

## This Week in the Whittier Pollinator Garden

Week of May 15, 2017

A snapshot of what's happening in the garden this week.

A Project of the Whittier Eco-Ambassadors

The garden is truly in its full spring splendor right at the moment. We've had plenty of rain and everything is lush and green. The Eco-ambassadors counted 53 milkweed plants coming up. They distinguish these from Indian Hemp plants by touching the leaves. The milkweed leaves are fuzzier. Wild Columbine is blooming, and the first iris flower just opened today☺



First Iris flower. Many more to come.



Common Milkweed, [Asclepias Syriaca](#), appearing throughout the garden, looking very healthy and abundant. Eco-ambassadors count 53 individual plants.



Wild Columbine looking lovely. [Aquilegia canadensis](#)



Lots of Creeping Charlie, [Glechoma Hederacea](#), an invasive, non-native plant. We pulled some of it, but left a lot of it because when in bloom, pollinators will make use of it.