December 2022

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President's Message:

Cold weather greetings to you! We're obviously moving toward winter as we all bundle up before heading outside. Don't forget that our annual greens party will be held December 12th beginning at 7 PM although the doors will open at 6:30 to give you time to bring in the greens you've collected to use and share as we have a good time making holiday wreaths, swags, or whatever else.

Yesterday, mid-morning, the board met at Imagine Coffee Shop for our monthly meeting. I was particularly pleased because there were eleven people around the table discussing a variety of subjects as we planned for future meetings and projects. We have a very engaged group of "gardener people" which I'll now segue to the project brought before the board by Melissa Cowan. Melissa had noticed how bedraggled, grubby, and downright miserable the planted areas called "bulb outs" are on Second Street so she came to us with an idea for the Evening Garden Club to use our gardening skills to make a difference. Melissa will roll out the project in next month's newsletter so be watching for information regarding the *Good Turn Gardening Project*.

To stay on the subject of the board, Kathleen Rochester and her committee will soon be working on compiling a new slate of officers and members at large to serve on the board beginning next July 2023. It's a great opportunity to get better acquainted with other gardeners and make a positive contribution to our thriving organization so please say YES if you're contacted.

You'll remember I Trumpetvine emailed you all that the Washington garden tour on July 12 - 16, 2023 is filled. However, if you are interested in the tour, please email me and I'll put your name on the waiting list.

Although the board members serve for a fiscal year – July through June, we pay dues on a calendar year – January through December. If you haven't yet paid your dues - \$20 individual, \$30 household, you can bring your payment to the greens party on the 12th or mail your check to PO Box 315, Corvallis 97339. You wouldn't want to miss out on all the great local garden tours and events next year!

Also, don't forget that our January meeting will be Zoom only and our speaker will be Doug Tallamy. Mr. Tallamy is professor in the department of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology at the University of Delaware and he will be speaking about *Nature's Best Hope*. More information will be forthcoming.

Last thought: If you have questions or concerns about anything related to the EGC, I'm an email away.

Last, last thought: "Welcome winter. Your late dawns and chilled breath make me lazy, but I love you nonetheless." Terri Guillemets

Janet

December Opportunities & Reminders

EGC Dues

EGC membership fees are due by mid-Dec.

Cost: \$20 per individual OR

\$30 per couple

Payment Method: Checks only

Mail to: Corvallis Evening Garden Club

P.O. Box 315

Corvallis, OR 97339

EGC Greens Party

Monday, Dec. 12, 7:00 PM
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church
2650 NW Highland Dr., Corvallis

Bring your own greens and other materials to create a wreath, centerpiece, or other holiday decoration. Bring enough to share if you can. Doors open at 6:30.

Become an EGC Board Member!



Contact Kathleen Rochester at kathleen.rochester@gmail.com if you are interested in being a board member starting in July 2023.

Washington Garden Tour

July 12-16

The tour is full but you can get on a waiting list if you are interested in going. Contact Janet Magedanz at ikmagedanz@gmail.com.



Order Native Plants

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.

Floral Therapy

The Floral Therapy Program is currently on hold but will resume 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 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
Nov 28	Dec 12 In-person only	Greens Party
Dec 26	Jan 2 Zoom only	Nature's Best Hope Presenter: Doug Tallamy Doug Tallamy is the author of Nature's Best Hope.
Jan 30	Feb 6	Native Bees 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	Native Plants 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.

Meet a Member

Betsy Gordon



I've lived in many different garden zones over my lifetime. Growing up in southern California, attending Humboldt State University as an art major in northern California, and living in the central valley in Davis, California; I experienced most of the regions of the state before the age of 25!



It really wasn't until I moved to Kentucky with my husband and daughter that I truly took an interest in plants and gardening. Along with my main profession as a graphic designer, I took a part time, seasonal job at the local garden center where I spent most of my paycheck... and learned a lot! I was really getting the hang of it when we uprooted again to southeast Kansas.

Located on the edge of both prairie and the Ozarks, I loved the variety of both native and nonnative perennials, shrubs, and trees available. I enjoyed creating mixed beds in my garden, and like many gardeners; began to replace more and more lawn with flowers and shrubs.

Over the 14 years in the Midwest, I really grew to love and appreciate the prairie and Ozark regions. But when my husband retired in 2015, we decided to move back out west to be closer to family and ended up in Albany.



We love Oregon, and gardening in the Willamette Valley is pure joy! The first thing I figured out is that if a plant tag says the plant will reach 2-3 feet, it will probably be more like 4-5 feet!! So, I find myself rearranging the garden a lot, but what gardener doesn't?

Aside from gardening, I enjoy working in my ceramic studio. Most of my work has a botanical theme and I enjoy making birdhouses and feeders for my garden. I also practice and teach Tai chi and volunteer for a local organization working to create a tiny house community for some of Albany's unhoused.

I am thrilled to have joined ECG and looking forward to getting to know everyone through a shared love of gardening!

General Meeting Minutes November 7, 2022

The meeting started at 6:45 pm as an in-person only meeting with Janet Magedanz presiding. The meeting was attended by 37 people. This was the club's annual fall plant exchange.

Every November and May club members get together to exchange plants. People bring plants potted and labeled that they have extra and take home something new. This is a good way of sharing those perennials that have become overgrown and need dividing but are too nice to throw in the yard bin or compost heap. And you get to take home a plant that somebody else has found to flourish in our climate.

In the business portion of the meeting the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) was discussed and a motion was made and passed to approve it. Details of the budget will be in the December newsletter. According to the club bylaws, we should have two secretaries and we had only one. Nancy Sarpola agreed to serve in this position until the end of the fiscal year. Janet reported that eight people have signed up for the Western Washington Garden Tour. Information about the tour is in the November Newsletter. Please sign up soon if you wish to go so that arrangements can be finalized. There was no raffle drawing this month. The meeting

adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Submitted by Nancy Mandel, co-secretary of the EGC

Treasurer's Report <u>EGC October 2022 Activity</u>

Checking Account	
Starting Balance	\$3,946.54
Income	
Dues	520.00
Meeting guest fee	5.00
Sale of gardening books at Oct. meeting	89.00
Total income	\$614.00
Expenses	
OR Dept. of Justice - CT-12 form	20.00
Total Expenses	\$20.00
Ending Balance	\$4,540.54
Savings Account - end of month	\$7,010.69
Total EGC Accounts	\$11,551.23