



Evening Garden Club

Corvallis, Oregon

January 2023

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Val Hall

Tours:

Melissa Cowan

Fund Raisers:

Heather Emberson

Flower Therapy:

Donna Westwood

Grants:

Svetlana Dascaluc

Nominations:

Kathleen Rochester

President's Message:

I'll say Happy New Year to you although I'm holding my breath in "anticipation" of what weather events will challenge us this year! Gardeners are a positive thinking group of people. In spite of heat domes, freezing rain, soggy springs, lack of rain, we begin each year thinking about what we'll plant in the veggie garden, what new perennials or shrubs may catch our eye at the nursery, or, even some of us, look forward to getting down on our hands and knees to pull weeds and clean up the winter mess. We are a special people!!

Let's think about the future a bit. Our January meeting speaker will be Doug Tallamy, entomologist, ecologist, and conservationist, and he will Zoom in to speak to us about *Nature's Best Hope*. This will be only a Zoom meeting so you can log in, in the comfort of your home, have a cuppa, and be challenged by Mr. Tallamy.

Ruby Moon and Cathy Kerr have lined up interesting speakers for future months and we're hoping that those meetings will be in-person with the possibility of including the Zoom option. Although Ruby and Cathy have speakers lined up for 2023, they are looking for ideas/speakers for 2024 so now's your chance to "speak up" with your ideas. Please email Cathy at cgkerr11@icloud.com with your ideas and we would also like you to consider being part of the committee that chooses speakers. It's a nice way for new members to get better acquainted with others.

Be sure to read Melissa Cowan's column in this newsletter. I am always impressed with the willingness of EGC members to volunteer for projects and this one is just stupendous. That's all I'm going to say but please read about our new project and volunteer to be part of the team to make a difference in downtown Corvallis.

In addition to Melissa being the lead on the new project, she is also the lead person working on garden tours. Our EGC sponsored tours are one of the "funnest" things we do each year. If you've got an idea about a nursery, public park, private garden that would be great for a tour, please send your ideas to Melissa at cowan196@gmail.com.

Last thought: We begin getting kind of cranky this time of year because of the gray rainy days even though we know the rain provides the lush green landscape we enjoy the rest of the year. However, none of us has had to shovel snow off the sidewalk the last few days. Life is good!

Last, last thought: "Every gardener knows that under the cloak of winter lies a miracle..., a seed waiting to sprout, a bulb opening to the light, a bud straining to unfurl, And the anticipation nurtures our dream." Barbara Winkler

Janet

January Opportunities & Reminders



Insights Into Gardening 2023!

[Register here Jan 2](#)

A day full of wonderful programs, vendors and fun!
Register early for best class selection.

When: Feb. 11, 9 am - 4 pm

Where: LaSells Stewart Center
875 SW 26th St., Corvallis

EGC Book Group

The \$64 Tomato
by William Alexander



When: Thursday, Jan 12 at 2pm

Where: Imagine Coffee Shop
5460 SW Philomath Blvd, Corvallis

Contact: Nancy Mandel
rosefrog@gmail.com

Public Seed Library



Donate new or partially used veg, herb, or flower commercial seed packets

"Packed for 2022." Donate through January at :

- Benton County Master Gardener's OSU Extension Office, 4077 SW Research Way, Corvallis
- Corvallis-Benton Co. Public Library, librarian's desk.

Volunteer to collect, organize and inventory donated seed packets. Contact the [Food Action Team](#) to participate.

The Public Seed Library is expected to open at the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library by Mar. '23.

Order Native Plants

These two organizations have different native trees, shrubs, and perennials available in February, but order in January for best selection.

Linn County Small Woodlands Association is having their annual seedling sale. Plant list, preorder forms, and other information are available on their [website](#).

Benton Soil and Water Conservation District (BSWCD) is having their annual native plant sale. Shop online at <https://bentonswcd.org/shop/> until Feb. 1 or until the plants are sold out.

How to Successfully "Kiss Your Grass Goodbye"!

Jan. 4, 3:00 – 4:30 PM
Zoom

Sarah Sutton will be sharing examples of good, bad and even truly ugly attempts at lawn replacement with tips and suggestions for a winning design.

[Learn more and purchase tickets here](#)

Floral Therapy

The Floral Therapy Program is resuming at the end of January. At that time Donna Westwood will contact those members who have expressed an interest in participating. If anyone else wants to join in, please contact Donna at ndbalumna@yahoo.com.



Corvallis Evening Garden Club Program Schedule 2022-23

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 usually held on the first Monday of the month, October through May. In-person meetings are held at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 2650 NW Highland Dr., Corvallis. Doors open at 6:30 PM and meeting begins at 7:00.

Board Mtgs	Member Mtgs	Programs
Dec 26	Jan 9 Zoom only	<i>Nature's Best Hope</i> Presenter: Doug Tallamy Doug Tallamy is the author of <i>Nature's Best Hope</i> .
Jan 30	Feb 6	<i>Native Bees</i> Presenter: Emily Carlson Emily is an OSU PhD student working on native pollinators.
Feb 27	Mar 6	Presenter: Tamara Paulat Tamara Paulat is from Chickadee Gardens. We have an invitation to tour their garden sometime after this talk.
Mar 27	Apr 3	<i>Native Plants</i> Presenters: Joyce Eberhardt and Dan Luoma
Apr 24	May 1 In-person only	Plant Exchange

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





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January 9, 2023, 7 PM Zoom presentation

Nature's Best Hope

By Doug Tallamy

Doug Tallamy is the T. A. Baker Professor of Agriculture in the Department of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology at the University of Delaware, where he has authored 106 research publications



Become a part of the "Home Grown National Park" network. For more information on this and how to be a better steward of our planet, attend our zoom talk by DOUG TALLAMY from his most recent book NATURE'S BEST HOPE

This will be a Zoom meeting only. If you are not a member of the Evening Garden Club, but would like to "attend" the Zoom meeting, please send a \$5 check to PO Box 315, Corvallis, OR 97339 and be sure to include your name and email address. The Zoom link will be sent to you shortly before the meeting. Please write your email address very clearly to ensure you receive the link.

Become a member at

www.corvalliseningardenclub.org/membership/

Annual dues \$20 individual, \$30 household

One Good Turn Deserves Another...

While strolling around downtown Corvallis a few months ago, I was disappointed at what I saw. The once beautiful garden beds were weedy and overgrown. I contacted the Parks Dept to find out what could be done about the situation. Due to understaffing and inadequate allocation of budget dollars, they are unable to keep up with the maintenance these areas require. Did you know that the Parks Dept is responsible for over 2000 acres of park properties!?

I decided I could either complain about it to all my friends – or do something about it.

A proposal to adopt the garden beds at the intersection of Madison and 2nd St was brought to the CEGC Board. If the club would adopt an area, it could be maintained in perpetuity by club members. I was thrilled that the CEGC Board welcomed the idea enthusiastically!

As the beds are on street corners, we decided to name the endeavor The Good Turn Project. The ten beds will need plant removal, pruning, some basic design work and replanting. The Parks Dept will provide mulch, irrigation and debris hauling. The goal is to have the areas renovated this Spring, then transition to maintenance mode during the Summer.



This is where you, our members, come in. We are looking for volunteers who can help with any aspect of the project. You can commit to as little or as much as you like. We will have our first meeting in January to get things moving.

We are hoping this project will be a shining example of the impact citizens can make in their community. It may encourage groups and individuals to adopt other park areas. Through these kinds of efforts, we can enjoy a city we are proud of.



If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Melissa Cowan at cowan196@gmail.com or 775-335-5040.





There was no business meeting in December.

Treasurer's Report
EGC November 2022 Activity

Checking

Starting Balance **\$4,540.54**

Income

Dues	860.00
Book sale	26.00

Total income	\$886.00
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Expenses

Rebecca Levien - updating EGC website: \$90	50.00	Check has not cleared yet
Nancy Mandel - speaker fee Oct. meeting	50.00	
Outstanding check # 1119 Oct.24 (OR Dept. of Justice - CT-12 form) cleared 11/16	20.00	

Total Expenses	\$70.00
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Ending Balance **\$5,356.54**

Savings Account - end of month **\$7,011.27**

Total EGC Accounts **\$12,367.81**



Budget 2022- 2023	2021-22 ACTUAL	2022-23 PROPOSED
	7/1/2021 - 6/30/22	7/1/2022 - 6/30/23
INCOME		
Dues (150 members @ \$20)	\$2,415.00	\$3,000.00
Donations, attendance fees	46.00	50.00
Fundraiser	6,729.18	2,000.00
Workshop & Misc	0.00	0.00
Total Income	\$9,190.18	\$5,050.00
EXPENSES – Operating		
Fundraising	\$3,629.65	\$500.00
Organization Fees (incl.OSFGC Dues - state, not District)	380.00	419.00
Meetings—Programs, speaker fees	1,389.91	1,300.00
Meetings—Raffle	160.00	160.00
Hall Use (donation to SVLC), Zoom costs, equipment	149.90	150.00
Tours	36.98	0.00
Advertising/Recruitment (Incl. Insights into Gardening)	0.00	0.00
Office Expenses/Bank and PO Fees	304.98	200.00
Membership Directory	0.00	0.00
Web Expenses	53.50	203.40
Government Fees (OR Sec. of State & Dept. Justice)	70.00	70.00
Miscellaneous	130.25	100.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$6,305.17	\$3,102.40
EXPENSES – Community Outreach		
Grants	\$2,835.25	\$2,500.00
Scholarships	0.00	0.00
Donations, incl flower baskets, memorials	80.00	80.00
Flower Therapy	0.00	0.00
Total Community Outreach Expenses	\$2,915.25	\$2,580.00
SUMMARY		
Total Income	\$9,190.18	\$5,050.00
Total Expenses	\$9,220.42	\$5,682.40
Proposed Deficit	(\$30.24)	(\$632.40)

Greens Party 2022

