



## CLACKAMAS COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS PLANT & SEED SWAP – April 12, 2010 • 6:30pm

Hints, Tips and Friendly Reminders...

Tables will be set up outside on the South patio for plants you wish to offer. In order to keep the Milwaukie Center as clean as possible, please take your newly acquired plants out to your car prior to the meeting. *Thank you for your cooperation!*

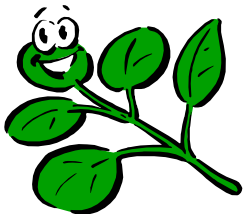
### PLEASE:

- ✓ No Invasive Plants  
See booklet: GardenSmart Oregon  
➤ <http://oregoninvasiveshotline.org>
- ✓ No Hitchhikers (critters or weeds)
- ✓ Healthy & Disease-Free items



Please CLEARLY identify your plants/seed with its name. (You may also want to advise if inorganic fertilizers/chemicals have been used or if plants/seeds have been grown organically.) Fruit & Veggie starts are also welcome – in case you happen to have too many of those lettuce or kale starts...

In the event you do not pot up your plants (like bareroot hosta/daylily/iris), please bring transport material if necessary (see below). At the end of the meeting PLEASE take any boxes, seed trays, and/or leftover plants back home with you. The clean-up crew does not have the capacity to round up orphans.



🌸 A separate section will be designated for **Spring Garden Fair** plant donations. **PLANTS IN THIS SECTION ARE NOT FOR SWAPPING!** Leftover plants tend to be weak; if you wish to donate plants for SGF, please bring separately potted and labeled plants. We need lots of plants!!

There will also be a table inside for those who wish to bring seeds. Seeds can be packaged in small envelopes or bags. Please make sure seeds dry at least 2 weeks before packaging so they will store. If seeds are older than 1 yr, please either check seed viability (see below) and/or advise of age of seed. Seed should be out-of-the garden, non-commercial seed. Open-pollinated is preferred. Please advise if cross-pollination is potential.



***Thank You for being a part of this special event. Any comments or suggestions to improve future events are encouraged & welcomed.***

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### TESTING SEED VIABILITY

Place seeds on a damp paper towel inside a Ziploc bag. Label the bag with the seed and date. Place seed in a warm area, out of direct sun, and keep moist. Check every couple days to see if they have sprouted. \*\*  
Helpful hint: Use 10 seeds; however many sprout, add a zero - that's your trial germination rate.

\*\* Vegetable Planting & Seed Saving Information:  
➤ [www.seedsavers.org/instructions.html](http://www.seedsavers.org/instructions.html)

### PLANT PACKAGING

A few options for transporting unpotted plants (i.e. bare root plants like Hosta, Daylily, etc): small brown paper bags, plastic bags, or newspaper will do the job.

### SEED PACKAGING

A couple options for packaging seed: Small clear plastic bags or small paper coin envelopes (available at office supply stores).