticipated that some club funds will also be used for the project. Planning starts now and work will be done in early Summer. If you want to participate in this project, contact Kris.
- Amy Tomlinson presented a program on Raised Bed Gardening, featuring her selfirrigating raised bed planters. The slide presentation is available via email. Send Amy a message at ahtomlinson@me.com to request it.
- Irene Kincade reported that the lunch at the Elks Club Craft Sale in November netted about \$500 for the club. Volunteers reported that it was a fun day and they are looking forward to doing this again in 2023.

February CGC Meeting Thursday, February 9th

Noon at the Elks Club

We will be putting together Valentine gift bags for the 31 seniors living at Project Support Senior Center and the Mitchell-White residence in Idaho Springs. The club will purchase candy and a variety of other items for the bags. Please do not purchase additional items...this is contrary to what was announced at the January meeting. The lunch menu is chili and cornbread. If you plan to attend, please rsvp to Linda Yowell at 303-898-8017 by Monday, February 6th. Please bring donations for Loaves & Fishes.

2023 Plant Giveaway and Bake Sale

Saturday, May 13 **Project Support Senior Center** in Idaho Springs



This event is held in conjunction with Social Ethics to raise money for both clubs. Contributions of plants and baked goods will be needed. Start your cuttings or seedlings now so they are in good shape for the May event. Houseplants, vegetables, succulents, seeds, perennials or other plants are welcome contributions. To volunteer on the day of the sale, contact Kris Miller at 303-567-9653.

CGC HELPS PROJECT SUPPORT SENIOR CENTER (PSSC)
CGC, CCMRD, PSSC residents & a great group of kids spent time together making Fairy Gardens on January 10th.
Contact Linda Yowell if you would like to participate in future age-mixing events!

The Annual CGC Plant Sale is back!

Friday, June 9 – Sunday, June 11 at the Argo Mill Barn

Volunteers are needed to organize the event and to take shifts each day at the sale. Plants for sale will include bedding and hanging annuals, and possibly herbs, veggies and native perennials. To volunteer, contact Linda Yowell

rickyowell7682@msn.com or 303-898-8017



Kris Miller has their full attention!

Mill Creek Valley Historical Society

Mardi Gras!

Saturday, February 18th, 5-9:30 P.M.

At the Dumont School
Gumbo, jambalaya, beans and rice, a special
Cajun cocktail and other adult beverages.

Masks or costumes are encouraged!
\$20 per person. Contact Kris Miller for tickets.

¶(303) 567-9653

CO GARDEN & HOME SHOW

FEB. 4-12, 2023
CO CONVENTION CENTER
ADULTS: \$12.00 PP
SENIORS: \$10.00 PP
Kids 12 & under - FREE
For more info and tickets
CLICK HERE

JAN BOWLAND'S HIGH ALTITUDE BANANA BREAD

⅓ cup vegetable oil

3/4 cup sugar

2 eggs

4-5 over-ripe bananas, preferably frozen, then thawed to room temp.

1 3/4 cups flour

1 t. baking powder

1/2 t. baking soda

1/2 t. salt

1 t. vanilla (optional)

Optional - 1 cup chopped nuts or 1/2 cup if using chocolate chips

1/2 c. mini chocolate chips - optional

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease 3 or 4 mini loaf pans. Combine dry ingredients in a small bowl. Combine oil, sugar, eggs and bananas in mixer bowl. Mix well. Add dry ingredients followed by nuts and/or chips. Mix until well combined. Divide batter among three or four pans - it will come about ¾ of the way to the top edge if using three pans. Bake in center of oven 30 minutes for four pans or 35 minutes for three pans or until a toothpick comes out clean. Cool on wire rack. Remove from pans when still warm.

