



March 9, 2023 Meeting Recap

- Kris Miller reported that we will be using a new vendor for the June Plant Sale. Conversations are being held about what will be available. We will also be using previous vendors to round out the selection.
- Irene Kincade reported that she is investigating a way to take credit cards at our various sales. This will likely include the purchase of a tabletop terminal at a cost of \$99. There would be a standard charge per transaction when the system is used.
- We played flower bingo with winners taking home a potted shamrock or primrose plant, or some nice stone jewelry and keychains from Nature's Own Science and Nature Store in Nederland.
- City of Idaho Springs Planting Day is Thursday, June 1st. Help will likely be needed. More info to follow in May.
- Tobi Howell has done a fantastic job with the website. Since Tobi was not present, Amy Tomlinson walked everyone through some of the great website features.

April CGC Meeting Thursday, April 13th

Noon at the Elks Club The April meeting topic will be "How to Divide Perennials". The lunch menu is pasties, salad and dessert. If you plan to attend, please rsvp to Linda Yowell at 303-898-8017 by Monday, April 10th. Suggested (but not mandatory) contribution for lunch is \$10.00 Bring a friend!

> Please bring donations for Loaves & Fishes.



2023 Plant Giveaway and Bake Sale Saturday, May 13 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Project Support Senior Center in Idaho Springs



This event is held in conjunction with Social Ethics. Contributions of plants and baked goods are 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. Bake sale items should be cut or plated and wrapped or bagged for our grab-and-go buyers. To volunteer on the day of the sale, contact Kris Miller at 303-567-9653. We will take two hour shifts.

The Annual CGC Plant Sale is back!

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

"SPEED DATING WITH MASTER GARDENERS" Saturday, April 29th from 1-3:30 p.m. Idaho Springs Visitors Center Free /Donations graciously accepted

Each of six tables will have a Master Gardener at the table. Each table will have a specific topic. Topics may include

- Pruning
- Noxious weeds
- Native plants
- Growing vegetables at altitude
- Critical features of a pollinator garden
- Mountain soils
- Solar greenhouses
- Spring Clean-up
- Free garden journal for all attendees

The Master Gardener will present a few interesting details about the topic and then participants will get to ask the MG their own questions. Participants spend 15 minutes at a table and then rotate to the next. All are welcome. Advance registration is required. <u>Click here</u> to register or call 303-888-5429 by April 25th.

Scraps-To-Soil

Click here for info about the IS Community Garden and their Sustainability Series

Check out our new website! <u>columbinegardenclub.com</u>



To volunteer for the plant sale planning group or the sale, contact Linda Yowell <u>rickyowell7682@msn.com</u> or 303-898-8017

Upcoming Events

Viet Nam Veteran's Day April 2nd, 2-4 p.m. IS Elks Club

Free lunch for Viet Nam Vets Georgetown Loop Railroad

Opening Day April 8

Easter Egg Hunts – All on April 8th Clear Creek County Libraries Strauss Park - 10:00 a.m. Clear Creek Rec Center Pool 11:30 a.m. IS Elks Club Courtney Riley Cooper Park – Noon Town of Empire Theobald Park

2:00 p.m.

365Health Fair

April 29th, 7:30 a.m. to Noon Clear Creek Rec Center/Idaho Springs Online registration preferred <u>http://365health.org/</u>