



# CLACKAMAS COUNTY CHATTER

## Clackamas Monthly News: January 2018

**Chapter Meeting – Monday, January 8 at 7 p.m.**

Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr., Milwaukie

**Lessons from the Portland Arboretum- Fall & Winter Flowering Plants - Fred Nilsen, Retired Arboretum Director** [www.hoytarboretum.org](http://www.hoytarboretum.org)



Fred Nilsen spent his career working for the City of Portland Parks and Recreation Bureau, becoming City Arboriculturist in 1986, and managing Hoyt Arboretum and Forest Park. Under Nilsen's leadership, Hoyt Arboretum significantly expanded its tree collections. Parks and volunteers crews built miles of trail in Forest Park, Marquam and other natural areas. Hours of work went into removal of invasive species and, together with Friends of Trees volunteers, thousands of trees were planted. *For more info please see the [Lectures page](#). \*MG Education Credit*

### **2018 Dues and Handbooks:**

We will continue to collect dues at the January meeting, or by credit card via the [Membership Renewal page](#). Membership is \$12. Contact Frank Wille with any questions. The Handbook will be available in February 2018.

### **Coming next month on February 12:**

**Environmental Impacts of Wildfires: The Larger story of the Eagle Creek Fire - John Duff Bailey, Ph.D.**

Join us for a most timely presentation on the environmental impacts of forest fire, to help us better understand what has happened to our beloved Columbia River Gorge and what we might expect to follow. As the work of silviculture (managing growth, composition, and health of the forest) shifts following the Eagle Creek fire, what can we citizens do to more sensitively use our forests? How might we encourage others to do the same? What are the greatest risks in the next few years?



John worked for six years with the EPA in Corvallis on forest responses to pollution and climate stress. After earning his doctorate in silviculture, he joined the faculty at Northern Arizona University for nine years. John then returned to the OSU College of Forestry in 2006 to continue work on fuels/fire management and ecosystem restoration in drier forest types. *For more info please see the [Lectures page](#).*

### **Green Glove Award: Seamus Ramirez, class of 2011**

Seamus was a Clackamas County Oregon Master Gardener Association Rep for three years from 2014 to 2016. During that time he was so well respected he was appointed OMGA President for 2017. As President he worked tirelessly on OMGA's policies and By-laws, and brought an attitude of camaraderie and team building to the organization. He was also very involved in the International Master Gardener Conference held in Portland in 2017 and was instrumental in the chapter bike display. The bikes were a big hit with visitors from around the country. What a great way to show off Oregon's culture of sustainability! Seamus hosted the OMGA Board retreat for outgoing and incoming board members at the Hopkins Demonstration Forest in December 2017 and will again serve as Clackamas County's OMGA Rep for 2018. And every month he arrives early to our chapter meetings to set up coffee service for all to enjoy. Seamus, thank you for all you do and for doing it with a positive attitude and sense of humor.

**Presidents Message from Cindy Manselle:**

Thank you everyone, for putting your trust in me to be the Clackamas County Master Gardener President for 2018. This is an exciting opportunity and I will work hard to fulfill the honor. I know the President is a very small part of this successful Chapter. I appreciate all the time and energy everyone puts into our programs supporting sustainable gardening practices in our community. 2018 will be another successful year with your continued good works. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact me by phone, email or in person at the Chapter Meetings. Wishing you all a Happy and Healthy 2018! *Cindy*

**Looking ahead: 2018 Programs and Events Preview - list is subject to change**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January 8:</b> Lessons from the Portland Arboretum - Fred Nilsen, Director</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>July 9:</b> Chapter Outing/ Art in the Garden hosted by Ray Huston. (Deezine's)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>February 12:</b> Environmental Impacts of Wildfires: The Larger story of the Eagle Creek Fire - John Duff Bailey, Ph.D.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>August 13:</b> Chapter Picnic and Potluck at the Milwaukie Center Picnic Shelter</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>March 3:</b> Garden Discovery Day at the Milwaukie Center</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>September 10:</b> Five Remarkable Women, Five Remarkable PNW Gardens - Donald Olson, author, Pacific Northwest Garden Tour</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>March 12:</b> Growing Carnivorous Plants - Jeff Dallas and Jacob Farin</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>October 6:</b> Fall into Gardening at the Milwaukie Center</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>April 9:</b> Winning Plant Combinations - Darcy Daniels, Landscape Designer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>October 8:</b> Earthquakes in NW Oregon - Dr. Scott Burns, Geologist</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>May 5 &amp; 6:</b> 34th Annual Spring Garden Fair at the Clackamas County Event Center</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>November 12:</b> The Unknown History Portland's Rose Test Garden – Harry Landers, Portland Rose Garden Curator, retired.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>May 14:</b> Aroma Hop Brewing - Dr. Shaun Townsend, OSU</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>December 10:</b> Leach Botanical Garden Plants and History - David Porter, Director of the Leach Botanical Garden</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>June 11:</b> Meadow and Grass Ecology - John Greenlee</li> </ul>	