



# Douglas County Master Gardeners

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fascination, the love of gardening will come when they see their initial endeavors start to work.

A final point I would like to share is the position of Extension in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Our generation grew up with Extension or at least turning to our schools and libraries for answers to our questions.

Unfortunately, we are getting older and times they are a changing. The

generations coming in behind us want instant answers to their gardening (or other) questions and have learned that there are plenty of answers on the internet. If we are to continue as a viable tool for our communities we need to continue to make our presence known. We need to be recognized as a place to get not only simple quick answers but answers that work and put the magic back into gardening.

Orchids this month go to Betty Ison and her committee for their work in preparing the awards. Mik, Lorreen and all the wonderful workers in the Victory Garden get a special bouquet for producing over a ton and a half of edibles for Douglas County food pantries.

—Larry Sutton

## YOUR PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Once every two years the International Master Gardeners hold a conference. This year it was held in Charleston, West Virginia and I was lucky enough to attend. We had Master Gardeners from all across the nation, Canada, and a delegation from Korea that are investigating the possibility of exporting the program to Korea. We met and spent considerable time with the delegation from London, Ontario, Canada. Programs vary wherever you go and after talking to them I considered myself fortunate to have done my Master Gardener Training in Douglas County. They had each paid \$1400.00 to take the training. Even at that price they have a waiting list for the classes.

A reoccurring theme at the conference was what we have to do to attract more people to use our services. One answer given, surprisingly enough, was to keep it simple. Most people that call in with a question just want a simple solution. If we try to impress them with things like Latin sounding names and detailed discussions of plant physiology, we either bore them or scare them away. Sure, we know those things. We have to know them to do our job. But part of our job is to create a gardening interest in the public-become a gardening advocate. Our best advice can be a simple direct answer (KISS-Keep It Simple Stupid) and not a lecture. The magic, the

## Calendar of Events

November 9- Executive Board Meeting - 9 a.m.

Extension kitchen

November 15 - New Member Orientation - 11 a.m.

Annex

November 15 - Great Gardener Series - 7 p.m.

Annex: Soils, Tree Fruits, MFP presentation on preserving tree fruits

November 16 - Advanced Diagnostics - 10 a.m.

Extension kitchen

November 17 - CE - 9 a.m. Monte Bryan, Asst.

Fire Chief, Disaster Preparedness; 10 a.m.

**Chapter Meeting on November 17!** Annex

November 19- Bake Sale 9 a.m. @ Sherm's

December 8 - Mentor Training - 10 a.m. Annex

## Community Outreach

Creating 'Great Gardeners' what a wonderful opportunity. If you are someone who likes the feeling you get when you can give something of value to someone else; have I got a deal for you. Our new evening classes will be held on the third Tuesday of each month (except December) at 7:00PM. Each class will present a general gardening topic, a specific garden crop, and a MFP presentation on how to use that crop. Each segment will be thirty minutes. Three bite sized lessons that will give people the fundamental skills to grow and harvest their own food. I can't imagine a better gift to our neighbors. Several of you have already indicated that you would like to give some of these presentations. I have sent an email that lists the different topics. Please let me know what topics you are interested in. Method of presentation will be your choice, with an eye toward practical. I will also post a clipboard in the plant clinic.

Winter classes will be in the auditorium; spring and summer should find us in the Discovery Garden. Fees are ten dollars per class, collected at the door. Income will be divided with MFPs. So read up on your favorite garden topic, make some notes, and gather your materials. Let's go to work...Leo

Thanks...Leo Grass

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## Agent's Report

—Steve Renquist

### High-Quality Year for Home Grown Tree Fruit

I would love to get some feedback from the 2011 tree fruit class participants about how their tree fruit production went this year. Just drop by my office or call and share a few thoughts. Our class met once a month from January until June to discuss timely production issues. It was the first time I did a monthly class on home fruit production in Douglas County. One interesting benefit of doing this class was that it helped me focus on my own small orchard through the entire

season.

Even though our growing season was very cool (2400 GDD versus 2750 average), and we had an increasing population of Spotted Wing Drosophila, I had some wonderful high quality fruit. I think the most difficult thing for me this year was the timing of my pest control with the crop about three weeks later than normal. Most of us are creatures of habit and we tend to repeat activities by the time of year. This year I realized how important it is to use pheromone traps to know when pests are in the orchard and not spray by the calendar. My first codling moth sprays went on in late May versus the end of April or early May in most other years. If I had sprayed by the calendar I would have completely wasted my first spray, and I would have missed the first flight in late May. I have never had such clean worm free apples and pears as this year while using an all organic, low toxicity pest program of Cyd-X virus and Spinosad. I believe that the control was due to excellent timing, watching my pheromone traps, and applying when the moth catches exceeded five in any one week. This is also the third year I have used the Cyd-X virus and I think it has really impacted the local codling moth population in my neighborhood. If you decide to use the Cyd-X virus make sure you alternate sprays with another product to help prevent resistance to the product. I used the Cyd-X three times and the Spinosad three times from late May until September. Often low toxicity products have a shorter residual effect making it necessary to apply them more frequently than high toxicity products.

Another take away from this year was the importance of using fungicides during our prolonged wet spring and early summer, especially with vulnerable apple and pear varieties. I have twelve apple varieties in my orchard and it was clear to see that those apples with apple scab resistance just laughed at the disease spores as they rained down on the fruit. Dayton, Liberty, Pristine, and Prima had no scab infection and they did not get any fungicide sprays at all. Fuji, Empire, Braeburn, Golden Delicious, Spitzenburg, and Cameo had no scab but they did need two fungicide sprays in May and June. Gala, and Early Fuji did get apple scab infections and they had two

fungicide sprays. If you want to grow Gala and Fuji in our local area be prepared to protect the fruit and leaves with fungicides like Immunox, Bravo, or Captan.

My plums, peaches, figs, and berry crops all did lovely despite the concerns I had because of the increased numbers of Spotted Wing Drosophila (SWD). I did spray my plums and peaches with Spinosad about 14 days before harvest when they were fully colored and starting to mature. I never noticed any larvae in the plums or peaches despite having pretty high numbers of SWD in the vinegar traps fifty feet from the trees. I did not let any of the soft tree fruit hang on the trees beyond the point of being ripe. That seemed to allow my soft fruit crops to escape SWD egg laying.

My raspberry and blueberry crop production was also very heavy and the fruit had no damage when I harvested daily as the berries ripened. One plot that I allowed to hang an extra five days before picking did become infested with SWD larvae. It became very evident with berry crops that daily harvesting ripe berries is a must for homeowner fruit production. I did not see significant damage to fruit in the week or two leading up to maturity as we feared might happen. However when I chose to not use insecticides, just leaving fruit hang for a few extra days after maturity doomed it. SWD do not seem to be successful at egg laying in apples and pears. I have seen no sign of insect damage. For those of you looking for a good orchard pest management site online to help you identify pests and learn about IPM pest control strategies visit this WSU site. <http://jenny.tfrec.wsu.edu/opm/>

I hope all of you tree fruit enthusiasts continue to work at growing high quality crops in the coming year.

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## NOTES FROM THE CLINIC

We are heading into our Fall and Winter schedule in the Plant Clinic. For the month of November we will be open on Monday and Wednesday only.

In the Month of October we had 73 clients. They had a wide range of questions from winter spraying to preparation for next year's garden.

We had a security concern with the Plant Clinic computer. Mary Hoffman has changed the password and it will no longer be posted on the computer screen. You can find the password in a red folder that is between a red binder and a black binder that are on the shelf directly above the computer screen. This information is for Master Gardeners only.

Starting with the last week in October I will be taking the Log Book home on a weekly basis to do a little quality control check. This will allow us to have better accountability for proper recording procedures.

We need a new point person for next year's Farmers Market. Many thanks to Debbie Haynes for the great job she did for us this year. Debbie will work with the new person and help get them oriented. Please contact me if you would be interested in this position.

As you all know we have a very cozy office and there is limited space for storage. If you have any display materials, tubs, supplies or other items please store them in our upstairs storage area. If you are not sure where that is the office staff can direct you. I am going to be doing the winter cleaning in the Clinic and would really appreciate getting all of the clutter out before I start. Thank you.

Hope you all had a fun Halloween and will have a great Thanksgiving

Judy Mercer  
Plant Clinic Manager

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## DCMG General Meeting October 27, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President **Larry Sutton** at 10:13 a.m. There were approximately 45 people in attendance.

There were no guests.

Approval of the agenda.

There were no additions or corrections to the minutes and they will stand as published.

**Agent Report:** **Steve Renquist** announced there are 30 people signed up for the winter class. He has had short interviews with each applicant and is impressed by the number of young people and how prepared these people are for the class. **Steve** also discussed the Great Gardener Series of evening classes that will begin on November 15<sup>th</sup>. They will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the Annex. The summer classes will be held at the Discovery Garden. Each class will be \$10 and will be split with the MFP (2/3 MG - 1/3 MFP). **Steve** discussed another program he is thinking about called 2012 Promote Program - Learn by Doing. More info to follow. There were handouts on the OMGA Strategic Plan for those interested. There will be an OSU Naturalist online program available in the future. Some of the subjects include Oregon and Ecology, Geology, Forests, Water Sheds, etc. Again, more info to follow. OSU has a new Diversity information sheet. All MG's need to update information by signing.

### **Officer Reports**

**Membership:** **Cindy Rich** reported 285 members. Roster changes were available. Dues are due now at \$10 per member and \$15 for members requiring their newsletters be mailed.

**OMGA Representative:** **Debbie Haynes** will be attending the quarterly OMGA meeting in Albany on November 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer:** **Toni Rudolph** reported we have \$22,196.20 in various accounts. **Toni** thanked everyone who worked so hard to reduce their budget to be able to present a balanced budget to the membership for 2012. The budget is to be published in the newsletter. We will vote on this at the November meeting.

**Vice President:** **Barbara Robinson** thanked the MFP presenters, Kathey Linn and Geri Johnson, for their great discussion on food dehydration. Our CE program for November will be Monte Bryan, Assistant Fire Chief for the City of Roseburg on Disaster Preparedness.

**Past President:** No report.

**President:** **Larry Sutton** just returned from the International Master Gardeners Conference in

Charleston, West Virginia. Start planning now because the International MG Conference will be held on a cruise ship to Alaska September 7-15, 2013. The reservations and prices will be published in May of 2012.

### **Committee Reports**

**Community Outreach:** **Leo Grass** has been working hard on the Great Gardeners Seminar series, which will begin November 15<sup>th</sup>. The first seminar will consist of Soils - **Leo Grass**, Tree Fruits - **Steve Renquist**, and **Lisa Gosciejew** will find an MFP presenter to show attendees how to preserve their crops. All other classes will need presenters. **Leo** will email a list of presentations and would like volunteers to make presentations at future classes. **Leo** also had the absolute pleasure to take 36 preschoolers through the Discovery Garden. MaryAnn Parsons from Riddle would like MG help on a children's community garden. If you are interested, please contact **Leo**. The Saving Grace community project is getting close to discussing plants and planting at the new building site near Winchester. If you are interested in helping, please contact **Leo**.

**Plant Clinic:** **Judy Mercer** said there have been 76 contacts month to date. She is updating log entries weekly for accuracy. The calendar was passed around for sign ups in November and December. **Judy** discussed a strange outbreak of small dark specs at her house. After investigation, they may show to be a tiny snail, native to Oregon.

**Discovery Garden:** **Julie Stanbery** asked for members to sign up and help **Chris Rusch** and **Marty Katz** design and set pavers for the patio in front of the Tea House in the Japanese Garden. The patio will be assembled Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m., rain or shine. Another huge thank you to our creative team of **Eileen Kelly** and **Sharon Hopkins** who will be putting the names on the donor trees at the Discovery Garden. Please contact **Julie** if you have any information on people who have given money, materials, or major forms of labor. **Noel Groshong** is winterizing the Discovery Garden regarding the water. Gravel has been delivered for the greenhouse

areas for repair of the road after the Festival of Lights. Any receipts from the Discovery Garden are due immediately.

**Awards:** **Betty Ison** announced **Dianne Billings** and **Robin Grant-Crooks** have both achieved their 60-hour requirement. Please contact **Betty** to pick up your swinger bars.

**Awards Banquet:** **Betty Ison** reported the following awards for the DCMG year -

MG of the Year: **Maureen Benice**

Behind the Scenes MG: **Marianne Major**

Apprentice Gardener of the Year: **Eileen**

**Kelley and Sharon Hopkins**

Horticulture Agent of the Year: **Judy**

**Mercer**

**Judy Huntley** thanked everyone who set up for the banquet, took down, cooked, baked, and all who attended.

**Publicity:** **Bonnie Courter** has sent out press releases for the Awards Banquet and the change in hours at the Plant Clinic.

**Winter Training:** **Maureen Benice** held the first of two mentor meetings on October 20<sup>th</sup>. She was pleased to announce there are 14 new MG's mentoring. The orientation for new trainees will be on November 15<sup>th</sup>. The second mentor meeting will be December 8<sup>th</sup> to complete mentor training and answer questions.

**Hallmark:** October was not a good month to the MG membership. Bud Cruger's wife, Carol, passed away. Bud was a longtime member of the DCMG's and was responsible for several of the Discovery Garden gardens. Bud and Carol moved to Washington State several years ago to be near their children. Cindy Stevens' husband, Duane, passed away. Welcome **Bill Decker** back after a tough time. **Tasha King** was all smiles as she has finished her last cancer treatment.

**Newsletter:** Don't forget the deadline for articles in the newsletter is the Saturday 12 noon following the general meeting. In this case, it will be October 29<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. Submit to Joe Yetter in Arial 12 point and please be sure to spell correctly.

**Victory Garden:** **Mik Carlson** thanked all the volunteers who worked in the Victory Garden this year and announced they will be putting the garden to bed next week. There will still be one more harvest, however, the numbers were great.

Donations in pounds to UCAN are as follows -

Victory Garden 2,733

Home gardens and Easy Access 506

Total 3,239

What a great year!

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

None

**Show & Tell**

**Betty Ison** had starts for scarlet runner beans. **Betty** also had a hornet's nest attached to a fir bough her husband found.

**Pat Vaughn** has yellow raspberries available if you order by 102811

**Maureen Benice** found a garden fork in the Discovery Garden - call if missing

**Steve Renquist** found an invasive brown soil flatworm in his garden. He is helping OSU with testing. This worm is shiny black, terrestrial, 1/16" - 1/8" in length. This worm originates from the Coos Bay area and is usually found in riparian areas. It has now migrated to Southern Oregon. The best way to learn about strange things, and how they wind up in Douglas County, is to attend the Advanced Diagnostics classes held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Be sure to check the Calendar of Events for the location.

**Larry Sutton** reported he felt a bump while visiting the Charleston area during the conference and due to **Judy Mercer's** constant training was able to identify the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug. Some of the other attendees advised this is a common pest in their area and have found some solutions to the pest including planting a 20' corn barrier around an orchard, using turkey, geese and chickens, and wet weather also help.

**Toni Rudolph** let everyone know the sign up for Medicare drug plans ends on December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Debbie Hesseltine**  
Secretary

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## **Awards Banquet 2011-- Special Recognitions**

At the recent Awards Banquet there were several individuals who were presented with very special honors, and I would like to acknowledge those people here. Since everyone doesn't attend the Banquet the rest of the membership should know who these individuals are.

**Maureen Benice** is the **2011 Douglas County Master Gardener of the Year**. Maureen has been a volunteer for 5 years and has put in nearly 1900 hours of service. She has been involved in a wide variety of activities. Maureen was Chapter Secretary for 2 yrs, Chapter State Representative for a year, and is currently Alternate State Representative. As part of our Outreach Program she has been involved with the Plant Clinic, Farmer's Market, Kruse Farm's (5 yrs-this year as coordinator), Home Show (4 yrs), Fair Booth (2 yrs), a Class Mentor (3 yrs), Spring Into Gardening Seminar (5 yrs), the Speaker's Bureau, a Pruning Instructor (4 yrs), etc. She has also helped with fundraising activities such as the Bake Sale, Trash to Treasure Sales (4 yrs), Plant Sales (5 yrs), and the Cookbook. Maureen has also been very involved with the greenhouse crew (5 yrs), class greenhouse training (4 yrs), the watering crew (5 yrs), was a member of the Helleck Hall Beautification Project, and works in the Discovery Garden (5 yrs).

The **2011 "Behind the Scenes" Master Gardener of the Year Award** is **Marianne Major**. Marianne was selected because she is a reliable, consistent volunteer. She has been a volunteer for 14 years and averages about 100 hours per year. Marianne has been involved in various MG activities. As part of our Outreach Program she has been involved with the Plant Clinic, Insect Committee, Fair Booth, Fair Garden Plot, Home Show, and helped with a Mini-College Display. She has also helped with numerous fundraising activities such as Trash to Treasure

Sales (5 yrs), Japanese Maple Tree Sales (3 yrs), Compost Tea (2 yrs), Plant Sales (11 yrs--4 yrs as Clean-up Coordinator), the Fall Tree Sale, and the Garden Journal. Marianne has helped in the greenhouse, and works in the Discovery Garden (10 yrs--the last 8 yrs with the Butterfly Garden). She has also helped set -up and decorate for several Awards Banquets, was a member of the Plant Clinic Phone Committee, and helped with new class orientation. We just don't have too many people that stick with the organization as long as she has.

Two newcomers were selected **2011 Outstanding New Master Gardener Apprentice**, they were **Eileen Kelley** and **Sharon Hopkins**. Both were honored for their very active and wide involvement in the organization. Both ladies have worked with the Plant Clinic, Home Show, Greenhouse, Plant Sale, Discovery Garden, the Drain Farmer's Market, and put together the Chapter Display for Mini-College. Eileen was also a summer meeting host and did compost tea. Both of them have well over 200 hours and not only completed the MG program, but also did the MFP program at the same time.

Another special award presented during the evening was the **Horticultural Agent's Award**. The recipient of that award was **Judith Mercer**. She was selected by our Horticulture Agent Steve Renquist. It is for volunteers who by helping the agent achieve his goals, positively impacts the Master Gardener Program. Judy is the Plant Clinic Coordinator, and is a member of the new Plant Clinic Teaching Core.

These are all very special volunteers and more than deserving of the recognition they have received, so if you have the opportunity congratulate them for a job well done.  
**CONGRATULATIONS ALL!!!!**

Betty Ison  
DCMG Awards Chairman

## OMGA Report

Saturday, November 5 is the quarterly meeting of the OMGA. Maureen and I will be leaving early and this will be the first report to the organization that I have to make. I'm thankful MB will be there. I'm thinking at this meeting we will hear more on the Strategic plan and what we're really supposed to be doing with it. More news later, folks. See you at the monthly meeting in November!

Deb Haynes

### 2012 DCMG PROPOSED BUDGET submitted by Toni Rudolph, Treasurer

<b>INCOME</b>	
Bank Interest	\$10
Dues (covers OMGA dues & liability ins.)	\$2,600
Dues - Hardcopy Newsletter	\$330
Program Service Project Income	
Soil Testing	\$800
Monthly Gardening Training - NEW 2012	\$733
<b>Total PSP Income</b>	<b>\$1,533</b>
<b>Special Events</b>	
<b>Plant Sale</b>	
Drawings	\$700
Entrance Fee	\$3,000
Sales - Event	\$19,600
Sales - Post	\$1,000
Sales - Pre	\$1,000
Vendor Booth	\$2,500
<b>Total Plant Sale</b>	<b>\$27,800</b>
<b>Special Events Other</b>	
Bake Sale	\$1,000
Compost Tea	\$900
Cookbook	\$0
Reimbursement for OMGA Qtly meeting	\$300
Trash-to-Treasure Sale	\$2,000
<b>Total Special Events Other</b>	<b>\$4,200</b>
<b>Total Special Events</b>	<b>\$32,000</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$36,473</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
<b>Management &amp; General Expenses</b>	
<b>Awards &amp; Banquet</b>	
Awards	\$350
Banquet	\$750
<b>Total Awards &amp; Banquet</b>	<b>\$1,100</b>
<b>Bank Charges</b>	\$0
<b>Conferences</b>	
Insects	\$110
Library	\$100
Plant Clinic and Office Supplies	\$0
Soil Testing	\$175
Website	\$100
<b>Total Clinics and Office</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Community Outreach</b>	
Fair Booth	\$0
Home Show	\$0
Speakers Bureau	\$0
<b>Total Community Outreach</b>	<b>\$485</b>
<b>Discovery Garden</b>	
Brochures	\$0
Butterfly	\$75
Childrens	\$170
Compost	\$0
Easy Access (Container Garden)	\$400
Electric- PP&L - Discovery Garden	\$400
Entry	\$90
Hedgerow	\$0
Herb	\$150
Irrigation	\$600
Japanese	\$100
Kiosk/donor board	\$100
Maintenance	\$500
Orchard	\$0
Ornamental	\$0
Pavilion	\$0
Raised Beds (Dalia/Daylily/Lily)	\$100
Rock Garden	\$500
Signage	\$250
Shade Garden	\$0
Sun Garden	\$100
Water/UBWA - Discovery Garden	\$125
Xeriscape	\$250

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(2012 Proposed Budget, continued)

Chapter Meetings	\$50	<b>Total Discovery Garden</b>	<b>\$3,910</b>
OMGA	\$300	<b>Horticultural Learning Center (HLC)</b>	
OMGA Travel	\$460	Annual Pumping Expense (diver in river)	\$500
<b>Total Conferences</b>	<b>\$810</b>	Greenhouse Supplies	\$300
<b>Dues-OMGA</b>	<b>\$1,820</b>	Maintenance	\$600
<b>Grants/Gifts/Scholarships</b>		Toilet Supplies and Repairs	\$100
4-H Donation	\$80	Victory Garden	\$412
Endowment	\$2,000	<b>Total Horticultural Learning Center</b>	<b>\$1,912</b>
Gifts - Hallmark	\$22	<b>Winter Program</b>	
Memorials	\$100	Cleaning the carpet after class	\$50
Officer Gifts	\$45	New Class - Supplies	\$30
Scholarships - Mini-College	\$1,500	Speakers	\$300
<b>Total Grants/Gifts/Scholarships</b>	<b>\$3,747</b>	<b>Total Winter Program</b>	<b>\$380</b>
<b>Historian</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>TOTAL PSP Expenses</b>	<b>\$8,768</b>
<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>\$150</b>	<b>Reserves - FUNDS TO BE ADDED AT YEAR END</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Liability Insurance</b>	<b>\$670</b>	<b>Special Events Expenses</b>	
<b>OMGA Chapter Display</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Plant Sale</b>	
<b>OMGA Search for Excellence</b>	<b>\$100</b>	Advertising	\$2,000
<b>Postage / Exec Board</b>	<b>\$25</b>	Contributions/Plant Sale Volunteers	\$350
<b>Supplies / Exec Board</b>	<b>\$50</b>	Electric - PP&L - Plant Sale	\$3,600
<b>TOTAL Management &amp; General Expenses</b>	<b>\$8,697</b>	Exhibit Fees	\$2,272
<b>Program Service Project (PSP) Expenses</b>		Next Year Seed	\$750
<b>Advanced Training</b>		Next Year Supplies	\$1,900
<b>Continuing Education</b>	<b>\$0</b>	Plants	\$1,000
<b>Newsletter</b>		Propane	\$3,000
Office Publisher Software & Updates	\$150	Supplies	\$2,000
Postage for newsletter & roster	\$431	Vendor Costs	\$600
Printing	\$0	Water/UBWA - Plant Sale	\$375
<b>Total Newsletter</b>	<b>\$581</b>	<b>Total Plant Sale</b>	<b>\$17,847</b>
<b>Tuition</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>Special Events Other</b>	
<b>Total Advanced Training</b>	<b>\$581</b>	Bake Sale	\$25
<b>Capital Expenditures</b>		Compost Tea	\$100
Greenhouses - 5 each	\$1,000	Tomato and Salsa Taste-Off	\$20
Greenhouses Plumbing/Irrigation	\$500	Trash-to-Treasure Sale	\$200
<b>Total Capital Expenditures</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>Total Special Events Other</b>	<b>\$345</b>
<b>Clinics and Office</b>		<b>TOTAL Special Events Expenses</b>	<b>\$18,192</b>
Computer	\$0	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$35,657</b>
Farmers Market - Kruse	\$0	<b>SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$817</b>



**Note from your Treasurer, Toni Rudolph**

Development of the 2012 MG Budget was a collaboration of all Committee Chair's and Executive Board members to have a balanced budget. We were able to accomplish this in record time, as everyone was willing to work together for the common good. I want to thank everyone for their support on achieving the balanced budget.

I want to clarify; all funds we make (i.e. soil testing, plant sale, compost tea, bake sale, trash-to-treasurers) are deposited to the same account. Money is allocated to a specific purpose based on the year's approved budget. It is imperative that all Committee Chairs are aware of how much money they have used in their current budget and do not submit "Expense Forms" for money that is not available.

**DUES**

It is getting to be that time again to pay your dues for 2012. Dues are \$10 per person or \$20 per couple. You will receive your MG Newsletter on-line. If you choose to have it mailed, you will need to pay an extra \$5 to cover postage. Checks should be made out to DCMG. You can drop off your completed form and payment to the plant clinic's dues drawer or mail to me. See the form included in this newsletter for my address. I will not be at the meeting in November since I will be out of town. However, Toni Rudolph has agreed to collect the forms and money for me. Checks will not be deposited until after 1-1-12. Please try and pay before the end of 2011. Thanks to those who have already paid their dues for 2012.

Cindy Rich

**Treasurer's Report as of 10/26/11**

**Toni Rudolph**

**INCOME 9/29/11 - 10/26/11**

Pavilion Donation & Donation	\$30.00
Dues	\$10.00
Interest - Umpqua Bank - MM	\$9.73
Soil Testing	\$55.00
Compost Tea	\$25.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$129.73</b>

**EXPENSES 9/29/11 - 10/26/11**

Awards & Banquet	\$409.52
Liability Insurance	\$287.00
Supplies for Exec Board	\$10.58
Postage for Newsletter	\$61.60
DG - Butterfly	\$219.18
DG - Children/Compost/Irrigation	\$68.41
DG - Easy Access	\$724.51
HLC - Electric 9/1/11 - 9/30/11	\$118.09
HLC - Maintenance	\$314.90
HLC - Toilet Repairs & Supplies	\$12.98
HLC - Water 6/28/11 - 9/21/11	\$56.60
Plant Sale - seeds/supplies/plants	\$241.87
Compost Tea	\$158.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,683.24</b>

**Breakdown of our accounts**

Checking	\$1,350.87
Money Market - Reserves	\$5,659.10
Money Market	\$15,049.27
Bulk Mail	\$136.96
<b>Ending Balance 10/26/11</b>	<b>\$22,196.20</b>

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Check No. \_\_\_\_\_

**DOUGLAS COUNTY MASTER GARDENER 2012 DUES**  
**(Due BEFORE January 1, 2012)**

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OR, mail to: Cindy Rich, 1666 NW Apache Dr., Roseburg, OR 97471



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PC users: Word for Windows  
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Include "Newsletter" (one word) in subject line. Include permission if you want your telephone, email, etc., published. Include hyperlinks.

Executive meetings: second Wednesday, 9:30am, kitchen conference room; Chapter meetings: last Thursday, Jan thru May: 10am, annex auditorium; June, July, August: members' gardens, 10am; Sept: Pavilion, Discovery Garden, 10am; Oct, Nov: 10am, annex auditorium; (no December meetings). **Chapter Meeting November 17!**

Douglas County Master Gardeners of  
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Important internet links:

Website: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/douglas/mg>

Discovery Garden: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/douglas/discovery-garden>

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