

CLACKAMAS COUNTY CHATTER



October 2019

Chapter Meeting – Monday, October 14 at 7 p.m. Milwaukee Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr., Milwaukie
Perennials from Seed – Amy Campion



Who doesn't like free plants? Learn to grow perennials and other ornamentals for free or very cheaply by starting them from seed. In this class, you'll learn how to germinate seeds (including those that need special treatment) and how to grow seedlings to become strong, sturdy plants for the garden. *MG Education Credit
More info at cmastergardeners.org.

October Seed Swap Before the Meeting

Please note that due to suggested restrictions on plant swaps where there is movement of soil from one site to another, we will no longer be hosting our plant swap in the spring and fall. [Seed-Swap Information Page](#)



- 6:15 p.m. Seeds arrive.
- 6:30 p.m. Swap begins for helpers and for those who brought seeds.
- 6:45 p.m. Everyone is welcome to "shop" for seeds.
- 8-ish (during break): last chance for browsing the seeds.

Questions: Please contact Roxane Russell to get on the volunteer list, or if you have any questions about the swap.

The Green Glove for October goes to Nancy Hopkins, class of 2003. Nancy coordinates the New Plant Introductions for the Spring Garden Fair, and acts as the Food liaison. She also serves as the Chair for the Gray Thompson Community Grants Project. Many thanks to you, Nancy, for the work you do for our chapter.

Chapter Housekeeping

- This month we will be casting our ballots for the 2020 Executive Board. *The nominations are as follows:*
President - John Wilbur **Vice President** - Ellen Hanley **Secretary** - Laura Oldenkamp
Treasurer - Kathy Krentz **Asst. Treasurer** - Karen Foster-Schatz **OMGA rep** - Seamus Ramirez
Alt OMGA rep - Dick Nelson **Advisory Board** - Janet Weber (2020) Rob Kappa (2021) Cindy Manselle (2022)
- **The 2020 Budget** will be presented for review prior to the vote in November.
- **Books for Used Book Sale.** Our annual Used Book Sale is held in November. Please bring books you wish to donate for this event to the October meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Janet Weber.

Volunteer Hours are Due - go to our [Members page](#) for helpful info and links for submitting your information.

Coming next month: November 11, 2019

Growing Dryland Vegetables – Amy Garrett, OSU Extension Small Farms Program <http://smallfarms.oregonstate.edu>

Learn about strategies for growing select summer vegetable crops without supplemental irrigation in our maritime climate. Hear about results from Oregon State University Dry Farming Project field trials, and how you can get involved with the Dry Farming Collaborative.



As an Assistant Professor, Amy researches and teaches ways to improve the economic and environmental sustainability of our food production systems. Amy has over 20 years of experience in the horticulture industry ranging from landscape design, installation and maintenance to organic farming. The Dry Farming Project she is leading will be expanding to include several *Dry Farming Demonstration* sites in Oregon, a series of workshops called *Growing Resilience: Water Management*, and participatory dry farming research with the *Dry Farming Collaborative*. *MG Education Credit

Fall into Gardening, Saturday, October 5 - don't miss this informative event & don't forget to share this info with your friends & neighbors. [Click here or see our webpage for more info.](#) *all sessions count as MG Education Credit towards your annual recertification

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Fall into Gardening

October 5 • 9 am to noon

Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Drive, Milwaukie

Keynote Speaker

9:00-10:00 Wild Food of Yards, Gardens, Neighborhoods and Farms by Dr. John Kallas
How to identify, harvest and prepare nutritious, delicious, and abundant edible wild plants found within walking distance of your kitchen

10-Minute University™ Classes

10:00-10:30 Growing and Harvesting Vegetables Year-Round
How to prolong vegetable production during fall, winter, and spring

10:30-11:00 The Best Flowers for Bees
How to choose flowers for bees based on color, shape, and arrangement

11:00-11:30 Irrigation Techniques to Save Time and Money
How to design and put together a drip irrigation system

11:30-12:00 Making High-Impact Plant Combinations
How to use three principles that are behind high-impact plant combinations

✳ **Soil Testing (9 – 11:30 am):** We will test your soil pH and give advice on amendments. Up to 4 samples per client. For step-by-step instructions, obtain a "Testing Soil pH" handout at www.cmastergardeners.org under the "10-Minute University™" tab.

✳ **Clinic (8:30 am – 12:30 pm):** Bring your questions, samples and pictures to have our MG experts answer your plant ID, disease, pest and insect issues while you attend classes.

✳ **Educational Displays**

Accommodation requests related to a disability should be made by September 20 to Catalina Santamaria, 503-655-8631

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Looking ahead: 2019 Programs and Events Preview - *list is subject to change*

- **November 9:** Master Gardener Recert - *Clackamas Community College **
- **November 11:** *Annual Book Sale*
Growing Resilience: Dry Farming Vegetables - *Amy Garrett, OSU **
- **December 9:** *We're Rich! Exploring the Many Nurseries of the Pacific Northwest - Loree Bohl*

*Items marked with * eligible for MG recertification credit*