

Lincoln County Master Gardener Association
Board Meeting
Nov. 10th, 2025
In person at the extension office
Zoom link below

Call to Order	Kristi Kind
Approval of Minutes	Emilia Lacy
Announcements;	
Slate of Officers	Mary Jane Bonelitz
2026 Budget	Mary Jane Bonelitz

Reports;

Financial	Gary Doris
Co-vp	Julie Roth Carter, Laura Strom
Ed. And Outreach	Julie Roth Carter
OMGA	Trish Riley
Steering Committee	Mary Jane Bonelitz
Program updates	Stormi Dykes, Evie Smith
Grant Committee	Herb Fredrickson, Tom Green
Plant Clinic	Larry King
Publicity/Website	Larry King

Demo Gardens;	
Lincoln City	Kathy Burke, Terry DeJongh
South Beach	Joan Crall, Steve Vogel
Waldport	Carita Edson

Next board meeting	Dec. 8 th , 2025
Adjourn	Kristi Kind

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LINCOLN COUNTY MASTER GARDENER™ ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting: Hybrid In-Person at OSU Extension Office
November 10, 2025 at 10 AM

FINAL

Attendance

Board Members: Kristi Kind, Cathi Block, Ann Geyer, Mary Jane Bonelitz, Marlene Shapiro, Sharon Busby, Julie Roth-Carter, Emilia Lacy, Gary Dorris, Trish Riley, Janice Smith

Board Absentees: Laura Strom, Evie Smith

Other Members: Stormi Dykes, Carita Edson, Shereen Rowland, Joan Crall, Kathy Burke, Terry DeJongh, Larry King, Herb Fredricksen, Jill Johnson, Anne Irving, Ron Woodard II, Natasha Knight, Amy Shoulders, Julie Ericksen

1. Call to Order

President Kristi Kind called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Secretary Emilia Lacy made a motion to approve the October 13, 2025 meeting minutes. Gary Dorris seconded. Motion was approved.

3. Announcements

Mary Jane Bonelitz announced that the Slate of Officers for 2026 received 39 votes and was approved. The officers are: Co-Presidents: Julie Roth-Carter and Larry King, Co-Vice Presidents: Marlene Shapiro and Janice Smith, Secretary: Natasha Knight, Treasurer: Gary Dorris, OMGA Rep: Trish Riley, Historian: Cathy Fitzhugh, Past President: Mary Jane Bonelitz.

Mary Jane presented the 2026 Proposed Budget and named committee members: Megan Miller-Morgan, Ron Woodard II, Gary Dorris, Cathy Fitzhugh, and herself. Discussion followed outlining budget requests, and Budget Committee Recommendations. She made a motion to approve the Proposed Budget. Marlene Shapiro seconded. Discussion included discussion of the number of Apprentice awards, Association awards, and amount of money allocated to demo gardens. Trish Riley made a motion to retain monetary awards for MG of the Year and Behind the Scenes. Emilia Lacy seconded. Motion passed. Mary Jane made a motion to accept the Proposed Budget for 2026. Emilia Lacy seconded. Motion passed.

President Kristi Kind made a motion to award a Lifetime Membership to Ann Geyer for her numerous contributions to the Association. The Board voted unanimous approval.

4. Treasurer's Report/Financial Discussions

Attachments: BalOct2025, PLBudvsActOct2025, PLPrevYRCompOct2025.pdf

Gary Dorris reported that he repaired and backed up our laptop and it is fully operational.

5. Vice Presidents Reports

Attachment: LCMGA Board Meetin1 Nov 10 25 Julie R-C.docx

Julie Roth-Carter reported on the Cookie Party and meeting with the new VPs. Reports were made on the Fall Education Series, the Garden Literacy Series with the Newport Public Library, number of community contacts, youth proposals with LC school district and Head Start, KYAQ radio episodes, and 2025 evaluation and goals for 2026.

6. Reports

OMGA: Trish Riley

Attachment: OMGA Q4 Board Minutes – 11_7_25; November 2025 LCMGA Report to OMGA Board of Directors; OMGA 117 Board Meeting Report to LCMGA BOD 111025

Trish reported that there are name changes and the new criteria for the annual awards from OSU (Master Gardener of the Year, Behind the Scenes, and Growing and Belonging). A Growing and Belonging Committee and a Seed to Supper Committee have been formed to connect programs and share resources. Joy of Gardening (JOG) Conference: there is a call for photos of each county's accomplishments; please send them to Historian or Trish. The JOG is scheduled for July 10 – 11 and will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Master Gardeners. A new website is under construction. A Board retreat is scheduled for Dec. 15 to address goals. Budget has been adopted. See OMGA Q4 Board Minutes- 11_7_25 for more details.

DEMO GARDEN STEERING COMMITTEE: Mary Jane Bonelitz

Attachment: Steering Committee Summary 11-10-25; Demo Garden Ed Plan Flyer 2.pdf

Mary Jane stated that the Committee's work centered on issues related to sustainability. The committee prioritized infrastructure as the most important issue and irrigation being the critical concern. A Comprehensive Education Plan for Demonstration Gardens was developed with fifteen classes to be presented in respective gardens.

PROGRAM UPDATES: Stormi Dykes

Attachment: Nov 10 2025_LCMGA Board Program Team Notes

Stormi reported on Graduation and Re-certification ceremony plans. Applications for the 2026 Apprentice Class has opened. Classes will take place on Wednesdays from 5:30 – 7:30 at OCCC's South Beach campus. A stellar line of Guest Speakers was circulated; all recertifying MGs are invited to attend through SignUps. Recertification requirements remain unchanged from 2025. MG forms, including any necessary Criminal History Checks, will be processed in OSU's new Volunteer Hub. Listservs are being discontinued at OSU; she is working on a solution and hopes to share in December. Any LCMGA event for youth under 18 years needs to be registered 30 days in advance with OSU's Office of Youth Safety. It includes events at a Demo Garden or a third -party location like a school. Stormi and Herb are working with OCCC and OSU re Demo Garden MOUs. ADA is OSU's responsibility and they are working closely with OCCC.

Evie Smith's upcoming travel/vacation: 11/27 – 12/4

Stormi Dykes upcoming vacation: 11/17 - 12/08. Emily Blume will be approving listservs and Larry King will be approving ECCO responses during this period.

Grant Committee: Herb Fredricksen

On the matter of reserves, which was brought up during budget discussions (see above), Herb recommends the formation of a committee to establish a reserve policy. **Herb made a motion to create a committee to formulate policy on how to utilize reserves. Emilia seconded. Motion carried.** No further action was taken.

Plant Clinic: Larry King

Attachment: Plant Clinic Report for October – Year End 2025

Larry reported that he created the Adopt-a-Week sign up genius for 2025-26 winter season, created a 3-year plan and budget, created a video introduction for Adopt-a-Week signups, finished year end reports. “Accomplishments for 2025 and Multi-Year Summary” is included in the above attachment.

Publicity: Larry King

Attachment: Publicity Report for October 2025

Larry reported that he was able to track mailing list information on two bulk emails to nearly 800 recipients. Approximately 45% opened their email, with 3 – 4.5% asking for additional information. Website Stats for August – October is included in the report. He is currently working on formalizing the Publicity Committee, training for Google Meet (Zoom replacement), and working on an online and print Membership Directory with Sharon Busby and Kristi Kind.

Directory: Sharon Busby

Sharon reiterated that work on the online and print versions of the Membership Directory has been initiated. Access will be restricted. Members can opt out of the online version and limit information in the print version.

Membership registration will begin on Dec. 1. Each member fills out a registration form, uploads a photo online, or they may use mail and paper to send in their registration. If they have problems uploading their registration, Kristi Kind or Larry can help out.

Seed Library: Amy Shoulders

Amy reported that she and the committee have been working on budget preparations and donations. She plans to implement the website with a QR code. Newport Public Library would like information on how many people use the seed library, how MGs respond to clients' questions, etc. The committee is working on disseminating information on gardening, and on the MG program. They hope to have in place by February 2026 a bi-lingual page on the website, and they have plans to contact Waldport and Toledo Public Libraries.

DEMO GARDENS

Lincoln City: Kathy Burke and Terry DeJongh

"To date, the culinary bed has been dug out. Several of the plants were potted for replanting. The bricks were repurposed for the spiral herb garden and the walls of that garden have been laid. It still needs to be filled and planted.

We harvested parsnips and two cabbages that went to the food bank. There are broccoli, cauliflower and kohlrabi still growing.

We have been informed that we will not have access to the Community Garden beds next year and anticipate a reduction in the amount of produce we will be able to donate next year.

The greenhouse has a few plants left and there are potted cuttings in the cold frame that will, hopefully, be ready for the plant sale in the spring."

South Beach: Joan Crall, Steve Vogel

Joan wrote: "We were able to get most of the staining done on the greenhouse and the arbor. We will still need to stain the inside of the greenhouse and the compost bins if we get some good weather in November.

We planted approx. half of the garlic bed for the next year during the Garlic Class at OCCC. The following Monday, I got the rest of the garlic planted.

We are working on getting all the beds cleaned up for winter, not necessarily cleaned out.

We hope to still get some flower bulbs planted in November.

As the season is winding down, we are about done with veggies for Food Share.

We stocked a few bags of soil and compost in the greenhouse."

Waldport: Carita Edson, Tom Green

Carita reported that the garden has been put to bed with cover crops planted in the empty beds. We will plant more bulbs in the flower beds. Projects have been planned for next year.

2026 Strategic Planning Committee Report: Amended

Committee Members: Marlene Shapiro, Gary Dorris

The Strategic Planning Committee Report as submitted to the October 13, 2025 Board Meeting minutes has been amended. The amended report in its entirety is as follows.

Marlene Shapiro wrote: “Current year’s (2025) goals: 1: Demo Gardens. 2: Sustainable gardening. 3: Seed library. 4: Revising Website (goal met). All other 2025 goals will be ongoing for 2026.

Initial discussion on possible goals for 2026: 1: Accessibility; 2: Drought Resistant Plants; 3: Outreach/Education; 4: Member Involvement. Also mentioned were more FUN activities. A Publicity Playbook. Once it was emphasized that any new goals needed to have volunteers working on these goals, many members felt they’re overloaded on last year’s goals and can’t take on any new goals.

Members emphasized the need for more active volunteers, and decided the only new goal for 2026 is “Member Involvement”. A committee of 9 people was formed for this.

The drought goal was added to the 2025 goal of Sustainable Gardening, which will be an ongoing goal for 2026.

Because of the work involved with ongoing goals, and the need for more involvement from our Membership, people felt strongly that we shouldn’t be taking on more goals until we can get more people involved. That’s why the only new goal for 2026 is “Member Involvement”.

In sum, the 2026 Goals established by Members at the Strategic Planning Meeting are: 1) Demo Gardens, 2) Seed Library, 3) Sustainable Gardening with emphasis on drought tolerant planting/drought resistance, 4) Member involvement.

7. Next Board Meeting: December 8, 2025

8. Adjournment

President Kristi Kind adjourned the meeting at 12 noon.

Submitted by Emilia Lacy, LCMGA Secretary

Attachments:

Nov. 10th, 2025 board meeting agenda
November 10 25 LCMGA Bd Mtg Hybrid FINAL
2026 budget recommendations
2026 budget requests
Budget Proposal Oct 2026

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Plant Clinic Report for October – Year End 2025
Publicity Report for October 2025

LINCOLN COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS ASSOC
Balance Sheet
As of October 31, 2025

	Oct 31, 25
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Reserve Accounts	
CD-1st Security -7950	21,387.01
Saving Money Market 1st 7940	18,638.03
Savings - 1st Security.7168	2,002.52
Total Reserve Accounts	42,027.56
Checking - 1st Security B..7226	8,898.09
Educational GH	360.00
Lincoln City Donations	600.00
Seed to Sup Donation	120.00
YachatsDemo Bed Rental	1,320.60
Total Checking/Savings	53,326.25
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	-600.00
Total Accounts Receivable	-600.00
Other Current Assets	
Undeposited Funds	-430.00
Total Other Current Assets	-430.00
Total Current Assets	52,296.25
Fixed Assets	
Garden Inprov & Repair Reserve	428.73
Total Fixed Assets	428.73
TOTAL ASSETS	52,724.98
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Grants - Holding for Future Use	
Yaquina View Elementary - Renee	1.00
Total Grants - Holding for Future Use	1.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	1.00
Total Current Liabilities	1.00
Total Liabilities	1.00
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	17,932.97
Retained Earnings	30,753.88
Net Income	4,037.13
Total Equity	52,723.98
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	52,724.98

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LINCOLN COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS ASSOC

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

Accrual Basis

January through October 2025

	Jan - Oct 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Contributions	305.00			
Dues	835.00	1,200.00	-365.00	69.6%
Interest Earned	1,295.80	1,000.00	295.80	129.6%
PSP #7 LincolnCity Inc				
Donations	0.00			
Total PSP #7 LincolnCity Inc	0.00			
SE #1 SpringGardenSale Inc	17,002.50	19,496.00	-2,493.50	87.2%
SE #3 FundRaisers Inc	0.00			
Total Income	19,438.30	21,696.00	-2,257.70	89.6%
Expense				
SE #7 Seed Library				
Grant	100.00			
SE #7 Seed Library - Other	-100.00			
Total SE #7 Seed Library	0.00			
MG Volunteer Support				
Volunteer Appreciation	174.33	250.00	-75.67	69.7%
Field trips	1,105.13	1,600.00	-494.87	69.1%
Total MG Volunteer Support	1,279.46	1,850.00	-570.54	69.2%
Education and Outreach				
Spring Conference	55.28			
Education and Outreach - Other	328.76	2,456.00	-2,127.24	13.4%
Total Education and Outreach	384.04	2,456.00	-2,071.96	15.6%
Committees				
Hospitality	193.51	700.00	-506.49	27.6%
Total Committees	193.51	700.00	-506.49	27.6%
Awards	400.00	500.00	-100.00	80.0%
Banking Fees				
Pay Pal Fees	34.80			
Square Card Fees	322.03			
Total Banking Fees	356.83			
Dues OMGA	320.00	300.00	20.00	106.7%
Scholarships				
MG Class	250.00	400.00	-150.00	62.5%
Total Scholarships	250.00	400.00	-150.00	62.5%
Historian	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Insurance Liability	382.00	350.00	32.00	109.1%
LCMGA				
Equipment	0.00	340.00	-340.00	0.0%
Supplies	26.99			
Total LCMGA	26.99	340.00	-313.01	7.9%
Library	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
Newsletter & Website	727.09	475.00	252.09	153.1%
Postage-general	144.65	100.00	44.65	144.7%
Printing-general	573.40	720.00	-146.60	79.6%
PSP #1 MG Class /Apprentice Exp	79.55	1,000.00	-920.45	8.0%
PSP #5 Waldport Garden	1,278.85	1,270.00	8.85	100.7%

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through October 2025

	Jan - Oct 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
PSP #6 SouthBeach				
Supplies	211.26			
PSP #6 SouthBeach - Other	0.00	975.00	-975.00	0.0%
Total PSP #6 SouthBeach	211.26	975.00	-763.74	21.7%
PSP #7 LincolnCity				
Signage	653.84			
Materials	314.44			
Soil, Bark, Plants and Supplies	645.88			
PSP #7 LincolnCity - Other	139.38	2,410.00	-2,270.62	5.8%
Total PSP #7 LincolnCity	1,753.54	2,410.00	-656.46	72.8%
PSP #10 Scholarship	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Roundtables	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
SE #1-SpringGardenSale				
Bank box	0.00			
Supplies	1,911.25			
Space Rent	960.00			
SE #1-SpringGardenSale - Other	125.52	3,500.00	-3,374.48	3.6%
Total SE #1-SpringGardenSale	2,996.77	3,500.00	-503.23	85.6%
Supplies, Bus	43.23			
Total Expense	15,401.17	21,696.00	-6,294.83	71.0%
Net Ordinary Income	4,037.13	0.00	4,037.13	100.0%
Net Income	4,037.13	0.00	4,037.13	100.0%

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Profit & Loss Prev Year Comparison

Accrual Basis

January through October 2025

	Jan - Oct 25	Jan - Oct 24	\$ Change	% Change
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Contributions	305.00	310.00	-5.00	-1.6%
Dues	835.00	1,100.00	-265.00	-24.1%
Interest Earned	1,295.80	876.17	419.63	47.9%
PSP #7 LincolnCity Inc				
Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total PSP #7 LincolnCity Inc	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
SE #1 SpringGardenSale Inc	17,002.50	17,018.00	-15.50	-0.1%
SE #3 FundRaisers Inc	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Income	19,438.30	19,304.17	134.13	0.7%
Expense				
SE #7 Seed Library				
Grant	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.0%
SE #7 Seed Library - Other	-100.00	0.00	-100.00	-100.0%
Total SE #7 Seed Library	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
MG Volunteer Support				
Volunteer Appreciation	174.33	925.00	-750.67	-81.2%
Field trips	1,105.13	0.00	1,105.13	100.0%
Total MG Volunteer Support	1,279.46	925.00	354.46	38.3%
Education and Outreach				
Spring Conference	55.28	0.00	55.28	100.0%
Youth Projects	0.00	246.99	-246.99	-100.0%
Committee Projects	0.00	49.94	-49.94	-100.0%
Education and Outreach - Other	328.76	161.06	167.70	104.1%
Total Education and Outreach	384.04	457.99	-73.95	-16.2%
Committees				
Hospitality	193.51	388.25	-194.74	-50.2%
Total Committees	193.51	388.25	-194.74	-50.2%
Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
SE #5 Waldport Garden Setup				
Fence	0.00	1,950.95	-1,950.95	-100.0%
Hardware	0.00	396.41	-396.41	-100.0%
Soil	0.00	554.00	-554.00	-100.0%
Supplies	0.00	545.83	-545.83	-100.0%
SE #5 Waldport Garden Setup - Other	0.00	259.90	-259.90	-100.0%
Total SE #5 Waldport Garden Setup	0.00	3,707.09	-3,707.09	-100.0%
Awards				
Honorarium	0.00	400.00	-400.00	-100.0%
Other Awards	0.00	157.95	-157.95	-100.0%
Awards - Other	400.00	44.00	356.00	809.1%
Total Awards	400.00	601.95	-201.95	-33.6%
Banking Fees				
Pay Pal Fees	34.80	44.95	-10.15	-22.6%
Square Card Fees	322.03	286.01	36.02	12.6%
Banking Fees - Other	0.00	28.49	-28.49	-100.0%
Total Banking Fees	356.83	359.45	-2.62	-0.7%
Chapter Programs (Activ & Fd Tr	0.00	495.00	-495.00	-100.0%
Conferences & Meetings	0.00	592.71	-592.71	-100.0%
Dues OMGA	320.00	427.00	-107.00	-25.1%

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LINCOLN COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS ASSOC

Profit & Loss Prev Year Comparison

January through October 2025

	Jan - Oct 25	Jan - Oct 24	\$ Change	% Change
Scholarships				
MG Class	250.00	197.98	52.02	26.3%
Other Grants & Scholarships	0.00	100.00	-100.00	-100.0%
Scholarships - Other	0.00	50.00	-50.00	-100.0%
Total Scholarships	250.00	347.98	-97.98	-28.2%
Insurance Liability	382.00	341.00	41.00	12.0%
LCMGA				
Supplies	26.99	40.50	-13.51	-33.4%
Total LCMGA	26.99	40.50	-13.51	-33.4%
Newsletter & Website	727.09	0.00	727.09	100.0%
Postage-general	144.65	68.00	76.65	112.7%
Printing-general	573.40	450.00	123.40	27.4%
PSP #1 MG Class /Apprentice Exp	79.55	32.97	46.58	141.3%
PSP #5 Waldport Garden				
Hospitality	0.00	161.86	-161.86	-100.0%
PSP #5 Waldport Garden - Other	1,278.85	229.45	1,049.40	457.4%
Total PSP #5 Waldport Garden	1,278.85	391.31	887.54	226.8%
PSP #6 SouthBeach				
Supplies	211.26	230.17	-18.91	-8.2%
PSP #6 SouthBeach - Other	0.00	271.21	-271.21	-100.0%
Total PSP #6 SouthBeach	211.26	501.38	-290.12	-57.9%
PSP #7 LincolnCity				
Signage	653.84	886.32	-232.48	-26.2%
Materials	314.44	409.36	-94.92	-23.2%
Carlson Awd	0.00	147.50	-147.50	-100.0%
Soil, Bark, Plants and Supplies	645.88	42.94	602.94	1,404.2%
PSP #7 LincolnCity - Other	139.38	0.00	139.38	100.0%
Total PSP #7 LincolnCity	1,753.54	1,486.12	267.42	18.0%
PSP #10 Scholarship	4,000.00	5,000.00	-1,000.00	-20.0%
PSP #12 Youth Ed Exp				
SealRock GC	0.00	-159.96	159.96	100.0%
Total PSP #12 Youth Ed Exp	0.00	-159.96	159.96	100.0%
SE #1-SpringGardenSale				
Bank box	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Facility	0.00	1,162.50	-1,162.50	-100.0%
Supplies	1,911.25	1,740.23	171.02	9.8%
Space Rent	960.00	-250.00	1,210.00	484.0%
SE #1-SpringGardenSale - Other	125.52	0.00	125.52	100.0%
Total SE #1-SpringGardenSale	2,996.77	2,652.73	344.04	13.0%
Supplies, Bus	43.23	0.00	43.23	100.0%
Total Expense	15,401.17	19,106.47	-3,705.30	-19.4%
Net Ordinary Income	4,037.13	197.70	3,839.43	1,942.1%
Net Income	4,037.13	197.70	3,839.43	1,942.1%

2026 Budget Requests

Requested by	Department	Subcategory	Amount
Larry King	Publicity	Expand social Media Annual	179.99
		Mailer lite	126.00
		Microphone for KYAQ Spots	150.00
		Publicity Playbook	100.00
		TOTAL	555.99
	Plant Clinic	ECHO Enhancements (Split with OSU)	150.00
		Printer supplies/training	100.00
		TOTAL	250.00
Lindsey Clark	Scholarship	College Scholarships	4000.00
		TOTAL	4000.00
Emilia Lacy	Office Supplies	Acrobat Adobe for board secretary	239.88
		TOTAL	239.88
Carita Edson Shereen Rowland	Waldport Demo Garden	Seeds	50.00
		Plants	75.00
		Upper Gate repair and trellis	250.00
		Education classes	150.00
		Bulk soil	120.00
		Soil amendments	100.00
		Paint	50.00
		Signage	?
		Hospitality	150.00
		Water access	1,000.00
		TOTAL	1,945.00+
Shereen Rowland	Plant Sale	Room rental	1,100.00
		Security deposit (returned)	250.00
		Traffic cones and box trailer	100.00
		Soil for gardeners	400.00
		Native plants and soil	600.00
		Pots	250.00
		Table covers, totes, blinds	250.00

		Banners	300.00
		Nursery license	5.00
		Square fees	200.00
		Cash box start up	800.00
		Printing/labels	100.00
		Post sale meeting	100.00
		TOTAL – MINUS SECURITY DEPOSIT AND CASH BOXES AND SQUARE FEE	3,205.00
Julie Roth Carter	Education and Outreach	Spring conference	1,305.00
		Sign up genius	135.00
		Yachats Farmer Market	30.00
		Home and Garden show	100.00
		Printing	100.00
		Demonstration Garden Tablecloths (180 x 3) and tables (57 x 3)	711.00
		Demo Garden Classes	288.00
		TOTAL	3,069.00
Stormi Dykes		Apprentice projects (75 x 20)	1,500.00
		Total	1,500.00
Julie Roth Carter	Vice President Budget	Parties	1,000.00
		Field Trips	600.00
		Members Meeting	160.00
		TOTAL	1,760.00
Terry DeJongh	LC Demo Garden	Office Supplies	30.00
		Tools	100.00
		Lumber	50.00
		Hoses	30.00
		Pest mgmt.	120.00
		Hospitality	50.00
		Seeds/Plants	100.00
		Compost	200.00
		Fertilizer	200.00
		Amendments	80.00

		West Side leveling	250.00
		Turf replacement	400.00
		Raised Bed	884.00
		Spiral Herb Garden	500.00
		Bird Bath	100.00
		Seed Library	150.00
		Waterwise Garden	200.00
		TOTAL	3,444.00
Sharon Busby	Printing	Membership Directory	450.00
		TOTAL	450.00
Joan Crall	SB Demo Garden	Soil	150.00
		Fertilizer/Amendments	80.00
		Plants/Seeds	250.00
		2 Hoses and sprayer	170.00
		Hospitality	225.00
		Signage	200.00
		TOTAL	1,075.00
A Shoulders	Seed Library	Seeds	450
		Storage/Organization	50
		Cataloging supplies	50
		Educational materials	50
		Miscellaneous	100
		Expansion contingency	100
		TOTAL	800.00
Grand Total			21,737.88

LCMGA 2024 Proposed Budget

		Budget 2024		Budget 2025	Proposed Budget 2026	Comments
INCOME ACCOUNTS						
Contributions						SALY (= same as last year)
Dues Active & Associate		1,200		1,200	1,200	
Grants						
Interest Earned		15		1,000	1,000	
SE #1 - Spring Garden Sale		14,360		20,096	21,794	
TOTAL INCOME		15,575		22,296	23,994	
EXPENSE ACCOUNTS						
Awards				500		
Financial (Treasurer)		300				
Dues - OMGA		450		300	350	
Insurance - Liability		300		350	350	
Postage					100	
Supplies					50	
In House printing						
Education Outreach				2,456	3,069	
Spring Conference						
Printing						
Other						
Contributions (Given)						
Hospitality		700		700	700	
LCMGA						
Equipment				340		

LCMGA 2024 Proposed Budget

Supplies		100				
Secretary						
Software					240	
Historian			100			
Plant Clinic					250	
Library						
Publicity		265	475		556	
Printing		600	720			
Member Directory					450	
VP Budget		500	0		1760	
Celebrations/Picnic						
Field Trips/Member Meetings		800				
Member Meetings						
Recognition		200			100	If something happens to a member we want to send flowers/gift/card
Program Service Projects						
PSP #1 - MG Class		1950	1000		1500	
Apprentice events Hospitality						
Graduation						
Scholarship					750	
PSP #5 - Waldport Garden		650	1270		1945	
PSP #6 - Newport/So. Beach Garden		900	975		1075	
PSP #7 - Lincoln City Garden		550	2410		3444	
PSP #10 - Scholarship		1000	4000		4000	
PSP #13 Seed Library					800	
Special Events						
SE #1 - Spring Garden Sale		3500	3500		2505	
SE #2 -						
SE #3 -						
SE #4 -						

LCMGA 2024 Proposed Budget

<u>TOTAL EXPENSE</u>		12765		19096		23994	Do to changes in spreadsheet some items no longer needed, removed, changed totals

LCMGA 2022 Budget Data

4 Year Actual to Budget Comparison (From Alanna)												
	Actual 2018 Through Sept.	Budget 2018		Actual 2019 Through Sept.	Budget 2019		Actual 2020 Through Sept.	Budget 2020		Actual 2021 Through Sept.	Budget 2021	Proposed Budget 2022
INCOME ACCOUNTS												
Contributions	257	200		105	200		20	150		550	0	0
Educational Greenhouse	360						0	0			0	0
Dues Active & Associate	1313	1000		1585	1000		1800	1250		1765	1200	1200
Grants	200						0	0			0	0
Interest Earned	127	40		81	100		381	100		137	150	25
PSP #1 - MG Class							0			110		0
PSP #4 YBLG							0					
PSP #5 Yachats	599	325		3375	300		4525	375		435	450	450
PSP #6 South Beach Garden							10					
PSP #7 Lincoln City	108			200			0					
PSP #9 - Oceanview	250						250					
PSP #12 Youth Education	250						0					
SE #1 - Spring Garden Sale	16129	13500		18234	14500		100	16000		9607	16000	12325
SE #3 - Fundraiser	97			97	75		0	50			0	0
SE #4 - Seafood/Wine Festival	6069	6500		3150	6000		0	0			0	0
TOTAL INCOME	25759	21565		26827	22175		7086	17925		12604	17800	14000
January 1 Checking Account Bal.	10107			10307			8977					
EXPENSE ACCOUNTS												
Awards	469	400		444	600		0	600		400	500	500
Badge Replacement							6				0	0
Chapter Programs (Act. & Fd Trips)	632	800		550	825		0	650		0	600	500

LCMGA 2022 Budget Data

Community Events & MG Week	159	50		100		0	100		100	100
Conferences & Meetings	162	200	160	200		259	200		200	200
Contributions (Given)		100					0	250	0	250
	665	500	672	665		700	675	0	700	700
Education & Training	186	300		300		270	300	0	300	0
MG Coordinator (Educational)	300	300		300	^^	0	300		0	0
LCMGA										
Equipment		300	123	300		587	800	0	600	600
Storage/Facility Rental	53	725				25	0		0	0
Supplies	524	250	95	500		129	250	43	150	190
Tablet	217	200	167	200		15	220	0	0	0
Grants & Scholarships										
Send A Friend LCMGA	200	200		200			200	0	0	0
Send a Friend OMGA	200						0		0	0
2017 IMGC							0		0	0
Advanced MG Training		200		200		0	0		0	0
Honorarium - Class						200				200
MG Class	220	220	220	220		220	220		0	220
Mini-College						0	0		0	0
Historian	7	100	0	50		0	25	0	15	25
Insurance - Liability	257	300	257	300		257	300	271	300	300
Library		100		100		0	75	0	50	50
Newsletter/Website	400	500	372	500		721	510	120	300	165
Postage	153	120	75	120		0	150	0	75	100
Printing	905	600	1013	900		499	1000	344	550	600
Roundtables	227	200	29	200	*e	0	200	0	200	200
Travel OMGA State Rep Exp	462	450	29	450		0	450	0	450	250
Volunteer Appreciation	475	400	474	400		0	600	180	250	250
Program Service Projects										
PSP #1 - MG Class	362	400	288	400		139	650	0	600	750

LCMGA 2022 Budget Data

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2026 LCMGA PROPOSED BUDGET

Budget Committee Recommendations
Presented to the LCMGA Board 11-10-25

The budget committee members were Megan Miller-Morgan, Cathy Fitzhugh, Herb Fredricksen, Ron Woodard II, Gary Dorris and Mary Jane Bonelitz. The committee met on October 27th and created a proposed budget based on the requests submitted and historical data. All the requests submitted were included as submitted. This resulted in a proposed budget of \$23,994, with a balanced budget where income equals expenses. The committee had several questions and recommendations to present to the board for consideration which are outlined below.

1. **AWARDS:** Recommend eliminating financial compensation for recipients of awards such as MG of the Year, Behind the Scenes, Early Bloomer. Receiving the award is recognition enough.
2. **EDUCATION AND OUTREACH:** \$711 budgeted for tablecloths and 6'tables (\$180 x 3 for tablecloths and \$57 x 3 for tables) for each of the demo gardens. This was requested by the gardens but budgeted by E & O. Seems high and is it necessary?
3. **SECRETARY SOFTWARE:** Current secretary has been using Adobe. Is this a need for incoming secretary? Is there a need within the whole organization to have an account with multiple users? Is there a similar product available within the "GOOGLE BUNDLE" purchased for the website?
4. **HISTORIAN AND HOSPITALITY** – no budget submitted. Hospitality SALY (Same as last year) and historian did not receive a budget.
5. **PSP#1 – MG CLASS:** Increase the amount for apprentice project from 50 to 75 dollars. This represents \$75 x 20 apprentices
6. **PSP#1 – SCHOLARSHIP:** This is the scholarship for the MG Classes. Class price has increased to \$250. Three scholarships were requested. For discussion:
 - a. Three full scholarships
 - b. ½ up front with reimbursement upon certification
 - c. Partial scholarships with payment in full by LCMGA upon certification
 - d. Have money available to distribute as needed (full vs partial scholarships)
7. **PSP#5 WALDPORT GARDEN:** \$1,000 for water upgrade. This is a guess. The extent of this upgrade and the cost is an unknown
8. **PSP#7 LINCOLN CITY GARDEN:** \$3,444 if the largest single line item except the college scholarships. The detail list itemizes the expenses. If reduction is the decision of the board, recommend asking LC DGLs to make adjustments vs the board deciding what to eliminate or change.

9. **GENERAL QUESTION:** Where should onetime expenses such as tablecloths and tables actually be budgeted? Or requested? Should it come from the annual maintenance budget? Should it be a request to the board and reserves or savings be used?

OMGA 11/7 Board Meeting Report to LCMGA BOD 11/10/25

1. Proposal for New State Wide awards—working group on new guidelines for volunteer awards
 - a. Revise the names/criteria for the awards
 - b. Program Champion
 - c. Community Impact
 - d. Distinguished Educator
 - e. Growing and Belonging is no longer a separate award; these criteria will be incorporated into the criteria for all awards
 - f. It is not mandatory that each county chapter adopt these changes, but we are encouraged to do so
 - g. Leann Locher will be sending her PowerPoint to the secretary to include with the minutes. Will distribute it to the BOD.
2. Shelby Schuppe is creating a Growing and Belonging Committee
 - a. Anyone who is interested can join
 - b. The purpose is to share information among chapters about what works and what doesn't work to promote growing and belonging.
 - c. There are 20 people so far
3. Lindsey McNab is organizing a Seed to Super committee. Like the G and B committee, the purpose is to help chapters understand what works and what doesn't work in implementing the Seed to Super program.
4. Call for photos—If you have any photos from JOG please send them to me and I will get them to the OMGA historian
5. JOG will be July 10 and 11. Dorm rooms will be available. The 50th anniversary of MG's will be honored at JOG. The organizers are seeking speakers. The JOG committee is asking for any photos we have of LCMGA activities that can be included in a continuous slide show that will run during lunch to demonstrate all that we do. If you have photos

let me know and I will determine exactly who to send them to. Please start thinking about and collecting silent auction items to donate to JOG.

6. New website is still under construction and will be finished by Thanksgiving.
7. OMGA BOD will have a planning retreat on 12/5 to plan our goals for next year. If you have suggestions, please send them to me.
8. New Officers were elected: Chris Rusch President, Selby Schuppe President Elect, Leslie Ray Vice President, Patrica Sipos Treasurer, Cary Varela Secretary
9. 2026 Budget was adopted



OMGA Q4 Board Meeting November 7, 2025 3:30-5:30p via Zoom

Agenda Item	Discussion/Notes	Discussion Leader
Welcome, Agenda Review	<div>Chris opened the meeting 3:30p Reps introduced themselves and gave a quick summary of activities in their counties.</div> <div> President - Chris Rusch Pres. Elect - Vacant Vice-president - Leslie Ray Treasurer - Patrice Sipos Secretary - Not present, Lindsey McNab took minutes Past President - Eric Bosler Historian - Linda Coakley Newsletter - Not present Database/List Serve - Missy Bright Advocacy - Vacant OSU Prog Coor - Not present </div> <div> Additional OSU Program Staff: LeAnn Locher Amy Espinoza Marcia McIntyre </div> <div> Benton Co. - Shelby Schuppe Central Gorge - Eric Bosler Central Oregon - Karen Simonet Clackamas - Barb Seekin Clatsop - Missy Bright Columbia - Karen Harte Coos - not represented Curry - Julia Bott Douglas - Patrice Sipos, Julie Burchstead Jackson - Colet Allen, Lindsey McNab Klamath - not represented Lane - Laura Hoover Lincoln - Trish Riley Linn - Dan Murphy Marion - Lee McKenzie Malheur - not represented Multnomah - Angela Myatt, Rich Becker Polk - Sharon Hill, Becky Jay Tillamook - Wendy Kunkel Umatilla - not represented Wasco - Marilyn Richardson, Paulann Knight Washington - Deb Hansen, Hope Preston Yamhill - Cindy Kinnamon </div>	Chris Rusch
Agenda Review & Additions	Review of new proposal for state awards Committee Reports - Growing & Belonging and Seed to Supper Approve 2026 OMGA Budget Approve 2026 Executive Board nominations No changes or additions	All
Approval of the September min.	Minutes are on the website. Trish Riley moved that the September minutes be approved. Leslie seconded. None opposed. Motion passes.	All
<u>Reports/Information</u>		

OSU Extension Program coord. Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Madsen not present. LeAnn Locher, Amy Espinoza, and Marcia McIntyre present in her place to present the new statewide awards proposal. • OSU Award Recommendations <Click to View • Next Steps (DRAFT) <Click to View • Criteria (DRAFT) <Click to View • Goals of the working group were to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Identify and streamline responsibilities ◦ Ensure that all Master Gardeners are eligible ◦ Update criteria ◦ Clarify the process ◦ Honor flexibility at the county level • Problems and Solutions were discussed • Recommendations given for county level • Recommendations given for OMGA Grants & Recognition • Recommendations given for OMGA Awards - new categories introduced <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Major change in eliminating Growing and Belonging as its own category and instead making that a core value in all categories • New timeline discussed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ State level - open Jan 1 to Oct 31, selection process in Nov, and awards announced mid-Dec ◦ County level is free to determine their own timelines ◦ Awards no longer linked to Joy of Gardening Conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ JOG focus will be on Grants & Recognition • Open for feedback <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Concerns about the removal of Growing and Belonging category <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Solution was to have everyone review the draft criteria (liked above) to see if the language of having Growing and Belonging as a core value instead of a category is sufficient to eliminate concerns. ◦ Desire to have flexibility in criteria placement for nominees • Action item = Reps to communicate proposed recommendations to their chapters. 	LeAnn Locher, Amy Espinoza, Marcia McIntyre
New Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelby Schuppe is heading up a Growing and Belonging Committee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ The committee grew out of the JOG Conference panel. ◦ The committee has had one meeting and consists of approximately 20 people currently. ◦ Main takeaways from the first meeting include: a strong desire to connect across chapters and programs and a desire to share resources more quickly. ◦ A key question discussed was: What do we want engagement to look like? ◦ Another meeting is in the works. Contact Shelby Schuppe (shelby.e.schuppe@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining the committee. 	Shelby Schuppe Lindsey McNab

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lindsey McNab is heading up a Seed to Supper Committee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ This committee also grew out of the JOG Conference panel. ◦ Here is the committee Purpose and Goals <Click to View ◦ The first meeting for this committee will be early in the new year. ◦ An email will go out to those who have expressed interest before the holidays. Contact Lindsey McNab (lindseykmcnab22@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining the committee. • Major takeaway - "We can do better when we do it together." 	
Q3 Financial Report YTD Highlights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patrice went over both the Balance Sheet and the YTD Profit and Loss Statement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Patrice gave an explanation of held funds on the Balance Sheet including those held for Josephine County. Patrice demonstrated that listing this in the Liability section ensures that our figures are not skewed. ◦ Profit and Loss Statement is up to date. November and December expenses will still be added but this is not expected to change much for the current figures. ◦ Without JOG income we are ahead of budgeted income. We also exceeded the budgeted income on JOG. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Net income as of Nov.7 = \$5663.54 which is over the budgeted amount of \$2845. • Patrice gave an explanation and justification of the Corporate Fee expense. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Eric further emphasized Patrice's value as the treasurer. He explained the important role she plays as a chapter resource and the individual who ensures the organization stays current with state and federal reporting requirements. 	Patrice
OMGA 2026 Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patrice walked us through a review of the proposed budget. • The budget was put up for approval. • Eric Bosler makes the motion to approve the budget. Leslie seconded. None opposed. Motion passes. 	Patrice
Database/List Serve	<p>Here is a link to the Google Sheet that is the 2025 OMGA Roster <Click to View</p> <p>There are several tabs across the bottom:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter Officers: This is the main roster that I maintain. Please look over the information for your county and be sure it's accurate. Our OMGA emails are sent by default to Presidents, OMGA Reps, and Alternate Reps. If anyone else would like to be on the distribution, I'm happy to add them. Please send me let me know or have them contact me. • OMGA Officers etc.: Besides the OMGA Officers, here you'll also find the other assorted 'Friends of OMGA' 	Missy

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OSU Personnel: These can change at any time. I don't maintain their info because OSU Extension does. Please visit the extension office website for the county in question if you'd like to find local Coordinators and other related faculty and staff. • Chapter-Extension websites: If you know of any changes here, also please let Missy know. • Notes are mostly for Missy. <p>If you're not familiar with Google Sheets, the BEAUTY of it is you don't HAVE to download anything. And as soon as I make a change, you have it. You can just bookmark the page, or come back to this email and click on it again, and you'll always have the latest and greatest.</p> <p>You can still download the file if you're more comfortable doing so. You can save an Excel version or a pdf (File-> Download...and then pick what you'd like). If you need any help, please reach out to Missy. (outsideastoria@gmail.com)</p> <p>The updated 2026 document with new officers will be sent out soon.</p> <p>When sending any information to Missy please include your county in the subject line.</p>	
Newsletter	<p>Ann not present.</p> <p>Chris reminded us that the newsletter can be accessed through the website. The Fall edition is available! &ltClick to View</p> <p>Please remember to send the OMGA Gardeners Pen newsletter out to your chapters.</p>	Chris
Historian	<p>Very few pictures were sent in from the JOG Conference this year. Linda asked that any pictures that have not been submitted be sent to her via email at lindad.coakley@gmail.com.</p>	Linda
Website Comm Report	<p>Leslie noted that in approximately 2 weeks the major structural changes to the website will be completed.</p> <p>Everyone is encouraged to go take a look at the new and improved website. https://omga.org/</p> <p>The links and documents still need tidying up but that work is underway.</p> <p>Action item = Please encourage your chapters to interlink to the new webpage. Also check the "Chapter" page on the website to ensure that your county's logo is up to date. If it is not please send the current one to Leslie at rayleslien1@comcast.net.</p>	Leslie
Joy of Gardening	<p>The 2026 conference will focus on the 50 year anniversary of the Master Gardeners.</p>	Chris

	<p>Everyone is invited to participate in the planning committee which has already had two meetings. (Email Chris to join the committee)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are in search of a well known keynote speaker for Saturday. • We are welcoming back many speakers and many who have been contacted have already committed to next year's conference. • The lunch break time has been extended. • Dorm planning is under way. • A 50th anniversary slideshow is in the works. The idea is to have all chapters submit photos of events, etc. to run on a continuous slideshow to showcase the past 50 years. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ It was mentioned that Pat Patterson from Lane County will also be celebrating her 50 year longevity this coming year. • We are planning to sell 50 year swag like t-shirts and buttons at the conference. <p>Shelby made mention that it is not too early to begin planning for the silent auction. She also reminded us that the funds from the silent auction go to support the grants OMGA awards. She will be sending out a letter about the silent auction in the coming year.</p>	
Advocacy	<p>The Advocacy position is currently vacant. If anyone is interested in taking it on please reach out to Chris.</p> <p>Chris told us that there are currently proposed budget cuts that will affect extension if passed. The proposed cuts would cut nearly 6% of the current extension budget which will affect research and staffing.</p> <p>Action Item = Please write letters to your elected officials to help them understand how important the extension is to your and your community. Encourage your chapter members to do the same.</p> <p>Chapters are also encouraged to help fund their extension when possible to offset any budget shortages.</p>	Chris
<u>New Business</u>		
Approve Executive Board Nominations	<p>Slate of OMGA Executive officers for 2026 presented was: Chris Rusch: President; Shelby Schuppe: President elect; Leslie Ray: Vice President; Patrice Sipos: Treasurer and Lindsey McNab: Secretary.</p> <p>Colet Allen moved. Eric seconded. None opposed. Motion passes.</p> <p>Eric wanted to make sure it was noted how thankful the organization is to the outgoing Secretary. Thank you Cary for all of your hard work!</p>	Chris
Next OMGA Mtg	<p>Retreat December 5th</p> <p>The 2025 Goals will be reviewed and suggestions for next year's goals will be discussed.</p>	Chris

	It is suggested that proposed 2026 goals be sent in before the retreat. These can be emailed to Chris.	
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Lincoln County Master Gardener™ Association

November 2025 Report to the OMGA Board of Directors

As of 11/1/25 LCMGA has fifty-seven officially Certified Master Gardener™ Volunteers. The VRS records show that from 11/01/24 – 10/31/25, LCMGA reported 948 hours of Continuing Education (which doesn't include the 40+ hours of foundational learning each of the Apprentices completed) and contributed 6,930 volunteer service hours.

LCMGA DEMONSTRATION GARDENS

OSU and OCCC are in the process of renegotiating their Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) for the Lincoln County Demonstration Gardens. Garden Leads have been asked to weigh in on priority needs for each garden. These needs include but are not limited to access to water, electricity, restrooms, classroom space, and ADA compliance. The LCMGA Demonstration Garden Steering Committee continues working on specific goals and activities that will occur in the gardens.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH and EDUCATION

LCMGA's new quarterly series titled, "Garden Literacy with LCMGA", is in partnership with the Newport Public Library. More information appears below in the flyer. If you are interested in attending, please preregister via the QR code on the flyer or the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D44ADA929A0F8C34-58468279-whats>

The flyer is for a program titled "What's a Cloche and Why do I Need One?" presented by the Lincoln County Master Gardener™ Association in partnership with the Newport Public Library. It features a photo of a cloche structure over a garden bed. The event is scheduled for Saturday, November 8, from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM at the Newport Public Library - McEntee Meeting Room. Registration is requested, and a QR code is provided for preregistration. Logos for the Lincoln County Master Gardener Association, Oregon State University Extension Service, and Newport Public Library are at the bottom.

Lincoln County
Master Gardener™ Association

Garden Literacy with LCMGA - a quarterly program at Newport Public Library

**What's a Cloche
and Why do I Need One?**

**Learn how to improve
your coastal gardening
by installing a Cloche!**

Join Lincoln County Master
Gardener Association's Cathi Block
for an informative session
on building and using a Cloche

**Saturday, November 8
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

Newport Public Library - McEntee Meeting Room
35 NW Nye St, Newport ~ 541.265.2153

Registration for this program is requested
Use the QR code or contact the Library for registration

Register Here

Accommodation requests related to a disability should be made by 11/1/2025 to Andrew Roth, 541-574-5463, a.roth@newportlibrary.org.

In collaboration with and support of

OSU Extension Service prohibits discrimination in all its programs, services, activities and materials.

LCMGA Fall 2025 OCCC Education Series as Promoted through the Fall 2025 Catch the Wave Catalog

The LCMGA classes listed below have been completed and were very well attended:

Apple Talk & Tasting Instructors: MGs Joan Crall & Steve Vogel Friday, September 26, 3:00 – 5:00 pm OSU Extension Service Demo Garden, South Beach OCCC campus.

Winter Cover Crops for the Home Garden Instructors: MGs Carita Edson, Sandy Mathis & Shereen Rowland Saturday, September 27, Noon – 2:00 pm Location: OSU Extension Service Demo Garden, Waldport OCCC campus

Challenges of Coastal Gardening Instructors: MGs Cathi Block and friends Saturday, October 4, 10:00 – Noon Location: OCCC Lincoln City Community Room

Growing Vegetables at the Coast Instructors: MGs Carita Edson and Marlene Shapiro Friday October 10, 1:00 – 2:30 pm Location: Waldport Community Room & OSU Extension Service

The Return of the Attack of the Killer Invasives Instructor: MG Larry King Saturday, October 11, 1:00 – 3:00 pm Location: OSU Extension Service Office, 1211 SE Bay Blvd. Newport, OR

Growing Garlic on the Oregon Coast Instructor: MG Joan Crall Friday October 17, 2:00 – 4:00 pm South Beach OCCC Campus

Creepy Crawlies - Friends or Foes? Instructor: MG Janice Smith Friday, October 24, 2:00 – 3:30 pm South Beach OCCC Campus

The following classes are the last two remaining classes in this Fall's series:

Universal Design in the Home Garden Instructor: MGs Julie Roth-Carter & Martha Mills Samaritan Health Education Center, 740 SW 9th Street, Newport, Oregon November 7 from 10:00–11:30

Invasive Pests: Threats to Oregon Forests, Native Trees and Native Plants Instructor: Dan Stark, Assistant Professor of Practice for the OSU Forestry & Natural Resources Extension Friday, November 7, 1:00 – 2:30 pm North Campus, Lincoln City

Tabling Events-Farmers Markets:

10/12/25 Yachats Farmers Market. MGs left to right: Carrie Davis, Julie Roth-Carter, Shereen Rowland, and Carita Edson. 38 contacts on a rainy and windy day!



9/28/25 Lincoln City Sunday Market, MGs left to right: Carrie Davis, Meredith Meyer, Cheri Rice, Julie Roth-Carter (took the photo), 71 contacts



9/14/25 Lincoln City Sunday Market MGs left to right: Amy Shoulders, Cheri Rice, Kathy Burke, Ron Woodard, Terry DeJongh (not pictured), and Julie Roth-Carter (took the photo), 25 contacts



LCMGA tabling events are now completed for the year and will resume in the Spring.

KYAQ Radio Spots

Local radio station KYAQ continues airing LCMGA weekly interviews on various gardening topics of interest to our coastal residents.

Children's Programming

Lincoln County School District met with MGs Julie Roth-Carter and Kathy Burke at the Lincoln City Demo Garden to discuss the possibility of having 1st graders meet their science standards by working in the garden and harvesting in the spring. This discussion will include OSU since it involves working with youth.

Head Start discussion with the Lincoln City Demo Garden continues with MGs Wendy Olsob, Terry DeJongh and Julie Roth Carter. Wendy, who has a certificate in Children's Gardening, is creating a plan for the project and then costs to execute the plan will be determined. Head Start has no funds and is looking for funding. Again, since this program involves working with youth, OSU will be involved in the discussion.

PLANT CLINIC

Client questions tapered off as expected for fall. In September only nine questions were submitted to the clinic. MG's Larry King and Daniel Hutchison are preparing a 3-year plan and budget for the Plant clinic. They have also obtained an additional PC Laptop to use in the Plant Clinic. Larry and Daniel are also developing an "Adopt-A-Week" Signup Genius and an "Adopt-A-Week" zoom overview to help keep the Plant Clinic operational through the winter.

PUBLICITY

The newly formed Publicity Committee accomplished the following this Fall:

Website Information for the Newly Created LCMGA Website:

Unique Visits: Aug 1,581, Sept 4,446

Number of Visits: Aug 2,107, Sept 7,477

Pages: Aug 25,334, Sept 7,477

Hits: Aug 58,728, Sept 149,476

Bandwidth: Aug 2.77, Sept 8.73

Mailing List Information: the Committee sent out two bulk emails for the 2025 Education Series advertised through OOC

First email sent 2025-09-09

Recipients 811

Opened 47.72%

Clicked 5.67%

Second email Fall Education Series Reminder Sent 2025-09-23

Recipients 779

Opened 46.73%

Clicked 5.65%

The Publicity Committee has also:

Developed a Publicity 3-year plan and budget

Set up website to use orcoastmga@gmail as underlying SMTP account

Set up Canva for Non-Profits

Discontinued DropBox account and moved all information to Google Drive

Set up Google Workspace for Non-Profits

STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

LCMGA held a strategic planning meeting on September 29, 2025. The 2025 goals of Sustainability and Website Creation were met during 2025. Demonstration Gardens and the Seed Library at the Newport Library will continue as goals for 2026. Newly added goal for 2026 is increasing member involvement across all LCMGA programs. The 2026 LCMGA goals will be

1. Demonstration Gardens
2. Seed Library
3. Increasing Member Involvement

MEMBER APPRECIATION PICNIC



On Saturday September 13th, LCMGA held its annual Volunteer Appreciation picnic at Beverly Beach in Newport. Thirty-five people attended the picnic. A great time was had by all!

Photo 1: MGs Sharon Busby and Renee Patton, Photo 2: MG s Cathi Block and Kathy Burke Photo 3: MG Natasha Knight

MEMBER HOLIDAY COOKIE EXCHANGE

The LCMGA holiday cookie exchange is scheduled for December 20th from 1-3 at the Samaritan Center for Health Education. Last year's cookie exchange was such a huge success that it will become an annual event.

GRADUATION 2025 APPRENTICE CLASS

The graduating class will consist of 11 new Certified Master Gardeners. Graduation will be November 12th at 4:30 at South Beach OCCC. Graduation will be followed by a potluck.

MASTER GARDENER 2025 RECERTIFICATION

Forty-six Master Gardeners will complete recertification in 2025. Going forward, the Demonstration Garden Steering Committee hours will be counted as Educational Garden Instructor – direct and the Education and Outreach Committee Meeting hours will count as Educational Event Planning – indirect hours.

2026 APPRENTICE PROGRAM

The 2026 MG training classes will be online through Canvas with mandatory live sessions from 5:30-7:30 PM weekly. The classes will run from January 28th through April 15th. The program is requesting 3 scholarships of \$200 each be provided by LCMGA. The cost of the class will increase from \$150 to \$200 for 2026.

LCMGA Board Meeting

11/10/2025

VP and Education & Outreach Reports

VP Report

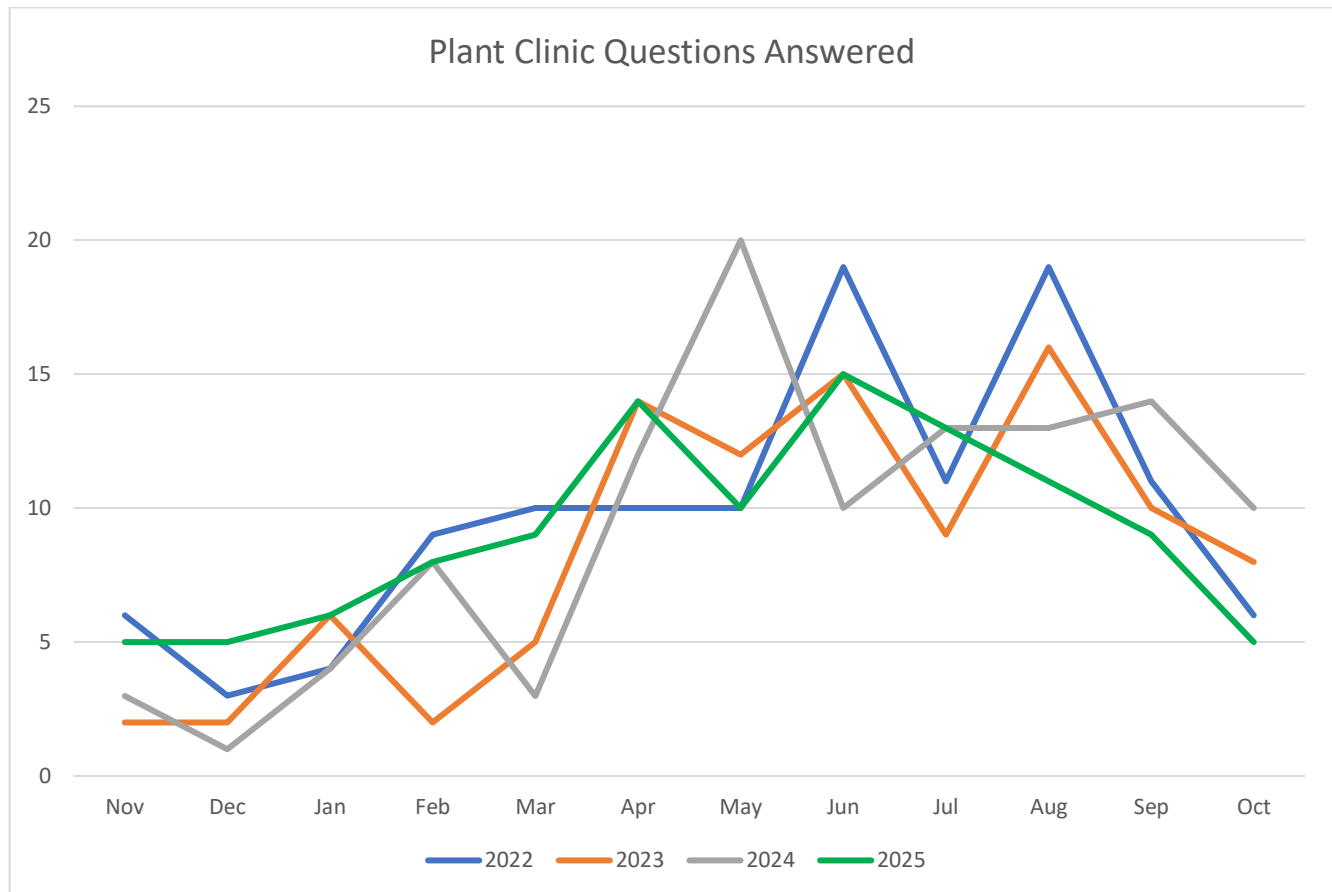
1. Cookie Party for December 20th, 1PM – 3PM at the Samaritan Center for Health Education (no charge for room). We have 14 people who have signed up so far. 3 are apprentices and we will extend an invitation to them at the Award Ceremony. We will send out another invite soon, please sign up!! We are not going to pursue the charitable donation this year.
2. We will be meeting with our new VP's on November 14th for a VP handoff!!

Education and Outreach Report

1. Fall Education Series has been completed as of Friday. Martha will be compiling a report with attendance, how they found out about the class, like and dislikes, requests for further classes. I will share this report at the next meeting.
2. Kick off for the "Garden Literacy Series with LCMGA" our partnership with the Newport Public Library, started on Saturday with Cathi Block presenting "What's a Cloche and Why do you Need One?". 24 attended and evaluations were great! Many thanks to Cathi. Classes will be offered quarterly with the next one being on Valentines Day, titled: Native Plants we Love. So far, Julie RC and Kristi Kind will be presenting. 3rd quarter will be Janice Smith presenting Creepy Crawlies or something along those lines!
3. So far this year we have had 1783 community contacts and this does not include our Fall Education Series our first "Garden Literacy Class with LCMGA".
4. For our two youth proposals (LC school district and Head Start) I have met with Stormi to determine OSU requirements as was mentioned at the last meeting. Kathy Burke and I will be attending a luncheon with the school district this week to find out more about their request. On Friday, Wendy, Terry and I will meet to further discuss the HeadStart project. Both will require project plans and Stormi has provided me with a couple of examples.
5. Park and Rec request via website request form.
6. Please keep volunteering for KYAQ!! If you want to hear episodes, the archives can be found on our website!
7. For November and December meetings we will be evaluating what we have done this past year and set goals for 2026. Are there any recommendations from the Board for us to consider?

Plant Clinic Report for October, 2025

Client questions have tapered off as expected. October questions are the lowest in several years (only five answered questions). This year's results are on the green line.



Besides the numbers, here's the work completed in October:

- Created the Adopt-a-Week sign up genius for 2025-2026 winter season
- Sent out emails, and have Adopt-a-Weeks scheduled through the end of 2025
- Created 3-year plan and budget, which was approved by budget committee
- Created video introduction for folks signing up for Adopt-a-Week
- Finished year end reports

Things I'm currently working on, or at least planning:

- Deployment of loaned laptop into the Plant Clinic
- Bulletin board revamp in the Plant Clinic
- Tidying up of the Plant Clinic

Accomplishments for 2025 and Multi-Year Summary

I was going to show a fancy graph summarizing the numbers of answered questions by year, but it would be a boring graph. We have roughly answered the same number of questions each year since 2022:

Year	Questions Answered
2022	118
2023	101
2024	111
2025	110

2025 was my second year coordinating the Plant Clinic and I feel good about what we've accomplished this year:

- Kept the clinic staffed all year with Gurus helping Apprentices and a certified MG on board for each shift
- Began creating the Signup Genius forms for Clinic activities
- Mentored apprentices with special requirements in the Clinic
- Had trainings (and created videos) for Gurus and Adopt-a-Week participants
- Developed 3 year plans and budget with OSU and LCMGA
- Implemented Plant Clinic form gateway from the website (new features!) with Herb Fredricksen and Terry DeJongh
- Kept the Plant Clinic Instructions up to date with new practices
- Developed new Client Intake Form with Bill Hutmacher

Dare I say it? I'm looking forward to 2026 and, once again, coordinating the efforts in the plant clinic.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Larry". The signature is stylized with a large, looping "L" and a long horizontal stroke at the bottom.

Larry King
Plant Clinic Coordinator

Publicity Report for October, 2025

Website Stats: orcoastmga.org

Month	Unique Visitors	Nbr of Visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth (GB)
December					
November					
October	5,028	8,924	50,866	173,090	9.17
September	4,446	7,477	71,589	149,476	8.73
August	1,581	2,107	25,334	58,728	2.77
Total:	11,055	18,508	147,789	381,294	20.67

Social Media Information:

(Starting in January, we will provide Social Media Engagement Information, monthly)

Mailing List Information:

(We sent out two bulk emails)

Remaining Fall Education Classes Sent 2025-10-14
Recipients: 780 Opened: 43.72% Clicked: 2.95%

Coastal Gardening with Cloches Sent 2025-10-17
Recipients: 791 Opened: 44.37% Clicked: 4.27%

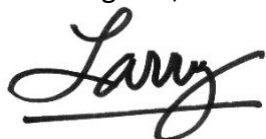
Besides the numbers, here are items completed in October

- Submitted Publicity 3-year plan and budget
- Completed process of setting up Google Workspace for Non Profits
- Performed routine website updates and management

Things I'm currently working on:

- Starting up the formal Publicity Committee ← I'm so sorry this has taken so long!
- Training for Google Meet (Zoom Replacement)
- Working on online and printed Member Directories with Sharon and Kristi

Best Regards,



Larry King
LCMGA Webmaster, Publicity Lead

Demo Garden Steering Committee Summary

11-10-25

Last winter OSU Extension (Stormi and Evie) announced that the apprentices would not be doing any maintenance in the gardens and that their hours would be limited to the 20 hours to complete their projects. After some negotiations, it was decided that the gardens would work toward more sustainability requiring less input and the proposed changes would be put on hold.

The Demo Garden Leads (DGL) met with Mary Jane, who was the member of the Council of Presidents who was responsible for the demo gardens, over the spring to develop a course of action to meet these requirements. In May the Demo Garden Steering Committee was formed consisting of all DGL, Mary Jane, Ann Geyer representing the Mentor Program, Julie Roth-Carter representing Education and Outreach and Anne Irving as the member at large. We have continued to meet every three weeks to a month to iron out a plan to move toward greater sustainability. The initial categories were:

1. Further develop and manage garden infrastructure
2. Formulate a plan for garden support
3. Create Garden Standards
4. Demonstrate overarching theme of sustainable gardening (water conservation, healthy soils, native plants, turf replacement, support wildlife, low maintenance and beneficial insects).

During the late summer the committee prioritized Infrastructure as the most important issue needing addressing and irrigation being the critical concern. Any movement toward developing a plan is currently on hold until the negotiation of the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between OCCC and OSU is renegotiated. Of paramount concern is having a water source beyond the rain catchment system in Waldport prior to the spring planting season. Second area of importance was accessibility within the demonstration gardens. As a result of decisions in the LCMGA Planning Meeting for 2026, this issue of accessibility will be addressed with Stormi Dykes and Herb Fredricksen working with OCCC.

Following infrastructure, the subsequent priorities in order of importance as determined by the committee were:

1. Publicity
2. Garden Standards
3. Exhibits
4. Apprentices

5. Garden support
6. Community Partners

As a result, the 2026 Comprehensive Educational Plan for the Demonstration Gardens was created by representatives from each garden and Education and Outreach. The plan consists of 5 unique topics coinciding with the growing season that will be presented to the public in each of the individual gardens. This approach not only should increase attendance as well as knowledge of the gardens but will engage the public in growing a garden, particularly from seed.

The next meeting of the Demo Garden Steering Committee will be 11-10-25 where we will be working on creating a program to provide apprentices with early and continuous involvement within the garden while working alongside Master Gardeners from the association to create exhibits within the gardens. K In addition a publicity plan will be finalized for 2026.

Submitted to the LCMGA Board

11-10-25

Mary Jane Bonelitz



Lincoln County Master Gardener™ Association



2026 Comprehensive Education Plan Demonstration Gardens

To meet our ongoing goal of providing public education on sustainable horticulture, each Demonstration Garden will arrange for the following classes to be presented in their respective gardens.

Early February:	Seeds and Seed Catalogs
Early March:	Edible Garden Planning
Late April:	Seed Starting
Early June:	Planting your Vegetable Garden
July/August:	Common Vegetable Garden Diseases and Pests
August/September:	Apprentice Showcases

These classes will be in addition to the Spring Conference and the Fall Education Series that will be coordinated by the Education and Outreach committee of the Lincoln County Master Gardener™ Association



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November 10, 2025 (Stormi Dykes)

- **Big News: Apprentice Graduation and Recertification Ceremony and Potluck THIS WEDNESDAY, November 12, 4:30-6:30PM, at OCCC's South Beach Campus**
 - We have 11 graduating apprentices and 47 Recertifying Master Gardeners!!!!
 - Please bring your badges with you:-)
 - It is a "Savory Treats and Sweets" theme, which is a fancy way to say appetizers and desserts.
 - Advance thanks to Dave Hall for creating a slideshow; Cathi Block, Sharon Busby and Emilia Lacy for their special contributions and willingness to speak at the Ceremony, and Julie Roth-Carter and Larry King for agreeing to have a role! Thank you to Trish Riley & Tom Green for taking over Hospitality. Doors will open at 3:30PM for set-up and Herb has volunteered to help bring things inside.
 - It should be a great time!!!!
- **Applications for the 2026 Apprentice Class opened last Thursday and we already have two applicants! They close on December 12, 2025.**
 - There will be a 20-person limit and we will also have an Apprentice carrying over from 2025 (Frank Rudecoff).
 - Outreach has begun! Fingers crossed for another great crop:-)
 - I shared the Guest Speaker schedule with the membership last week - we have a wonderful line-up. Live classes will take place from 5:30-7:30PM on Wednesdays starting February 4 at OCCC's South Beach Campus. All recertifying MGs are invited to attend and I will be issuing SignUps. Time spent at these lectures will count toward Continuing Education. Some MGs have expressed concern to me that these are in the evenings, but that is the time that works best for the Apprentice Program overall.
- **Recertification requirements for the new reporting year are the same as the last one:**
 - 10 CE credits (including 1 Growing & Belonging)
 - 20 Volunteer Service hours (of which at least 10 must fall into Direct and/or Indirect Education categories).
 - I will be providing some new G&B options and I will be issuing a "cheat sheet" for categorizing your hours within the next week.
 - You will also need to sign and return the three annual forms.
- **Forms this year, as well as any necessary Criminal History Checks, will be processed in OSU's new Volunteer Hub. I'm still figuring out how this will work, but this will be a**

priority in December. Do not need to respond to any emails you may receive from OSU about this while I am gone.

- **Listservs are being “sunsetting” at OSU. I am working on a solution for this and hope to share in December. It’s likely going to be a big Outlook “Blind Copy” list. This means MGs will not be able to send emails out on the listserv, but I will be in touch about what this means next month.**
- **Any LCMGA event that is focused on youth under age 18 needs to be registered with OSU’s Office of Youth Safety at least 30 days in advance of the event. I will handle this and share a list of the info that I need in order to do so. It doesn’t matter if it’s in a Demo Garden or at a third-party location like a school.**
- **Office is closed on 11/11/25 for Veterans Day.**
- **ES upcoming travel/vacation:**
 - **11/27-12/4- Vacation**
- **SD upcoming vacation:**
 - **11/17-12/08**
 - **Emily Blume will be approving listservs and Larry King will be approving ECCO responses while Stormi is out**
- **Herb and I have been working with OCCC and OSU on the Demo Garden MOUs. That is a work in progress. ADA is in OSU’s court and we are waiting to hear back from OCCC on several fronts. Herb, would you like to add any comments here?**