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Welcome, & Happy New Year !!

I hope everyone had a great Holiday! This is the first meeting of this 17th year of the “Children's Garden Club” I am glad to see everyone February the 6th we will be at Sappington Garden Center 11530 Gravois, Fun Things To do In the Garden - we will be doing a Horticultural craft, also for Home & Garden Flower Show March 3rd – 6th 2016.

I want to Thank Bob Baisch, John Baisch, & Zak Baisch , and Glen Sprich of Baisch & Skinner of Wholesale Florist, which is one of the Largest Wholesale Florist distributors in the Midwest . Glen thank You for hosting our first meeting in 2016 this is our 17th year and growing. We also Thank You for your participation in the St. Louis Builders Home & Garden Children's Garden Club at the home show section Booth # 141 for C.G.C. and # 243 the Flower show .

The Great folks here at Baisch & Skinner have a great tour lined up for us to see product they receive daily fresh from around the world – the World Flower Market in Holland, Costa Rica, Ecuador, South America, Columbia, Mexico, New Zealand, Italy, Austria, Amsterdam, Guatemala, and along with the United States, from Hawaii, Florida, California, and Colorado. Then we will before we proceed to the Flower Arranging School Building

Do not forget to go www.stlouisco.com/parks to see photos of yourselves and we now have a ‘St. Louis County Parks Gardening’ Facebook page or also ‘St. Louis County Parks’.



I pleased to welcome back Madelyn Hucker , for those that were here last year remember Madelyn is a member of The Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, Madelyn will help us out with this years Youth section show schedule to be held at the America Center – downtown – St. Louis From March 3rd – 6th, also as in past Sue Reed will help out with the pick up from Sherwood Forest Nursery & Garden Center by 12:00 noon I would like Sue to come up and talk to you directly since she is the one that is helping you and your parents out

If You wish to take Notes I can give you some blank paper. Since the Print shop is now closed We will not longer have printed hand at the meeting. You need to go to www.stlouisco.com/parks and get the information that has been discussed . information to reference back to.

Some people think you have to be born to paint, Act, Cook, Garden, or Flower Arrange, but that is not true. I agree it may come easier to some, but I feel everyone can and has done a great job in past youth flower shows. So now watch – learn – do and practice at home to come up with that great arrangement to enter & win a blue ribbon.

Madelyn will help us out with this year's show schedule “ Cheers “ for 2016 Youth section Class # 1 “ Over the Rainbow “ - a design of fresh and / or dried arrangement featuring one of the Colors of the Rainbow .

2 “ Out of Africa “ - Arrangement of dried material featuring an African animal

3 “ Deep Sea Diver “ - Fresh an or dried arrangement incorporating a shell

Background used should be a minimum of 8” x 11”. If you wish to take notes, check off some of the pages that follow or just pay attention to and use the following written information as back reference all is great.

COLOR SCHEME – FLOWERS

Aim at a medley rather than a riot of color when you want flowers to add to the beauty of your home. Unless yours is a monochromatic scheme, flowers that repeat your one or more of the room colors will be a most dramatic arrangement décor.

A Monochromatic - color scheme, in various tints and shades of red, with large amounts of white serving as a cool accent. Chrysanthemums that echo the room colors stand out against a background with a white glass container. In another area of a room, Against a rose of red background, white flower would be good.

Analogous room scheme uses yellow and yellow-green against an off-white background. Yellow and yellow-orange colors of a daylily arrangement in a pewter vase are in food harmony with the basic decorating colors of a room. In a room whose color scheme as mentioned, few flower colors would be unacceptable, but against a neutral wall, the warm or advancing hues for flowers will probably do most to enliven a rather quiet room.

How many of you were part of the Flowers For Kids educational program that we had at Queeny Park two years ago? The instructors that day taught us about how to take care of, and enjoy flowers. The class encompasses a little bit of biology, chemistry, and artistry.

By the end of the class all involved learned how to treat flowers, make flower food, and do a basic flower arrangement with fillers, lines, focal and greens. The best part is that the students then got to take home their bouquets also, they all did a - European Bouquet – which is a assortment of flowers for the season as you would get them from the corner flower stand in Europe . There are round, Victorian, trailers or cascade, crescents, line and a contemporary, bouquets.

The basic Recipe for a arrangement – Line materials are the first elements placed in the Bouquet. This can also be the Dominant or Focal Material or Flower. Such as Lilies, Iris, Peonies, Hydrangeas, Gladiolus, Sunflowers, etc.. Secondary Flowers or material such as Roses, Daisy pomps, Gerber Daisy, carnations, lisianthus, etc.. and the Filler flower – material which occupies the open spaces in the composition, which is a personnel preference by no mean is it mandatory in your design. Along with the filler consider you Greens or foliage the effect it can give a arrangement or bouquet can really accent it and or set it off with the composition such as eucalyptus, camellia Italian ruckus or leather leaf.

Aim or look for Harmony for the entire bouquet, Color from whites, to pastels or bright colored flowers to help accent or show off the Theme you are trying to create from Classical, Romantic, Exotic, to Contemporary .

Once you have chosen your theme or flowers you like combine them together and see how they look together, a mixed bouquet looks best using there to four varieties plus foliage. Snip all flower and foliage on angle for a good drink of water - Strip off lower foliage from the ends of the stems. Lay the flowers count on the table. Start with the largest flower to form the center, add 3 – 5 cluster of foliage, add one of the other flowers, mix in more of the center or focal flower, add some more foliage, add another flower you selected, add some more foliage and combine your focal flower with the other flower you selected and some more foliage and tie a ribbon around to give as the bouquet . Now when you get home you can untie and place it in your favorite vase and enjoy.

The Home & Garden Flower Show is co- presented by East Central District, Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, Inc., National Garden Clubs, Inc and the Home builders association. In cooperation with St. Louis County Parks, Children's Garden Club. NGC rules states that all dried plant material is treatable, meaning the dried surface can be painted, glittered, glued etc. Purchasing treated plant material is also allowed. For Ex: Younger children could even use finger paints.

There can be NO plastic or "silk" product used in a dried design. Fresh plant material can NEVER be treated in NGC shows.

February 6th , 2016 **Fun Things to do in the Garden** – Sappington Garden Center
11530 Gravois Road

March 6th , 2016 **Pollinators & Plants** - Sherwood Forest Nursery & Garden Center,
2651 Barrett Station Road

March 3rd-6th, 2016 **Home & Garden show** – Join us at the America Center - Booth

April 2nd , 2016 **Fun in the Garden** - For the Garden by Haefner's 6703 Telegraph
Road

May 7th , 2016 **Annual & Vegetables** – Compliments Wiethop's Greenhouses
Jefferson Barracks - Ordinance Bldg. –

June 4th **2016** **Plant colorful annual combo** - Sherwood Forest Nursery & Garden
center,
2651 Barrett Station Road

July 9th , 2016 **Fun in the Garden** - Chesterfield Valley Nursery -16825 N. Outer Rd

