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Clackamas Monthly News: October 2017

Chapter Meeting - Monday, October 9 at 7 p.m.

Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr., Milwaukie



The Sauvie Island Partnership to Protect Migrating Birds - Jane Hartline

Jane Hartline strongly believes gardeners can save the world! She challenges us to put our passion for gardening into a high cause and will offer ideas from her work on Sauvie Island. Jane has lived on the island since the early 70s. As an avid birder and gardener, she is knowledgeable about the island's diverse and abundant wildlife. [Sauvie Island Habitat Partnership](#) Click the Lectures link (above) for more information on this month's speaker.

Plant and Seed Swap before the Meeting

At the October meeting, we will have our semi-annual plant and seed swap. This is a great event to learn about new plants for your garden. The schedule will be as follows: • 6:00 p.m. Set-up & bring plants • 6:30 p.m. Swap begins for those who donated plants/seeds • 6:45 p.m. All are welcome to "shop" for plants & seeds. • 8-ish: Last chance for bargains!!! Or give homes to orphan plants! For more info see the Members Page for the Plant and Seed Swap link (under Chapter Resources).

Books for Used Book Sale

Our annual Used Book Sale is held in November during our meeting. Please bring books you wish to donate for this event to the October meeting. If you have any questions please contact Janet Weber.

Green Glove Award: Ellen Hanley, class of 2005

If there were a Treasurer of the Year Award, Ellen would certainly deserve it! After learning the job as an Assistant Treasurer for two years, she stepped right into her role as chapter Treasurer without skipping a beat. She keeps close tabs on all funds being spent, effectively predicts future costs, and answers important financial questions that arise. Ellen even brought the chapter's savings account into the 21st century by setting up online banking. She meets with the Audit Committee to keep the chapter moneys in sync and chairs the Budget Committee for the 2018 calendar year. She also helps out at the training classes by coordinating all of the noon-time chats, does the photos for the new trainees, assists with registration, plus other odds and ends that occur during class time. In her past life, Ellen helped to coordinate the plant clinic at the Milwaukie Farmer's Market, and still finds time to volunteer for extra shifts at local Farmer's Markets. Thank you, Ellen, for your contributions to the chapter, for assisting with the education of interns, and for keeping our budget balanced!

Chapter Housekeeping

This month we will be casting our ballots for the 2018 Executive Board. The nominations are as follows:
President - Cindy Manselle, Vice President - John Wilbur, Secretary - Barb Epidendio, Treasurer - Ellen Hanley, Asst. Treasurer - Salley Barrett, OMGA rep - Dick Nelson, Alt OMGA rep- Harry Wise, Advisory board - Rob Kappa, Nancy Muir, Janet Weber.
The 2017 Budget will also be presented for review prior to the vote in November.

Coming Next Month - November 13:



Growing Conifers: What Gardeners Can Learn from Christmas Trees, Chal Landgren, OSU's Christmas Tree Specialist

Many gardens include conifers such as Douglas, noble, grand, Nordmann or Turkish firs. Chal's talk will focus on common problems that gardeners and Christmas tree growers share. Some of the problems may have a solution, others may simply be warnings to avoid future problems. He will also discuss some of the culturing tips that may be useful in gardens. *Click the Lectures link (above) for more information on this month's speaker.* <http://oregonstate.edu/dept/NWREC/programs/christmas-trees> *MG education credit*

Fall into Gardening - October 7, 2017 from 9 am to noon

Milwaukie Center 5540 SE Kellogg Creek Drive in Milwaukie

10-Minute University™ Classes (25 minutes each)

9:00 - 9:30 Fall and Winter Diseases and Pests

9:30 - 10:00 Pruning Made Easy

10:00 - 10:30 Garden Design 101

10:30 - 11:00 Building and Filling a Raised Bed

11:00 - Noon Better Vertical Vegetable Gardening - Harry Olson

Learn from Harry Olson the secrets behind his highly productive vegetable growing system in a compact footprint. Harry perfected this system over 10 years of experimentation in a small city lot.

Also included: Soil Testing (9 - 11:30 am) Ask a Master Gardener Clinic (9 - 11:30 am) & Educational Displays

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Coming on December 11 - Garden Art and Symbols, Steve Pettingill

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