



Clackamas County Chatter - March 2020



Chapter Meeting – Monday, March 9, 10 at 7 p.m. *Milwaukie Center*



Culinary Breeding Network: Building Community among Breeders, Farmers, Chefs, Retailers & Eaters to Create Better Varieties for All - *Lane Selman, Professor of Practice, Department of Horticulture, Oregon State University*

In 2011, the Culinary Breeding Network was formed to bring together plant breeders, seed growers, farmers, chefs, produce buyers and other consumers to discuss and identify preferences and traits of culinary excellence for vegetables and grains.

This presentation will review recent efforts in vegetable breeding as a result of the Culinary Breeding Network's work. It should help inform local gardeners of new options in vegetable varieties www.culinarybreedingnetwork.com * *Eligible for recertification credit*

Check out these Master Gardener events coming this month: What a great way to start the 2020 growing season!

Garden Discovery Day: Saturday, March 7 from 9 am to Noon *Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr.* **10-Minute University™ Classes** - Displays - Ask a Master Gardener Clinic - Soil Testing. *All sessions count as MG Education Credit towards your annual recertification*
[Click for more information](#)

The Yamhill County Master Gardeners Spring into Gardening March 21, 2020. This year's event will be held at the McMinnville Community Center at 600 NE Evans St in McMinnville. Doors will open at 8:00 AM and sessions run from 8:45AM to 4PM. Space is limited, so register early.
<https://ycmga.org/events/spring-into-gardening-2-2/>

Native Plant Sale at Tree School March 21, 2020, 8:00am - 3:00pm at Clackamas Community College - Randall Hall. Proceeds benefit ongoing projects at Hopkin's Demonstration Forest Native Plant Garden (cash or checks only)

Oregon City Farmers Market Annual Seed swap Saturday, March 28th, 2020 10am-2pm. Bring seeds, pots and tools to swap. (No plants please) [Click for more information](#).

Coming next month: April 13 - Rosie & Mike in Conversation (plus Plant Sale!) - Rosie Sullivan, N&M Herb Nursery, and Mike Darcy, previously of In the Garden with Mike Darcy

Rosie and Sean Sullivan started N&M Herb Nursery more than 20 years ago and have been vendors at the Master Gardener Spring Garden Fair just as long! They specialize in an array of herbs, tropical plants, specialty perennials, baskets and mixed pots.

Mike Darcy is well known in the gardening community. Though he has a B.S. in Horticulture and values his formal education, he values his field-experience more. Mike hosted KXL's "In the Garden with Mike Darcy" for 35 years and still writes, speaks, hosts events, gardens and continues to share his love of gardening.

www.nmherbnursery.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Looking for a new activity to get involved in? The Spring Garden Fair committee is looking for some help. Contact Rob Folse or Paul Baker to get more details and lend a hand.

Parking Committee is looking for someone to assist current chair Dick Nelson and eventually lead the committee. Duties happen the week before and during the Fair.

Publicity is in need of someone to work with Sharon Andrews as a liaison with local publications in placing ads for the Fair. Duties happen in the months before the Fair, and are complete by the beginning of April.

Spring Garden Fair Management is looking for someone to mentor for the eventual position of committee Chairman. Rob Folse and Paul Baker would like to begin working with someone this year to take over the duties in two years' time. Planning for the Fair begins in September, with most of the time spent the week before and the days of the Fair.

Vendor Sales needs an assistant chair. You will work with current chair Terri Hoffman with the possibility of eventually leading the committee. Duties happen in the months leading up to the Fair and during the days of the fair.



2020 Chapter Events & Programs:

* indicates eligible for recertification credit (list is subject to change)

- **April 13** - Rosie & Mike in Conversation (plus Plant Sale!) - *Rosie Sullivan & Mike Darcy*
- **May 2 & 3** - Spring Garden Fair - *Clackamas County Fairgrounds, Canby*
- **May 11** - Bee-Friendly Gardening Practices - *Gail Langellotto **
- **June 8** - The New Clematis Horticultural Classification - *Linda Beutler, Curator, Rogerson Clematis Garden **
- **July 13** - Chapter Summer Outing - *Little Prince of Oregon Nursery in Aurora*
- **July 24 & 25** - Oregon Master Gardener Mini-College Educational Conference in *Corvallis*
- **August 10** - Chapter Picnic- Milwaukie Center
- **September 14** - Lan Su – What makes a Chinese Garden? - *Justin Blackwell, Curator **
- **October 3** - Fall into Gardening - *Milwaukie Center **
- **October 12** - Mutualism, Deception and Self-Defense: The Complex Dance of Co-Evolution in Insects and Plants - *Celeste Searles Mazzacano **
- **November 9** - Gardens, Farms, and Nature for Veteran Whole Health - *Scott Hoffman, VA Portland*
- **December 14** - A Short History of Seed and Nursery Catalogues - *Alice K. Formiga, OSU*

Check the webpage for complete information on each program and program notes from past speakers.

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