



## June Chapter Meeting

Monday, June 14

Milwaukie Center 7:00 p.m.

5440 SE Kellogg Creek Drive, Milwaukie

### Garden Circulation: A Maze or Amazing?

**Vanessa Nagel, APLD,**  
Timber Press author, Garden Designer,  
Seasons Garden Design LLC

Getting lost in your garden? Vanessa Gardner Nagel will discuss how to use space efficiently, how to determine direction, how to use focal points, subtle way-finding, safety, and more, helping you establish paths and garden circulation that make sense.

Vanessa Gardner Nagel is an award-winning, sustainability-conscious garden designer who owns Seasons Garden Design LLC. As a youngster at her grandfather's side in Minnesota, she became infatuated with plants. With over 30 years experience including commercial interior design projects for West Coast and international design firms, Pacific Northwest landscape design projects, and adjunct faculty instructor at Marylhurst University and Portland Community College, Vanessa provides innovative solutions to challenging projects.

## A Tour of Zenger Farm

July 12, 5 - 7:30 p.m.

How do chickens and turkeys contribute to sustainable farming? Chapter members and guests will observe sustainable farming practices on this 16-acre property in the heart of Portland. The century-old farmhouse was renovated, in 2007, into a "net-zero energy use" facility. During our 1-hour tour, staff will demonstrate how Zenger Farm models and promotes sustainable food systems, environmental stewardship, and access to healthy food.

## A Most Successful Spring Garden Fair

Thanks, everyone, who helped at the Spring Garden Fair. We couldn't have done it without you! A big Thank You to **Joby Duggan** who tirelessly recruited and organized 185 vendors. Kudos to **Herb Davis, Rodger Sanman, Irwin Rogers, Carla Kildahl, and Marianne Kahl** for overall planning and execution of the fair.

Preliminary statistics are in: gate count - 16,593; Master Gardener Clinics - 400 contacts; pH Soil Testing - 182 contacts (307 samples); 10-Minute University™ - 408 contacts; the Potting Station sold approximately 265 pots; and the New Plant Introduction auction raised \$808.

Every committee chair and co-chair did an awesome job. Thanks go to **Sharon Andrews, Mickey Becker, Bill Bradley, Mary Butler, Kathi Cardinelli, Jane Collier, Niki Davis, Penny Dionne, Maggie Frieske, Louise Hargens, Meridith Hilderbrand, Nancy Hopkins, Will Hughes, Mike King, Kathy Long, Bonnie Lyne, Nikki Mantei, Cathy Matern, Paul Miken, Dick Nelson, Trudy O'Donnell, Holly Pederson, Jeanne Reairdon, Darlene Reimer, Carolyn Robinson, Darlene Sanman, Pat Smith, Reta Suzanne, Gray Thompson, Ann Upton, Sharon Wiley, Frank Wille, and Carol Zinsli.**

## Community Project Grant Committee Makes First Award

The Christ the Vine Community Food Shed Garden in Damascus is our first recipient. The Chapter awarded \$500 toward the purchase of seeds, fertilizers and soil supplements. John Rossetto is the MG contact for the project. For more information about how to apply for a community project grant, contact **Nancy Hopkins**, Chair, at 503-635-7465 or [nhop101@aol.com](mailto:nhop101@aol.com).

## Kudos

Green Glove Award: **Sherry Holley** organized and co-taught the Tomato Workshop for MGs for the past three years and the Secrets of the Tomato Masters workshop for the public in 2010. She has developed a significant amount of teaching materials for 10-Minute University™ and has taught 10-Minute University™ classes since 2007. This year, she was co-coordinator of the Chapter's participation in the Better Living Show.

## Featured Committee:

**The Grow An Extra Row Committee**  
Believing that everyone should have access to fresh vegetables, this group of master gardeners is on a mission to grow crops for the hungry. Harvests are dropped off at local food kitchens around Clackamas County. **Gray Thompson** began our chapter's effort, using two community garden plots at Clackamas College. In 2010, he passed the torch to Pam Garten. The committee has expanded, now utilizing five plots, encompassing 2,700 sq. ft. Active members are: **Mary Butler, Dianne Stoppelmoor, Bondi Nyary, Pip Platt, Rob Kappa, Jeanne Reairdon, Joby Duggan, Karen King, Donna Edgell, Bob Blaedel, Rob Folse, Penny Dionne, Bob Woods, Suzanne Glenning, Steve Bauer and Barbara Markwell.**

The garden is managed by work parties, both weekdays and Saturdays. Pam hopes to develop a scheduling system similar to the phone clinic's for handling watering and harvest. If you want to help or just find out more, contact **Pam Garten** at 503-673-0180 or [kidderpam@aol.com](mailto:kidderpam@aol.com).

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