



CLACKAMAS COUNTY CHATTER

Clackamas Monthly News: December 2018

Chapter Meeting – Monday, December 10 at 7 p.m.

Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr., Milwaukie

Leach Botanical Garden Plants and History – David Porter, Director of the Leach Botanical Garden www.leachgarden.org

A lush oasis just south of Foster on SE 122nd, the historic Manor House and grounds of Leach Botanical Garden lie in a hollow carved out by Johnson Creek. In 1931 John and Lilla Leach purchased five acres along Johnson Creek and named it “Sleepy Hollow”. The original Leach collection, which includes *Kalmiopsis leachiana* – one of five plant species discovered by botanist Lilla Leach, forms the core of the now 16+ acre botanic garden. Leach Botanical Garden, a model of sustainable and natural landscaping, is dedicated to the conservation of and education about northwest native plants. David Porter will talk about the lives of John and Lilla Leach and the importance of this beautiful garden to gardeners everywhere. *For more info please see the [Lectures page](#)*



2019 Dues and Handbooks:

We will continue collecting annual dues this month. The membership year begins January 1 and runs through December 31. Dues are \$12.00 if you pick up your Directory - add \$3.00 if you prefer to have it mailed. Dues go to pay for the publication of our Directory and our membership in the OMGA. With your dues you have access to special Chapter activities, our monthly email announcements, and special announcements throughout the year. See Frank Wille during the meeting to pay, or make your check payable to CCMG & mail to Frank Wille, or go to the Members Page for the online link to pay via PayPal once again this year. The Handbook will be available in early 2019.

Coming next month: January 14: Getting to Know the World of Bamboo - Noah Bell, *Bamboo Garden*
<http://www.bamboogarden.com/>

For many gardeners, the idea of bamboo in the garden conjures one of three images: a) hopelessly exotic plants, probably tropical and probably Asian; b) a dreadful menace that is impossible to control; or c) both of the above. Our speaker, Noah Bell, will make the case that bamboo is a dragon: ancient, exotic, wild, and an inestimable ally when befriended and properly cared for. *For more info please see the [Lectures page](#).*



Happy Holidays!

As 2018 draws to a close we wish you the season’s best and hope your plants make it through the winter! We look forward to a bright and productive garden year in 2019.

From your 2018 Executive Board: Cindy Manselle, John Wilbur, Barb Epidendio, Ellen Hanley, and Mickey Becker & your newsletter team: Sharon Andrews, Frank Wille, and Laura Eyer

Looking ahead: 2019 Programs and Events Preview - *list is subject to change*

➤ January 14: Getting to Know the World of Bamboo - <i>Noah Bell, Bamboo Garden</i>	➤ July 8: Chapter Outing/ Ainsworth House & Gardens <i>presented by Bud Bowen, CCMG Master Gardener</i>
➤ February 11: Earthquakes in NW Oregon - <i>Dr. Scott Burns</i>	➤ August 12: Chapter Picnic and Potluck at the Milwaukie Center Picnic Shelter
➤ March 2: Garden Discovery Day at the <i>Milwaukie Center *</i>	➤ September 9: ‘Deerly’ Missed: A Pangram Garden - <i>Dave Eckerdt, MCMG</i>
➤ March 11: Associations between Pollinators and Native Plants in the Willamette Valley - <i>Aaron Anderson and Gail Langellotto, OSU *</i>	➤ October 5: Fall into Gardening at the <i>Milwaukie Center *</i>
➤ April 8: <i>Chapter Potluck and Resource Fair</i> Fantastic Ground Covers and Where to Find Them - <i>Mark Leichty, Little Prince Nursery</i>	➤ October 7: <i>Seed Swap before meeting</i> Naturescaping with Seeds - <i>Amy Campion *</i>
➤ May 6 & 7: 35th Annual Spring Garden Fair at the Clackamas County Event Center	➤ October 11/12: G2 Conference (formerly Mini College) - <i>McMinnville *</i>
➤ May 13: Landscape Mulches: The Good, The Bad, & The Really, Really Ugly - <i>Linda Chalker-Scott, PhD, WSU *</i>	➤ November TBA: Master Gardener Recert - <i>Clackamas Community College *</i>
➤ June 10: Strange, New and Wonderful Vegetables - <i>Tim Russell, Territorial Seed Company *</i>	➤ November 11: <i>Annual Book Sale</i> Growing Resilience: Dry Farming Vegetables - <i>Amy Garrett, OSU *</i>
➤ June 13: ••• <i>Special Event!</i> ••• Evening Party and Shopping at N&M Nursery, Molalla - <i>Hosted by Rosie Sullivan.</i>	➤ December 9: We’re Rich! Exploring the Many Nurseries of the Pacific Northwest - <i>Loree Bohl</i>
<i>Items marked with * eligible for MG recertification credit</i>	

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