



# ROCK HILL GARDENS

RGNA

ROCKHILL GARDENS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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## Dumpster Day

**Saturday May 8th**

**8:00am - 12:00pm**

### Details -

- Dumpsters (2 trash and 1 yard waste) will be available for paid RGNA members.
  - RGNA Members only. You will be able to pay for a RGNA membership on-site (Cash/Check only; \$35)
- Goodwill donation truck will also be on-site
  - Goodwill is accepting donations of linens, housewares, accessories, books, and more.
- Reminders:
  - **NO:** tires; electronics or appliances – including TVs, computers/computer monitors; hazardous materials - including paint (paint cans must be completely washed out); pesticides, oil, or other chemicals;
  - **NO:** Business/Commercial/Contractor waste or debris
  - Do not bring cardboard or other items that can be recycled during weekly trash service
  - Yard Waste is limited to limbs and bagged leaves (no grass clipping or use of plastic bags)
- **Those participating should wear masks.**

Check out the RGNA Facebook page for full details!

## June Block Party

**Saturday June 12th**

Instead of hosting the traditional potluck block party we are looking at doing an evening of Food Trucks and Garden Tours.

Tentative plans are to have Food Trucks on Cherry St between 73rd St and 72nd Terr from 5-8pm while neighbors can explore the garden stops open around RGNA.

For the garden tours, we are looking for hosts that are willing to showcase their gardening, landscaping or hardscape/lighting projects.

*Those interested in hosting their garden will need to respond to the RGNA Garden Host Survey posted on the Facebook page and RGNA website by May 10th.*

More details will be shared on the RGNA Facebook page as well!

## Chalkhill Gardens Recap

Thanks to everyone that participated in the Chalkhill Gardens event, and dealt with the rainy weather to create many fun designs!

Congrats to Elly Biggerstaff on having the most “liked” design! Brown Bear, Brown Bear was fun for all!

## Native Plants in the Garden

On March 30th, RGNA had a zoom presentation about planting native plants from the Master Gardeners of Kansas City. Reasons to plant native include:

- Adapted to our climate and soils, surviving for thousands of years without fertilizers
- Provides sustainable solutions for environmental issues such as rain run-off and pests
- Increases plant diversity which attracts birds, bees, and butterflies and increases pollination in your garden

Suggested beginner native plants:

Aromatic Aster: fall flowering	Palm Sedge: rain gardens, ground cover
Blue Wild Indigo: bumblebee magnet	Prairie Dropseed: drought tolerant
Butterfly Milkweed: butterfly magnet	Purple Coneflower: goldfinch magnet
Copper Iris: rain gardens	Shining Bluestar: rain garden, clay tolerant
Orange Coneflower: rain gardens, ground cover	Slender Mountain Mint: butterfly magnet

## Upcoming Dates

**May 8th** - RGNA Dumpster Day 8:00am - 12:00pm

**May 12th** - RGNA Board Meeting 7:00 - 8:00pm - Virtual Meeting

**June 9th** - RGNA Board Meeting 7:00 - 8:00pm - Virtual Meeting

**June 12th** - Reimagined Block Party 5:00 - 8:00pm

### Board Members

### Useful Numbers

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Police (non-emergency)	234-5111
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Animal Control	513-9800
Crime Stoppers	474-TIPS
Curb and sidewalk repair	513-7951
Drugs Suspected	474-DRUG
Mayor Quinton Lucas	513-3500
Metro Patrol (ongoing issues)	234-5520
Parks & Recreation	513-7500
Pothole hotline	513-9224
Street Light Repair	513-9595
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