



Evening Garden Club

Corvallis, Oregon

January 2022

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Ruby Moon

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Grants:

Svetlana Dascaluc

President's Message:

February 2022 gardener greetings!

Last year I remember being able to work outside cleaning up garden beds during January because we had several really warm, sunny, days. Well, we've had the sunny but the warm is a distant memory. In spite of the cold winter weather, there's lots going on so I'll provide brief information.

Be sure to log on for the February membership meeting February 7th at 7 PM. In addition to the presentation by Dr. Hardison, Director of Oregon Flora, we will have three membership votes: Approve Heather Emberson as a voting member-at-large (our by-laws allow for this position), approve the dues increase from \$25 to \$30 for joint household memberships, and approve the January membership minutes.

The Grants Committee is alive and well! Svetlana Dascaluc has agreed to chair the committee again and they have begun working. The board has approved a motion to allow the committee to provide grants totaling up to \$3,000. Of course, final approval will be made by the board after the final grants are selected.

Included in the newsletter is information about a new fundraiser sponsored by *Botanical Interests*. This is so easy; just buy your seeds online and the club will receive a portion of the net profits. I've already received 6 seed catalogs so it's time to begin ordering.

The Fundraising Committee composed of Christina Clark, Kathleen Rochester, Melissa Cowan, Svetlana Dascaluc, and me has begun the process of ordering new and interesting bulbs AND plants. Because we were inundated with Dahlia tubers last year, we ordered VERY few for this year but there were a few that we knew we couldn't live without. We considered our "charge" this year to offer the unusual, the new and gorgeous, so don't be tempted by what you see when shopping around town because you'll want to buy what we're offering. And of great importance, the net proceeds from these fundraisers provide funding for grants and club expenses.



Over the last several months we have realized our bylaws are lacking in several important areas. For example, our bylaws don't address what constitutes a quorum and, because of this lack, we have had to fall back to Robert's Rules of Order. In addition to updated bylaws, a Policies & Procedures document will be created so we don't "clutter" the bylaws with items that are occasionally changed, deleted, or updated to current practice. Nancy Mandel has agreed to chair this important committee.

I have accumulated observations and recommendations from fellow EGC members and I'll address them here. Are you interested in talking/hearing about favorite garden books? If so, I'll be glad to set up a special Zoom meeting so those that are interested can participate. If you're interested, send me an email – jkmagedanz@gmail.com – and I'll compile a list of interested people to contact to set up a Zoom date. How about a fall Tomato Gathering? The idea is to get together, bring your favorite tomatoes, and share them with others in attendance. I'll try to remember to bring this up later in the year so I'll be looking for someone to volunteer to host such a gathering. There has been a bit of "muttering" about losing out on freebies offered on Trumpetvine. The board discussed this and we have no solution. Sorry. Last on my list is the number of Trumpetvine emails. Our recommendation is if you want to email appreciation to the sender, just send it to the recipient don't send it on Trumpetvine. Of course, if you have additional information or a question, post that on Trumpetvine.

Lastly, if you have questions, concerns, ideas for future meetings, I'm an email away. Janet

"The love of gardening is a seed once sown that never dies." – Gertrude Jekyll



Your fundraising committee has been busy! A new seed sale partnership with **Botanical Interests** begins **today**--details in this newsletter.

We are also preparing for an on-line **summer bulb sale** which will launch **mid-February**, with bulbs to be delivered just in time for the first day of spring! Callas and cannas --both tall and dwarf; gladiolas of many colors and new glaminis -- shorter glads; tigridia, trilelia, tricyrtis, several eremurus, a giant colocasia, tuberoses, just few bee-friendly dahlias -- and MORE! 27 items to choose from at competitive prices.

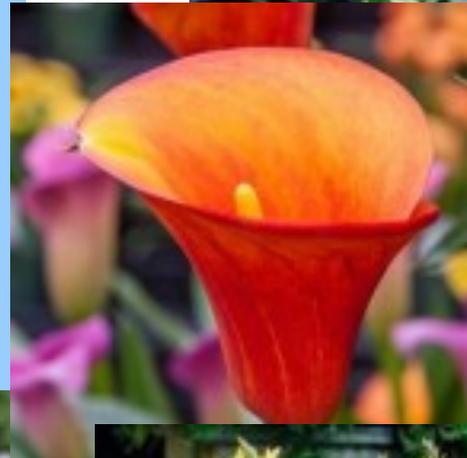
Enjoy some pretty pictures to whet your appetites!

General Meeting Minutes January 3, 2022

The meeting started at 7pm as a Zoom only meeting with Zoom managed by William Edge. Our guest speaker was Frédérique Lavoipierre, the education director at the Santa Barbara Botanical Garden and the author of *Garden Allies: The Insects, Birds, and Other Animals That Keep Your Garden Beautiful and Thriving*. She was introduced by Ruby Moon, EGC's head of programs. Frédérique Lavoipierre spoke on the lives and drama that goes on in our gardens among its inhabitants, much of it unnoticed unless you really stop and look. Predators, prey, parasites, and parasitoids live out their lives in our gardens. She urged us to plant natives and to tolerate the imperfections in leaves and flowers that will occur when we share our yards with other creatures. Our gardens will be healthier for it.

After the guest presentation the club had a business meeting. Nancy Mandel moved that KJ Lee be removed from the position as president of the Corvallis Evening Garden Club. Harriet Plumley seconded the motion. There was much discussion, including a presentation by KJ Lee before the motion was made. The vote was made via a Zoom poll. According to Roberts Rules of Order, for the motion to carry at least 50% + 1 of the club membership must vote and of those at least 2/3 must vote yes. Having 111 paid members on January 3, the minimum number of members necessary was 57. A total of 72 members participated in the vote. 65 voted yes, 3 voted no, and 4 abstained. Excluding the abstentions, 68 people voted with 96% voting yes and 4% voting no. The motion carried. Janet Magedanz will take over as president.

Submitted by Nancy Mandel, EGC secretary



Quilts in the Garden

The Marys River Quilt Guild has invited Corvallis Evening Garden Club to participate in the preparation and management of this year's Quilts in the Garden event scheduled for June 18, or if inclement weather, June 25. This is an event that occurs in Corvallis every two years and has been attracting up to 500 visitors who come to view both the gardens and quilts displayed in them.

Our board has agreed that this can provide an excellent opportunity to show some of Corvallis' special gardens and raise some money for our Club. This year's gardens are all walking distance apart on Shady Oak Drive, east of Corvallis, alleviating transportation issues between gardens.

Our Club has committed to providing the following assistance to Marys River Quilt Guild for this event:

- 1) two hosts to work with two quilt guild hosts at each of four gardens,
- 2) help with ticket sales at the Benton County Master Gardener's booth at Saturday Farmer's Market days in May and June,
- 3) assist with planning where and how to hang quilts in the selected gardens, and
- 4) help with setting up and taking down signs along the route on the day of the event.

If you would be interested in volunteering for any of these jobs, please contact Harriet Plumley (h.plumley@comcast.net or 541-753-3722) or Jan Gustafson (jrgus357@icloud.com or 541-224-2459).



Corvallis Evening Garden Club Program Schedule 2021-22

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.

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

Board Mtgs	Club Mtgs	Programs
January 31	February 7	<i>OregonFlora: Your Resource for Plant Diversity Information</i> Presenter: Dr. Linda Hardison Dr. Linda Hardison is a research assistant professor in the Dept. of Botany & Plant Pathology at OSU and the director of OregonFlora, a program whose mission is to share information about Oregon's plant diversity.
February 28	March 7	Presenter: Jennifer Jewell Jennifer Jewell is the author of 2 books, the most recent being <i>Under Western Skies: Visionary Gardens from the Rockies to the Pacific Coast</i> . She is also the creator and host of the NPR radio program and podcast <i>Cultivating Place: Conversations on Natural History and the Impulse to Garden</i> .
March 28	April 4	Presenter: John Forti John Forti is the author of <i>The Heirloom Gardener</i> .
April 25	May 2	Plant Exchange

*Not a member? For information on Zoom link please contact Janet Magedanz at president@corvalliseningardenclub.org.





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Corvallis, Oregon

February 7, 2022, 7 PM presentation

“OregonFlora: Your Resource for Plant Diversity Information”

By Dr. Linda Hardison



If you want to identify an unknown plant growing in our state, select native species for your garden, or study the distribution and diversity of plants across the Pacific Northwest, the OregonFlora program has what you need. OregonFlora shares information through its production of the 3-volume *Flora of Oregon* books and its interactive website, oregonflora.org. Learn about the wealth of knowledge that is being assembled to create these resources—the first state flora in over 60 years—and how you can use information to spark curiosity and heighten your appreciation and understanding of our precious botanical resources.

Linda Hardison is the director of OregonFlora and a research assistant professor in the Dept. of Botany & Plant Pathology at Oregon State University. She received undergraduate degrees in botany and marine biology at the University of Texas at Austin, and a Ph.D. in botany at University of Washington. Linda guides the OregonFlora program in its mission to share information about Oregon’s plant diversity, largely through the production of a state flora in both book format and as an interactive website. Through OregonFlora, Linda creates partnerships with diverse stakeholders to explore biodiversity, working agricultural lands, and the use of native plant species in gardens and landscapes.

Zoom Webinar—Link sent to EGC members
Not a member? Email jkmagedanz@gmail.com
to get the link and send \$5 to CEGC, PO Box 315, Corvallis, OR 97339

Please become a member at

www.membership@corvallis-evening-garden-club.org

Corvallis Evening Garden Club Summer 2021 Survey Results

Over the course of the next several months, the Evening Garden Club newsletter will share portions of the Summer 2021 survey results. About 50 members responded to the survey. Here is the first vignette. Please enjoy!

The first question, **Why did you join EGC**, was an open-ended question with 44 responses, many responses containing multiple reasons. Answers were collapsed into nine topics, shown below, and the percent of respondents:



* Learn about plants, flowers & trees	43 %
* Love plants	23
* The garden tours	20
* New to town, but was in another garden club	9
* Learn about PNW gardening and meet other gardeners, fun	48
* Speakers	23
* Share plants	20
* Help others (flower therapy, grants)	9
* No particular reason	2



From these results, it appears we are a group of people who are interested in learning about all variety of plants, engaging with like-minded gardeners, seeing and sharing new experiences, helping others and having fun!

Just the kind of group we want to nurture and sustain! More next month.

Proposed Budget 2021-2022	2019-20 ACTUAL	2020-21 ACTUAL	2021-22 PROPOSED BUDGET	Notes for 2021-22 Budget Proposal
	7/1/19-6/30/20	7/1/20-6/30/21	7/1/21-6/30/22	
INCOME				
Dues (100 members @ \$20)	\$1,680.00	\$2,090.00	\$2,000.00	
Donations, attendance fees	125.00	65.00	36.00	
Plant Sale, Other Fundraiser	4,508.87	13,934.00	4,550.00	Bulbs - 3533, QITG - 1000
Workshop & Misc	0.00	257.00	0.00	
Total Income	\$6,313.87	\$16,346.00	\$6,586.00	
EXPENSES – Operating				
Plant Sale, Other Fundraiser	\$2,555.45	\$8,973.00	\$3,226.00	Bulbs- 2651 , QITG - 575
Organization Fees (incl.OSFGC Dues - state, not District)	257.00	801.00	380.00	
Meetings—Programs, speaker fees	675.00	1,050.00	1,300.00	Soiree, Scott, +4 mo.speakers
Meetings—Raffle	33.82	105.00	160.00	\$20/meeting, 8 meetings
Hall Use (donation to SVLC), Zoom costs, equipment	0.00	150.00	150.00	Zoom account
Tours	0.00	30.00	50.00	
Workshop Materials	0.00	0.00	40.00	Vases, flower gifts - children
Advertising/Recruitment (Incl. Insights into Gardening)	21.99	150.00	40.00	GT ads
Office Expenses/Bank and PO Fees	110.05	210.00	150.00	Copying, key
Membership Directory	64.80	0.00	100.00	Optional
Web Expenses	0.00	193.00	60.00	
Government Fees (OR Sec. of State & Dept. Justice)	90.00	75.00	70.00	
Miscellaneous	(134.19)	0.00	100.00	
Total Operating Expenses	\$3,673.92	\$11,737.00	\$5,826.00	
EXPENSES – Community Outreach				
Grants	\$1,100.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1500 min., \$3000 preferable
Scholarships	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	
Donations, incl flower baskets, memorials	432.03	150.00	0.00	
Flower Therapy	0.00		40.00	Vases
Total Community Outreach Expenses	\$2,532.03	\$2,150.00	\$1,540.00	
SUMMARY				
Total Income	\$6,313.87	\$16,346.00	\$6,586.00	
Total Expenses	\$6,205.95	\$13,887.00	\$7,366.00	
Difference (Income-Expenses)	\$107.92	\$2,459.00	-\$780.00	Note: QITG = Quilts in the Garden



The Corvallis Evening Garden Club has just partnered with **Botanical Interests** Seed company for a long-lasting **fundraiser**.



Here's how it works:

1. Go to their website, www.botanicalinterests.com, relax with a cup of tea while enjoying the gorgeous illustrations and reading up on seed-starting and other planting advice. Read the company's blogs & about their history and certifications and make your list!
2. Order **anything** from their extensive catalog of seeds and other items of interest to gardeners.
3. At **checkout**, put our code: **CorvallisEGC** into the **Promo Code box**.
Your order will be billed and shipped directly to you. **Order as often as you wish**, remembering the code each time. The price is the same as it would be if you were just ordering for yourself.
4. At the end of the fundraiser season, **EGC will receive 35% profit on every purchase**, net of taxes (zero here anyway) and shipping charges!!

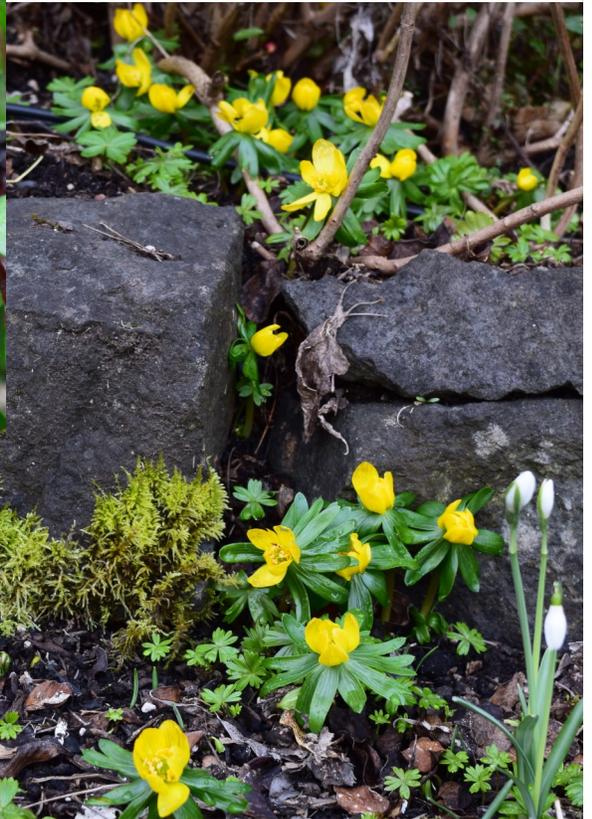
This fundraiser will stretch from February 1 to August 1 so you can order from now until your fall planting.

Happy Seed Starting from your EGC Fundraising Committee!



January Plants

Right: Hellebore
Below: Arctostaphylos (manzanita)



Right: Eranthis hyemalis
(winter aconite)