

# **This Month's News...**

## **2022-23 Garden Club Board:**

- *Adele O'Neal – President*
- *Deb Smith – Vice President*
- *Charlene Drake – Treasurer*
- *Elaine Pollak – Secretary*

## **President's Corner**

### **Theme: Coming Together for Growth Adele O'Neal**

We are back! Our September meeting was fun and I hope everyone enjoyed our new meeting location, the First Presbyterian Church. The October meeting on the 17th should be great also, with our speaker, Barbara Hilty, speaking on, "Rethinking Your Garden to Adapt to a Changing Climate."

The directory is coming along, and Betty is doing a great job getting the finishing touches on it! Hopefully, the printers will have it printed in time for distribution at the October meeting. If you have not paid your dues yet, please contact Charlene right away and get them paid!

The October Open Gate will be at Linda Hansen's home on the 6th from 1:00 to 3:00. It will be a beautiful atmosphere and fun event, hope you can make it!

As we get into the cooler weather, and the gardening work starts to slow down a bit, we can focus our attention on other fun things to do with the Garden Club, with arts and crafts, field trips, and of course, our monthly meetings! We will see you at the next meeting, October 17!

## **October Speaker**

### **Barbara Hilty, "Gardening in the Face of Climate Change"**

On the first Earth Day, 52 years ago, while still in high school, Barbara Hilty volunteered to plant a park, inspiring her to study Environmental Science. She received a Bachelor of Science in Renewable Natural Resources from the University of California at Davis. Raised in a family of artists, she decided to mix art with science via landscape design. She studied landscape design at Portland Community College, starting her own landscape design business in Portland in 1982. She was certified as a Professional Landscape Designer through The Association of Professional Landscape Designers in 2001. After 40 years owning and operating her own business as the principal designer, Barb has recently (semi?) retired to McMinnville. She always kept her clients' priorities as the focus, designing for them, and enjoyed working with all their ideas. She particularly enjoyed matching landscapes to period architecture, but with an eye to sustainability, keeping the ecology of place in mind to design healthy and hardy gardens. She has

designed all kinds of gardens: contemporary, formal, English, Victorian, Japanese, Northwest natives, drought tolerant, whimsical...this list goes on.

Barb worked mainly in the Portland Metropolitan area, but she has also completed designs on the Oregon coast and in several other states. Her designs have ranged from small city lots and roof gardens to large estates. Most of her work has been from referrals.

Her work has been published in *Better Homes and Gardens Outdoor Spaces* (2016), *Atomic Ranch*, *Fine Gardening*, and in the *Oregonian Home and Garden* section several times over the years. Her award-winning garden for the 2006 Portland Home and Garden Show was featured on the cover of the *Columbian Home and Garden* section.

Barb has designed and installed volunteer projects ranging from postage stamp sized Habitat for Humanity lots to seven-acre freeway exchanges (US 30 & I-405) where she coordinated over 200 volunteers to plant an area designated "scorched earth" by the Oregon Department of Transportation.

She has taught APLD certification workshops for other landscape designers. She is a past President of the APLD Oregon Chapter. She co-chaired the 2009 APLD International Conference in Portland and has served on the Rules Advisory Committee of the Oregon Landscape Contractors Board.

Barb is also a gardener. She knows from experience what does well in the Pacific Northwest, what is invasive, what takes coddling, etc. Her own garden, in the making (are they not always?) is rather whimsical, drought tolerant, and filled with art. She visits gardens whenever she can, either locally or in other countries, for inspiration and ideas for her designs.

She spends time out in nature, observing and drawing for further inspiration and understanding. She keeps abreast of changes and new ideas through continuing education. She has loved her 40-year career as there has always been more to learn and to share!

## **Serenity Garden Needs Daffodil Bulbs**

We are planning to plant lots of daffodil bulbs at the Serenity Garden on October 26 at 9:30 am depending on the weather. If you have some bulbs to donate, please dig them up and clean off the dirt. Do not take off any skin pieces please. Either bring the bulbs in a paper bag to the October club meeting or drop them off before hand at Stephanie J's. 1310 NW Zinfandel Ct. There is a box at her front door. Please indicate whether they are tall or short so we plant them in the right locations. THANKS. For more info, contact Patty S. <https://www.themiddlesizedgarden.co.uk/how-grow-daffodils-years-beautiful-flowers/>

## **Membership and Update**

*Janis Stoven, Membership Committee Chair*

**New Member:** Welcome Janet Decker. Janet was invited by Vickie Gross to attend the September club meeting. She found the meeting informative and the members friendly. Please greet and welcome Janet when see her.

## **Membership Committee**

The Garden Club Membership Committee (2022-23) consists of the following members: Kay Fitkin, Colleen Moxley, Mary Vought, and Janis Stoven. Ann Widen has volunteered to join the committee. Welcome Ann and thank you.

## **Open Gate**

One Open Gate is scheduled for the first week of October and there is time for another. Consider showing members your fall garden. Have you grown an array of gourds, squash and pumpkins this summer? Do you have fall colors featured in your garden through trees, bushes, plants and flowers? Please contact Janis Stoven to arrange an Open Gate.

## **Sharing Table**

**Refreshments – Door Prizes:** The Sept ‘Sharing Table’ offered a nice assortment of community resources, lovely garden books and magazines. The items vary each month; you are welcome to donate whatever you feel is appropriate. Plants, pots and garden type items are always popular. Thank you.

The club will now be offering coffee at the meetings. You are asked to bring your own cup to cut down on additional waste and costs. Members may bring refreshments to add to the table to share with others. Please label if there are nuts, gluten free or other items such as these. Thank you.

Door prizes add fun at the end of the meeting. The prizes are donated by members and appreciated by the recipients. Popular items are plants, holiday décor, garden items such as garden gloves, hand tools and other items. Bring your donation in a decorative bag (if appropriate) and leave in the assigned area.

Thank you.

## **Chamber of Commerce Update**

Join the FUN!

## **MACC GREETERS’**

### **FRIDAY EVENTS: OCTOBER 2022**

Yamhill County Fairground Friday, October 7 @ 8 am

Willamette Valley Wound Care & Hyperbaric Friday, October 14 @8am

375 SE Norton Lane, Suite A

Henderson House Friday, October 21 @ 8 am

610 SE 1st.

Chemeketa Community College Friday, Oct. 28 @8 am

288 NE Norton Lane

## **Good Eats by Betty B.**

### **Soft Pretzels**

**Makes 8 large pretzels – freeze well**

- 1 ½ C warm water
- 1 T sugar

- 2 t salt
- 1 package yeast

Mix the water, sugar, salt, and yeast and allow to rest 5 minutes. Add mixture to a mixer bowl with a dough hook. Add flour, butter, and diastatic malt. Knead in mixer for 4-5 minutes, dough will leave side of bowl and gather on the dough hook. Rise in oiled bowl covered for 1 hour. Turn onto a large board. Cut into 8 equal pieces. Roll each piece into a long rope about 24 inches long; shape into a pretzel and lay on a cookie sheet; do this for all 8 pretzels.

Bring a large pot of water to a soft boil. Add 2/3 C baking soda. Carefully add one pretzel at a time with a slotted spatula and boil for 30-60 seconds. Remove to a parchment lined cookie sheet. Once you have 8 boiled pretzels, brush with an egg wash and sprinkle with coarse salt, sesame seed, or everything bagel seasoning.

Bake at 450 degrees for 14 minutes. These are so delicious! Serve with mustard or cheese sauce.

## **West End Cleanup**

(across from the Bowling Alley)

Fun was had by all! Pruning is on the agenda for next cleanup. Will you join us? Charlene D. is our coordinator. She sends a reminder to those interested. Email her if you want to be included please.

## **Yard of the Month**

Be sure to check out the September selection on our website: <http://mcminnvillegardenclub.org>

## **Get Ready to Help!**

Our club has been asked to help with some of the decorations and provide volunteers for the Oregon State Federation of Garden Club's annual convention in Wilsonville on June 12-14, 2023. Pioneer District clubs are assigned to this summer's event. We did this about eight years ago and had a good time. SO, get ready. We hope to see a lot of hands going up! We have

- 4 ½ C flour
- 2 T melted butter
- 1 t diastatic malt powder

three members who are active at the State level: Gaye S., Mike S., and Patty S. Feel free to ask them what the convention is like.

## **Websites to Explore**

Patty Sorensen

- **National Garden Club** <https://gardenclub.org>
- **Pacific Region National Garden Club** <https://pacificregiongardenclubs.org/>
- **Pioneer District Website** <http://oregongardenclubspioneer.97048.info/home.aspx>
- **Oregon State Garden Club's Website** <http://oregongardenclubs.org>
- **Yamhill County Master Gardeners** <https://ycmga.org/>
- **McMinnville Community Garden** <http://www.mcminnvillecg.org>

- **Serenity Garden** <https://mcminnvillegardenclub.org/serenitygarden/>
- **OSU October Garden Chore Calendar** <https://extension.oregonstate.edu/gardening/techniques/october-garden-calendar>
- **Fall Time to Cut Back?** <https://www.gardenersworld.com/plants/how-to-cut-back-herbaceous-perennials/>
- **Mums** <https://www.bhg.com/gardening/flowers/perennials/all-about-mums/>
- **Pumpkin Spice** <https://www.bhg.com/recipes/bread/pumpkin-bread-recipes/>
- **Landscape for Life** <https://landscapeforlife.colostate.edu/>