Washington County Chapter Chat
in Cooperation with OSU Extension Service Master Gardener™ Program
September 2017

Chapter Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, September 5, 2017
5:30 pm Potluck
6:45 pm Call to Order
6:50 pm Speaker Series Program
7:50 pm Chapter Meeting

Location: First Baptist Church, 5755 SW Erickson Avenue, Beaverton, Oregon

Topic: A Hidden Garden at Fort Vancouver*
Presenter: Elaine Dorset, National Park Service Archaeologist

Recent archaeological investigations at the site of the Hudson's Bay Company Garden have provided information about what plant species were being grown and where. This talk will discuss the history of the garden, and then illustrate how these conclusions could be reached when this is no garden left to be seen. Elaine Dorset holds a Master's Degree in Anthropology and is a National Park Service archaeologist based at Fort Vancouver National Historic Site.

*MG Education Credit

*****Chapter Happenings*****

• At the June WCMGA Board Meeting the Board voted to pursue a partnership with the PCC Rock Creek Garden. Stay tuned as this exciting new opportunity unfolds.

• A potluck to honor our new Interns will be held prior to the September 5th Chapter Meeting. Join us for fun and good food! Emails will be forthcoming.

• Open House at the Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate* on September 16 (Saturday, 10 am - 1 pm). Tour the garden and enjoy food prepared from fruit/garden harvest. Free workshops presented by Weston Miller and MGs on Soil Testing, Pruning, Propagating, Container Gardening, Herbs and more. *1-2 MG Education credits available.

• Tomato Testing at the Demo Garden on September 19 (Tuesday, 9:30 am to 12 noon). Taste heirloom, old standards, and new varieties while touring the garden. If you like, bring three to four samples of favorites from your garden, ready to slice. Homemade salsa or tomato snacks are also welcome.

***** In The Garden Series *****

• September 14 (Thursday, 10 am) Year-round Interest Perennial Gardens *, Jenkins Garden, 8005 Grabhorn Road, Beaverton

*MG Education Credit

*****Washington County Fair Highlights*****

Over 4,000 visitors toured the Demonstration Garden and the Kids Zone during the Washington County Fair, July 27 – July 30. Forty-nine Master Garden Veterans and Interns from Washington and Multnomah counties volunteered over the four days. Below: Biggest carrot pulled at the Kids Zone and families getting help from Master Gardeners.

WCMGA GARDENS

Fairplex Demo Garden (DG) – Hillsboro Fairgrounds, Hillsboro
Join us for Work Parties Tuesdays 9 am – noon

Learning Garden (LG) - Jenkins Estate – 8005 SW Grabhorn, Beaverton
Join us for Work Parties Thursdays 10 am – 1 pm and the 3rd Saturday of the month, March – October 10 am – 1 pm Below: potato harvest at the Learning Garden

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