

Garden Guide No. 1



Cutting Gardens
at CRC



Spring Bulbs
(Tulips)



Helianthus
(Sunshine Daydream)



Osteospermum
(African Daisy)

This year, the Garden Guides will focus on various areas throughout the CRC campus. There are many places for you to explore and a huge variety of plants that have been installed to delight you, your friends and visitors to CRC. We have some “old favorites” as well as some more unusual plants that even seasoned gardeners may not recognize. We hope that you will be able to enjoy these secret treasures as we move through the seasons together.

In this issue we will focus on **CRC’s Cutting Garden**. It is located in the grassy area between the Triplett Building and Towsley Village/Glazier Commons (near the Gazebo). You will find plants to welcome you from spring through fall. Having been through the first full season in 2014, we’ve identified some things that will make your flower arranging a bit easier this year. Small tables are being installed which will make it easier to put bouquets together. We will also have “loaner” scissors for the folks who stop by spontaneously to gather some cheer. The scissors will be kept in two mailboxes (to keep them out of the weather) which will be located on the tables. A few loaner vases will be there as well.

SPRING BULBS: Soon there will be masses of tulips and daffodils in the cutting garden for you to choose from as a result of the 2,000+ *bulbs* that were installed in the fall of 2013. Last spring the bulbs were at their peak on Mother’s Day. Be sure to have a look as it is a glorious sight to see and PLEASE PICK THEM!

SUMMER PERENNIALS & ANNUALS: You will always find something in bloom, and our garden includes practically every color of flower. One standout last summer was *Helianthus ‘Sunshine Daydream’*. You can be on the lookout for it. The plant stands 4-5’ tall, and it bloomed with bright yellow flowers practically non-stop once summer arrived. It was a great cut flower and a big hit!

FALL FLOWERS: Just because there is a chill in the air doesn’t mean we’re out of flowers! You can choose from pansies, mums, asters, or a unique annual called *Osteospermum* which comes in many colors. We hope you’ll visit often!!!

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