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Check it regularly for late news and changes to the Calendar and Events.

From the President

Spring is here, along with the snow, but that is Springtime in the Rockies! I always look forward to Spring as it is a rebirth of all things wonderful for everyone. Spring is the symbol of life with the promise of blooming flowers, and trees start getting new and tender leaves while the bees and butterflies fly about with vigor.

This past year has been challenging, at best. My garden kept my spirits up; I am looking forward to a new, happier, healthier year.



My term as President is coming to an end in June. These last two years have been so fulfilling, educational, and fun. I have had so much support and thank everyone for making this experience so fantastic.



The incoming President, Nancy Griffin, is bringing her knowledge and enthusiasm for everyone's benefit. She has my complete support, and I know she will outstandingly perform her duties.

May your year be full of love, happiness, and bountiful gardens.

Sincerely,
Margie Soileau,
CFGC President

From the Editors

Dear CFGC Members,

You may sometimes wonder what types of articles we want for the Connection. First of all, we want news about your club and news about upcoming events of interest to our members. Remember to tell us the who, what, when, where, why and how.

Next, anything about gardening. It needs to be informative and detailed. If you routinely get a bumper crop of tomatoes, what variety do you plant, what's the pH of your soil, what do you do about cutworms, how much do you water, etc. Pretend a new neighbor from out of state who knows nothing about gardening is asking.

If you feel like you're not an expert, get over it. We all learn from exchanging information, even if the information is "I tried this and it didn't work."

We can use reviews: book reviews, website reviews, video reviews, new product reviews. I don't think the reviews have to be on the latest book out. I'd love to know which books are your favorite go-tos for information and why. Which videos on YouTube are the best on creating terrariums, planting iris or making bee hives?

As well as media reviews, descriptions of gardens and nature trails you've visited, here in Colorado and elsewhere. What do you think of Botanica in Wichita? Cross Orchards in Grand Junction? Why should a garden club member make a point of visiting? Pictures are good. (Check on permissions.)

What do you do with what you grow? Do you make bird houses from your gourds, potpourri from your herbs, salsa from your tomatoes and peppers? Right now, I'm wondering what to do with all the baby spider plants I've got.

Tips and tricks: have you figured out a good way to dig a deep hole without dislocating a hip or a knee? Share.

I do need to caution folks who want to submit something that we cannot use copyrighted works without permission. That poem that was read at your last garden club meeting may have been big hit, but unless you wrote it, we can't use it, unfortunately.

Meanwhile, happy planting! It's spring again!

Susan Pelto
Editor

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad

Garden Gadgets - Tillers

Spring is the time for working the soil. Either to merely break it up or to work in augmentations and, in the case of turf, seed. Tilling soil can be a tiring, even back-breaking, task, especially if there's a lot of ground to work and not a lot of shade.

There are a number of different techniques you can employ, but crawling around on hands and knees is not the optimal. Therefore, here are some possible options to save time, blisters and back-ache.

The best are those that let you work upright. Some of them are completely manual. Others are powered.

Of the powered, you have gas-driven or electrical. Of the electrical, there are the corded and the cordless. Personally, I prefer the cordless electrical. No noisy gasoline engine. No thrashing about some long trailing electrical tether to the house outlet.

The size of the tilling effort versus the wherewithal and time investment determine how far one will go. Some devices work a wide swath. Others not so wide.

My biggest concern with these devices is that the batteries are proprietary in nature. In other words, once you commit to a device, you're stuck with the batteries they sell for that device, and ONLY that device. You can't use some other battery for it. And just to add insult to injury, some companies' batteries won't work from one device to another.



However, Black & Decker's 20-Volt Max systems all use the same batteries.

I've mentioned the Black & Decker 20-Volt Max systems in an earlier article..... I'm highly impressed with their power tools. So here is another one that works with these batteries.

The Black & Decker 20-Volt Max Tiller is a small and yet powerful tiller. It doesn't cut a wide swath. So it will take more time to work a given plot, but it's compact size allows one to get into tight places, like the narrow paths between rows of plants in



a garden.

And, you have the added advantage of already having back-up batteries, if you already have other Black & Decker 20-Volt Max devices.

Culinary Corner - Palak Paneer

Some people don't like spinach. This recipe might change their minds.

The time of leafy greens is coming. And spinach is one such early arrival in produce gardens.

Palak Paneer is an Indian—as in the Asian sub-continent, south of the Himalayan mountains—dish of wonderfully seasoned spinach.



Indian dishes are considered one of the three great cuisines of the world. Ranged there with French and Chinese.

I discovered it at the Yak and Yeti restaurant's buffet in Arvada. [NOTE: Rumor has it that the chefs in the Denver area restaurants hang out there.]

It's easy to make. But it does take quite a few interesting herbs and spices.

Ingredients:

- 1 Pkg Chopped Spinach Thawed and Well Drained.
- 4 Ea Cloves Garlic Peeled and Minced
- 2 In Ginger Root Peeled and Minced.
- 1/3 Cup Canola Oil
- 2 tsp Coriander Seed Ground
- 1 tsp Cumin Seed Ground
- 2 Ea Allspice Berries Ground
- 1 Ea Cloves
- 1 tsp Cinnamon
- 2 Ea Onions Minced
- 1/2 Cup Cream
- 8 Ozs Paneer Cheese, cut into 1/2" Cubes
- 1 Pinch Asafetida
- Salt To Taste
- Sugar To Taste

Steps:

- 1 Heat Oil in Pot
- 2 Add asafetida and cook briefly
- 3 Add cumin, coriander and cook briefly.
- 4 Add clove garlic, ginger, onion and cook until onion is translucent.
- 5 Add spinach and simmer, stirring occasionally.
- 6 Add cream, paneer, salt, sugar and cinnamon [optional] and simmer for about a minute.

A tip for working with frozen chopped spinach. After thawing and letting drain in a colander, place it in a sturdy, thin cotton hand towel and wring it to remove even more excess water.

A word about Paneer. This is an Indian form of 'cottage cheese'. But more of a block than of loose curds. Simply made from cream and lemon juice. It's available in some stores such as Whole Foods. It can be added as is. Or it can be pan fried before adding.

A word about Asafetida. This spice is the dried gum exuded from the tap root of several species of *Ferula* (*F. foetida* and *F. assa-foetida*), perennial herbs. They are part of the celery family, Umbelliferae. It has a pungent smell, lending it the trivial name of "stinking gum". The odor dissipates upon cooking. And in cooked dishes, it delivers a smooth flavour reminiscent of leeks or other onion relatives.

Cinnamon is a characteristic seasoning of Middle Eastern and Indian cuisine. It's not usually found in Western dishes. However, this dish would go well with many European entrees. All that is necessary for it to more conformable to such palates would be to leave out the cinnamon.

Your first job is to prepare the soil. The best tool for this is your neighbor's motorized garden tiller. If your neighbor does not own a garden tiller, suggest that he buy one.

Book Review

This Is Happiness

by Niall Williams

I'm diverting from my usual reviews of garden or nature-related books to recommend a novel that came to me unexpectedly.

Recently a friend I had worked with back in the 1970s contacted me out of the blue. After we had caught up on each other's news, he told me about a book that he absolutely loved. In fact, he had been so profoundly affected by it that he promised to send me a copy.

Sure enough, a couple of weeks later I received a copy of the new hardback *This Is Happiness* by Niall Williams. I discovered that my friend had not only sent one to me, but also to many other friends nationwide!

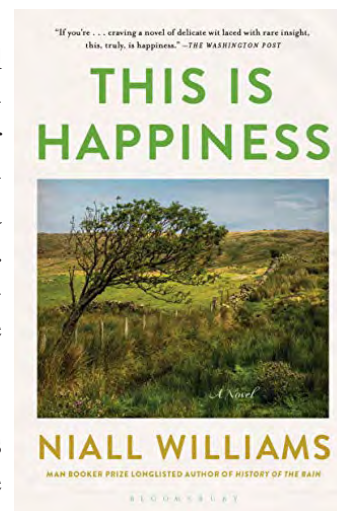
I'll admit I was skeptical because the title sounded like some kind of psychological self-help volume. But, in fact, *This Is Happiness* turned out to be a wonderful novel and my friend had no ulterior motive.

The book is set in a small village in Ireland, early in the 20th century. Power lines are going to be constructed to bring electricity to the village for the first time.

A fine cast of characters inhabit the town. Plotwise, not much happens most of the time, but the lyrical writing conveys such a poetic feeling -- such a feeling of Gaelic greenness -- that every sentence is a pleasure to read. At the end of the novel,

I just felt warm and satisfied. As for my friend's generosity, I'm "paying it forward" by suggesting that you may enjoy *This Is Happiness* too.

Lynn Cleveland



National Garden Clubs Plant a Tree Initiative

Our National President, Gay Austin, and our President Elect, Mary Warshauer, would love for each member in our organization to Plant a Tree (PAT).

We would encourage our members to plant native varieties since they perform the best and are more adaptable to our climate.

This project began in the fall of 2019 and continues through the President elect's term, May of 2023.

I am the Chairman of Plant a Tree for our state. I am asking for GC Presidents to please send me a list of trees planted by your club members and where and when it was planted. Please be sure to send me this information by the end of May and we will continue each year with additions. I will announce the amount for each club at our State Convention.

!!!! REMEMBER EACH ONE PLANT ONE !!!!!

Audrey Coyle
NGC PAT Chairman

Trees

by Joyce Kilmer - 1886-1918

*I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.*

*A tree whose hungry mouth is prest
Against the sweet earth's flowing breast;*

*A tree that looks at God all day,
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;*

*A tree that may in summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair;*

*Upon whose bosom snow has lain;
Who intimately lives with rain.*

*Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree.*

Why I Like Trees

- Trees produce oxygen that sustains life.
- Trees sequester atmospheric carbon that causes global warming, as well as other pollutants including nitric oxide, sulfur dioxide, ozone, carbon monoxide.
- Trees provide shade, increasingly valuable as summertime temperatures steadily increase.
- Trees keep the ground cool and moist, thus decreasing evapotranspiration and increasing soil fertility and plant growth.
- Trees reduce soil erosion through extensive root systems.
- Trees raise the water table, reducing the need for landscape irrigation.
- Trees provide edible fruit, nuts, leaves and flowers.
- Trees build topsoil as their litter and limbs decompose.
- Trees provide habitat for birds, and a host of other animals.
- Trees are host plants for butterflies and moths and so provide the caterpillars vital for the nutrition of egg-laying birds and their nestlings.
- Trees provide wood for building, paper and thousands of other things.

Trees are our legacy!

Trees — The Dark Side

From my experience jumping out of perfectly good airplanes in flight, trees were a thing of danger. There's a rewording of Kilmer's poem that describes our thoughts on trees during a jump. It begins....

*I think that I shall never see
A Drop Zone ugly as a tree....*

I'll let you imagine the rest.

Then there's Charlie Brown's 'Kite Eating Tree'

What's Happening at the 2021 CFGC Annual Meeting



The CFGC President's theme is "Plant, Beautify and Protect Colorado." Here are some of the convention activities to help your Garden Club accomplish this and more:

Exhibits about various garden related topics- such as Hummingbirds, Wildflowers, Monarchs, Water Wisdom, Native Plants, Blue Star, Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl, etc.

- Access to information on the many CFGC Committees
- Breakout Sessions - Learn about Membership, Emerson House Trustees and NGC Schools
- Share Yearbooks from other Clubs
- Birds and Butterflies Photo Contest
- Connect with other Club members, Presidents and Chairs
- We want to hear your ideas, comments and questions
- See who has the most Pins and meet the newest Life Members
- Applaud the Award Winners and see how you can apply
- Say Thank You to our Outgoing Officers and Welcome the Incoming ones
- Plus, we have a few other Surprises in store!

In Loveland there are many Gardens to see and get inspiration from:

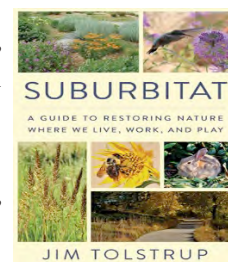
- Champunga Sculpture Garden
- Devils Backbone Open Space
- Ya Ya Farm and Orchard
- Benson Sculpture Garden- where Loveland Garden Club maintains the Children's Garden.



Explore the High Plains Environmental Center and buy Native plants. Use the link to buy online and then pick up on Saturday when we are there. Sale starts April 5th.

<https://high-plains-environmental-center.square.site>

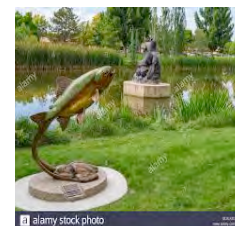
Our Speaker will be Jim Tolstrup, the Executive Director of HPEC and author of Suburbitat.



All this plus some wonderful food, friends and fun will be had at the CFGC Convention 2021.

Please join us and let us know how we can help you Plant, Beautify and Protect Colorado!

June 4-6th at the Embassy Suites by Hilton 4705 Clydesdale Parkway in Loveland, CO.



"Yup, gardening and laughing are two of the best things in life you can do to promote good health and a sense of well being." -- David Hobson



My neighbor asked me if he could borrow my lawnmower. It told him he could; if he did not take it out of my yard.



pandemic ends. NGC supports the idea.

March 9, 2021

The CFGC Board of Directors met March 9, 2021, via Zoom . A quorum (14) was present. President Margie Soileau called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. Chaplain Jerry Brown offered an invocation based on the hymn “For the Beauty of the Earth.” Margie introduced state officers, and Headquarters Trustees Chair Nancy Griffin introduced current Trustees. The minutes of the December meeting were approved as published.

Financial Report. Treasurer Kathy Petersen provided a summary of finances. CFGC has \$20,319 in checking, \$39,511 in general fund money market, and \$129,264 in Vanguard. The Vanguard amount shows a market increase of \$1,098 since last quarter. CFGC took in general income of \$12,384 and expended \$4,648 primarily for taxes, fees, and NGC dues; Emerson House took in \$7,340 in rent and spent \$6,900 mostly for insurance, maintenance, and utilities. Colorado Gives Day netted \$7,849. The report was filed.

Colorado Gives Day Chair Nancy Griffin reported that 35 individual donations were made. This slightly exceeds last year’s participation.

Assistant Treasurer Sue Parker reported that CFGC currently has 400 paid memberships. This number includes a few duplicates (people who belong to more than one club). CFGC pays \$1 per member to NGC each year; hence, \$400 was paid.

Recommendation from Executive Committee. Secretary Lynn Cleveland read the following recommendation: That CFGC authorize the payment of up to \$150 to renew the Zoom account. The motion was adopted.

2021 Annual Convention will be held June 4 to 6, at Embassy Suites in Loveland. The convention will be hosted by the Northern Front Range District, and will feature interesting tours as well as a plant sale and speaker from the High Plains Environmental Center. The Executive Committee meeting is expected to be a hybrid of in-person and Zoom; the post-convention Board meeting will be in-person at the hotel.

Membership Chair Victoria Schmidt introduced the idea of “virtual clubs” continuing even after the COVID

Colorado Garden Connection deadline for submission of photos and articles to Editor Chuck Pelto is March 24.

Awards Chair Michele Gustin gave a reminder that awards applications are due!

Trees Chair Audrey Coyle urged everyone to plant a tree this year, preferably a native variety. Be sure to photograph and report your club’s tree activities.

District Meetings. Northern Front Range District: May 21 at Emerson House. Southern District: May 15 at St. Paul’s Catholic Church in Colorado Springs.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

Lynn Cleveland

Recording Secretary

List of Proposed CFGC Officers for 2021-23

Here is a list of the proposed officers to be voted on at the forthcoming CFGC Annual Convention:

- Nancy Griffin - President
- Victoria Schimdt - Vice President
- Susan Pelto - Recording Secretary
- Margie Soileau - Treasurer
- Sue Parker - Assistant Treasurer

Help Wanted

There are several positions available for CFGC. These include:

- Hospitality Chairman
- Chaplain
- Penny Pines Chairman
- Corresponding Secretary
- Membership Chairman
- Landscape Design School Chairman
- RMR Facebook Chairman
- CFGC Facebook Chairman



CFGC Annual Dues Reminder

Fellow Colorado Gardeners,

We garden in a difficult climate with many extremes of temperature, precipitation, sun light, soil, and many other challenges including hail and deer. But somehow each year we manage to figure out ways to overcome these difficulties and produce beautiful vegetables, fruit, and flowers.

Let's use that same Colorado ingenuity to solve an on-going problem for The Colorado Federation of Garden Clubs. Our fiscal year runs from June 1 through May 31. And just like with an on-going fitness club subscription, you have to keep renewing your membership on time to keep getting the benefits. Unlike the fitness club, we won't throw you out on your ear, but we would like to tighten up the procedure so that clubs are not sending in their dues and membership lists in December.

Here are some suggestions for sending in dues and membership lists by June 1.

- In March, start reminding your members that dues are due in April and May.
- Collect dues in April and May. Make reminder phone calls and/or send emails to members who have not paid.
- Update any member information that may have changed over the year. This is easiest to do in a simple Xcel spreadsheet. If anyone needs help with this, contact me and I will be happy to send you a copy you can use. Also let me know if anyone will not be returning.
- When your club has all the information and dues collected, the treasurer should send the following items to the CFGC assistant treasurer:
 - 1) a check made out to CFGC or Colorado Federation of Garden Clubs for the correct amount (this will need to be mailed)
 - 2) a current membership list, as of June 1, (if you can, please highlight any new members and any changed information for continuing members) (this can be emailed)
 - 3) a list of officers for the coming year with their contact information (this is very important for state and national officers to be able to contact the individual clubs)

- If you have new members join after you have sent in your club information or you elect new officers, please send that information to the assistant treasurer.

Current assistant treasurer:

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5766 S Truckee Ct
Centennial, CO 80015-5913
Email: sbparker@besteffort.com
Phone: 303-699-2534

Let me know if you have any questions or suggestions. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sue Parker

Southern District Luncheon Offerings

Here are the luncheon offerings for the Southern District Annual Meeting. Please indicate your selection on the registration form; either salad or sandwich.

You have choices of salad dressings for salads and of breads for most of the sandwiches.

Salads:

Garden - Fresh Mixed Greens And Garden Vegetables; Mixed Bell Peppers, Cabbage, Onions, Cucumber, Mushrooms, Tomatoes, Carrots, and Cauliflower.

Greek - Fresh Mixed Greens, Cucumber, Tomato, Bell Peppers, Kalamata Olives, Feta Cheese and Red Onion.

Spinach - Fresh Baby Spinach, Mushrooms, Red Onions, Tomatoes, Cheddar Cheese, Hard Boiled Egg, Sprouts and Crisp Peppered Bacon.

Caesar - Fresh Romaine Hearts, Tomatoes, Croutons, And Parmesan Cheese. Sliced Chicken On The Side.

Sandwiches:

Roast Beef - With Onions, Cheddar Cheese, Lettuce And Tomato.

Tuna Salad - With Lettuce, Tomato, Onions, Sprouts And Bell Peppers.

Club - Sliced Hickory Smoked Turkey, Ham, & Crisp Peppered Bacon, With Lettuce And Tomato.

Curry Chicken Pita Pocket - Homemade Curry Chicken Salad, Lettuce, Tomato And Sprouts.

BUTTERFLIES, OTHER POLLINATORS AND BIRD PHOTO CONTEST CFGC 2019-2021



Always wanted to enter a photo contest and you love butterflies and birds? Enter the CFGC Butterflies, other Pollinators and Bird Photo Contest for 2019-2021. Here are the rules:

1. Photo must be taken between May 2019 and May 2021.
2. Photo may be of any stage of their life.
3. Butterflies, other Pollinators, or birds must be the focus but any stage of life, other items or people may be included.
4. Photo must be no less than 8x10 inches and no greater than 11x14 inches.
5. Photo may be black and white or color print (digital or film).
6. Photo may not be retouched or “photo-shopped” for effect.
7. Location and date taken must be on entry information on back.
8. Photo must be matted: mat cannot be wider than three inches.
9. Photo must be sent or delivered to CFGC Chairman for judging before May 15, 2021.
10. Photo may not have been entered in any other photographic competition.
11. Photographer may be any non professional photographer, member of CFGC or non member.

Prizes will be awarded at the 2021 State Convention.

1. First Prize-Category: Bird
2. First Prize-Category: Butterfly or other Pollinator
3. Second Prize-Category: Bird
4. Second Prize-Category: Butterfly or other Pollinator

Colorado Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. 90th Annual Convention
June 4-6, 2021



“Plant, Beautify and Protect Colorado”

Hosted by the Northern Front Range District

Embassy Suites by Hilton – 4705 Clydesdale Parkway, Loveland, CO and on Zoom

Registration fee: In-person ____ Zoom ____ \$20.00 _____

Saturday, June 5th

Lunch: Assorted wraps and sandwiches with sides and dessert \$26.00 _____

Pick one: Sliced beef and blue cheese ____ Vegetarian ____

Grilled chicken ____ Gluten-free ____

Dinner: Tuscan buffet with salad, sides and desserts \$46.00 _____

Entree’s will include: Chicken Cacciatore Mushroom Risotto Salmon with Basil

Total enclosed \$ _____

Please PRINT ----- 1 form per attendee -----

Name _____

Email _____

Home Club _____ District _____

Credential Status: Mark all that apply to you

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| First Time Attendee__ | Gardening Consultant__ | State Life Member__ |
| Club Member__ | Flower Show Judge__ | Regional Officer__ |
| Club President__ | Landscape Consultant__ | Regional Representative__ |
| District President__ | Environmental Consultant__ | Regional Life Member__ |
| District Officer__ | Emerson House Trustee__ | National Officer__ |
| State President__ | State Chairman__ | National Life Member__ |
| State Officer__ | State Past President__ | National Chairman__ |

Please complete and mail with your check payable: “CFGF Convention 2021” to the Registrar, Lowanna Morgan – 1128 West 102nd Place, Northglenn, CO 80260

Hotel reservations are available at: Embassy Suites by Hilton phone # 1-970-593-6200 mention CO Fed of Garden Clubs or use the link below. Group Rate- \$149.00 Per person/ per night.

BookingLink: <https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?&ctyhocn=FNLESES&groupCode=CESCFG&arrival=20210604&departure=20210606&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,en,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>

2021 CFGC Southern District Annual Meeting Registration Form

A Pioneering Spirit – A History of Horticulture in the U.S.A., from Downing to McAllister



Presented by Mr. Eric C. Metzger
Executive Director, McAllister House Museum

Saturday, MAY 15, 2021, 9am to 2pm
Saint Paul Catholic Church
9 El Pomar Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80906



CELEBRATING COLORADO SPRINGS SESQUICENTENNIAL

Tours of McAllister House are included in your registration fee. Your ticket will be good for the entire month of May 2021.

Those wishing to tour the house on May 15th. Please indicate your taking the tour below. Your time will be assigned based on when we receive your registration. Otherwise, you may visit the house anytime during normal business hours through the month of May with your tour ticket.

A White Elephant table will be available. Please bring an item you wish to donate to the cause. Max value \$20.00.

Please complete one registration form for each person attending.

Name _____

Email _____ **Phone** _____

Club _____

Tour the McAllister House (Circle One): Yes No

A light continental breakfast will be served along with a box lunch. Please choose one of the options below for your lunch. Details of each offering are found on page 11 of this issue of the Garden Connection.

Lunch (Circle Just One Entree and One Related Choice of...):

Salads: Garden Greek Spinach Caesar

Choice of Dressing: House Vinaigrette, Balsamic Vinaigrette, Caesar, Ranch or Bleu Cheese

Sandwiches: Roast Beef Tuna Salad Club Curry Chicken Pita Pocket

Choice of Bread: Rustica, Sourdough, White or Wheat bread except for the Pita Pocket.

Please indicate any food allergies: _____

Please make checks payable to After Hours Garden Club in the amount of \$35.00 to be received no later than May 5th. Mail to:

**Sarah Fulton
2144 Coldstone Way
Colorado Springs, CO 80921-4011**

This event is limited to the first 60 people to register. Masks will be required in all indoor areas except while eating your breakfast and lunch.

Calendar

Coming Events of Interest:

- **Deadline for submissions for the Summer issue of the Colorado Garden Connection, June 22, 2021.**
- May 15, 2021 CFGC Southern District Meeting, St. Paul Catholic Church (Audrey Coyle)
- May 21, 2021 NGC Convention – Meadowlands, New Jersey [Virtual Only]
- May 21, 2021 CFGC Northern Front Range District Meeting at EH In-Person/Zoom (Gail Fisher)
- June 4-6, 2021 CFGC State Convention at Embassy Suites, Loveland, CO
- Sept. 21-24, 2021 NGC Fall Board meeting, St. Louis, Missouri
- Oct. 4-6, 2021 CFGC Flower Show Symposium at EH, Design instructor, Jo Kollman: Types: Abstract, Featured Plant Material (family-Sunflower), Allied Topics: Floral Techniques. Horticulture instructor, Karen Booker: Mums and geraniums. Chair, Louise Niekerk.
- May 17-20, 2022 NGC Annual Convention, Orlando, Florida

For additional information on events without a Point-of-Contact (POC), please check the CFGC web-site at coloradogardenclubs.org. Or, if no access to the internet, call or write Joy Kancir at 303-814-0679 or 2195 Pine Wood Road, Sedalia, CO 80135-8043.

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