

# Douglas County Master Gardeners Chapter Meeting Minutes

## January 31, 2013

The OSU Douglas County Master Gardeners chapter meeting was called to order at 10:08 AM on January 31, 2013 by President **Larry Sutton**. Fifty three members were in attendance. The agenda was accepted as written. The minutes of the November 2012 chapter meeting were approved as written.

**HORTICULTURE AGENT – Steve Renquist** has a sign-up sheet for helping with Spring Into Gardening on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please distribute flyers for Spring Into Gardening around the community.

Steve is teaching a class on pruning ornamental trees on Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, and one on pruning ornamental shrubs on Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Steve summarized Gail Langellotto's 2012 annual report on Oregon Master Gardeners. See the OMGA Report on page 6 for more details.

Steve shared that a Japanese research study found that spending time in outdoor gardens reduced blood pressure and had other positive health effects. Also, the death of millions of ash trees in the eastern half of the US by the Emerald Ash Borer has been correlated to a decrease in human life expectancy in these areas. To quote Steve, "When trees die, people die."

Steve is seeking a replacement speaker for the session on Mushroom Identification at Spring Into Gardening.

**MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR – Vicki McAlister** is still collecting dues. We had 268 members in 2012. So far, only 176 have paid their 2013 dues. Vicki circulated a list of members who have not yet paid.

**OMGA REPRESENTATIVE – Rosemary Brinkley's** report:

*I am pleased to announce that OMGA has a Secretary. Mary Drew from Marion County has volunteered to serve in that capacity. There is also a newer and shorter web site address for OMGA. It is <http://www.omga.org>.*

*Gail Langellotto, the Statewide Coordinator for Master Gardeners, indicated in her end of the report that we have 4,160 active MG volunteers. 845 of those volunteers having been trained in 2012, and 68% of them have completed their volunteer obligation. Master Gardeners have made over 186,500 public contacts and have contributed over 195,000 volunteer hours. This translates into a dollar value of \$4.2 million. MG Chapters have donated over 135,000 pounds of food to their local food banks. What an amazing group of folks we are.*

*So how is Douglas County doing? We had 240 active members and trained 38 last year. 74% of last year's trainees have completed their volunteer service obligation. We gave 16,500 hours of service and had 4,611 public contacts. Our victory Garden donated 3,300 pounds of food. Well done Douglas County Master Gardeners.*

*There is still room for YOU if you would like to attend the 2013 International MG Conference being held Sept. 7-14 on an Alaskan Cruise. Rooms range in price from \$899 to \$2,749, depending on their location on the ship. The cost for 8 seminars is \$195. At this time there are 850 MG and friends attending, 23 of them from Oregon. If you would like to be # 24 from Oregon, go to <http://www.uaex.edu> and register.*

*Next OMGA Board meeting will be held in Gleneden Beach on March 2. Want to come along. Call Rosemary at 673-8814.*

**TREASURER – Toni Rudolph** reported that we are in good financial shape. We have \$5,500 not yet committed in the 2013 budget. Once we know how much we made at the Plant Sale in May, we may allocate funds for greenhouse capital investment, the Extension endowment fund or other projects.

IRS reporting requirements have changed for non-profits making less than \$50,000. Consequently, it only took Toni a few hours to complete the 2012 taxes, as opposed to multiple days as in the past.

**VICE PRESIDENT – Fred Alley** was not present

**PAST PRESIDENT -- Judy Huntley** had nothing to report.

**PRESIDENT – Larry Sutton** reported that we are waiting to hear if the proposal to hold the 2017 International Master Gardeners Conference in Portland, Oregon, has been accepted. We're also waiting on the results of the Search for Excellence competition.

**Rosemary Brinkley** is Chair of the Nominating Committee, to identify people interested in becoming officers.

**Ann Swaggerty** is the 2013 Class Representative to our Board.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH – Leo Grass** reported that **Shirley Purcell** gave a class on Vermiculture to the Sutherlin Garden Club. **Maureen Benice** and **LaVerne Bailey** gave classes on roses to the Sutherlin and Lookingglass Garden Clubs. **Leo Grass** and **Jen Bailey** helped the Yoncalla kindergarten class transplant broccoli.

**PLANT CLINIC – Judy Mercer's** report:

*Good news from the Plant Clinic! Our Clinic training for the Class of 2013 will begin on Monday February 4<sup>th</sup>. All of the open slots in the Clinic will be held for the students and their Mentors until they have completed their first two training sessions. When that is complete I will send out an email and signups will be open to all comers. Our Teaching staff; consisting of Leo Grass, Chris Rush, Larry Sutton, Karolyn Riecks and Judy Mercer, have all returned this year and I want to thank them all. It is a big commitment and they do a great job.*

*One of our Librarians, Marilyn Klingbeil, has reorganized our Subject notebooks so that the categories coincide with our Code system. This should make it much easier to find the books we need on a particular subject. Thank you Marilyn for all you hours of hard work.*

*If you have any gardening questions, or plants or insects to be identified I would encourage you to bring them by and give the students some practice. We will be open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday until the completion of class and then we will add Tuesday.*

*See you in the Clinic.*

**DISCOVERY GARDEN – Julie Stanbery's** report:

*January was a very busy month in the garden. Thanks to our new students, their mentors and our devoted veterans, we have hauled dozens of loads of broken limbs, weeds and pruned limbs to the burn pile. The Helleck Hall garden has been spruced up for spring, we have started mulching fence lines and whacked (love the imagery) the tall grasses.*

*Our biggest news is that Noel, his gang of digging Daves and Gale and Leo have stopped the leak!! Five new valves have been installed, some repaired, all mapped out and secured by really big concrete curbs. Good job all.*

*The 2<sup>nd</sup> most exciting news is the lock on the ladies bathroom has been repaired. Yeah!!*

*Our next two pruning sessions are payback opportunities. Garden areas will be flowering trees and ornamental shrubs. These are common topics of interest for the home gardener and a great hands-on learning experience. Our next work day will be Friday, March 8 when Steve will help us prune the Japanese Garden.*

*This is always an interesting day and you will learn methods that conform to the special trees and shrubs used in the Japanese Garden.*

*We have also scheduled the rose and hydrangea pruning session for Monday, March 4 from 1-4.*

*Finally, these are the guidelines for using the pavilion.*

- 1. Available for educational purposes at no charge to 3 groups: DCMG, Extension Staff & DC Recycling Manager.*
- 2. One named person from the above list will assume responsibility for each reservation.*
  - 1. Duties include: unlock/lock supply room, put up/ take down any chairs or tables, clean floor and close all gates, remove any signs/posters and IMMEDIATE removal of all garbage from the site.*
  - 2. No projects or classes of any sort that use chemicals, glue or paint may be done in the pavilion. These should be setup outside the garden area.*
  - 3. Reservation calendar is in the MG plant clinic. List the name of group, name & phone number of responsible person and time of use on the calendar.*
  - 4. Remember that the garden is open to the public at all times. Pavilion users may post a "reserved" sign for day of use.*
  - 5. Extension staff may make their own reservations. Groups may contact Julie Stanbery or Leo Grass for further info.*
  - 6. MGs may use the pavilion for non-educational events such as family gatherings or club meetings. The MG assumes all the above responsibilities and must attend said event. We would appreciate a donation for use of the pavilion under these circumstances.*

*See you in the garden!*

**Julie** also noted that **Maureen Benice** and **LaVerne Bailey** are teaching rose pruning on Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, from 1 to 4 at the Discovery Garden.

Twelve to fifteen members of the 2013 class expressed interest in working with **Jen Bailey** on signage for the Discovery Garden.

The raised bed closest to the Children's Garden is now part of the Children's Garden. The two Dahlia raised beds are swapping space with the picnic tables. The Lilies raised bed is remaining where it is.

Thanks to John Punches, the two trees in the Butterfly Garden have been removed, increasing the amount of sunshine.

**Eileen Kelley** created an awesome map of the Discovery Garden, with explanations of each area. **Julie** is making arrangements to get this map to all Master Gardeners.

#### **AWARDS – Betty Ison's report:**

The following volunteers have earned new swinger bars for 2013. Come see Betty Ison to get your new swinger. You **must** turn in your old swinger to get a new one. Just as a reminder new swingers are only given out once a year in January, so if your name is not on this list you have not earned a new bar and will have to wait until January of next year should you earn the hours to get one during the year.

**60 HRS:** Carlyle Kirkendall, Clay Morrow, Jim Muno, Janet Parkerson, Mickie Schuyler, Edith Wilkison

**200 HRS:** Fred Alley, Janice Bartholomew, Betty Bean, Rosemary Brinkley, Beth Brown, Pat Dinsmore, Marty Katz, Vicki McAlister, Darlene Morey, Della Neavoll, Elva Sellens, Jon Thran

**500 HRS:** Mary Lou Davidson, Eileen Kelley, Chris Rusch, Robyn Thompson

**750 HRS:** Debbie Haynes, Debbie Hesseltine, Sharon Hopkins, Cindy Rich

**1000 HRS:** Jackie Carpenter, Dave Hopkins, Barbara Robinson, Gale Robinson, Toni Rudolph

**1500 HRS:** Patricia Gilbert, Judith Mercer

**2000 HRS:** Maureen Benice, Linda Thames

**3000 HRS:** Karolyn Riecks, Irene Thomason

**4000 HRS:** Barbara MacPherson

**4500 HRS:** Shirley Purcell

**5000 HRS:** Philece Humphrey

**5500 HRS:** Gloria Amorde, Larry Sutton

**7000 HRS:** Tasha King

**12,000 HRS:** Betty Ison

**PUBLICITY – Bonnie Courter** had nothing to report.

**PLANT SALE – Barbara Robinon, Sharon Hopkins**

Sign-up sheets for the Plant Sale are available, and will be at all MG meetings for the next three months. **Janet Parkerson** volunteered to chair the Cleanup Committee. **Rosemary Brinkley** and **Deb Haynes** are soliciting donations from the membership for raffle prizes. The Hat contest will be held again, with a new process to handle the voting. **Sharon Hopkins** mentioned that many of the 2013 trainees expressed interest in helping with the Plant Sale.

**TRASH-TO-TREASURES – Cindy Rich and Debbie Haynes's** report:

*Save the date! We need your help and donations for our annual fund raiser Trash to Treasure Sale on Saturday, March 23rd. We will setup and take donations on Friday, March 22rd, from 9am to 4pm in the annex auditorium.*

*Start saving your CLEAN and WORKING items to donate. We do accept jewelry, toys, games, books, electronics, furniture, garden and yard items, housewares, tools, craft items, decorations, holiday items, and ... As you can see, we take almost anything, except no clothes, shoes, or live plants.*

*The signup sheets will be available later in February, So, please sign up to help. You can work half a day, all day, or whatever works for you. We need helpers taking in the donations, pricing, displaying the items on the tables, helping customers take their purchases to their cars, greeters, cashiers, and other jobs.*

*This year we have a place to store larger items. Please call Deb Haynes to make arrangements to bring them to her house.*

*If you have any grocery plastic or paper bags to spare, please bring them on Friday or Saturday. We always need a lot of them for the sale.*

*If you have any questions, please call or email either of us.*

*Deb Haynes; 541-677-0900; [thedebhay@gmail.com](mailto:thedebhay@gmail.com)*

*Cindy Rich; 541-677-1882; [csneal2@yahoo.com](mailto:csneal2@yahoo.com)*

*The sale is Saturday, March 23rd from 9am to 4pm. Invite your friends to come.*

**WINTER TRAINING / SPRING INTO GARDENING – Maureen Benice** reported that the concurrent sessions were held this past Tuesday at the Winter Training class. Next week is **Steve Renquist** on Pesticide Safety, and **Marjory Neal** on Vegetable Gardening.

Help is needed for Spring Into Gardening for registration and room monitors.

**HALLMARK – Linda Thames** sent a card to the family of Dwayne Hatch, founder of the Hatch Patch radio show. **Margory Milroy** is living in Arizona, and appreciates cards. **Mike Bunyard** was sent a card. Many thanks to John Panches for removing the two trees in the Butterfly Garden.

**NEWSLETTER – Larry Sutton** reported that **Jen Bailey** has taken over from **Clay Morrow** as Newsletter Editor. Clay will be writing articles for the newsletter. Jen reminded everyone that the February newsletter deadline is tomorrow, February 1<sup>st</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS – None**

**NEW BUSINESS – None**

**SHOW-AND-TELL – None**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:13 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Bailey

# Net Worth - As of 1/29/2013

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Account	1/29/2013 Balance
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	
Checking-Umpqua Bank	1,656.19
Money Market-Reserves-Umpqua Bank	6,659.10
Money Market-Umpqua Bank	15,573.09
<b>TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	<b>23,888.38</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>23,888.38</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
	<b>0.00</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>23,888.38</b>

**Cash Flow - YTD**  
1/1/2013 through 1/29/2013

Category	1/1/2013- 1/29/2013
<b>INFLOWS</b>	
Donations	
Contributions	20.00
TOTAL Donations	20.00
Dues-hardcopy newsletter	165.00
Dues-membership	1,690.00
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>1,875.00</b>
<b>OUTFLOWS</b>	
Management & General	
Hospitality	125.82
TOTAL Management & General	125.82
PSP Expense	
Winter Program	
Speakers	150.00
TOTAL Winter Program	150.00
TOTAL PSP Expense	150.00
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>	<b>275.82</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>1,599.18</b>

## Budget - Current Year

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Category	1/1/2013 Actual	- Budget	12/31/2013 Difference
<b>INCOME</b>			
Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00
Contributions	20.00	0.00	20.00
Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pavilion	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL Donations	20.00	0.00	20.00
Dues-hardcopy newsletter	165.00	200.00	-35.00
Dues-membership	1,690.00	2,400.00	-710.00
Interest Income - Bank	0.00	10.00	-10.00
PSP Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Clinic & Office	0.00	0.00	0.00
Soil Testing	0.00	800.00	-800.00
TOTAL Clinic & Office	0.00	800.00	-800.00
TOTAL PSP Income	0.00	800.00	-800.00
Special Events	0.00	0.00	0.00
Plant Sale Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drawings	0.00	750.00	-750.00
Entrance Fees	0.00	3,100.00	-3,100.00
Plant Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sales-event	0.00	19,600.00	-19,600.00
Sales-post	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Sales-pre	0.00	2,550.00	-2,550.00
TOTAL Plant Sales	0.00	23,150.00	-23,150.00
Vendor Booth	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00
TOTAL Plant Sale Income	0.00	29,500.00	-29,500.00
Special Events-other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bake Sale	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Compost Tea	0.00	900.00	-900.00
Misc Events	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trash-To-Treasure Sale	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
TOTAL Special Events-other	0.00	3,900.00	-3,900.00
TOTAL Special Events	0.00	33,400.00	-33,400.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>1,875.00</b>	<b>36,810.00</b>	<b>-34,935.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Management & General	0.00	0.00	0.00
Awards & Banquet	0.00	0.00	0.00
Awards	0.00	350.00	350.00
Banquet	0.00	750.00	750.00
TOTAL Awards & Banquet	0.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Conferences	0.00	0.00	0.00
Chapter Meetings	0.00	50.00	50.00
OMGA Travel	0.00	460.00	460.00
TOTAL Conferences	0.00	510.00	510.00
Dues-OMGA	0.00	1,680.00	1,680.00
Grants&Gifts&Scholarships	0.00	0.00	0.00
4-H Donation	0.00	80.00	80.00
Endowment	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Gifts - Hallmark	0.00	50.00	50.00
Memorial	0.00	100.00	100.00
Officer Gifts	0.00	60.00	60.00
Scholarships	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
TOTAL Grants&Gifts&Scholarships	0.00	2,790.00	2,790.00
Historian	0.00	25.00	25.00



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Category	1/1/2013 Actual	- Budget	12/31/2013 Difference
Hospitality	125.82	150.00	24.18
Liability Insurance	0.00	670.00	670.00
OMGA Chapter Display	0.00	200.00	200.00
OMGA Search for Excellence	0.00	0.00	0.00
Postage for Executive Board	0.00	30.00	30.00
Print Check Charges	0.00	25.00	25.00
Supplies for Executive Board	0.00	50.00	50.00
<b>TOTAL Management &amp; General</b>	<b>125.82</b>	<b>7,230.00</b>	<b>7,104.18</b>
PSP Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advanced Training	0.00	0.00	0.00
Continuing Education	0.00	100.00	100.00
Newsletter	0.00	0.00	0.00
Postage	0.00	291.00	291.00
<b>TOTAL Newsletter</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>291.00</b>	<b>291.00</b>
<b>TOTAL Advanced Training</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>391.00</b>	<b>391.00</b>
Capital Expenditures	0.00	0.00	0.00
Greenhouse - 5 included	0.00	0.00	0.00
Greenhouse Plumbing & Irrigation	0.00	500.00	500.00
<b>TOTAL Capital Expenditures</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>
Clinic & Office	0.00	0.00	0.00
Farmers Markets	0.00	35.00	35.00
Insects	0.00	65.00	65.00
Library	0.00	100.00	100.00
Plant Clinic & Office Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00
Soil Testing	0.00	120.00	120.00
Website	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL Clinic &amp; Office</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>320.00</b>	<b>320.00</b>
Community Outreach	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fair Booth	0.00	0.00	0.00
Home Show	0.00	0.00	0.00
Speakers Bureau	0.00	97.00	97.00
<b>TOTAL Community Outreach</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>97.00</b>	<b>97.00</b>
Discovery Garden	0.00	0.00	0.00
Brochures	0.00	0.00	0.00
Butterfly	0.00	250.00	250.00
Childrens	0.00	420.00	420.00
Compost	0.00	100.00	100.00
Easy Access (Container Garden)	0.00	550.00	550.00
Electric - meter 23609842	0.00	400.00	400.00
Entry	0.00	90.00	90.00
Hedgerow	0.00	0.00	0.00
Herb	0.00	150.00	150.00
Iris	0.00	50.00	50.00
Irrigation	0.00	600.00	600.00
Japanese	0.00	220.00	220.00
Kiosk - donor board	0.00	50.00	50.00
Maintenance	0.00	500.00	500.00
Mulch	0.00	300.00	300.00
Orchard	0.00	125.00	125.00
Ornamental	0.00	125.00	125.00
Pavilion	0.00	0.00	0.00
Raised Beds (dalia-daylily-lily)	0.00	100.00	100.00
Rock Garden	0.00	500.00	500.00
Rock Garden - 2012 GRANT	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Shade Garden	0.00	0.00	0.00

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Signage	0.00	250.00	250.00
Straw Bale Garden	0.00	65.00	65.00
Sun Garden	0.00	100.00	100.00
Water - River Forks meter	0.00	125.00	125.00
Xeriscape	0.00	280.00	280.00
<b>TOTAL Discovery Garden</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>7,350.00</b>	<b>7,350.00</b>
HLC	0.00	0.00	0.00
Annual Pumping Expense - diver in river	0.00	500.00	500.00
Greenhouse Supplies	0.00	400.00	400.00
Maintenance	0.00	600.00	600.00
Toilet Repairs & Supplies	0.00	150.00	150.00
Victory Garden	0.00	460.00	460.00
<b>TOTAL HLC</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,110.00</b>	<b>2,110.00</b>
Winter Program	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cleaning the carpet after class	0.00	50.00	50.00
New Class - Supplies	0.00	20.00	20.00
Speakers	150.00	350.00	200.00
<b>TOTAL Winter Program</b>	<b>150.00</b>	<b>420.00</b>	<b>270.00</b>
<b>TOTAL PSP Expense</b>	<b>150.00</b>	<b>11,188.00</b>	<b>11,038.00</b>
RESERVES for unexpected expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
Special Events Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Plant Sale Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advertising	0.00	2,350.00	2,350.00
Contributions - Plant Sale Volunteers	0.00	350.00	350.00
Electrical - meter 23609558	0.00	4,200.00	4,200.00
Exhibit Fees	0.00	2,272.00	2,272.00
Next Year Seed	0.00	750.00	750.00
Next Year Supplies - McConkey	0.00	1,900.00	1,900.00
Plants	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Propane	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Supplies	0.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Vendor Costs	0.00	400.00	400.00
Water - Pitchford	0.00	500.00	500.00
<b>TOTAL Plant Sale Expense</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>19,922.00</b>	<b>19,922.00</b>
Special Events-other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bake Sale	0.00	100.00	100.00
Compost Tea	0.00	120.00	120.00
Taste-Off	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trash-To-Treasure Sale	0.00	250.00	250.00
<b>TOTAL Special Events-other</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>470.00</b>	<b>470.00</b>
<b>TOTAL Special Events Expense</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>20,392.00</b>	<b>20,392.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>275.82</b>	<b>38,810.00</b>	<b>38,534.18</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>1,599.18</b>	<b>-2,000.00</b>	<b>3,599.18</b>