



A message from our chapter president, John Wilbur

Greetings to all of you chapter members. I have missed seeing you at chapter events. I hope that you and your families are healthy and doing well. This has certainly been a much different year for all of us with new challenges and opportunities. Most of our activities have been shut down and some are operating in a remote mode until the impact of COVID-19 has subsided.

Weston and Marcia will let us know when we can start to resume more normal activities. That information will be shared in the Metro Master Gardener Newsletter. That is the official source. Stay tuned.

There are a couple administrative things that will need to be accomplished by the chapter membership this fall. We will need to vote on the 2021 budget and Executive Board. The meetings to establish the budget and the list of officers will be conducted via remote Zoom meetings within the appropriate committees. Chapter voting will be conducted anonymously with electronic voting. Voting details will be sent out later this fall in a chapter announcement via email. The Executive board has met via Zoom and approved this method of electronic voting.

In the meantime please watch for chapter and OSU Program email announcements and read the Metro Master Gardener Newsletter to keep up with any changes. *John*

The program committee is working to reschedule the September program, and coordinating with OSU to broadcast the October chapter talk online in the same time slot as the original chapter meeting. The information on how to participate will be posted on the [Monthly Lecture Series Page](#) when the details get worked out.



Monday, October 12 at 7 p.m. Mutualism, Deception and Self-Defense: The Complex Dance of Co-Evolution in Insects and Plants
- Celeste Searles Mazzacano, Owner and Principal Scientist, CASM Environmental LLC.

In this talk, Celeste will show us a world of insects and plants which includes defensive arms races, attraction to sweet rewards, trickery, death traps, sex and reproduction, and elaborate social organizations. Her goal: to engender a greater awareness and appreciation of insects and their functions.

Celeste has a B.S. in Genetics & Cell Biology, and a Ph.D. in Entomology from the University of Minnesota. <http://www.casmenvironmental.com/>

Announcing CCMG Virtual Open Gardens! Sharon Wiley and Sharon Andrews invite you to join our Virtual Open Gardens via the flickr photo sharing community.

The link and instructions to join our flickr photo sharing community can be found on the members page under Links for Chapter Projects or by using the individual page link:
<https://clackamascountymastergardeners.org/opengardens/> .

For questions about the Open Gardens Program contact Sharon Wiley, and for questions regarding flickr photo sharing contact Sharon Andrews.



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