



CLACKAMAS COUNTY CHATTER

Clackamas Monthly News: April 2018

Chapter Meeting – Monday, April 9 at 7 p.m.

Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr., Milwaukie

Beyond Pinterest - Unlocking the Secrets behind the Pretty Picture - Darcy Daniels www.bloomtown.net

Who doesn't love flipping through gorgeous garden images? Whether on Pinterest or Instagram, they're inspiring, fun and pretty to look at—but ultimately not very helpful. Darcy will help you break the code, giving you the tools to translate the pretty pictures into tangible garden plans using an innovative method that relies on asking the right questions in the right order as you define your site conditions, tease out your garden needs and desires, and evaluate possible plant partners through a descriptive design-oriented lens. This easy-to-understand, fresh approach to breaking down the sometimes-mysterious act of combining plants will give you the tools to achieve magical, pin-worthy results in your own garden. *For more info please see the [Lectures page](#).*



April Seed Swap Before the Meeting

Please note that due to suggested restrictions on plant swaps where there is movement of soil from one site to another, we will no longer be hosting our plant swap in the spring and fall. [Click here to read more details about this event and the changes: Seed-Swap Information Page](#) **6:15 p.m. Seeds arrive.**



6:30 p.m. Swap begins for helpers and for those who brought seeds.

6:45 p.m. Everyone is welcome to “shop” for seeds.

8-ish (during break): last chance for browsing the seeds.

Questions: Please contact Roxane Russell to get on the volunteer list, or if you have any questions about the swap.

Green Glove Award: Louise Adams, Class of 2008

Last year was Louise's first year volunteering at Grow an Extra Row Giving and Learning Garden. She showed up at the second work party and finished the year with the most hours of all the volunteers at the garden - 109 hours. She also worked shifts at the Clackamas phone clinic. Louise always works Plant Check at the Spring Garden Fair, and in 2017 she worked the clinic at the Clackamas Country Fair. Thank you, Louise, for your contribution to the Clackamas County Master Gardener program.

Coming next month on May 14: Aroma Hop Breeding – Dr. Shaun Townsend, OSU

<https://plantbreeding.oregonstate.edu/plantbreeding/research/hops-breeding-program>

The Aroma Hop Breeding Program is developing new hop cultivars which are adapted for Oregon growing conditions, with a focus on essential oil quantity and quality. Ultimately, new aroma hop cultivars that appeal to the craft beer industry will be available for Oregon hop growers. Shaun Townsend is an Assistant Professor and Senior Research in the Hop Breeding and Genetics program at OSU. He works closely with the Food Science and Technology Department to characterize the chemical profile of breeding selections, evaluate new techniques for evaluating the brewing potential of experimental genotypes and explores the role agronomic management might play in essential oil quantity and quality. Shaun also works closely with hop geneticists to identify



and adapt new molecular biology technologies to hop breeding. *For more info please see the [Lectures page](#).*

*MG Education Credit

Welcome 2018 Interns

As the new garden year begins we would like to welcome a new crop of interns to the chapter. In all we had 29 people take the training classes in Oregon City. We were honored to meet eight of these eager folks at the annual welcome potluck in March. As the year progresses and we begin to work together, please take the time to welcome them to our group. And if you are one of our new class of Master Gardeners, please feel free to contact any of your Executive Board members, or committee chairs with questions about our chapter - or the Master Gardener program in general.

Spring Garden Fair - May 6 & 7, 2017 Saturday 9 - 5 Sunday 9 - 4 694 NE 4th Ave, Canby OR

It's time again for the Spring Garden Fair! There are still volunteer shifts available, so don't miss out on all the fun! Use the link below or go to the [Spring Garden Fair](#) page and find the Volunteers Page link for sign up info. The volunteer's page includes a list of this year's jobs and a link to the online form to sign up for your shift: *SGF Volunteer Page*.



Did You Know...?

The Chapter Historian puts together an annual yearbook about the chapter's activities & accomplishments. You can find the 2017 Yearbook along with histories from years gone by and special compilations as well. Check it out on our [History Page](#). You can also find the link on the Members Page by scrolling to the Chapter links at the bottom of the page.

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

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May 5 & 6: 34th Annual Spring Garden Fair at the Clackamas County Event Center	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• September 10: Five Remarkable Women, Five Remarkable PNW Gardens - Donald Olson, author, Pacific Northwest Garden Tour
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May 14: Science of Hops and Brewing - Tiah Edmunson-Morton	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• October 6: Fall into Gardening at the Milwaukie Center
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• June 11: Meadow and Grass Ecology - John Greenlee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• October 8: Earthquakes in NW Oregon - Dr. Scott Burns, Geologist
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• July 9: Chapter Outing/ Art in the Garden hosted by Ray Huston. (Deezine's)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• November 12: The Unknown History Portland's Rose Test Garden – Harry Landers, Portland Rose Garden Curator, retired.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• August 13: Chapter Picnic and Potluck at the Milwaukie Center Picnic Shelter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• December 10: Leach Botanical Garden Plants and History - David Porter, Director of the Leach Botanical Garden

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