



# The Garden Gazette

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*The pergola entryway: many pathways start here.*

## Winter 2020-2021 Hours

The Garden House, with Gift Shop, Gallery, Library, meeting room and rest rooms is closed until further notice. The garden itself remains open during daylight hours for the public to enjoy walking the pathways. Masks and social distancing are recommended, especially considering that visitors come from all over the world.

Plants for sale will again be available in spring. Donations are welcome, placed in an envelope provided beside the bulletin board and put through the letter slot in the front door. Thank you for your generous contribution to the future of this garden.

## Calendar of Events

When events can again be scheduled, we will post them on our bulletin board and web page, also this newsletter.

**Visit our website often for up to date details,  
Share your photos of CHG on our Facebook page.**

## From the President's desk:

2020 has been quite a year---a Covid-19 pandemic with all its restrictions, forest fires in our community, and a chaotic election season. Of course, Mother Nature gave us her usual unpredictable weather.

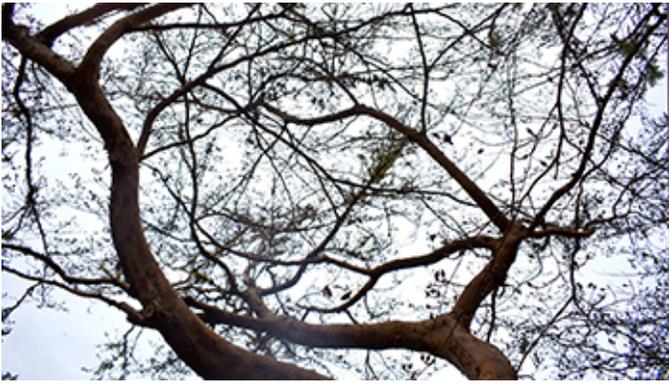
The winter weather forecast is for a 'La Nina', which means cooler than normal temperatures and increased rain! Through it all, the garden is thriving, and we volunteers are working hard, weather permitting, to take good care of it.

With all that you, our loyal friends, have helped the garden with your memberships, donations and support of our plant sales. For that WE THANK YOU!! We wish each of you a Merry **Christmas** and Hope for a better New Year in 2021.

~~Kathie Arehart, CHG President



*The bench under the Parrotia tree welcomes you.*



### Surviving the September Wind

We are used to the wind here at the beach, so who could have imagined the destruction to follow when the weather report said, "high wind warning" to begin around 6:00 PM, September 8<sup>th</sup>?

The gale that followed overnight left the garden littered with fallen branches and leaves, and papers that escaped the neighbor's recycling container. Some plants were flattened, others damaged. The heavy smoke in the air from the raging fires that followed kept garden volunteers indoors for the next few days. The extended power outage confused the watering system controller, but the heavy overcast from the smoke kept the sun from drying plants any further. If visitors got showered when the water came back on, we didn't hear about it.

After a few days, however, the volunteers gathered, and many wheelbarrow loads later the paths were again clear and plants began to recover. Today, when you visit, you'll never believe how sad the garden looked for awhile. Gardens are hardy, however, and this one too grows on. Even in winter, there is still beauty and calm to be enjoyed as you walk the garden paths. You are welcome to visit soon.

~~Karen Brown, CHG Treasurer



I Heard a Bird Sing

I heard a bird sing  
In the dark of December.  
A magical thing  
And sweet to remember.

"We are nearer to Spring  
Than we were in September,"  
I heard a bird sing  
In the dark of December.

~ Oliver Herford 1955



*Rhododendron 'Yellow Hammer' blooming now.*



*Golden heather in front of unidentified rhody*



*Spires of verbascum add exclamation points.*

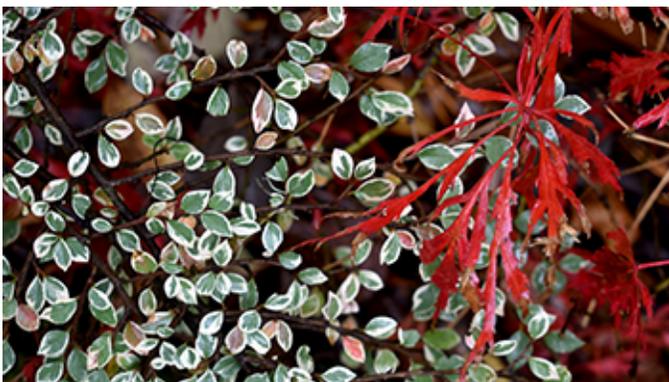


*Euonymus Europeans bloomed in November*

**Thank you to the crew of gardening volunteers who meet weekly, weather permitting, to groom, plant, weed, and maintain Connie Hansen Garden!**



*Rhododendron siderophyllum buds ready to go.*



*Japanese Maple Leaf on variegated cotoneaster.*



*Japanese Maples line the path to the "East Garden".*

## MEMBERSHIPS

If you are not currently a member and would like to be, or would like to give a membership as a gift, the options are listed below. Payments may be sent to: CHGC, PO Box 776, Lincoln City, OR 97367.

There are no meetings and no requirements. Benefits of membership include this quarterly publication, a 10% discount in our gift shop and the joy of knowing you are helping to save this beautiful garden!

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The E-Gazette includes beautiful color photos of the garden in its seasons.

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