

COOS COUNTY MASTER GARDENER™ ASSOCIATION (CCMGA)

November 14th 2023

OSU Extension Services

Myrtle Point, Oregon

Joni Kamfonik	Val Berg
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Gail Cassidy	Mary Ann Babb
Mary Dixon	Kathy Creason
Susan Zohreh	Gail Peck
Billie Reeves	Cathe Barter
Mary Jo Audette	Dottie Tucker
Suzy Lloy	Tamra Hunt Ferre
Sheila Pointer	

ADDITIONS: None

Meeting called to order by Claudia Turner at 10:00 am

INTRODUCTIONS: JD Lloy husband of Suzy Lloy visiting.

MINUTES: Val berg Moved to accept minutes with Ed Powers seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT Mary Ann Babb:

<i>Prior balance (Opening balance: First Community Credit Union)</i>	\$15,223.98
<i>Income (Members' Dues, Fund raisers, grants, and donations.)</i>	\$5.00
<i>Interest</i>	
<i>Expenses CD back to the CD</i>	
<i>Ending balance October 31th, 2023</i>	\$15228.98

***Current Savings CD balance Last Statement \$8,576.64
interest rate is 3.75%***

Budget Proposal: Discussion on next years budget. Budget passed around and presented. New budget will be mailed to members to be voted on for next time.

COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Lady Bug Landing | corner of 8th and Anderson Ave., Coos Bay (Renee Blom)

Lady Bug Landing Garden Report 11/23

Lady Bug Landing closes December 1. Some gardeners have cleaned up their beds already, but there are still some that need to finish up. The demo areas have been

cleaned and have straw on the beds. We have appreciated the few who have helped volunteer this season. We harvested 957 pounds of produce for the Food Bank for 2023, and the 60+ gardeners had a very good season.

There will be a work party on December 2 @ 9:30 am to close the garden up for the season and lime the beds, it has been an excellent garden year.

Applications for 2024 will be available Jan 3, 2024 on a first come, first serve basis, at the garden, McKay's Market in Coos Bay and on the website;

socoastcommunitygarden.org We are measuring beds right now to order lumber to redo some of the lower boxes where boards have been rotting and will plan a couple of work parties starting in January for anyone interested in helping. TBA. The garden will open again the first part of February after gardeners have had their orientation.

SCCGA will have their annual meeting the 3rd Tuesday in January via Zoom, we are looking for new board members, if you are interested, please contact Renee Blom at back40four@gmail.com before mid-December.

Happy Fall Everyone

Coquille Harvest Moon Garden | 180 N. Baxter Street, Coquille

<http://www.coquillecommunitygarden.org>

November Garden report for Harvest Moon Garden in Coquille

Good Morning

The season is slowing down and becoming soggy. This last Friday Ray, Ronita and I worked on storing the ceramic decorations in the garden to protect them from winter weather and possible theft with very few people in the garden now. We have seven beds that are completely empty and we have planted a cover crop in them. There would be more cleared but our dumpster is more than full. This last Friday was a holiday so it didn't get picked up.

I am now only taking produce to the food bank once a week. There is just less to harvest and with the cooler weather what we do have grows slower. The food bank has sent us a thank you letter for the produce. They really appreciate it. We have delivered 225 lbs of food to them.

After the first of December we will have a work party to clean up everything for winter. At our last meeting we were supposed to get candidates for our officers for next year. We have one candidate for three of our officers. Ray will be our President. Imogene will be our secretary and I will be treasurer, Rhonita is our art committee. We haven't been able to get anyone for Vice President yet. We will be trying to see if we can get a returning gardener to fill the spot.

We are looking forward to next years adventures.

Val Berg

Treasurer

Coquille Harvest Moon Community Garden

Good Earth Community Garden | at the end of 8th Ct., Bandon 11/23

Oh my, the garden was full of weeds after all the rain and warm days! Weeds, weeds, and more weeds! Thank goodness we rescheduled the work party, and pulled most of those pesky weeds. On November 10th we had 2 unhealthy shore pine trees removed, and the cypress trees trimmed to allow more sunshine for the compost and shed/greenhouse. We have a few yards of bark from the tree project that

we were able to start disbursing throughout the garden. The final work party will be December 2nd, after the garden has been put to bed for the winter. Gardeners are closing down their plots, and the final produce donation will be on November 28th.

The HS art students continue their mural at the garden and keep hoping for some dry days, so they can finish their masterpiece. They are doing a fabulous job and we are so proud to be a part of their art education.

The Board continues to plan for 2024, we are adding additional educational classes and events for our wonderful gardeners and community.

Cheers,

Susie Zohreh

Garden Manager and MG Cheerleader!

Harmony Garden, Lakeside Community Garden: Michael Mueller

None presented.

Plant Clinic: Kathy Creason: Closed for the season. *Phone message to inform the public that the plant clinic is closed.*

Sale Committee / 2024 Tomato-Rama

No new news to report this month.

Scholarship Committee: *Closed this year.*

School Garden Grants: *No report*

Coos Bay Farmers Market:

Bandon Farmers Market:

Coos County Fair: *Nothing to report.*

Oregon Master Gardeners Association *Lorna Schilling Number for insurance is lower than last years. OMGA are talking about doing a group insurance for a better rate.*

Election time: Nominations are open

Nominees as follows.

President: Lorna Schilling

VP: Tina Powers

Treasurer: Mary Jo Audette

Secretary: Val Petersen

OMGA representative: Mary Dixon

Logo discussions: Tally mark your top three.

Samantha's Comments: *coordinators report. Hours supposed to be turned in yesterday. 24 recertified for 2023/2024. We have a total of 33 with 24 mgs and 8 not completed, returning and 9 new trainees that completed. WE are in a rebuilding process. Please put your continuing education hours in as continuing education. If you mentor, use 12 hours continuing education. Do not double up hours. Farmers market, plant clinic and fair booth all goes under plant clinic. Keep up on your hours throughout the year, any thing for Tomato-rama goes under fund raising hours. Direct hours is writing articles,*

teaching a class, teaching the public. Indirect is assisting in the training, working on the demo beds.etc. You can lump hours in a category together. Ex. 6 hours from date to date. Group your hours to help out in the counting process. Edit as you go so you can have all of the hours and then Samantha verifies them at the end. Pruning workshop is again at Kathy Creason's house with the same person as last year. Pruning workshop is mandatory. If you want to mentor, e-mail Samantha. Dottie will be doing a greenhouse training again.

We have four training instructors again this year so far, for Fertilize your Mind. Lots of great instructors. March 30th for Fertilize your Mind. Thyme Garden, Donna on vermiculture. WE have several potentials so stay tuned for information on all of the instructors. More to announce in December.

Fill out the CVS forms asap.

We have a potential to help out the high school School Garden in Powers. We will need some good volunteers to help them out. They want to grow their own salad greens to use in the high school. Guest speaker and mentoring potential available. More to announce in December.

State Master Gardener Coordinator candidates-two good potentials. Sam is waiting to hear who they picked and hopefully will be chosen soon. That's were we are at. Search committee is done. Hopefully this will be solid, and the candidate will accept the position. Polk county hosted the interviews, and their facility is amazing. Its off of 99 near Independence Oregon. Recommended to check it out. A beautiful facility. Jackson county also has an amazing facility to visit.

Next years meeting schedule will be sent out soon. January will be on the February 8th , Thursday during the training, is the different day. August will be the 20th. All the other meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of the Month. Pot luck in December 12.

Level up series after the meeting today.

Poly tunnel Greenhouse at next meeting. High growing tunnels. Look on the internet for education.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned 11:42 am

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, December 12th at OSU Extension 9:30 social half an hour and 10 am to 11 am meeting, then after meeting half hour to an hour of education's. Also a pot luck to celebrate the holidays.

If you put your hours in make sure to not double/duplicate hours. Badges are in need of a new badge maker so they will happen, but we are looking to get badges down by Action Trophies. Stickers are not here yet. December meeting will have the badge ceremony for the trainees and re-cert group.

Fill out the CVS condition of volunteer services sheets today. Online folks will get theirs' mailed to them. Dues will be sent to Mary Jo Audette. Dues are 15.00 for veterans.

Suzy LLOY presented a short class on tool cleaning. Using vinegar on tools to clean off the rust. Dispose of carefully as the metal contaminates the vinegar.

Respectfully submitted by: Tina Powers