

**OSU DOUGLAS COUNTY MASTER GARDENER
Chapter Meeting
August 25, 2016**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President, Chris Rusch at the residence of Judith Stensland.

Chris turned the meeting over to Judith who further explained the history of her residence which is located within an HOA started 20 years ago. Most of the houses were moved in and sit on landfill. Judith has a lovely garden, fountain, and Koi pond. Thank you Judith for hosting us!

Minutes: The minutes were approved as published online.

Agent's Report – Steve Renquist:

- The AgriMet website is still not showing data for Roseburg. Steve has talked to AgriMet and has been assured it is collecting data.
- Mike Mueller, a former DCMG, would like to tour our Greenhouse operations this next Tuesday. He now lives in Coos County and would like to see how our operations work to take back and share with their members.
- Steve met Monday with the Department of Agriculture regarding “Red Blotch,” a very troublesome wine grape disease. As the name suggests, it causes blotchiness on the leaves. Grapes with this disease only ripen about ¾'s of the way, making for an unpalatable wine. Table grapes and white grapes do not show any visual symptoms. The disease is hitting hard in N. California and also into S. Oregon. For more information, go to: www.ucanr.edu/sites/viticulture-fresno/files/157139.pdf. The vector for this disease is the three-cornered alfalfa treehopper as outlined at: <http://westernfarmpress.com/grapes/uc-researchers-find-vector-red-blotch-grapes>. Nurseries need to do better virus testing as they have been unknowingly selling infected product. The treatment is to use virus free stock, which helps to minimize the spread, in conjunction with a spray program.
- There will be a household hazardous waste collection event at the Douglas County Fairgrounds on September 10, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Collection for agricultural people will be on September 9th.

Forestry & Natural Resources Agent – Alicia Jones: Chris introduced Douglas County Extension's new Forestry & Natural Resources Agent, Alicia Jones.

- Alicia gave a brief synopsis of her background, including a Master's Degree in Natural Resources. She relocated here from Humboldt County. Alicia plans to continue hosting programs for woodland owners in the area, bringing back some past events, and create a newsletter. The website has recently been updated as well.
- There will be a Native Trees Walk & Silvics event at the Elkton Community Education Center on Wednesday, September 21st from noon to 2 p.m. Pre-registration is due on September 19th. For more information, contact Alicia at Extension or go to: <http://calendar.oregonstate.edu/event/118216/>.

OFFICER REPORTS

OMGA – Anne Bacon:

- Mini College was amazing with great classes and great people. We had excellent representation from Douglas County with over a dozen people attending. Anne thanked those who donated items for the raffle and Sharon Hopkins who put together several gift baskets with donated items.
- The International Master Gardener Conference will be held in Portland July 10-14, 2017. OMGA is asking individual chapters to participate in chapter displays revolving around a bicycle theme. Set rules are outlined at <http://omga.org/painted-bicycle-chapter-display-2017-imgc/>.
- A question was asked as to whether there will be a Silent Auction at the International Conference. Anne will find out.

Treasurer – Patrice Sipos: Financials were distributed. Updates on the budget are available on the web at http://douglascountymg.org/mg_documents_forms.html. Patrice has been researching the viability of accepting credit/debit cards at our Plant Sale. She will present her findings at a later date.

Vice President – Fred Alley: Fred thanked Judith Stensland for hosting the last of our summer meetings. Next month's meeting will be held at the Discovery Garden Pavilion. He also thanked all the people who have helped him with meeting setup, etc. during his time as Vice President. Thank you Fred for a job well done!

Past President – Larry Sutton: Larry has been trying to get in touch with the tour coordinator for the Master Gardener International Conference to confirm tour destinations.

President – Chris Rusch:

- Chris thanked Jen Bailey, who wrote two grant proposals, which resulting in our chapter receiving both the Extension Educator Grant (\$500) and the Karl Carlson Grant (\$250) at Mini-College. Grant funds will be applied toward establishment of handicapped accessible pathways at the Discovery Garden and Victory Garden.
- Chris met with Rocky Houston, the new Douglas Country Parks Director, and invited him to our September meeting, our potluck, and for a tour of the HLC. She has also invited the Klamath Falls MG Chapter to the same meeting. She has not heard back from them but Steve said their agent is trying to juggle other commitments to attend our meeting.
- The Canyonville Farmers Market has requested we have a presence at their market on Wednesdays. According to Steve, since they are not a part of the Extension Service District, we cannot attend as Master Gardeners but can distribute information on Extension. They are organizing to get the Service District on what will probably be the May ballot.
- Chris thanked Fred and Denise for their service as officers and gave them each a parting gift.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:**Community Outreach – Leo Grass:**

- Jude Stensland will be taking over as Community Outreach Chair.
- Leo thanked everyone who helped at the County Fair.
- Leo and Jude will be presenting a "Vertebrate Pests" program at the Conference on Extraordinary Living at UCC on September 9, 2016. We will also have a MG informational table set up. For more

information on the conference, go to:

<https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/Default.aspx?EventID=1865002>

- Leo and Jude will be doing 3 presentations in December for the Glide Garden Club.
- Jude would like to set up a committee for those interested in presenting to the community. She passed around a signup sheet and asked people to sign up for topics they felt comfortable talking about. Contact Jude if you are interested.

Plant Clinic – Chris Rusch: There have been 96 contacts so far this month. There are many calendar openings which need to be filled. Drop by the Plant Clinic to sign up or call during clinic hours to be added.

Farmers Market – Barbara Anderson: A new 6-foot table has been purchased to allow more room for displaying information. There is a need for a veteran to staff the booth on September 24th. After conferring with Sara Runkel and Nellie Oehler, it was suggested if you are wearing both Master Gardener and Master Food Preserver badges while working the market, you should split your hours between the two organizations.

Westside Greenhouse – Barbara Robinson: Barbara thanked Tasha King, Jackie Carpenter, and Carol Bolt for running crews the past couple weeks. She also thanked volunteers who came from the Eastside and the Discovery Garden to help. They have been working on clean up, root pruning, and repotting root bound plants. This will make the plants much happier in the extreme heat we've been experiencing.

Awards – Betty Ison:

- Sierra Lewis and Jennifer Russell have earned their 60-hour swinger bars. Betty suggested mentors check in with their students to see how they are coming along on their hours.
- Toni Rudolph was selected as our Master Gardener of the Year. Toni was able to take advantage of a \$100 Mini-College scholarship as approved by our Executive Board.
- Members are encouraged to get their hours in ASAP. August will be the last hours tallied for inclusion in awards at our October 1 Awards Banquet.

Victory Garden – Ruth Stafford: A total of 1,607 pounds of produce has been taken to UCAN. Over 400 pounds were harvested last week. Master Gardeners are encouraged to donate their excess garden bounty. If you deliver to UCAN on your own, be sure and tell them you are a MG so it is recorded. The Demonstration Garden is producing well. The gate is unlocked to this garden and visitors are encouraged to come in, wander, and pick produce for their own use.

Facebook – Barbara Horst: Current count of “likes” is 741.

Publicity – Bonnie Courter/Barbara Horst:

- There is a new magazine available in Douglas County called “Verve.” It is a free quarterly magazine which can be found at various businesses around town and is geared toward local people and tourists. Bonnie contacted the editor and met with Emily Brant, giving her a tour of the HLC. She was very impressed and will be doing a feature article in the future.
- Bonnie introduced Barbara Horst as our new Publicity Chair. Barbara thanked Bonnie for providing her with such detailed, organized materials including a binder with all the timelines, contact information, and copies of PSA's.

- Chris Rusch thanked Bonnie for her 7 years of excellent service as Publicity Chair and presented her with a gift.

Newsletter – Bonnie Courter: Newsletter articles are due to Bonnie by Tuesday, August 30th. There will be a new section in the newsletter titled “Out of the Box.” Master Gardeners are encouraged to submit “thinking out of the box” ideas which they may have tried in their garden, successful or not.

Discovery Garden – Julie Stanbery: Julie’s focus was to thank the many people who take on the odd jobs around the gardens and HLC. Her thanks went out to the following Master Gardeners in particular:

- Kathy and Steve Hart for collecting river rocks and placing them strategically around the Rose Garden sprinkler heads. Not only do they look beautiful, but they will help prevent breakage of the sprinkler heads.
- Merrill McFarland for diligently cleaning the dirt and pollen from our signs.
- Mark Schmoll for replacing the badly rotting wooden doors and frames in the green shed with metal doors and frames.
- Ron LaRose for his thorough cleaning of the orchard area and harvest of fruit for UCAN.
- Thanks to everyone else who pitches in to get all the other random jobs accomplished.

Julie reminded garden heads they need to get their budget requests for the coming year into her no later than September 10th.

Awards Banquet – Judy Huntley: Our Banquet will be held on Saturday, October 1st at the First Methodist Church on Harvard. We will start at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 6 p.m. and awards to follow. Theme for main dish offerings are hot pasta dishes. Attendees should each bring a hot pasta dish, salad, bread, or dessert. Drinks, place settings, and serving utensils will be provided, so no need to bring your own. When planning the size of your dish, please keep in mind we usually have about 100 people to feed so it would be good to make enough for a dozen people or more. Also, please write out a card or paper listing the name and ingredients to place with your dish on the table. Cutoff date for signing up for the banquet is September 25th. Anyone signing up after that date, cannot be guaranteed they will be recognized for awards as Betty Ison needs time to organize, input, and print them all out.

Hallmark – Linda Thames: Stewart Avery (uncle of Cindy Rich) passed away in July.

Bake Sale – Janet Parkerson: Our annual bake sale will be held on November 19th at Sherm’s Thunderbird Market in Roseburg. Baked goods will be received the day before in the Extension kitchen from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Monetary donations (for purchasing ingredients) and baking ingredients are appreciated from those who do not bake. Workers will be needed at the Extension on Friday and the day of the Bake Sale. More information and sign-ups to follow. Janet is in need of a co-chair for this event. If you are interested please contact her.

NEW BUSINESS

Audit Report – Vicki McAlister: The audit committee, consisting of Vicki, Toni Rudolph, and Karen Glatz, met with Patrice to go over the books. They chose random entries and verified all seemed to be good. They found Patrice to be well organized with everything in order and were very happy with the results. Thanks to Patrice for doing such a great job!

Mini-College Reports: Several members who attended Mini-College gave brief reports on what they learned. Everyone agreed it was a fun, learning experience with wonderful class offerings and great comradery.

Oath of Offices – Betty Ison: Betty administered the Oath of Office to the following incoming officers: Chris Rusch/President, Anne Bacon/Vice President, Barbara Robinson/Secretary, Patrice Sipos/Treasurer, Diana Circle/Membership Chair, and Alternate OMGA Representative/Kish Doyle. OMGA Representative, Nancy Fuller, was not in attendance so she will be sworn in at our September meeting. Larry Sutton will remain on the Board as Past President.

Show and Tell

- Elva Sellens extended an invitation to the Douglas County Dahlia Society's show on September 24 and 25 at the fairgrounds. The show will be held in the floral building from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Julie Stanbery brought orange w/black stripes tiger lilies to share.
- According to Steve Renquist, there are 18 people signed up for the 2017 Winter Training. The class will be capped at about 30 participants so if you know someone who wants to take the class they would be well advised to sign up soon.
- Sharon Hopkins shared her experience with two elderly family members who were victims of telephone scams. She advised members to be aware of the many scams out there.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Insect Committee	First and Third Mondays 10 a.m.
Discovery Garden Workdays	Tuesdays, 9 to noon
Westside & Eastside GH Crews	Tuesdays, 9 to noon
Hazardous Waste Collection	Sept. 10, 9 to 3 p.m. Douglas County Fairgrounds
Executive Board Meeting	Sept. 14, 10 a.m., Extension Kitchen
DCMG Chapter Meeting	Sept. 29, Summer Meeting & Potluck, DG Pavilion
DCMG Awards Banquet	October 1, 5:30 p.m. First Methodist Church

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara Robinson
DCMG Secretary

Account Balances - As of 8/24/2016
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Account	8/24/2016 Balance
Bank Accounts	
Checking-Umpqua Bank	4,027.42
Money Market-Reserves-Umpqua Bank	8,659.10
Money Market-Umpqua Bank	51,133.24
TOTAL Bank Accounts	63,819.76
OVERALL TOTAL	63,819.76

Cash Flow
7/29/2016 through 8/24/2016

Category	7/29/2016- 8/24/2016
INFLOWS	
Donations	
Contributions	800.00
TOTAL Donations	800.00
Interest Income - Bank	2.71
PSP Income	
Clinic & Office	
Soil Testing	30.00
TOTAL Clinic & Office	30.00
TOTAL PSP Income	30.00
Special Events	
Special Events-other	
Compost Tea	250.00
TOTAL Special Events-other	250.00
TOTAL Special Events	250.00
TOTAL INFLOWS	1,082.71
OUTFLOWS	
Bank Fee	-76.30
Management & General	
Conferences	
OMGA Travel	268.23
TOTAL Conferences	268.23
Grants&Gifts&Scholarships	100.00
Scholarships	86.00
TOTAL Grants&Gifts&Scholarships	186.00
Liability Insurance	636.00
TOTAL Management & General	1,090.23
PSP Expense	
Discovery Garden	
Butterfly	110.39
Irrigation	59.41
Maintenance	78.86
Straw Bale Garden	220.00
TOTAL Discovery Garden	468.66
HLC	
Eastside Greenhouse Maintenance	1,460.00
Garbage Dump Fee	12.00
Maintenance	37.57
TOTAL HLC	1,509.57
TOTAL PSP Expense	1,978.23
Special Events Expense	
Plant Sale Expense	
Supplies	11.90
TOTAL Plant Sale Expense	11.90
TOTAL Special Events Expense	11.90
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	3,004.06
OVERALL TOTAL	-1,921.35

Budget - Current Year
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Category	1/1/2016 Actual	- Budget	12/31/2016 Difference
INCOME			
Donations	2.00	0.00	2.00
Contributions	891.25	250.00	641.25
TOTAL Donations	893.25	250.00	643.25
Dues-hardcopy newsletter	185.75	255.00	-69.25
Dues-membership	2,419.25	2,400.00	19.25
Interest Income - Bank	11.97	12.00	-0.03
PSP Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Clinic & Office			
Soil Testing	720.00	700.00	20.00
TOTAL Clinic & Office	720.00	700.00	20.00
TOTAL PSP Income	720.00	700.00	20.00
Special Events	0.00	0.00	0.00
Plant Sale Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drawings	1,118.00	950.00	168.00
Entrance Fees	3,811.50	2,900.00	911.50
Plant Sales			
Sales-event	20,420.22	20,500.00	-79.78
Sales-post	688.00	700.00	-12.00
Sales-pre	3,311.75	2,700.00	611.75
TOTAL Plant Sales	24,419.97	23,900.00	519.97
Vendor Booth	3,184.80	3,300.00	-115.20
TOTAL Plant Sale Income	32,534.27	31,050.00	1,484.27
Special Events-other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bake Sale	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Compost Tea	1,021.00	900.00	121.00
Trash-To-Treasure Sale	3,060.29	2,500.00	560.29
TOTAL Special Events-other	4,081.29	4,400.00	-318.71
TOTAL Special Events	36,615.56	35,450.00	1,165.56
TOTAL INCOME	40,845.78	39,067.00	1,778.78
EXPENSES			
Bank Charge	0.00	0.00	0.00
Discovery Garden	0.00	0.00	0.00
Discovery Garden	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL Discovery Garden	0.00	0.00	0.00
Management & General	0.00	0.00	0.00
Awards & Banquet	0.00	0.00	0.00
Awards	0.00	350.00	350.00
Banquet	318.40	750.00	431.60
TOTAL Awards & Banquet	318.40	1,100.00	781.60
Conferences	0.00	0.00	0.00
Chapter Meetings	0.00	0.00	0.00
OMGA Travel	565.39	1,000.00	434.61
TOTAL Conferences	565.39	1,000.00	434.61
Dues-OMGA	1,568.00	1,659.00	91.00
Grants&Gifts&Scholarships			
4-H Donation	70.00	80.00	10.00
Gifts - Hallmark	0.00	50.00	50.00
Officer Gifts	40.00	80.00	40.00
Scholarships	186.00	1,000.00	814.00

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Category	1/1/2016 Actual	- Budget	12/31/2016 Difference
TOTAL Grants&Gifts&Scholarships	296.00	1,210.00	914.00
Historian	0.00	25.00	25.00
Hospitality	158.85	200.00	41.15
Liability Insurance	636.00	670.00	34.00
OMGA Search for Excellence	0.00	150.00	150.00
Postage for Executive Board	9.40	30.00	20.60
Print Check Charges	24.02	25.00	0.98
Supplies for Executive Board	24.39	30.00	5.61
TOTAL Management & General	3,600.45	6,099.00	2,498.55
PSP Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advanced Training			
Continuing Education	0.00	100.00	100.00
Newsletter			
Postage	73.51	255.00	181.49
TOTAL Newsletter	73.51	255.00	181.49
TOTAL Advanced Training	73.51	355.00	281.49
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	7.99	50.00	42.01
Soil Testing	233.68	250.00	16.32
Website Development	0.00	207.00	207.00
TOTAL Clinic & Office	241.67	747.00	505.33
Community Outreach	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fair Booth	0.00	50.00	50.00
Photo Team	0.00	100.00	100.00
Speakers Bureau	0.00	50.00	50.00
TOTAL Community Outreach	0.00	200.00	200.00
Discovery Garden	0.00	0.00	0.00
Brochures	0.00	0.00	0.00
Butterfly	110.39	350.00	239.61
Childrens	75.02	300.00	224.98
Compost & Biochar	0.00	50.00	50.00
Easy Access (Container Garden)	442.84	450.00	7.16
Electric - meter 23609842	93.19	400.00	306.81
Entry	6.46	75.00	68.54
Hedgerow	0.00	0.00	0.00
Herb	0.00	75.00	75.00
Hummingbird	0.00	150.00	150.00
Iris	0.00	0.00	0.00
Irrigation	408.38	400.00	-8.38
Japanese	0.00	200.00	200.00
Kiosk - donor board	30.00	50.00	20.00
Maintenance	269.31	600.00	330.69
Mulch	0.00	300.00	300.00
Orchard	0.00	50.00	50.00
Ornamental	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pavilion	0.00	0.00	0.00
Perennial Border	189.38	400.00	210.62
Raised Beds (Dahlia-Lily)	0.00	100.00	100.00
Rock Garden	229.96	800.00	570.04

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Shade Garden	20.00	50.00	30.00
Signage	125.00	250.00	125.00
Straw Bale Garden	220.00	220.00	0.00
Sun Garden	0.00	0.00	0.00
Water - River Forks meter	24.44	500.00	475.56
Xeriscape	374.21	400.00	25.79
TOTAL Discovery Garden	2,618.58	6,170.00	3,551.42
HLC	0.00	0.00	0.00
Eastside Greenhouse Maintenance	3,750.69	4,239.00	488.31
Eastside Greenhouse Supplies	0.00	500.00	500.00
Garbage Dump Fee	33.00	100.00	67.00
Maintenance	563.44	600.00	36.56
Toilet Repairs & Supplies	0.00	150.00	150.00
Tree Trimming Professional	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Victory Garden	1,053.02	1,071.00	17.98
Victory Garden Signage 2014 Grant et al	42.65	345.00	302.35
Westside Greenhouse Maintenance	272.03	1,200.00	927.97
Westside Greenhouse Supplies	129.52	400.00	270.48
TOTAL HLC	6,844.35	9,605.00	2,760.65
Winter Program	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Class - Supplies	0.00	20.00	20.00
Speakers	300.00	400.00	100.00
TOTAL Winter Program	300.00	420.00	120.00
TOTAL PSP Expense	10,078.11	17,497.00	7,418.89
Special Events Expense			
Plant Sale Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advertising	2,017.54	3,800.00	1,782.46
Contributions - Plant Sale Volunteers	349.32	350.00	0.68
Electrical - meter 62314693	2,933.48	3,600.00	666.52
Exhibit Fees	3,296.50	2,900.00	-396.50
Next Year Seed	674.06	750.00	75.94
Next Year Supplies - McConkey	90.96	2,500.00	2,409.04
Plants	121.72	1,100.00	978.28
Propane	705.37	1,500.00	794.63
Supplies	533.44	1,500.00	966.56
Vendor Costs	0.00	550.00	550.00
Water - Pitchford meter	493.34	900.00	406.66
TOTAL Plant Sale Expense	11,215.73	19,450.00	8,234.27
Special Events-other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bake Sale	0.00	75.00	75.00
Compost Tea	142.45	150.00	7.55
Taste-Off	0.00	30.00	30.00
Trash-To-Treasure Sale	25.49	150.00	124.51
TOTAL Special Events-other	167.94	405.00	237.06
TOTAL Special Events Expense	11,383.67	19,855.00	8,471.33
TOTAL EXPENSES	25,062.23	43,451.00	18,388.77
OVERALL TOTAL	15,783.55	-4,384.00	20,167.55