



CENTRAL GORGE MASTER GARDENER

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From the desk of your CGMGA President . . .

We had a wonderful time at the August Summer Picnic & Association Meeting. We have a few Association Meetings every year and the next one is at the CGMGA Graduation & MG Celebration on November 7.

A big thank you to Dennis Carlston for hosting the Summer Picnic & Association Meeting in his beautiful garden.



At the Summer Picnic & Association Meeting, Eric Bosler and Margo Dameier were presented with annual awards for their outstanding contributions to the Master Gardener Program. Please see the write up below which was in the Hood River News! Thank you Eric and Margo for your dedication and hard work to make our association shine in the community and throughout the state!

Master Gardener Receive Awards

The Central Gorge Master Gardener Association presented annual awards to two Master Gardeners at their Annual Meeting on August 8, 2019. These awards were presented by Rachel Suits, OSU Outreach



Rachel Suits, and Renee Taylor, congratulate Behind the Scenes recipient, Margo Dameier, and CGMGA Master Gardener of the Year & OMGA Master Gardener of the Year recipient, Eric Bosler

Program Coordinator – Master Gardeners and Small Farms – Hood River and Wasco County Extension Service and Renee’ Taylor, President of the Central Gorge Master Gardener Association. The Behind the Scenes award recognizes a Master Gardener who works quietly and unselfishly behind the scenes to further the Central Gorge Master Gardener Program. This award was presented to Margo Dameier for her outstanding job of managing publicity and promotion of Master Gardener events. Her efforts have increased the visibility and attendance of Master Gardener programs that are open to the public. While presenting this award, Rachel Suits, OSU Outreach Program Coordinator explained, “It is important for the community to be aware of home horti-

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Month at a Glance

Sept. 5: Thursday 8-11am: Learning Garden work party

Sept. 10: Tuesday 10 am –12 pm: CGMGA Exec Committee Mtg, Extension Meeting Room, Everyone is welcome

Sept. 11: Wednesday 6-7 pm: Brassicas & Beer

Sept. 26, & Oct. 10: Thursday 9 am-12 pm: Learning Garden work party

November 7: Thursday 6-8 pm
[CGMGA Graduation](#)

For additional calendar information visit the [CGMGA Website](#)

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culture and how Master Gardener’s educate the public on this topic.” The Central Gorge Master Gardener of the Year award recognizes the outstanding dedication and service of a CGMGA Master Gardener. This prestigious award was presented to Eric Bosler for his roll as a vital member of the Central Gorge Master Gardener program. Bosler was recognized for demonstrating consistent leadership year after year, for being thoughtful and flexible when proposing ideas, and promoting sustainable gardening education in multiple ways in the Gorge. Bosler has been instrumental in setting up and teaching the Seed to Supper program at the FISH Food Bank, has staffed multiple Master Gardener plant clinics, provides mentorship to new Master Gardeners and is a regular guest on KIHRS Mid-Columbia Today show to promote the Master Gardener program, general topics on gardening and CGMGA events. Bosler has also been the co-chair of the greenhouse committee which involved extensive hours in research, planning and construction of the CGMGA greenhouse and shade structure. He was also instrumental in leading Master Gardeners in the construction of this project. In pre-

senting this award, Rachel Suits, OSU Outreach Program Coordinator said, “I know that I can always count on Eric being at classes, a mentor, teaching, and plant clinic duties above and beyond what is expected of volunteers.”

Bosler also received the Oregon Master Gardener of the Year award presented by the Oregon Master Gardener Association. He served as the OMGA President elect for one year and now serves as the Oregon Master Gardener Association President. He is engaged in state-wide activities, leadership training and seminars. In his state activities, Bosler has engaged with other Master Gardener associations to discuss, promote and bring back the best practices that enhance activities for the CGMGA.

[\(Master Gardeners present Gardener of the Year & Behind the Scenes Awards](#), Hood River Newspaper, August 21, 2019.)

CGMGA 2019 Survey

Please take a few minutes and complete the CGMGA Survey. Your feedback is important to us as we plan for the upcoming year.

[Click Here](#) to take the CGMGA 2019 Survey.

Executive Committee Opportunity

We have an opening on the Executive Committee for a Member at Large. If you’re interested in being considered for the position, please let Renee know (rcitlau@gmail.com)

Need Class Hours?

You can earn class hours by watching any of the following videos:

- [2019 Master Gardener Advanced Training Webinars](#)
- [2018 Master Gardeners-Webinars](#)
- [2017 Master Gardener Advanced Training](#)

In addition, you can earn 1 hour for attending Brassicas and Beer (See page 3), and don’t forget that our next Master Gardener class is September 25 from 6 to 9 pm at the OSU Extension Meeting Room.

Need Volunteer Hours?

If you need volunteer hours, be sure to let me know. There are still a number of openings at Plant Clinics.

In addition, please contact any of the project leaders listed on the [CGMGA website](#) for volunteer opportunities

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at rcitlau@gmail.com or 714-595-9158. *Thank you, Renee Taylor*

2019 Class Schedule September to October

9/25	6-9 pm	Plant Diseases	Ashley Thompson	TBA	OSU Extension
10/9	6-9 pm	Pesticide Safety	Steve Castagnoli	TBA	HRVCC
10/16	6-9 pm	Introduction to Plant Clinic	Sandi Rousseau	Plant Clinic Manual	OSU Extension
10/23	6-9 pm	Potluck, & Final Exam			HRVCC

EDUCATIONAL TIDBITS

September Weed of the Month English Ivy



English ivy is the September Weed of the Month. The Hood River County Weed Board asks all landowners to control English ivy on their property.

English ivy was sold as a groundcover for many years, but no longer. It has escaped from our yards and invaded natural areas. It displaces native plants and reduces wildlife habitat.



English ivy grows year-round and has waxy green leaves on its trailing vines. It reproduces from both seeds and stem fragments.

This vine is an aggressive invader growing across the ground and up into trees. It can overwhelm trees and kill them. Rats hide in the cover of English ivy and use it to access our homes.

English ivy is best treated by hand-pulling vines. If it has climbed into a tree, cut the vines at the ground and again 4 feet up the tree, re-

moving those sections. Dispose of ivy by bagging and placing it in the garbage.

Thanks for your help controlling English ivy.

Brassicas and Beer

Please join us at Volcanic Bottle Shoppe (1410 12th Ave Hood River) from 6 to 7 pm for the following gardening seminars:

- September 11, Enhancing Habitat for Wildlife with CJ Flick

20th Annual Winter Dreams Summer Gardens Symposium

Sponsored by the Jackson County Master Gardeners Association

You can earn class hours for this symposium which is being held in Medford, OR. This gardening symposium has something for everybody. Sustainable Landscaping & Regenerative Gardening; Natives Why-What-How; Garden Pests; Fruits & Veggies; Gardener Health & Safety; Plant Maintenance; Bees & Birds; and Soil Health.

The full-day, 4-class session

format, allows time for Q&A with the instructors and discussion among fellow participants. Instructors are seasoned speakers, as well as topic experts. Program includes Demonstrations, Bulb & Book sales, and information about how to become a Master Gardener™

Sat, Nov 2, 2019; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Higher Education Center (HEC) Rogue Community College (RCC) 101 S Bartlett St. Medford, OR
Free Parking Lots, 2 blocks from HEC/RCC on E. 9th St. between Central Ave & Front St

\$45 Registration fee (\$55 after Oct 20th)

This gardening symposium For a complete schedule, information and to register, [Click Here](#)

NOTE: You can earn class hours for any of the classes offered in this symposium; however, it is being held in Medford, OR and travel expenses and registration are not covered by CGMGA.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Learning Garden Needs a New Leader

Laurel and Sandi are stepping down from the leadership of the Learning Garden and would like to pass this on to someone else. It is

time to pass the torch as new people, new ideas, new energy, etc. are healthy for a project. We will still have our core group to help at work parties and Sandi and Laurel can totally orient anyone taking the helm. Please

contact either Sandi swim@gorge.net 503-806-7020 or Laurel detar@gorge.net 541-387-2116 with your interest/questions.

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CONTACT
SANDY
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Project Leader Needed for Fish Food Bank

The Fish Food Bank project leader, Sidney Axtell, has

moved; consequently, we need a new project leader.

If you're interested in being the Fish Food Bank project leader or have questions about the Fish Food

Bank project, please contact Renee Taylor at 714-595-9158 or rcitlau@gmail.com.

Thank you!

UPCOMING CGMGA EVENTS

Central Gorge Master Gardener Graduation

We have scheduled the Graduation for Thursday, November 7th from 6:00-8:00 at the Hood River Valley Adult Center, 2010 Sterling Pl, Hood River. A Pot Luck is planned as well

as our 4th quarterly meeting. Come and help celebrate our recent graduates and enjoy the delicious food.

Put it on your calendar!
Sandy Montag

Graduation Committee

We need volunteers for the graduation committee (you will earn hours). Please e-mail Sandy at sandyhmontag@gmail.com if you can participate.

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GRADUATION
NOVEMBER 7
6 TO 8
HOOD RIVER
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GARDENING RESOURCES



<https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/sites/catalog/files/project/pdf/em9027.pdf>

- ◇ [Hood River County Master Gardeners](#)
- ◇ [PNW Handbooks](#)
- ◇ [Columbia Gorge Co-operative Weed Management Area](#)
- ◇ [Growing Your Own](#)
- ◇ [HortSense](#)
- ◇ [GardenSmart: A Guide to Non-Invasive Plants](#)
- ◇ [OSU Publications](#)
- ◇ [UC IPM](#)
- ◇ [Where to Pickup a free copy of GardenSmart](#)
- ◇ [Monthly Gardening Calendars](#)
- ◇ [OSU Gardening](#)
- ◇ [WSU Gardening](#)
- ◇ [Weed Identification](#)



NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

In order to allow time for formatting the CGMGA Newsletter, please submit articles or calendar items by the last Thursday of the month.

Send newsletter information to Shari Bosler at sharibosler@hotmail.com. Thanks!