



Evening Garden Club

Corvallis, Oregon

October 2023

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TBD

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Svetlana Dascaluc

Name Tags:

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Donna Schultz

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Val Hall

Programs:

Karen Hopson

Tours:

LeAnna Trosen

Website

Gayle Parrish

2023-24 Projects:

Book Club:

Nancy Mandel

Floral Therapy:

Donna Westwood

Good Turn:

Melissa Cowan

Homegrown

National Park:

Robin Strauss

President's Message:

Happy Autumn!

School has started and Fall is definitely in the air. Like many of you, I am looking at my garden and thinking about what I have yet to plant and how to prep my yard for the colder months to come.

Your Board of Directors (BOD) has been busy since July identifying the issues of the Club while supporting its various activities. We are fortunate that the past BOD left the Club in such good condition. I would be negligent if I did not recognize the members who did outstanding work for us this past Summer: The Tours Committee (Melissa Cowan, LeAnna Trosen, Deb Garley) provided exceptional opportunities to mingle and admire lovely gardens and to speak with talented gardeners. I also want to recognize all the volunteers who planned our successful social activities: the Ice Cream Social hosted by Janet Magedanz (Cathy Kerr, Sandy Piper, Carrie Ottow, Paula Armstrong, Izzie Elliot, Paul Westerberg), Tomato Tasting (Nancy & Dave Mandel, Pat Werner, Marie Flamme), and Salad Toss Potluck (Nancy Haldeman, Terri Allen, Anna Cassilly, Cynthia Schmidt, Cathy Kerr and Christina Clark). Finally, I want to recognize Nancy Sarpola who has quietly submitted information for the Neighborhood Planter Kiosk (NPK) each month. The NPK shares gardening information with the larger community while it also promotes EGC. All of these activities bring depth to our Club. Be sure to thank these volunteers when you see them.

As you walk your autumn garden, please look for plants that ought to be divided and, as you do so, pot one up for the **October 2 EGC Annual Meeting and Plant Exchange**. As a novice gardener, I can attest that going to the plant exchanges has helped me build my garden and I LOVE that I can mark the plant as coming from this or that member. It's like a gift - and I cherish them. Also, come learn about the exciting year planned for the Club. Documents for the meeting are included in this edition of the EGC Newsletter prepared by Valerie Hall.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the Club for the coming year. If you see or hear something I'm missing or messing up - please let me know! It's YOUR club and I want to be a good steward.

See you soon! Heather Emberson

Floral Therapy

Through the generosity of flower donations from Trader Joe's, EGC volunteers and the 4-H Cloverbuds share time at local assisted-living facilities each month to help residents create bouquets. It is a rewarding activity for all involved.

Want to join us? Contact Donna Westwood, Floral Therapy Coordinator at ndbalumna@yahoo.com



EGC Projects

Book Club

All EGC members are welcome to attend.

Book: *The Signature of All Things* by Elizabeth Gilbert (at the library and available used for under \$10)
Time: 10:30 Thursday, Nov 2
Place: Home of Suzanne McLean
1978 NW Frazier Creek Rd, Corvallis
Major cross streets are Lewisburg and Crescent Valley

Upcoming books are *The Earth Moved*, *On The Remarkable Achievements of Earthworms* by Amy Stewart, and *The Gardener's Year* by Karel Capek.

Homegrown National Park

Mornings spent at both the Corvallis and Albany Farmers Markets this Fall were so encouraging! We talked with over 100 people about Homegrown National Park and are encouraged that so many people are either onboard or curious and engaged about the why and how of removing invasives and planting native plants. We gave out at least 100 HNP brochures and EGC flyers, and thanks to Jennifer Klammer we were able to give 54 native plant starts to individuals, couples and families at the Albany Market. For a real bonus we met lots of kids interested in gardening and how to help pollinators. We will definitely be participating in FM again next year, and plan to start plants this winter to give away in the spring and fall. It proved to be a good way to spread the word!



Good Turn

Garden Bed Adoption at Madison and 2nd in Corvallis

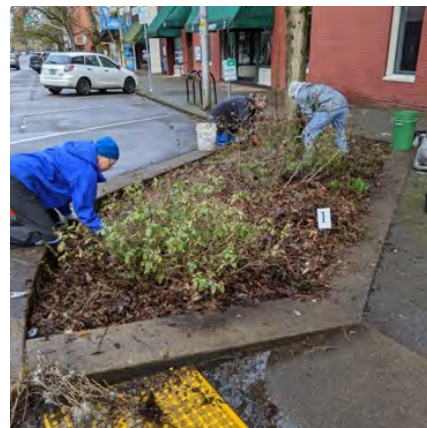
Through the work of EGC volunteers, we have finally arrived at the maintenance phase of our project.

The beds have come a long way from the overwhelming weed patches we started with. Our last workday was a beautiful sunny day spent weeding and doing light pruning. We plan to add more perennials and move things around a bit this fall. By Spring, the beds should be looking great.

Many thanks to all the volunteers, particularly Karen Hopson and Pat Gallagher. Pat was a consistent

contributor through rain, cold and extreme heat. The project could not have happened without Karen's dedication and expertise.

Our workdays are typically held on the second Sunday of each month which is the Sunday after the monthly members meeting. A notice is sent out about a week prior to each workday. We could sure use a few more volunteers. You may show up at any workday, and stay as long as you like.



October Opportunities & Reminders

Time For CEGC Membership Dues

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



Growing Oregon Gardeners: Level Up Series 2023

October 10, noon
Picky Fruit: Establishing Blueberries
in a Home Garden



Go to the [website](#) to [register](#) for FREE classes or
watch recordings of previous classes. Classes are
the 2nd Tuesday of every month, Feb.-Nov.

10-minute University

*We Study Gardens: An Update from the OSU Garden
Ecology Lab*

Date/Time: **October 3, 7-8:00 pm**
Speaker: Dr. Gail Langelotto,
Director of OSU Garden Ecology Lab
Format: Online via Zoom. [Registration link](#)
Cost: FREE.



EGC Plant Exchange

Get your plants ready now for the plant
exchange! Don't forget to include a label with
the plant name and your name.

Come early to see what everyone else has
brought before the fun begins. Doors open at
6:30.



Colleen and Rob Schulze's garden and neighbor's garden—June 26 tour in Philomath.

Meet a Member

Patricia Harding

Patricia Harding has been growing things since early childhood. A farmer's daughter, she had two grandmothers who grew plants, one who was very involved in the garden clubs. Patricia started growing house plants in earnest as a teenager. In college she majored in Botany planning to do genetics post grad. Her last class as an undergraduate was taxonomy; she took it last because everyone she talked to hated it. She loved it, but by that time she had signed up for a different path.

When she retired from the workforce, she had the opportunity to work with an orchid taxonomist, who got her started in orchid taxonomy. This resulted in four books on various sections of orchid taxonomy. It also opened the world of foreign orchid shows, and from there to orchid enthusiasts of other countries. This has resulted in one-of-a-kind trips to multiple, and truly multiple, locations.

Patricia grows a "few" orchids in her 30 x 60 greenhouse, along with all sorts of other tropical plants. She also has outside gardens. She appreciates the club as she likes to see new plants, and especially ones gifted or exchanged, as they have a special history. She welcomes anyone who would like to see her collection.

Photo is of Patricia in the paramo of Purace, Colombia, with local biologists and the endemic owners of that land.. and her husband.



Program Schedule 2023-24

Board Meetings are held once a month to discuss club business and set up the agenda for the following Membership Meeting. All members are welcome to attend and observe the proceedings. RSVP to Heather Emberson is requested. If you have an issue you want the board to address, please send it to Heather **ahead of time** for inclusion in the agenda for the next board meeting.

Location: Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 2650 NW Highland Drive, Corvallis

Time: 4:00-5:30 PM

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

Location: Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 2650 NW Highland Drive, Corvallis

Time: Doors open at 6:30; meetings begin at 7:00

***There are no hybrid meetings this year. All meetings will be in-person only, except for those specified as Zoom-only. The link for our Zoom meetings will be sent via email approximately one day before the presentation. These presentations are intended only for our members and paying guests, so please do not share them with others. Non-members who would like to attend should contact Heather at president@corvalliseninggardenclub.org to pay a small fee and receive the link.

Board Meetings	Member Meetings	Programs
Sept 25	Oct 2	Annual Meeting, gift certificates raffle, and Plant Exchange
Oct 30	Nov 6	<i>Year-Round Pollinator Plants: What to Grow For a 4-Season Blooming Garden</i> Presenter: Janet Magedanz, EGC Past President
Nov 27	Dec 4	Greens Party and Winter Festivities
Dec 18	Jan 8 Zoom only	<i>Gardening with Ferns and Design Considerations</i> Presenter: Richie Steffen, Exec. Dir. Elisabeth Miller Botanical Gardens.
Jan 29	Feb 5 Zoom only	<i>Native Bees</i> Presenter: Eileen Stark, Author of <i>Real Gardens Grow Natives</i> , and <i>The Joy and Beauty of Integrating Natives into Your Gardens</i>
Feb 26	Mar 4	<i>Adaptive Gardening</i> Presenters: Dana Hughes, Seedgrass PT Sharon Knight, Garland Nursery
Mar 25	Apr 1	Designers' Panel Q&A, short business meeting, and gift certificate raffle Panel: Signe Danler, Owen Dell, and Alan Shay, EGC members Jeff Cope, Homegrown Gardens
Apr 29	May 6	Presentation, Business Meeting, and Plant Exchange <i>Year-round Edibles Gardening</i> Presenter: Janet Throop
May 20		
Jun 24		

Treasurers Report

EGC August 2023 Activity

Janet Klingler
Hanne and Heinrich Neiderhausen

CHECKING ACCOUNT OSCU

Starting Balance \$1,331.19

Income

Dues 110.00

Donation for grant fund 100.00

Total income \$210.00

Expenses

Cathy Kerr reimbursement (ice cream social) \$200.37 Check has not cleared yet

Heather Emberson reimbursement (shelter rental) 55.00

Total Expenses \$55.00

Ending Balance **\$1,486.19**

SAVINGS ACCOUNT OSCU

Ending Balance **\$8.22**

SAVINGS ACCOUNT WaFd BANK

Certificate of Deposit including interest **9,143.53**

TOTAL **\$10,637.94**

Less 1 outstanding check 200.37

GRAND TOTAL **\$10,437.57**

2023 Summer Social Events

- * Ice Cream Social at Janet's
- * Tomato Tasting at Nancy and Dave's
- * Salad Toss Potluck at Avery Park



Member Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2023 7:00

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church

The meeting started at 7pm May 1, 2023, as an in-person only meeting at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church with Janet Magedanz presiding. There were 36 attendees.

Darren Morgan from Shonnard's Nursery gave a very entertaining and informative presentation on Growing Tomatoes and answered our many questions on the topic. Nancy Mandel announced that there will be a Tomato Tasting event on August 28 and urged people to attend and bring tomatoes to share. In the business portion of the meeting a motion was passed to not have fundraising events in fiscal year 2023-2024 and instead fund grants and scholarships through donations. The evening ended with our annual May plant exchange.

Submitted by Nancy Mandel, Co-Secretary of the EGC.



August 23 tour of Marsha Ham and neighborhood gardens.

EVENING GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

7:00 Monday October 2, 2023

1. Announcements
2. Changes or Additions to the Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of the May 6, 2023 General Meeting
4. Accept Treasurer Report of August, 2023
5. Annual Financial Review (7/1/22-6/30/23)
6. Annual Operating Budget 2023-24
7. Committee Chairs
 - A. Fundraising – TBD
 - B. Grants – Marsha Ham
 - C. Membership & Trumpetvine – Svetlana Dascaluic
 - D. Name Tag – Anna Cassilly & Donna Schultz
 - E. Newsletter – Valerie Hall
 - F. Program – Karen Hopson
 - G. Publicity – TBD
 - H. Tour – LeAnna Trosen
 - I. Web Presence – Gayle Parrish
8. Upcoming Programs
9. Project Reports (3 minutes each)
 - A. Book Club – Nancy Mandel
 - B. Floral Therapy – Donna Westwood
 - C. Good Turns – Melissa Cowan
 - D. Homegrown National Parks – Robin Strauss
10. New Members in the past 3 months
11. Raffle for Gift Certificates
12. Plant Exchange
13. Adjournment



June 24th tour with Tamara Paulat.

Budget 2023-2024

	2022-23 ACTUAL 7/1/22- 6/30/2023	2023-24 PROPOSED 7/1/23-6/30/24
Income		
Dues (150 members @ \$20)	\$3,095.00	\$3,000.00
Donations, attendance fees	610.00	300.00
Plant Sale, Other Fundraiser	193.90	200.00
Workshop & Misc	-	0.00
Grant Fund (donations and "50-50 raffle")	51.00	100.00
Total Income	\$3,949.90	\$3,600.00
EXPENSES		
EXPENSES – Operating		
Fundraisers (e.g., Plant Sale, QITG, etc.)	0.00	0.00
Organization Fees (incl.OSFGC Dues - state, not District)	419.00	800.00
Meetings—Programs, speaker fees, zoom	1,300.00	900.00
Meetings—Raffle	60.00	80.00
Hall Use (donation to SVLC), Zoom costs, equipment	0.00	449.00
Tours	0.00	0.00
Workshop Materials	0.00	0.00
Advertising/Recruitment (Incl. Insights into Gardening)	0.00	0.00
Office Expenses/Bank and PO Fees	166.00	166.00
Membership Directory	0.00	0.00
Web Expenses (Stormwire, consultant)	533.40	400.00
Government Fees (OR Sec. of State & Dept. Justice)	70.00	70.00
Miscellaneous	5.00	5.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$2,553.40	\$2,870.00
EXPENSES – Community Outreach		
Grants	2500.00	1500.00
Scholarships	0.00	0.00
Donations, incl flower baskets, memorials	0.00	0.00
Flower Therapy	0.00	0.00
Good Turn Project	0.00	0.00
Homegrown National Park	0.00	0.00
Total Community Outreach Expenses	\$2,500.00	\$1,500.00
SUMMARY		
Total Income	\$3,949.90	\$3,600.00
Total Expenses	\$5,053.40	\$4,370.00
Difference (Income-Expenses)	-\$1,103.50	-\$770.00