

West Linn Garden Club
Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 25 2024
Laurel Buncak's home
1549 7th Street
West Linn, 97068
7 pm – 8:30 pm

A G E N D A

1. Review Agenda—any additions? 7:00 pm
2. Treasurer's Report--- Linda Daugherty 7:05 pm
 - August/September Financial Report
 - Update on dealings with US Bank
3. Membership Update— 7:10 pm
 - Final membership Count
 - New Directory—Cheryl and Sue to develop
4. Update on discussion with Tara re McLean House and Park-
Judy Hutchinson 7:12 pm
5. Projects for the coming year 7:14 pm
 - **Summer Happy Garden Hour Program**—every week from the second week in June until the last week in August, one member opens up her garden for “Happy Hour” (5:30-7:30) so that we get to see each other's pride and joy. The host could provide drinks; those coming bring snacks to share. We need a board member to coordinate this—it would be 12 open houses—pick one day for consistency. Purpose: build fellowship and share expertise.
 - **Blue Bag Bottle Drop**—register with the Oregon Blue Bag Bottle Drop program (Bottledrop.com) and distribute bags to all members. The bags are tagged with our club's name. Every time a full bag is dropped off at one of the bottle drop locations (the closest one is in Oregon City), our club earns money. According to the Canby Garden Club that instituted this last year, a full bag generates \$6 or \$7. They raised \$700 in 9 months. Purpose: Supports sustainability, helps promote the club if we spread the word and bags beyond our own members. Need a board member to set it up and help us promote it at meetings and in the newsletter.
 - **Partner with the Environmental Sciences Program at West Linn High School**

The idea is to fit into their program and not reinvent the wheel. Elaine and Sue are exploring the possibility of providing small awards to top student projects (\$100 first place, \$20 second place, \$25 third place). We could go to the school to judge or we could set it up like a science fair, perhaps at the library where it could be widely promoted. Students and their parents would be invited to attend our club meetings during the year. Depending on the students' needs, we might find a few members who would be willing to be advisors. It all depends on what the teachers expectations are. Purpose: Community Service and Increase Visibility of the Club, hopefully generating new members. Good publicity opportunities.

6. Review the Plant Sale Work Plan—Laurel and Kim 7:20 pm
 - Please review the documents prior to the meeting so we can be as productive as possible
7. Other
8. Next Board meeting October 23 location?
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