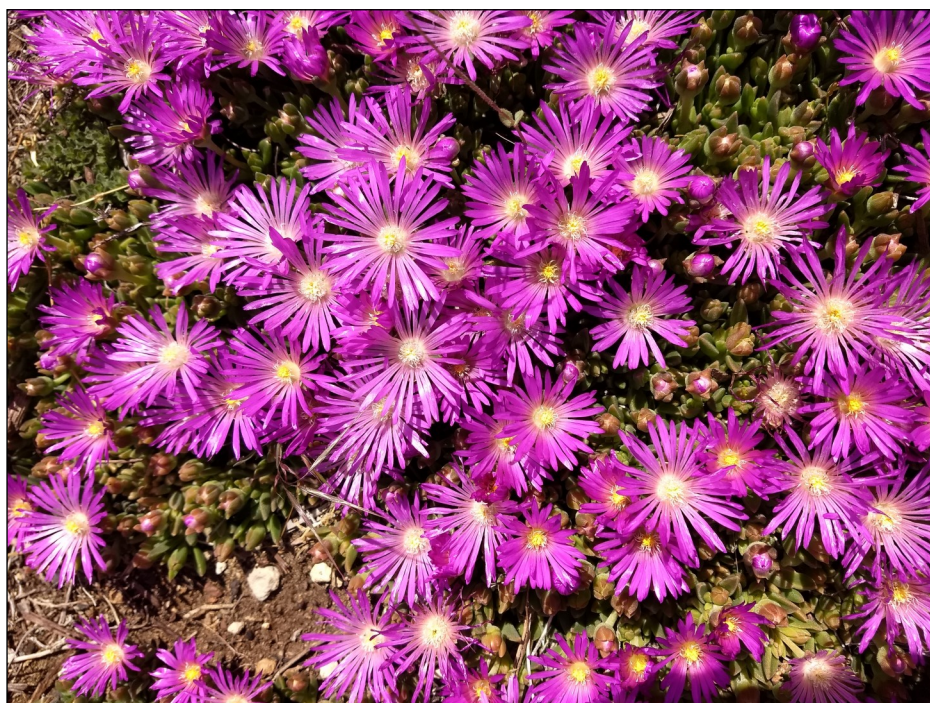


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June 2022



Delosperma purple ice plant

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President's message



I managed to have an argument with a distant relative recently. It wouldn't have been that unusual, knowing me, except it was about gardening and she told me I needed to get better training. What did we disagree about? It was May and she was advocating not mowing the lawn to help the bees. I asked for her reasoning and

she said that people have "that little daisy in their lawns that the bees love" and we shouldn't mow for the month of May "to support the pollinators". Another relative worried that June would be horrid when you had to cut down the foot tall grass but she wasn't convinced. The craziest thing for me is that she lives in a condo and told me that I didn't have the best information: "read some gardening magazines and you'll learn a lot."

As a Master Gardener, you know that I told her we do research-based education with facts and the science that supports them, not fads publicized in glossy magazines. We offer instruction to a community of gardeners who happily line up for our classes and who depend on our reliable information.

We plan our classes for the audience, the season and the needs of the community – a fantastic effort, being done by Jan Even, the COMGA Vice President working hand-in-hand with our Horticulture Agent to deliver the best possible education for those who need our assistance and research-based knowledge.

COMGA is looking for the right person to fill Jan Even's very capable shoes in 2023 as the Vice President of Community Education. It's a challenging, rewarding job done with the board's support and assistance. If you think you might be the one helping educate the C.O. community, talk with Jan Even or Nancy Glick – our contact information is on page 1 of this HoeDown.



COMGA Calendar ***for contact persons go to gocomga.com***

June

- 2 Board meeting 10:00am
- 4 Garden fair & Plant Sale 9am—Noon
- 7 OSU Demo Garden workday, 9am
- 7 Gardening Get Good at it 88.9 FM, 9-9:30am
- 9 Hollinshead Water-wise workday & meeting, 10:00am
- 11 Blog: Gardening in Central Oregon
- 16 Discovery CG mentor meeting & workday, 6:00pm
- 21 OSU Demo Garden workday, 9:00am
- 23 Hollinshead Water-wise workday & meeting
- 25 Blog: Gardening in Central Oregon

July

- 5 OSU Demo Garden workday, 9am
- 5 Gardening Get Good at it 88.9 FM, 9-9:30am
- 7 Board meeting, 10:00am
- 9 Blog: Gardening in Central Oregon
- 14 Hollinshead Water-wise workday & meeting, 10:00am
- 16 OSU Extension Garden Tour
- 19 OSU Demo Garden workday, 9am
- 31 Discovery CG mentor meeting & workday, 6pm
- 23 Blog: Gardening in Central Oregon
- 28 Hollinshead Water-wise workday & meeting, 10:00am
- 29 OMGA Mini-College
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August

- 2 OSU Demo Garden workday, 9am
- 2 Gardening Get Good at it 88.9 FM, 9-9:30am
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Toni loves sharing insect information with kids

Newsletter Notes: Deadline for submission of material to the HoeDown is 1st Friday after the board meeting. All articles, notices and other journalistic efforts are welcome and appreciated. All information provided by the "HoeDown" is believed to be accurate but readers must assume all responsibility for their own actions based on this information.

Occasionally a product or company may be named in an article but this does not necessarily constitute an endorsement of said product.

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PLANT OF THE MONTH

by Lisa Nakadate and Julie Hill

Featured Plant - Orange Globe Mallow

Sphaeralcea munroana

Height: 3 - 3.5'
Spread: 2'
Flower: Orange
Bloom time: May - July



Why Should I Plant Orange Globe Mallow in My Garden?

- It is an attractive native plant for Central Oregon.
- Features gray-greenish leaves and showy orange blossoms.
- Deer and drought resistant. Attracts butterflies and pollinators.
- This rugged plant thrives in the most challenging hot, sunny and dry garden conditions.
- Important forage sources for a number of rodents, rabbits and hares, and hoofed animals such as deer and antelope.
- Low maintenance.

Information Sources

Water-wise Gardening in Central Oregon:
<https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/em9136>
Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center:
https://www.wildflower.org/plants/result.php?id_plant=SPMU2#
USDA Plants Database:
https://plants.usda.gov/plantguide/pdf/pg_spmu2.pdf

Alpenglow Demonstration Garden

We are hopeful that new plants will soon replace the bare dirt at the Alpenglow Demonstration Garden, Bend's newest community park in southeast Bend! Nurseries have had a difficult time sourcing plants due to cooler spring temperatures. We visited several nurseries last week and were able to purchase some plants and more should be arriving each week. We are in the process of confirming that the irrigation is on and the soil amendment is on site, two things we need in order to plant. We hope to have an initial planting date in the very near future, with other planting days scheduled as we receive more plants.

The garden will be comprised of five mini gardens - low maintenance, urban, cultural, firewise and pollinator. We will be planting approximately 75 plants inside the fence and natives and shrubs outside the fence as part of phase two. We will share information on the planting date with you as soon as it is confirmed. Thank you!

Lisa Nakadate and Janet Dart

Phacelia

by Judy Shearer

There are a few instances where the scientific name is also the common name. Such is the case with Threadleaf phacelia. The scientific name is *Phacelia linearis*, a member of the Waterleaf family, Hydrophyllaceae. It can be found all spring in the east-side forest or shrub steppe of eastern Oregon. The 5 petaled flowers are somewhat bowl shaped and have white to pale blue centers with purple outer edges. (see photo below). The stamens are exerted and are about the same length as the petals so are very noticeable. During wet springs the flowers tend to be a darker purple. The leaves are linear to lanceolate in shape hence the specific epithet of linearis in the scientific name. The plant may form dense colonies in sandy soils. It is native to western North America from western Canada to Wyoming and south into northern California. It is an annual so once it produces seeds, they could be collected and propagated in one's garden where it is pollinated by bumblebees.



Photograph by Samantha Shearer taken at Catherine Creek Natural Area, Washington.

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Turner, M., and P. Gustafson. 2006. Wildflowers of the Pacific Northwest. Timber Press Field Guide, Portland, OR.

Oregon Wildflowers app



Hollinshead Water-wise Garden

Pat Kolling & Chris Miao

The garden is beginning to bloom, with more shrubs leafing out and spring bloomers going strong. The lilac is booming, and the Siberian Bugloss with its tiny blue flowers is lovely. We have had some deer browsing issues and are dealing with it using deer repellent and plastic netting to cover the more vulnerable plants.

We had a failure of the crabapple – Royal Raindrops variety – in the garden. It's been in the garden since 2017. It struggled last year, and we adjusted the water, but could find no evidence of issues at that time. This year it failed to leaf out and the base of the trunk appeared girdled with the cambium destroyed. We removed it at the last workday and will be replacing it with another small blooming tree as soon as possible. We are sending a sample of the trunk to OSU to try to get a diagnosis. It was a good learning experience for the team.

We are continuing to plan for the June 26 Field Day with the City of Bend. It will be at the Hollinshead Barn, Field and the Water-wise garden from 9-2. There will be presentations to include the local drought and how to conserve water in the landscape, dealing with your lawn during a drought, best practices of irrigation and making your landscape fire wise. There will also be vendor demonstrations and a COMGA booth, along with water-wise garden tours. If you're interested in volunteering, let Pat Kolling or Chris Miao know. Hope to see you then!



Hollinshead Community Garden

by JoAnne Abbott

Opening day at Hollinshead Community Garden (HCG) was on April 23. In past years we've had a required gardener 2 hour minimum work period to get the garden in tip top open shape. We have changed the focus of those community hours from opening and closing days, to maintaining the pathways and common areas throughout the season. So far it appears to be working and all seem to be happier with the ongoing care of the garden. Yet, we had 20 yards of chips to distribute throughout the garden pathways and common areas, so we give a huge thanks to those gardeners and volunteers who helped haul the chips!

Here's another change for HHCG! We initiated a "Gardener-in-good-standing Plot-Change Lottery" which gave last season's returning gardeners the opportunity to exchange their existing plot for a vacated plot. Held prior to the "Garden Lottery", (which is the lottery for new incoming gardeners), the plot-change went extremely well. This allowed entrants to acquire a plot in a location they'd prefer to be in. It took very little time and effort to make 10 gardeners very happy. We then added 9 new gardeners to our garden!

One other change for HHCG this year; we chose to not rent two plots in the southeast corner of the garden due to their lack of sunlight (those Condos!) and some concern about excess water that we do not control. Discussion is underway to move four to six of these southeast corner plots to the sunnier northwest corner and create a community space for educational opportunities in the vacated southeast corner.

As to our HHCG staffing/volunteers: we have six returning certified master gardeners who continue to volunteer as garden mentors: Alice Spencer, Nathalie Smith, Elizabeth Weide, Evie Cox, Sharon Buell, and the JoAnne Abbott/Nancy Crossan team. Two other master gardeners new to mentoring this season are Patsy Kestner (who has been a garden mentor in past years) and Patricia Moreland.

Assisting the mentors are Frank Larson, and trainees: Pam Bercovici, Tammara Waterman, Scott Ratcliff, and Dick Armington. Also, the ever-faithful Marilyn Friley and Donna Brandon provide extra assistance.

EXTREMELY HAPPY TO HAVE SUCH SPECTACULAR VOLUNTEERS!

We have ten 9-patches and only eight mentors so two more certified master gardener volunteers would be superb! COME JOIN OUR TEAM. Truly, no vegetable garden experience is necessary! We train on the fly, and we are all continually learning, and having fun doing so! If you might be interested, and want to learn more give Kirsten a call/email or text (or any of the volunteers above). Or come by the garden and see the metamorphosis taking place! Our monthly meetings are on the 3rd Thursday of every month....come on down, no appointment necessary!

Hollinshead Community Garden:
1235 NE Jones rd.
Bend.
(It's part of Hollinshead Park and adjacent to the off-leash dog park).



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Discovery Park Community Garden

When it rains in Bend, it's usually a light drizzle. But wow, the rain in Bend on June 2 was a real gully washer! Unfortunately for gardeners, that 6 or 7 tenths came so fast that much of it didn't get a chance to soak in to the soil.

Bend has had a cool and relatively moist spring. If you take a look at the lows for the month of May, there were 12 mornings below 32, and nine of those were 29 degrees or lower, and it reinforces why it is risky to put out frost sensitive plants during May. The recent morning of May 30th registered 28 degrees at the Bend airport; a killing frost. As a generality, the advice at Discovery is to wait till the 2nd week of June to put out frost sensitive transplants.

Once we get to the warmer weather of summer however, there continues to be a frost risk at Discovery garden, as in much of Central Oregon. Based on observation in past summers, when Bend has a forecast low of 42 degrees or lower we advise Discovery gardeners to seal up their cloche covers to be prepared for frost. It won't protect against 28 degrees but will help with a light frost.

In spite of the cool weather, the garden looks active. A volunteer meeting happened on the 19th which took care of tweaking the sprinkler system. Ed Rinker, Trainee 2022, has refurbished our aging wheel barrow fleet, and did some sprinkler trouble shooting. Our next volunteer meeting/work session is scheduled for June 16th at 6 pm.

Gary Weber

Contact discovery@gocomga.com



OSU Extension Service Demonstration Garden in Redmond

The demo garden workdays for June are June 7 and June 21. See you there.

Thank You All for volunteering!

Karen Simonet and Vicky Kemp

2022 HOME & GARDEN SHOW

After a two-year hiatus because of the COVID pandemic, the Central Oregon OSU Extension Service Master Gardener™ mobile plant clinic and classes returned to the 2022 COBA Home & Garden Show May 6-8, 2022. We did not know what to expect and things started pretty slowly on Friday. However, by the end of the day, we had more visitors than we expected because we learned through our visitors that there was almost no "garden" in the "Home & Garden Show" event – that made our booth extremely popular! Saturday was our busiest day and Sunday was the slowest – it was Mother's Day and the weather brought cold and snow, which impacted the number of people coming by. It was a pleasant surprise to tally our numbers because when the event was over, we ended up with 755 contacts over the weekend: 98 people attending five free classes and 657 people visiting the plant clinic (227 on Friday, 251 on Saturday and 179 on Sunday). 15 certified MGs, 3 trainees and 4 instructors helped over the three days of the show. We gave out hundreds of bookmarks and copies of the most popular publications, including Growing Vegetables in Central Oregon, Central Oregon Climate, Deer Resistant Plants, the Central Oregon Vegetable Gardening Calendar and the Seed Starting Schedule. As always, vegetable gardening information was popular, followed very closely by interest in Waterwise Gardening. We also gave out 25 copies of the information sheet on how to become a Master Gardener and when we ran out, people took photos of the only copy we had left! It was clear from the comments that people were very glad to see the Master Gardeners at this event.

We offered five classes: Vegetable Gardening in Central Oregon (offered Friday and Saturday with Vicky Kemp and Jan Even), Tips for Successful Gardening in the High Desert (offered Friday and Saturday with Vickie Minor) and Down and Dirty: Gardening Fun with Kids (offered Sunday with Angie Boettner). One major lesson learned was that the Sunday class was not a big draw, especially given the weather and that it was Mother's Day. In the future, we will consider adding additional classes on Friday and/or Saturday, and skip having any classes on Sunday.

Overall, given the increase in COVID numbers in our area and not knowing how it would go, this was a very successful weekend. A special thanks goes to Lizzy Anderson, who coordinated the classes, instructors and TAs. And a big thanks goes to: our set-up crew (Lizzy A., Joan S., Shawna L., and Margaret T.), our instructors (Vicky K., Jan E., and Angie B.), the certified MGs working the plant clinic (Marilynn F., Shari M., Elizabeth W., Rocky B., Julie H., Jeff O., Curt M., Toni S., Judy S., Patricia M., Angie B., and Eileen O.) and the certified MGs and trainees who helped with the classes (Jenni W., Shawna L., Amanda A., Jan McD., and Tim S.). Without everyone's help, this event could not have happened!

Vickie Minor, Home & Garden Show Project Coordinator

Backyard Bird Feeders

CORVALLIS, Ore. – With the current outbreak of avian flu, wild bird enthusiasts wonder if they should take down backyard feeders. Since songbirds very rarely catch the illness, experts say there is no need.

“Currently veterinarians tell us there is very low risk to native songbirds from the highly pathogenic avian influenza strain, said Dana Sanchez, Oregon State University Extension Service wildlife specialist. “At this time there is no official recommendation to take down wild bird feeders. We still recommend that everyone practice good everyday hygiene for the wild birds by regularly cleaning feeders and birdbaths because of salmonella, mold and the ‘everyday’ health concerns that we can combat with regular cleaning of surfaces that get a lot of use.”

Whether there is a disease outbreak or not, cleaning all bird feeders once a week is essential. Moisture contributes to mold, which causes diseases transmitted on avian feet after perching on feeders. Discard any feed left in the feeder, scrub inside and out with a long-handled brush – available in different sizes and lengths at bird shops or online – and follow with a rinse of bleach solution at a ratio of 10 parts water, one part bleach. Let it dry thoroughly before filling.

For more information on the avian flu and wild songbirds, see The Cornell Lab.

To limit the spread, people who own their own backyard chicken coops, must be vigilant, according to Ryan Scholz, Oregon Department of Agriculture state veterinarian. He recommended building fences so wild birds like ducks and geese don’t interact with domestic birds and wiping down shoes and clothing before coming home after visiting a park where wild waterfowl frequent. Bird owners should also report sick birds to either the Oregon Department of Agriculture or a local veterinary clinic. The public can also call the state veterinarian at 503-986-4711.

For homeowners who put out supplemental food for songbirds, high quality is essential, Sanchez said. Mixes with red millet, golden millet, flax seed, rape seed and oats are a waste because birds will just kick those fillers out of the feeder, where they’ll fall on the ground and attract unwanted visitors like rats. They’ll also sprout and grow into undesirable plants.

Put black oil sunflower seeds top on the list because they attract so many different bird species, Sanchez said, including chickadees, black-headed grosbeaks, house sparrows, northern flickers and song sparrows. To enjoy finches, offer their favored nyjer seed, also called thistle seed, in specialized feeders with openings small enough to hold the seed in and perfect for their tiny beaks. Many birds – waxwings, grosbeaks, chickadees and robins – love fruit, which can be put out on elevated platform feeders.

People enjoy watching woodpeckers going at suet blocks. The fat-and-seed mixtures are best used in fall and winter when birds need the extra energy to keep warm. In warm weather suet goes bad quickly, which is not good for birds. So, if you want to use suet in summer, check it often and remove it as soon as it starts to smell.

How you arrange feeders around the yard doesn’t seem to matter to birds. In patio gardens or apartments, gathering them together in groupings is usually the only option. A larger garden allows for more feeders and more areas for placement.

“You’ll notice no matter how many ports you have, there will be competitions,” Sanchez said. “It’s a matter of ‘Get off that perch; it’s mine.’ You’ll see a lot of movement around.”

Regardless of how many feeders you have and how you’ve arranged them around the yard, be sure to provide shrubs and trees for shelter from wind and predators.

“Birds at feeders are always on the lookout for danger,” Sanchez said. “There are times when you put feeders where humans can see them, but birds won’t use them if there’s not a shrub nearby. Having food somewhat close to cover is a key consideration.”

Bird need water, too. Serve it up in a shallow, flat-bottomed bowl with ½ to 1 inch of water. Place it in either sun or shade, clean it often and change the water daily or at least every other day.

Most of all, if you’re going to attract birds to the garden, don’t spray chemicals or use pelletized weed and feed or moss killer.

“We really need to be thinking about what we’re putting on our gardens,” Sanchez said. “We need to be cautious.”

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LOWDOWN FROM THE BOARD

BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 2, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Janet Dart (VP MG Education), Jan Even (VP Community Education), Tim Schindele (Treasurer), Marilyn Clark (Secretary), Jan Barron (OMGA State Representative), Mimi Thomas (Historian), Rocky Bessette (Communications Liaison), Liz Douville, Chris Miao and Karen Simonet.

In Nancy Glick's absence, the meeting was called to order by Janet Dart at 10:05 am and adjourned at ---- 11:25 am. The board discussed the following:

Approval of the Minutes from May 5, 2022. Upon motion by Tim Schindele, and second by Rocky Bessette, the revised minutes submitted June 1, 2022 were approved as submitted.

OSU Report: There was no report, as neither Amy Jo Detweiler nor Toni Stephan were able to attend.

Treasurer's Report. Tim Schindele had emailed the May Treasurer report prior to the meeting. Janet Dart displayed the report online for all to see while Tim discussed the noteworthy items. The Spring Seminar brought in much more than budgeted. The plant sale is behind budget projections of \$5,230, and the online sale has closed, but we will sell many of the excess plants on Saturday. Total YTD income is \$16,105, vs. 2022 budget of \$17,140. Year-to-date expenses are \$5,577, but not all expenses are in yet. The tomatoes for the plant sale delivered yesterday, at a cost of \$756, which will be included in June expenses. The row cover inventory is sold out except for 11 bags left over at Hollinshead, which will be brought to the Plant Fair Saturday to sell. Tim asked if there would be more expenses (not yet turned in) for community education or the plant sale. Jan Even said there would be some, however, it should stay under projection. Liz Douville said we will also receive invoices from the Round-Up publications regarding the June Garden Fair.

The cost increases and row cover inventory were discussed at the May 5, 2022 Board meeting, however, the vendor cost comparison was not complete. After the meeting, a proposal was made via email to expand the budget by \$500 to \$600, which would allow the purchase of two rolls of row cover for a total of \$598. Each board member responded by email, unanimously approving the increase and purchase of two rolls of row cover.

Waterwise budget: Chris Miao advised the Board that the budget of \$850 may need to be increased because the garden's crab apple tree died over the winter. She is checking on replacement tree costs. After discussion, Chris will advise next month if the board needs to vote on increased expense budget.

A discussion on payment of OMGA dues followed. We have paid OMGA their share for all paid members and associate members.

We discussed that we have spent all budgeted discretionary funds. Given it is only June, and we have exceeded our revenue projections, we agreed to increase the budget. A motion was made by Janet Dart and seconded by Jan Barron to add \$400 to the discretionary funds budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership Report. No report as Jolene was absent.

Quarterly Meeting. Janet will begin planning for the August bar-b-que.

OMGA Report. Jan Barron reported that the 2022 Joy of Gardening Conference online registration for mini-college classes is now open. Registration website is: <https://omga.org/mini-college-2022>.

Community Education. Jan Even reported that it was nice to have been able to offer in-person classes. We had five classes during the COBA Home & Garden Show. Classes included Growing Vegetables, Gardening in Central Oregon, and Gardening with Children. In total, there were 98 attendees. Class ratings were good or excellent. Survey question of desired future classes yielded topics of landscaping in Central Oregon, waterwise gardening, and fruit trees.

The June 26 Waterwise Field Day event will include some speakers on landscaping in a drought, Turf care, Irrigation best practices, and a Water Wise gardening presentation by Amy Jo Detweiler. The event is free, but reservations are required due to limited space. There will be booths and the event details are being finalized. Chris will send Rocky a draft agenda so she can put a notice in the HoeDown. We may be able to video some elements and possibly adding them to our YouTube channel.

Last year's spring seminar presentations have been added to the COMGA YouTube channel, and we may be able to include other videos following Amy Jo's review. (e.g., a recent pruning demonstration.) Rocky Bessette suggested we could add the 2022 Spring Seminar videos after six months had passed.

Historian. Mimi Thomas is keeping up with uploads of event photos. Karen Simonet volunteered to take photos of the June Garden Fair this weekend.

ACTION ITEMS:

Send a Friend Application. Our chapter makes too much to qualify, so we had previously agreed to pay for three master gardener volunteers to attend. We had budgeted \$800 if they chose to attend this year.

OMGA Membership Cards. Jan Even and Mimi Thomas had agreed to work on this to establish local nurseries willing to participate in a discount program. Ongoing.

Open Forum

Membership Policy Revision. – Jan Even reviewed the policy after our discussion last month and distributed proposed changes by email regarding the Lifetime Achievement award. We had decided that:

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LOWDOWN FROM THE BOARD Continued

- a) We would not create any new category of membership.
- b) The Lifetime Achievement Award recipient's dues would be waived in perpetuity.
- c) COMGA will cover on behalf of the recipient the portion of dues that goes to OMGA.

Upon motion made by Janet Dart and seconded by Marilyn Clark, the recommended changes were approved as submitted.

Marilyn Clark asked if the Facebook advertising could highlight the fact that we have several market vendors in attendance at our June 4 Garden Fair. Marilyn to send the list of vendors signed up to Jan Even to be added there.

Face Book page feedback. Jan asked the group for a volunteer to help monitor and respond to our Face Book inquiries. Rocky will include a note in the next HoeDown.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Clark

OMGA MINI-COLLEGE PRESENTS: THE JOY OF GARDENING CONFERENCE 2022

AT OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI CENTER
CORVALLIS, OREGON
JULY 29 AND 30

Attention Garden Enthusiasts, Master Gardeners, Landscapers, and Plant Nerds The Joy of Gardening Conference has something for everybody, featuring classes on sustainable landscaping and regenerative gardening, natives' why-what-how; fruits and veggies, bees, birds, plant and soil maintenance, tours and field trips, and much more. The instructors are seasoned speakers, as well as topic experts. Our 2 day, 4-class session format, allows time for Q&A with the instructors and discussion among fellow participants. Master Gardeners can earn re-certification credits for all classes. Exhibits, book sales, an awards dinner, and a silent auction are all part of the program. A Thursday night social at Goss Stadium and a Corvallis Knights baseball game is planned. We have reserved the Omaha Room. Have a beer and hot dog, enjoy the game, and catch up with friends. Our awards dinner on Friday offers a Marimba band, no host bar and Mexican dinner buffet. Lodging is available at the Hilton Gardens Inn, or you can book a room in the OSU dorms. Other motels and area campgrounds are also an option. Make your reservation today! Visit our website at: <https://omga.org/mini-college-2022/>

Water-Wise Landscape Field Day

Join us for a Field Day at the Hollinshead Barn and Water-wise Garden.



Hollinshead
Park Barn

1235 NE Jones Rd.
Bend

Sunday
June 26th
2022

Hollinshead
Water-wise
Garden
Tours!

9 am
to
2 pm

Get drought
tips from
Master
Gardeners

Local professionals will give 30-minute presentations on, the local drought situation and ways to conserve water in your landscape, dealing with your lawn during a drought, best practices of irrigation efficiency, and how to reduce fire risk in your home landscape.

Visit outdoor display booths where the latest information on water-wise plants, resource conservation, local guidelines, and irrigation technology will help you make your transition to a water-wise landscape.

This event has limited space. Request attendance by emailing us: conservation@bendoregon.gov. A confirmation email will be returned.

A collaborative effort brought to you by the City of Bend WaterWise Program, OSU Extension, and the Central Oregon Master Gardeners Association.

They wouldn't dare!

Look, Liz, someone is about to take the burger you made special for Rocky!

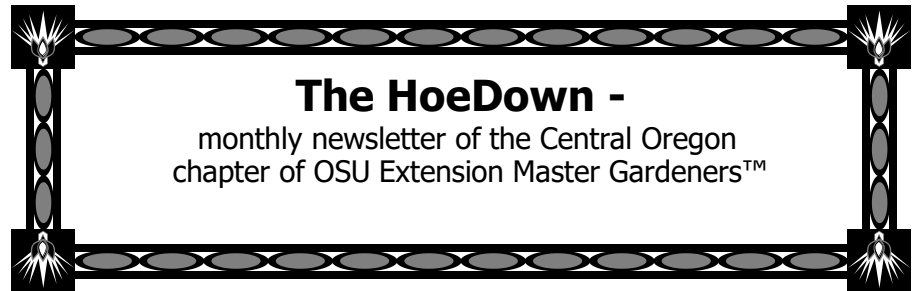


THANK YOU ALL FOR MAKING MY BIRTHDAY SO VERY SPECIAL, ROCKY

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