



# Evening Garden Club

## Corvallis, Oregon

April 2021

### 2020-21 Officers:

#### Presidents:

Dan Edge

KJ Lee

#### Treasurers:

Earl Hadfield

Linda Hadfield

Harriet Plumley

#### Secretaries:

Jackie Calvert

Janet Magedanz

### 2020-21 Chairs:

#### Programs:

Ruby Moon

#### Membership:

Nancy Sarpola

#### Digital Comm:

TBD

#### Raffles:

Harriet Plumley

#### Trumpetvine:

Janet Magedanz

#### Newsletter:

Val Hall

#### Tours:

Melissa Cowan

#### Fund Raisers:

Ruby Moon

#### Flower Therapy:

Donna Westwood

#### Grants:

Svetlana Dascaluic

## President's Message:

It has been my pleasure to serve the Evening Garden Club first as Co-President and then as President for the last 18 months. I am a pretty gregarious person, and unfortunately the pandemic sort of constrained my ability to interact with our members more than I was able to. Nevertheless, I am pleased with what we managed to accomplish during an all-time weird year! We transitioned to online meetings and had a wonderful slate of speakers. We had one fall and two spring bulb sales, and partnered with the Benton County Master Gardeners and sold a bunch of plants on their behalf. We maintained our other programs as well, including garden tours and grants. Membership is at an all time high of over 105 folks.

The many things we have accomplished could not have been done without the hard work of your Board so my special thanks to Linda and Earl Hadfield, the outgoing Co-Treasurers, and Jackie Calvert, the outgoing Co-Secretary. KJ Lee, President Elect; Janet Magedanz, Co-Secretary, and Harriet Plumley, Co-Treasurer have also provided highly valuable input and are now trained to take the lead role for each of their positions. Supporting the Board were a host of volunteers that helped bring our activities to fruition. Ruby Moon continued to be the heart of our organization and was the lead for both our monthly programs (ably assisted by Nancy Sarpola) and our bulb sales. Lots of other folks assisted with the bulb sales, but Sally Olson-Edge, Kathleen Rochester, Janet Magedanz, Christina Clark, and Melissa Cowen were the major movers and shakers—they were assisted by 15-20 people who packaged and labeled bulbs, and coordinated sales and pick-ups. Nancy Sarpola did a wonderful job keeping up with membership and is probably the reason we broke the 100-member level. Melissa Cowen and Becca Smith coordinated safe garden tours during the pandemic. Kathleen Rochester and Gwen Peterkort were our nominations committee. Marge Alig, Nancy Sarpola, and Jennifer Klammer did a great job revising our by-laws. Svetlana Dascaluic (Chair), Pat Gallagher and Sande Reitmeier-Coolen did a wonderful job on our grants committee on short notice and entertained and considered the largest number of grant applications we have ever received. Kas McGregor did a great job on the newsletter and membership booklet and passed the newsletter to Val Hall in 2021. Trumpetvine was coordinated by Signe Danler until Janet Magedanz took it over this winter. Donna Westwood is still the chair of our Flower Therapy and is anxious to restart once restrictions are lifted. Bekki Levin did a major facelift of our website. If you notice, there are a lot of repeating names in the kudos above; I hope more of you will want to step up to run for office or to volunteer to serve your club. And, my sincere apologies if I forgot anyone...it is a long list.

Stay safe and happy gardening!

# Evening Garden Club Member Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2021 via Zoom

The evening began with Ruby Moon introducing one of the longtime members of the EGC, Signe Danler, who spoke about *Re-generative Gardening*. Signe Danler is a veteran Master Gardener and landscape designer with particular interest in urban horticulture and applying ecological principles to landscape design and maintenance. As instructor for the OSU Extension Service online Master Gardener Program, she uses her experience and training in gardening, urban forestry and ecological landscaping to communicate about and promote sustainable gardening and landscaping practices.

The business meeting began at 8:05 PM with approval of the March membership meeting minutes by a motion, seconded, passed.

Treasurer's report – Checking account beginning balance \$5,036.28 plus deposit of \$506.80, less disbursements of \$493.50, ending balance \$5,049.58 plus savings of \$7,006.82, total funds available \$12,056.40. Included with the treasurer's report was a count of membership – 103 members, 71 individuals and 16 families.

Budget adjustment: This subject arose because our net revenue for the existing fiscal year is significantly higher than was projected. The recommended change was to increase the grants budget from \$1,000 to \$2,000. After reviewing the preexisting budget with actual numbers as of 4/1/2021, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to increase the grants budget to \$2,000.

Grants Committee Report – Svetlana Dascaluiec, other committee members were Sandra Reitmeier-Coolen and Pat Gallagher. Svetlana reported that the committee received 17 requests totaling \$7,548. In analyzing the requests, the committee used last year's criteria plus an emphasis on inclusivity. Of the 17 applicants the following were recommended for approval by the general membership:

ARC of Benton County	\$400
Corvallis Neighborhood Housing Services	400
Calvin Presbyterian Church	400
Institute for Applied Ecology	400
Vina Moses	<u>400</u>
Total	\$2,000

After questions and answers, a motion was MSP to approve payments to these five organizations.

By-Laws Revisions Report – Marge Alig, other committee members were Nancy Sarpola and Jennifer Klammer. Marge reviewed the changes that were made to the by-laws and explained that several items have been removed from the by-laws to be included in a Policies and Procedures document to be created at a later date. Before approval of all changes, it was MSP to change some of the wording in Article IV, #2 from "dues apply to full membership through the next calendar year" to "dues apply to full membership through the following calendar year", and the words "Serve at the pleasure of the board" were deleted from Article VI, Section 6, #3 resulting in #3 no longer appearing, and Article VI, Section 1 "Members at large will serve two-year terms" was changed to "Members at large will serve one-year terms". It was MSP to approve the amended by-laws.

Dan reported that the May plant exchange will be held in the parking lot at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church at 2650 NW Highland Drive (where we've been meeting before COVID) on May 8<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 3 PM. Face masks and social distancing will be required. More information will be forthcoming.

Raffle prizes – Harriet Plumley and Gayle Parrish will each receive a copy of Loree Bohl's book entitled *Fearless Gardening: Be Bold, Break the Rules, and Grow What You Love*.

Meeting adjourned at 9:38 PM. Janet Magedanz, General Membership Meeting Recording Secretary

## Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Report: April		Note
Checking Account: Starting Balance	March 1, 2021	\$ 5,036.28 No.
<b>Income</b>		
Membership Dues		\$ 125.00
Book Sales		\$ 381.80
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$ 506.80</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Oregon Secretary of State Corp. Div.: Nonprofit Corporation Annual Report		\$ 50.00
Rebecca Levien: Revamp/Update Website		\$ 140.00
Rebecca Levien: Hosting and Domain Fees		\$ 53.50
Loree Bohl: Speaker Fee, March Zoom Meeting		\$ 250.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 493.50</b>
Checking Account: Ending Balance	March 31, 2021	\$ 5,049.58
Savings Account Including Interest: Starting Balance	April 1, 2021	\$ 7,006.82
<b>Total EGC Credit Union Accounts</b>		<b>\$ 12,056.40</b>



## Quilts in the Garden and EGC

Donna Westwood spoke with Sally last week about the **July 2022** Quilts in the Garden show sponsored by the Mary's River Quilt Guild. We discussed having it be a collaborative fundraising event with EGC (details to follow). We would like to know if any of the EGC members, who live on the north side of Harrison near 34th and Polk area, would like to have their gardens featured to display various sizes of art and traditional quilts. We would like to have this be a walking garden tour, as to avoid parking challenges and having to rent busses. Some of EGC members have had their gardens on this quilt tour in the past (Sally O. Edge, Nancy Sarpola, Donna Westwood, and Carol Farnes, for example) and have enjoyed participating in this memorable event. There will be other ways that members can participate, so stay tuned for further info in the months that follow. If there are any suggestions you might like to share, please contact Donna Westwood [ndbalumna@yahoo.com](mailto:ndbalumna@yahoo.com) directly, as she is on the steering committee for Quilts in the Garden. Hopefully we can make this a tradition as it takes a village!

## Corvallis Evening Garden Club Program Schedule 2020-21

Board Meetings are held one week before the Membership/Program Meetings, to discuss club business and set up the agenda for the Membership Meeting. Generally, that is the last Monday of each month. All members are welcome to attend.

Membership/Program Meetings are held on the first Monday of the month, October through May, unless otherwise specified.

**All meetings and presentations will be held via Zoom unless otherwise specified\***

Board Mtgs	Club Mtgs	Programs
April 26	May 8 (Saturday)	Plant Exchange <b>When:</b> Saturday, 8 May, 1:00-3:00 PM <b>Where:</b> Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church parking lot: <a href="#">2650 NW Highland Drive, Corvallis, OR 97330</a> <b>What to Bring:</b> 1 to several plants you would like to share (or just show up to receive) <b>Guidelines:</b> Masks Required, Social Distancing Required, No Access to Church Buildings

\*Not a member? For information on Zoom link please contact Dan Edge  
([Daniel.edge@oregonstate.edu](mailto:Daniel.edge@oregonstate.edu))





## April Bloomers



Pacific Coast hybrid iris 'Sea Admiral'.

Pacific Coast hybrids are crosses between species native to the west coast.



*Trillium albidum*

Native





### Wisteria

Beautiful, fragrant and an extremely vigorous grower.



### Tulips

Flowering tulips from the bulbs purchased from EGC in the fall, planted in Feb., and blooming in April. I'm so very pleased with the quality and colors, esp. the double ones!