



Evening Garden Club

Corvallis, Oregon

December 2024

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President's Message:

I have been enjoying our beautiful fall. Our Ginkgo tree finally turned yellow this fall after staying green since we planted it five years ago. I was told by staff at Garland's that I was treating it too well with watering in the summer. I stopped watering it in August and that seemed to make all the difference this year.

We have made some changes to our programs this year. Our Green's Party will be held at the Fairgrounds on Wed., Dec. 4, from 3 – 7 instead of our regular 1st Monday meeting time. Our January and February programs will be held on Zoom due to the dark and rainy conditions in those months. We will resume regular in-person meetings in March. See the newsletter for details of our presenters.

Our membership dues deadline is January 1st. You can mail checks to our PO Box. It is \$25 per individual or \$35 for a couple. Our membership chair, Janet Magedanz, will send out a new membership list in January via Trumpetvine that you can save or print out. We no longer print a membership booklet. However, our member list will also be on our Web site, with access only to members, and accessed by our password of EGCgardener.

I hope you enjoy the holidays and a more relaxed time with gardening efforts. It is a great time to read garden books, magazines, and catalogs. Have a good season until we meet again.





Floral Therapy team members gathered in Nov. for a holiday lunch at Pastini's. L to R Donna Westwood, Heather Emberson, Roz Larson, Paula Armstrong, Barbara Glover and Suzanne McLean.



EGC members Suzanne and Barbara (in back) helped residents of Regency Assisted Living to make arrangements using a plethora of flowers donated by Trader Joe's.



You too can share the fun at one of 4 facilities where we play with flower donations every week. Interested? Contact Donna Westwood at 541-740-7942 or ndbalumna@yahoo.com.

Club Activities

Book Club

All members are welcome to attend book group meetings. We meet on a Thursday in odd numbered months.

Book: *The Gardener's Eye and Other Essays*
by Allen Lacy

Time: Thursday, **Jan 9**, 2025 at 2:30

Place: Imagine Coffee

5460 Philomath Blvd.
Corvallis, OR



Allen Lacy was a philosophy professor who wrote a gardening column for the New York Times in the 1990s . He was known for his personal style of garden writing rather than the "how-to" that was the standard at the time and which is still pretty common.

Upcoming books:

- *Seed to Dust: Life, Nature, and a Country Garden* by Marc Hamer

Good Turn Madison Ave. and 2nd St.

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 welcome any amount of time you have available. Please bring gloves, personal hand tools and a smile. Hope to see you there.

Santiam District Newsletter

The fall Santiam District newsletter should be arriving in your email soon. Find out what our district garden clubs are doing, nominate someone for a district office, or let our district director know what kind of activities you would like to participate in.



Homegrown National Park

<https://corvalliseningardenclub.org/homegrown-national-park/>

On Saturday, November 16, a wonderful group of students from the Medical Humanities Club at Oregon State University enthusiastically planted and mulched (using leaves and chipped woody material from the site) nearly 70 native plants for Phase 1 of the project at Monarch on 4th. It was encouraging to hear that in their programs of study they are learning about the relationships between human health and ecological health.

Two days earlier, Erik Swartzendruber from Gaia kindly delivered a few small boulders for the project. Signe Danler

directed boulder placement, Faye Cummins and Ruby Moon delivered plants, Robin Strauss shipped us wooden plant labels, Adrienne Guy wrote and placed plant labels at the site, returned to assist with planting, and then returned the pots to a nursery. Teresa M. from BSWCD provided us with tools and gloves, which she delivered and picked up! The rest of the plants for Phase 1 will be picked up March 1, and we look forward to the Phase 2 design for the side entrance of Monarch on 4th.



If you would like to join the Homegrown National Park™ Project team, please send an email to Kathleen.chambliss@alumni.prescott.edu.



Grants

Dear Evening Garden Club,

Here at Lupe's Community Garden, we had another bountiful year providing food for our community and gardening know-how that encourages self-sufficiency. With your generous donation of \$500 we were able to pay for the lion's share of two new cedar ADA beds that will provide access for gardeners that have mobility restrictions.

The original estimate was too low, but we were able to match your grant with other funds that made this project a reality. The sturdy beds are made of cedar by a local craftsman and will provide many years of use for our garden participants.

The beds are currently planted with greens to provide nutrition through the fall and early winter. One bed is planted with a stir-fry/braising mix and the other is a hardy salad green mix.

We are very grateful for your generous donation that provides crucial, quality nutrition and garden accessibility to our neighbors that will benefit from ADA accessible beds for years to come.

Thank you,
Sharon Thornberry
Executive Director, Philomath Community Services





Dear Members of BCMGA and Corvallis Evening Garden Club,

It is that time of year when our membership meetings are replaced by **The Greens Party!** It does not matter what you celebrate in our time of the Solstice, come create some beauty for your home or for others. You can make a simple arrangement in a vase, a wreath, a swag, or all of them depending on your time and desire.

Who : All of you! You are welcome to bring a friend/family member.

When: Wednesday, 12/4/2024, 3 – 7 PM

Where: Guerber Hall, Benton County Fairgrounds What to bring: cookies to share, if you want...we all love cookies and we will have the usual drinks.

What to bring for your creations: **"The Committee"** will have cut greens in a large pile on the floor on a tarp. You get to pick what you want. If you have special greens you want to bring, please do. We will have some collected embellishments...ribbons, pinecones, sparkly things. We will also provide most of the tools and things you'll need. Janet Magedanz will help you make a beautiful bow because there will be lots of ribbon options and she will have the bow maker "gizmo" available. Some additions to bring in your own bucket might be:



*Metal wreath rings of any size, the multicircle ones like in the picture are easier to work with; or if you have grapevines, or make your own <https://homesteadandchill.com/make-diy-grapevine-wreath-decorating-ideas/>

*Colorful objects that make you think "festive".

*Green florists wire and or tape to use to wrap/construct your creation, wire being best

*Scissors, wire cutters, clippers and Garden Gloves to protect your hands

*Anything from your own garden that you love...beauty berry, magnolia leaves, pinecones, dried flowers, holly

*Vases or canning jars for arrangements, or foam florist blocks that can sit on a plate and absorb water.



This will be our first year meeting together and it will be an opportunity to meet fellow gardeners from the other organization

Hope to see you there! **The Greens Party Committee**

Community Activities

Tree and Shrub Seedling Sale Linn County Small Woodlands Association

Ordering starts **Dec 9** online. Get more details, view the catalog, and place an order at:

<https://linncountyswa.com/shop/>



Pickup: **Feb 15**, 8:00 AM - 11 AM

Where: Linn County Fair and Expo Center
3700 Knox Butte Rd. E
Albany, OR

The Confluence Open House

Drop by to meet the partner organizations and future tenants, see the progress on the ultra-sustainable building, and enjoy some refreshments as we reflect on 2024 and look ahead to the new year!

When: Friday, **Dec 13**, 3:00 - 5:00 PM

Where: The Confluence
412 SW 2nd St.
Corvallis, OR

Summer Planted Crops For Winter Eating Public Seed Library

Attendance is **FREE** and no registration is required. See flyer below.

When: Thursday, **Dec. 12**, 1:00 - 2:30 PM

Where: Corvallis Library Meeting Room
465 NW Monroe Ave.
Corvallis, OR

TAP Talk: The Enemy of My Enemy Is My Friend 500 Women Scientists

Dr. Jana Lee, a Research Entomologist with the USDA Agricultural Service, will discuss how to use natural enemies as biological pest control to improve the sustainability of farms and gardens in Oregon.

Attendance is **FREE** and no registration is required.

When: Monday, **Dec 2**, 5:30 - 6:30 PM

Where: Common Fields
545 SW 3rd St.
Corvallis, OR

Emerald Ash Borer: An Invasive Species Presentation Calapooia Watershed Council

Program is **FREE** and no registration is required. See flyer below.

When: Wednesday, **Dec 18**, 5:30 - 6:30 PM

Where: Albany Public Library
2450 14th Ave SE
Albany, OR

Winter Native Plant Sale Benton SWCD

Ordering is available now online. Get more details, view the catalog, and place an order at <https://bswcd.square.site/>.



Pickup: **March 1**

Where: Benton County Fairgrounds
110 SW 53rd St.
Corvallis, OR

Program Schedule 2024-25

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 Nancy Haldeman is requested. If you have an issue you want the board to address, please send it to Nancy **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: 2:00-3:30 PM

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

Location: Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 2650 NW Highland Drive, Corvallis
 Time: Doors open at 6:30; meetings begin at 7:00

| Board Mtgs | Member Mtgs | Programs |
|------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nov 25 | Dec 4 (Wed.) 3:00—7:00 PM | Greens Party with Benton County Master Gardeners at Guerber Hall at the Benton County Fairgrounds. |
| Dec 30 | Jan 6 Zoom only | Presenter: Linda Beutler Linda is a clematis expert from Portland and will speak about the queen of vines. |
| Jan 27 | Feb 3 Zoom only | Presenter: Jo Wakelin Jo is a New Zealand gardener and will speak about her spectacular drought tolerant garden. |
| Feb 24 | Mar 3 | Presenter: Dave Eckerdt Dave is a gardener extraordinaire and will speak about his and his wife Pat's stunning garden in Salem. |
| Mar 31 | Apr 7 | Presenter: James Cassidy James is an OSU soil expert and will speak about our gardens' soil. |
| Apr 28 | May 5 | Presentation and Plant Exchange Presenter: Lawrence Birch Lawrence will speak about medicinal herbs. |
| May 26 | | |
| Jun 30 | | |



Member Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2024 7:00

This in-person meeting commenced at 7:02pm, with EGC president Nancy Haldeman presiding. There were 47 members present.

The business portion of the meeting included the following announcements:

HNP (Homegrown National Park) – The current HNP project is located at 520 NW 4th Street in Corvallis (Monarch on 4th). Phase 1 is underway; members are encouraged to visit the site.

Greens Party – Reminder that our annual Greens Party will be held on Wednesday, December 04, 2024 at the Benton County Fairgrounds in collaboration with the Benton County Master Gardeners. More information to follow.

Dues – Dues for 2025 should be paid prior to January 01, 2025. EGC dues are \$25/individual and \$35/couple. Members can pay in person at general meetings or pay by check via mail. After January 01, 2025, the current member list will be sent out on Trumpetvine and will be available in the “members only” section of the EGC website.

Program Speaker – Our November speaker, Betty Shelley, is the founder of the Reduce Your Waste Project. Betty shared an enlightening program on reducing waste to help our planet. She offered many ways to keep waste from coming into our homes, such as using cloth napkins, reusable shop towels in place of paper towels, reducing food waste, and shopping the outside aisles at the grocery store. She reiterated the importance of conserving water and energy. Betty challenged us to imagine if everything we brought into our homes had to stay there, and to actually look in our garbage to find ways we can do better. Attendees were given an opportunity to ask questions and to share their own methods to decrease consumption and waste.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08pm

The next general meeting will be the Greens Party on Wednesday, December 04, 2024 at the Benton County Fairgrounds. More information to follow.

Submitted by Becca Smith, EGC secretary



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

Deadline Jan 1, 2025



Please consider mailing in your check for \$25 for an individual or \$35 for a couple today. Our mailing address is:
 Evening Garden Club
 P. O. Box 315
 Corvallis, OR 97339

New members: If you joined after July 1, 2024 your membership dues are paid through December 31, 2025.

Treasurer's Report

EGC October 2024 Activity

Janet Klingler
Bonnie Burkart

| | General Fund | HNP | Total |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Revenue | | | |
| CD Dividend | \$26.85 | | \$26.85 |
| Dues | \$800.00 | | \$800.00 |
| Grant donation | \$52.00 | | \$52.00 |
| Fundraising for Grants | \$181.00 | | \$181.00 |
| Guests at October mtg. | \$5.00 | | \$5.00 |
| HNP Grant-Corvallis Comm. Thrift Shop | | \$3,000.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| HNP donation - Kerr | | \$20.00 | |
| Total Revenue | \$1,064.85 | \$3,020.00 | \$4,084.85 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - Hall Use | \$300.00 | | \$300.00 |
| Oregon Dept. of Justice CT-12 (outstanding-\$20) | | | |
| Total Expenses | \$300.00 | \$0.00 | \$300.00 |
| Change in Net Assets | \$764.85 | \$3,020.00 | \$3,784.85 |
| Checking Account - OSCU | \$1,515.81 | \$2,499.31 | \$4,015.12 |
| Savings Account - OSCU | \$8.22 | | \$8.22 |
| 11 Month Business Cert. - OSCU | \$7,170.81 | | \$7,170.81 |
| Net Assets - 10/1/2024 | \$8,694.84 | \$2,499.31 | \$11,194.15 |
| Checking Account - OSCU | \$2,253.81 | \$5,519.31 | \$7,773.12 |
| Savings Account - OSCU | \$8.22 | | \$8.22 |
| 11 Month Business Cert. - OSCU | \$7,197.66 | | \$7,197.66 |
| Net Assets - 10/31/2024 | \$9,459.69 | \$5,519.31 | \$14,979.00 |

Horticulture Scholarships

Did you know that as part of the National Federation of Garden Clubs, we offer horticulture students four separate college scholarships? Pass the information below on to anyone who may qualify, and contact our State Scholarship Chair, Trudie Bason, at Trudie@timeless-gardens.com with any scholarship questions.

Starting with the National Garden Club, (NGC) we have the Linda Nelson Bentson scholarship. The amount of this scholarship is \$4000.00. The system for applying to NGC is completely digital from beginning to end. The student can check it out by going to gardenclub.org and choosing the heading, **youth scholarship**. They will be given all the information to apply. NGC awards one scholarship to each state. **THE DEADLINE FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS FEBRUARY 1ST, 2025.**

Our next available scholarship is from the Pacific Region. The Lana Finegold scholarship in the amount of \$1000 is awarded to one student each year. The information for this scholarship can be found at <https://pacificregiongardenclubs.org/scholarships>. **THE DEADLINE TO APPLY IS FEBRUARY 1ST, 2025.**

The Clair Hanley scholarship is for students studying horticulture at Oregon State University. The financial award varies but is on average \$2000. To apply, the student needs to go online to [Scholar Dollars](http://ScholarDollars) to create a login, then use the following link to apply: <https://oregonstate.scholarshipuniverse.com/public/home?scholarshipType=public&take=10&skip=90>.

DEADLINE, Incoming freshmen and transfer students who apply for admission by Feb 1st, 2025 and submit their transcripts and test scores by Feb 15th, 2025 will be notified of their University Scholars Program scholarship eligibility by the end of March. Students who apply after Feb 1st will be considered for scholarships on a fund's availability basis.

Our last, but not least scholarship is the Compton Fellowship Award in the amount of \$750. This is awarded to a student in the study of fruit and berries. Professor John Lambrinos chooses a student that has studied berry and/or fruit crops, and with experimentation and research has found ways to increase production, lessen the need for insecticides, use less water, etc. New varieties of blueberries in particular have been brought to the public due to students' work in this area.

DEADLINE: PROFESSOR LAMBRINOS CHOOSES A STUDENT IN THE SPRING.



Grevillea





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PLEASE JOIN US FOR

Emerald Ash Borer: An Invasive Species Presentation

*Presented by Kat Bethea, EAB Specialist,
Oregon Dept of Forestry*

Presentation Highlights:

- Learn about the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB): where it's appeared, its implications, and what researchers and restoration professionals are doing to manage it.
- See adult EAB and wood samples up close!

Who Should Attend?

- Anyone interested in the topic! Environmental enthusiasts, landowners, and environmental restoration practitioners are especially encouraged to attend.

Wednesday

18th

December 2024

5:30pm
until 6:30pm

at **Albany Public Library**

2450 14th Ave SE, Albany, OR 97322

HOSTED BY THE CALAPOOIA WATERSHED COUNCIL



Summer Planted Crops for Winter Eating

One of the joys of gardening is eating fresh home grown or something home grown you've stored! You could be enjoying home grown sweet potato fries or rutabega hash now! Come learn which varieties of winter squash to grow for their great taste and storage life, and add colorful and crunchy carrots, kohlrabi and radishes, branching broccoli, kale, chard and other greens (and reds) to your meals through the winter. Presented by Darren Morgan, Shonnard's Nursery Manager and educator.



Thursday Dec 12
from 1- 2:30 PM at
the Corvallis Public
Library



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