

**OSU DOUGLAS COUNTY MASTER GARDENER
Chapter Meeting
March 30, 2017**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by President, Chris Rusch. There were 49 people in attendance. Chris thanked representatives from the Umpqua Valley Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Oregon for their presentation.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as published online.

Agent's Report - Steve Renquist: Steve will be teaching classes at OSU on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the next 9-10 weeks.

There will be an Advanced Diagnostics Class Wednesday, April 12, from 1:00-4:00 to be held at the home of Tony and Lindy Follett, 1210 Fisher Road in Roseburg. This class is for those who wish to serve at the Plant Clinic and Farmer's Market as well as counting towards recertification hours. Of course, everyone is welcome.

OFFICER REPORTS

Membership - Diana Circle: Currently we have 268 paid members. Diana will be publishing an updated roster next week, so if there are any changes to be made, please contact her. Included this time only will be those who do not wish their photos to be used in chapter publications. See Mary Hoffman in the office if you have not yet filled out the paperwork for liability insurance which is required by OMGA. Everyone needs to submit this if they want to participate in Master Gardener activities, including our fundraisers.

OMGA - Nancy Fuller: The first quarterly meeting was held in Salem March 3-4. They approved new by-law changes which can be accessed on the OMGA website. The next meeting will be in June in Clackamas County.

Registration for the International Master Gardener Conference in Portland is closed as of February 28. All class registrations are sold out as are two of the hotels - the third one, Crown Plaza, still has openings. Transit passes are included in the goodie bags for participants. The Discovery Garden is on the "Volcano" tour for July 9th, and 42 people have signed up for that.

Treasurer - Patrice Sipos: Financials were distributed and available for review.

Vice-President - Anne Bacon: This is our last chapter meeting in the Annex. Next month we will meet at the First United Methodist Church on Harvard due to construction at the Annex. Our presenter will be Jeff Giulietti of Eugene Physical Therapy on "Preventing Injury in the Garden". Summer meeting hosts are already lined up.

Past President - Larry Sutton: No report.

President - Chris Rusch: Chris thanked Ann Severson and all the MG's who helped make our Trash to Treasure Sale the most successful one yet.

It is time to select nominations for those on the Executive Board who will be stepping down. The Nominating Committee this year consists of Fred Alley, Karolyn Riecks, and Rosemary Brinkley.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Outreach - Jude Stensland: The following outreach opportunities were fulfilled this past month:

- March 2, Tri-City Garden Club with Maureen Benice. Talked to 14 people about seeding and greenhouses
- March 7, Nathan Baily taught a class on composting at the Phoenix School
- March 8, Jude helped 5 children and 2 adults make seed tapes at UCAN
- March 15, Jude and Jeanie Owen spoke to members of the Help One Another Club on downsizing your garden, easy access gardens and straw bale gardening

On Saturday, April 1, Jude, Margo Roten and Nathan Baily will give a 1-1/2 hour workshop at the Westside Community Garden at 11:00, followed by a potluck. Everyone is welcome to come!

Plant Clinic - Chris Rusch: Most of our trainees have gotten their two training days in. There are lots of openings for veterans in April and especially May. There have been some slow days, probably due to the wet weather, but there have been questions about insects and weeds. Trainees are encouraged to bring in problems from their own gardens or plants/insects to identify to help practice on in the clinic. We did get a call from a visitor from Portland who went to the Discovery Garden and had lots of praise for it and what we have accomplished there.

Eastside Greenhouse - Ann Severson: Eastside crew is working Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9-12, working hard to get plants ready for the sale. They could use more help, so come on out and lend a hand when you can.

Trash to Treasure Sale & Plant Expo - Ann Severson: Ann was so very pleased with the great worker turnout and the results of the Trash to Treasure Sale. With the \$200 gleaned from garage sale donations last year, the total made was \$3,939.20. Ann reminded everyone that to participate in the Plant Expo, members must wear their name badges both Friday and Saturday and must also have the Liability Insurance Form signed and turned in.

Awards - Betty Ison: Our chapter will now be presenting Years of Service swinger bars for those members who have had 15 years or more of active, continuous service. They must have turned in their hours and paid their dues each year. We will start at 15 years and reward bars at five year intervals after that (ie. 20, 25, 30 yrs). The bars will be treated just like hour bars and traded up each time you earn a new one. We are currently playing catch-up because this was just recently decided. For those of you who reach 15, 20, or 25 years this year, the bars will be presented at our Annual Awards Banquet in the fall. In the future, the Years of Service swingers will be handed out each year at the Banquet. Below is a list of people who have earned bars and may pick them up from me now. If you already have one from OMGA that is current you will not be given another one.

15 Years: Leo Grass, Judith Huntley, Richard Johnstone, Jack Machulies, Shirley Purcell, Linda Thames, Myra Weber

20 Years: Judy Dake, Philece Humphrey, Tasha King, Barbara MacPherson, Roger Sawyer

25 Years: Betty Ison, Julie Stanbery

T-Shirts - Anne Bacon for Kish Doyle: The deadline for getting in T-shirt artwork to Kish has been extended to April 10th. Submitted artwork should be 8-1/2" X 11" size and in black and white.

Discovery Garden - Julie Stanbery: Julie expressed how impressed she is by the new class and their solid work ethic. Here's some of the projects happening in the garden:

- Revamping the Herb Garden. We have had some Saturday work days for those new members who work during the week. 100' of gravel paths have been installed by hand. New planting beds are now contoured.
- The Butterfly Garden is being cleaned up nicely
- Beth Whitcomb and her husband weeded under the Donor Board. Thank you to them!
- Bruce Gravens has taken on the Orchard and is going to try flood irrigation under 8" of mulch as a different irrigating alternative.
- Elva Sellens had some help rebuilding the lily bed by Ray Warren and Al Petrie.
- Clean up at the Helleck Hall took place and Steve Renquist helped with pruning back the kiwi.
- Mark Schmoll built some nice shelves in the janitor's room of the bathroom, but discovered that there is a leak in the ceiling which needs caulking.
- The Empress tree is down thanks to Cowboy Tree Service. Randy Briggs did some other work that he donated while at the garden. He also pointed out that the big fir tree by the green shed is dying and needs to be removed.
- The Japanese Garden had a work day this month with a good turn out.
- Sharon Bordeaux has volunteered to head up the Sun Garden.
- Geo Caching: some have tried to find maidenhair fern unsuccessfully. Sharon Hopkins said it can be found in the Native Plant area near the Children's Garden.
- International MG tour of the garden will be Sunday, July 9. After the Plant Expo, getting the Discovery Garden ready for the tour will be a priority. Plan to set up tables under the fir trees by the Victory garden for those on the tour to eat their box lunches. Larry Sutton and Rosemary Brinkley are making welcome bags for the visitors on the tour.
- The next Saturday work day will be in June for those new MG's who work during the week.
- Volunteers are asked to help out in the greenhouses to get plants ready for the Plant Expo, then after the sale help in the Discovery Garden.
- Gates are being left open, doors to the restroom left unlocked and lights have been left on. Be sure and shut gates, lock doors and turn off lights if you are leaving around noon and most everyone has left.

Victory Garden - Ruth Stafford: Gophers are devouring the garlic planted in September so traps are being set, turning it into a "gopher demo garden". Onions and cabbage are planted and peas are coming up. We are now writing what is being planted each week on the new kiosk that was built last year.

We will be manning a booth at the Canyonville Market starting May 10, from 9:00-1:00, and continuing every Wednesday for the growing season. The market is in the Seven Feathers parking lot.

Newsletter - Bonnie Courter: Articles are due this Saturday, April 1.

Black Apparel - Toni Rudolf: The black apparel and aprons are ready to be picked up on the back table today.

Hallmark - Linda Thames: The following were sent cards:

- Gloria McCrea broke her foot
- Jon Thran's wife, Janet, is undergoing chemo for lung cancer
- Eloise Aguirre's niece and her four children were killed in a fire. They lived in Massachusetts.
- Cal Peterson died February 27. He was a longtime editor of the MG newsletter and past principal at Fullerton IV where he collected and planted trees from all 50 states.
- Many MG's attended the memorial service for Michael Bunyard, husband of Janice Bunyard, at the Discovery Garden

New Business

1. Approval was needed for the changes in the By-Laws and Policies and Procedures as posted in the Newsletter and our website. Betty Ison made a motion to approve the changes, Fred Alley seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the membership.
2. Approval was needed for funding the Discovery Garden pathways.

The Executive Board recommended passing the funding request by Julie Stanbery to create gravel pathways 4' wide, 4" deep that would cover over 1000' from the Rock Garden to the Japanese Garden. Crader Enterprises was the best bid at a cost of \$20,324.00. The excavated pathways would have a ground cloth barrier, then filled with 1" minus aggregate rock, then compressed down. Instead of hauling the excavated soil away, we will dump the rocky material where needed. Julie said the pathways should have a 15-20 year life span if used only by pedestrians and wheel chairs. Work can be started within a week and would be done in 5-10 days.

Toni Rudolf made a motion to approve the funding, Betty Ison seconded it, and it was unanimously approved by the membership.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Insect Committee

DCMG Executive Board meeting

DCMG Chapter Meeting

First and Third Mondays 10 AM

April 12, Extension Auditorium, 10 AM

April 27, 9 AM Continuing Ed., Chapter Meeting, 10 AM, First United Methodist Church, Harvard, Roseburg

Discovery Garden Work Days

Plant & Garden Expo

Every Tuesday, 9-Noon

May 6, DC Fairgrounds

Show and Tell

- Vicki McAlister brought two MG T-shirts to give away
- Diana Cason brought a dozen fertile quail eggs to give away
- Bob Brindley had an anecdote from the Trash to Treasure Sale. A friend of his shopped at the sale, then noticed a lovely afghan on the "Free" table - it was the very same afghan she had made for her granddaughter 18 years ago! So she happily scooped it right up!

MEETING ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 by President, Chris Rusch.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bonnie Courter for Barbara Robinson, DCMG Secretary

Account Balances - As of 3/29/2017

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Account	3/29/2017 Balance
Bank Accounts	
Checking-Umpqua Bank	2,215.32
Money Market-Reserves-Umpqua Bank	8,134.10
Money Market-Umpqua Bank	38,147.30
TOTAL Bank Accounts	48,496.72
OVERALL TOTAL	48,496.72

Cash Flow
2/24/2017 through 3/29/2017

Category	2/24/2017- 3/29/2017
INFLOWS	
Donations	
Grants	57.23
TOTAL Donations	57.23
Dues-membership	40.00
PSP Income	
Clinic & Office	
Soil Testing	270.00
TOTAL Clinic & Office	270.00
TOTAL PSP Income	270.00
Special Events	
Plant Sale Income	
Plant Sales	
Vendor Booth	1,001.20
TOTAL Plant Sales	1,001.20
TOTAL Plant Sale Income	1,001.20
Special Events-other	
Trash-To-Treasure Sale	3,739.20
TOTAL Special Events-other	3,739.20
TOTAL Special Events	4,740.40
TOTAL INFLOWS	5,107.63
OUTFLOWS	
Bank Fee	26.25
Management & General	
Awards & Banquet	
Awards	80.00
TOTAL Awards & Banquet	80.00
Conferences	
OMGA Travel	195.39
TOTAL Conferences	195.39
Dues-OMGA	1,638.00
Hospitality	60.08
Postage for Executive Board	15.85
Supplies for Executive Board	21.99
TOTAL Management & General	2,011.31
PSP Expense	
Clinic & Office	
Soil Testing	250.48
TOTAL Clinic & Office	250.48
Discovery Garden	
Electric - meter 23609842	108.15
Irrigation	46.92
TOTAL Discovery Garden	155.07
HLC	
Maintenance	314.16
Westside Greenhouse Maintenance	58.55
Westside Greenhouse Supplies	-41.80
TOTAL HLC	330.91
Winter Program	

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Category	2/24/2017- 3/29/2017
Speakers	0.00
TOTAL Winter Program	0.00
TOTAL PSP Expense	736.46
Special Events Expense	
Plant Sale Expense	
Electrical - meter 62314693	1,877.24
Exhibit Fees	2,948.50
Propane	1,957.69
Supplies	250.54
TOTAL Plant Sale Expense	7,033.97
Special Events-other	-709.00
Bake Sale	10.00
Trash-To-Treasure Sale	99.11
TOTAL Special Events-other	-599.89
TOTAL Special Events Expense	6,434.08
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	9,208.10
OVERALL TOTAL	-4,100.47

Budget - Current Year

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Category	1/1/2017 Actual	- Budget	12/31/2017 Difference
INCOME			
Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00
Contributions	15.00	0.00	15.00
Grants	57.23	189.95	-132.72
TOTAL Donations	72.23	189.95	-117.72
Dues-membership	2,340.00	2,400.00	-60.00
Income for Newsletter	229.75	255.00	-25.25
TOTAL Dues-membership	2,569.75	2,655.00	-85.25
Interest Income - Bank	2.14	16.00	-13.86
PSP Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Clinic & Office			
Soil Testing	290.00	800.00	-510.00
TOTAL Clinic & Office	290.00	800.00	-510.00
TOTAL PSP Income	290.00	800.00	-510.00
Special Events			
Plant Sale Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Plant Sales			
Drawings	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Entrance Fees	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00
Sales-event	0.00	21,500.00	-21,500.00
Sales-post	0.00	700.00	-700.00
Sales-pre	0.00	3,200.00	-3,200.00
Vendor Booth	1,001.20	3,000.00	-1,998.80
TOTAL Plant Sales	1,001.20	32,400.00	-31,398.80
TOTAL Plant Sale Income	1,001.20	32,400.00	-31,398.80
Special Events-other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bake Sale	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00
Compost Tea	0.00	950.00	-950.00
Trash-To-Treasure Sale	3,739.20	3,000.00	739.20
TOTAL Special Events-other	3,739.20	5,450.00	-1,710.80
TOTAL Special Events	4,740.40	37,850.00	-33,109.60
TOTAL INCOME	7,674.52	41,510.95	-33,836.43
EXPENSES			
Bank Fee	26.25	0.00	-26.25
Management & General	0.00	0.00	0.00
Awards & Banquet	0.00	0.00	0.00
Awards	80.00	450.00	370.00
Banquet	0.00	750.00	750.00
TOTAL Awards & Banquet	80.00	1,200.00	1,120.00
Conferences			
Chapter Meetings	0.00	200.00	200.00
OMGA International	0.00	250.00	250.00
OMGA Quarterly Meeting	0.00	0.00	0.00
OMGA Travel	195.39	1,250.00	1,054.61
TOTAL Conferences	195.39	1,700.00	1,504.61
Dues-OMGA	1,638.00	1,659.00	21.00
Grants&Gifts&Scholarships	0.00	0.00	0.00
4-H Donation	0.00	80.00	80.00
Gifts - Hallmark	0.00	50.00	50.00

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Category	1/1/2017 Actual	- Budget	12/31/2017 Difference
Officer Gifts	44.99	80.00	35.01
Scholarships	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
TOTAL Grants&Gifts&Scholarships	44.99	1,710.00	1,665.01
Historian	0.00	25.00	25.00
Hospitality	147.07	200.00	52.93
Liability Insurance	0.00	650.00	650.00
OMGA Search for Excellence	0.00	150.00	150.00
Postage for Executive Board	15.85	30.00	14.15
Print Check Charges	0.00	24.00	24.00
Supplies for Executive Board	21.99	40.00	18.01
TOTAL Management & General	2,143.29	7,388.00	5,244.71
PSP Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advanced Training	0.00	0.00	0.00
Continuing Education	0.00	550.00	550.00
Newsletter			
Postage	19.72	255.00	235.28
TOTAL Newsletter	19.72	255.00	235.28
TOTAL Advanced Training	19.72	805.00	785.28
Clinic & Office	0.00	0.00	0.00
Farmers Markets	0.00	40.00	40.00
Insects	0.00	100.00	100.00
Library	0.00	100.00	100.00
Plant Clinic & Office Supplies	0.00	50.00	50.00
Soil Testing	250.48	300.00	49.52
Website Development	0.00	120.00	120.00
TOTAL Clinic & Office	250.48	710.00	459.52
Community Outreach	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fair Booth	0.00	50.00	50.00
Speakers Bureau	0.00	25.00	25.00
TOTAL Community Outreach	0.00	75.00	75.00
Discovery Garden	0.00	0.00	0.00
Butterfly	0.00	315.00	315.00
Childrens	0.00	425.00	425.00
Compost & Biochar	0.00	50.00	50.00
Easy Access (Container Garden)	287.80	650.00	362.20
Electric - meter 23609842	108.15	600.00	491.85
Entry	11.97	50.00	38.03
Herb	0.00	300.00	300.00
Hummingbird	0.00	125.00	125.00
Iris	0.00	50.00	50.00
Irrigation	46.92	400.00	353.08
Japanese	0.00	200.00	200.00
Kiosk - donor board	0.00	50.00	50.00
Maintenance	65.75	660.05	594.30
Mulch	0.00	300.00	300.00
Orchard	0.00	100.00	100.00
Ornamental	0.00	100.00	100.00
Perennial Border	0.00	275.00	275.00
Raised Beds (Dahlia-Lily)	141.57	250.00	108.43
Rock Garden	0.00	520.00	520.00
Shade Garden	0.00	50.00	50.00

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Category	1/1/2017 Actual	- Budget	12/31/2017 Difference
Signage	0.00	500.00	500.00
Sun Garden	0.00	150.00	150.00
Water - River Forks meter	37.88	500.00	462.12
Xeriscape	0.00	400.00	400.00
TOTAL Discovery Garden	700.04	7,020.05	6,320.01
HLC	0.00	0.00	0.00
Annual Pumping Expense - diver in river	0.00	400.00	400.00
Eastside Greenhouse Maintenance	0.00	2,460.00	2,460.00
Eastside Greenhouse Supplies	0.00	400.00	400.00
Garbage Dump Fee	12.00	50.00	38.00
HLC Fire Extinguishers	0.00	120.00	120.00
Maintenance	331.42	600.00	268.58
Toilet Repairs & Supplies	0.00	150.00	150.00
Tree Trimming Professional	0.00	0.00	0.00
Victory Garden	62.58	650.00	587.42
Westside Greenhouse Maintenance	58.55	1,200.00	1,141.45
Westside Greenhouse Supplies	-41.80	400.00	441.80
TOTAL HLC	422.75	6,430.00	6,007.25
Winter Program	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Class - Supplies	0.00	20.00	20.00
Speakers	300.00	350.00	50.00
TOTAL Winter Program	300.00	370.00	70.00
TOTAL PSP Expense	1,692.99	15,410.05	13,717.06
RESERVES for unexpected expenses	400.00	0.00	-400.00
Special Events Expense			
Plant Sale Expense			
Advertising	0.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Contributions - Plant Sale Volunteers	0.00	350.00	350.00
Electrical - meter 62314693	1,877.24	3,600.00	1,722.76
Exhibit Fees	2,948.50	3,000.00	51.50
Next Year Seed	0.00	750.00	750.00
Next Year Supplies - McConkey	0.00	2,800.00	2,800.00
Plants	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Propane	1,957.69	1,500.00	-457.69
Supplies	250.54	1,500.00	1,249.46
Vendor Costs	0.00	550.00	550.00
Water - Pitchford meter	330.83	950.00	619.17
TOTAL Plant Sale Expense	7,364.80	18,600.00	11,235.20
Special Events-other	-709.00	0.00	709.00
Bake Sale	13.05	75.00	61.95
Compost Tea	0.00	150.00	150.00
Taste-Off	0.00	30.00	30.00
Trash-To-Treasure Sale	102.46	100.00	-2.46
TOTAL Special Events-other	-593.49	355.00	948.49
TOTAL Special Events Expense	6,771.31	18,955.00	12,183.69
TOTAL EXPENSES	11,033.84	41,753.05	30,719.21
OVERALL TOTAL	-3,359.32	-242.10	-3,117.22