



BBB 25th Anniversary Gift Presentation



(L-R) Sarah McCarty, Bonnie Nuttal, Laurel Swetnam, Ellen Schwarz, Dr. Robert Schelonka, Jodi Karr, Susan Sack, Allison Fryer, Laurie Flint, Joan Foley, Joan Kruse, Jan Feitas-Nichols (Director of Women & Children's Services at Doernbecher) and Paul Liebergot (Manager of NICU, OHSU Hospital) at the presentation.

The Blankets and Books for Babies 25th Anniversary Gift (check) presentation on November 9, 2010 to Dr. Robert Schelonka, head of the Division of Neonatology was truly a heart-warming event. Ten SMA members were able to share in the experience, joined by physicians & staff from Pediatrics, NICU, OHSU Administration, the Foundation and Dean Mark Richardson. Those in attendance came away knowing a significant impact was made by the SMA, and what an immediate, positive effect the gift of milk warmers and the breast pumps will bring about for the babies, mothers and NICU staff. The equipment will make a huge difference in countless lives for a long, long time. Many thanks to all of you who have assisted in and/or contributed to this fundraising effort. It's still not too late to participate and feel that extra love! Just send a check payable to the **OHSU Foundation** to Ellen Schwarz, our treasurer.



(L-R) Bonnie Nuttall, Ellen Schwarz, Sarah McCarty, Laurel Swetnam, Joan Foley, Susan Sack, Jodi Karr, Joan Kruse with the SMA's gift check.

Garden Group Happenings

November 2, 2010 "Garden Adventures in the Netherlands, Germany & Belgium" A *Hardy Plant Society of Oregon* tour presented by Linda Hannan and Nancy Goldman.

January 26, 2011 "New Metaphors for Gardening" presented by Greg Hulbert of Portland Nursery.

February 28, 2011 "Insects" presented by Master Gardener J a r e e d K e l l y .

March 15, 2011 "Adding Fragrance and Color to Your Yard and Container Plantings" presented by Jack Bigej (right) – owner of Al's Garden Centers Jack is excited to share new ideas in putting plantings together for your 2011 containers!



April 2011 A spring break!

May 19, 2011 Magnolia Manor in Lake Oswego. Topics include What's New and Exciting in the Nursery, New Conifer Introductions from Iseli Nursery a n d H o u s e p l a n t s .

June 21, 2011 A tour of Jane Trunkey's and neighbor Dottie Alberg's Oregon City gardens.

In Memoriam: Tana Grady-Weliky , MD November 1962—January 2011

The SMA was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of member Tana Grady-Weliky, MD this January. She came to OHSU in February 2009 as the appointed Associate Dean for Undergraduate Medical Education in the School of Medicine. In this position, she oversaw the education of OHSU's 500 MD students.

Tana Grady-Weliky is survived by her husband, Michael Weliky, daughter Maya, father Charles S. Grady, and step-mother, Terri Grady. The family has requested the OHSU Foundation establish a scholarship fund in her honor. Go to <http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/about/foundation/> to make a memorial gift.

PM Book Group Sunriver Weekend

Nine members of evening book group will spend a three day weekend in mid-May at Sunriver. In addition to relaxing and enjoying Central Oregon, they will attend three events with Oregon author Jane Kirkpatrick. Saturday is a reading from Jane's new book *A Daughters Walk*; Sunday they accompany her on a 5 K walk benefiting Habitat for Humanity and Monday they are guests of the Sunriver Book and Music Store book club discussing *A Daughters Walk*. Attending are new Sunriver resident Pam Anderson, Joan Foley, Susan McNulty, Sarah McCarty, Bonnie Nuttall, Nan Lipton, Zilpha Haycox, Rosanne Sachson and Jean Morton

Exploring Mt St Helens with Christine Colasurdo

On November 7, 2010, Christine Colasurdo presented a slide show and talk about the influence of Mount Saint Helens on her life. While growing up, her family had a vacation home on the side of the volcano which had been a cherished family retreat for many years. All was lost with the eruption and mudflows in May 1980. Christine showed slides of Mount St. Helens before and after the devastation, trying to pinpoint for us what her family's property looked like then and now. Some of her early slides dated back to the 1920's and '30's. Her recollections and heartfelt experiences were greatly enjoyed by all who attended. Her new book in honor of the 30th anniversary year of the mountain's eruption is [The Only Constant Is Change: an Exploration of Mount St. Helens](#). One dollar of each book purchased at the presentation benefitted SMA. If you are interested in purchasing a book, email Christine.

Winter Luncheon—February 15, 2011

A delicious event at Nostrana with 46 members & guests in attendance. Our speaker, Laura O. Foster, author of "Portland Stairs" and pedestrian explorer of the city and its environs, presented a most informative series of slides illustrating geology, history and architecture along with relating many interesting facts. Her books on walks and hill-climbs around Portland and our area are certainly worthy of a place in your library of local guidebooks.

Wine and Cheese with Cole and Sasha

The wine and cheese tasting paired with a book sale, occurred on Friday, December 3, 2010 with authors Cole Danehower and Sasha Davies. This fun event was greatly enjoyed by the 51 attendees. Cole and Sasha spoke about their respective industries in a very personal way, pointing out characteristics of the different local regions.

Both books provide not only educational material about NW wines and wineries or cheeses, but should also be considered a very useful guide when shopping the wine and cheese selections at your favorite market.

Forty books sold during the evening, with a net revenue of approximately \$1,000.

BLT Group (Bargains, Lunch & Talking)

2011: January 25—February 22—March 29—April 26—May 24.

Interested in leading BLT? Contact Anita Taylor.

SMA Board Transition Meeting 2011

Outgoing/Incoming Board Transition Meeting will be held on June 15, 2011. Location TBD.

All other monthly board meetings occur on the first Wednesday of each month, 4th Floor MacKenzie Hall, Dean's Office.

Jennifer Boyd Promoted

In the autumn of 2010, board member Jennifer Boyd was promoted as the Director of LCME (Liaison Committee on Medical Education) Accreditation for OHSU. Congratulations, Jennifer!

Anita Taylor Promoted

Board member and BLT leader Anita Taylor was recently promoted to Assistant Dean of Student Development. With her new duties, she is stepping down from the Board and BLT but will remain an active SMA member. Congratulations, Anita!

Fall Luncheon—October 12, 2010

The Fall Luncheon was held in the OHSU BICC Gallery on Tuesday, October 12, with 36 people attending. It was a wonderful opportunity to recognize four women for their valuable contributions to the BBB Project. Certificates of Appreciation were given to members Audrey Moses, Maxine Reinschmidt and Gwynn Dockery for their many years of service to the Blankets and Books for Babies Service Project.

Audrey was the project's book purchaser since suggesting in the early 1990's to include a book in the layette packet. Gwynn Dockery and Maxine Reinschmidt have been the quality control team for layette assembly for numerous years. They also color coordinate the outfit; hat, socks, flannel and knitted blankets for each layette. We are very fortunate that Maxine and Gwynn continue working with BBB in this capacity.

A fourth certificate was given to community volunteer Sharon

Fundraising: Arbonne Skin Care

The fabulous Arbonne product line is still available online to SMA members. Go to www.arbonne.com and use log-in code **18173376**. Arbonne will donate 35% of the total purchase price to the SMA!

Fundraising: Craft Sale

The SMA-sponsored craft sale at CHH raised \$662. It was wonderful to have Karmen Schmidt of Sophea Designs also a part of this event.

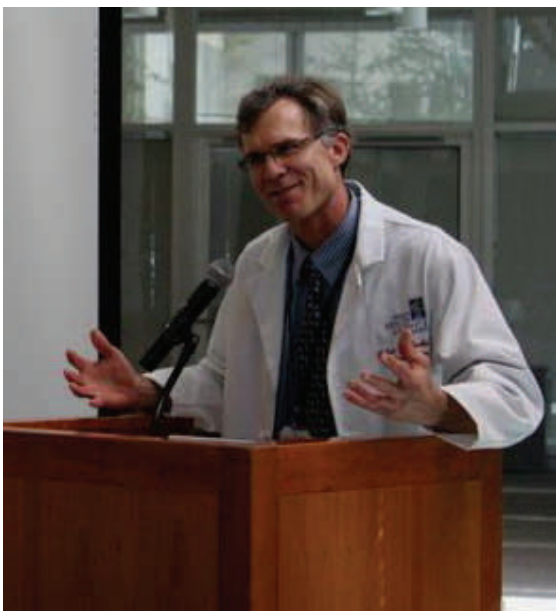
Fundraising: 2011 Valentine Chocolate Sale

The sale, generously supported by SMA membership, raised \$1,600. Special thanks to OHSU Hospital for allowing a table in the 9th floor corridor close to the gift shops, a strategic location that makes for successful sales numbers!

Burke who has sewn gowns or knitted blankets & caps since 1993. She is in the process of recruiting others to sew and knit and coordinating their activities for BBB.

Another 25th Anniversary highlight during the luncheon was a BBB retrospective Powerpoint presentation made by Kay Dawson. She reviewed the beginnings of the project, individuals and community groups involved, and the different clinics and programs that currently receive the BBB layettes.

Our speaker, Dr. Robert Schelonka, OHSU neonatologist and division head, talked about the challenges facing premature infants. Through his explanations we were able to fully understand how our gift of 15 milk warmers and 2 breast pumps would make such a significant impact on these very fragile babies and their families – in many cases the difference between a positive outcome or not.



Dr. Schelonka speaking at Fall Luncheon.



(L-R) Sarah McCarty, Audrey Moses, Maxine Reinschmidt, Kay Dawson, and Gwynn Dockery at a recent BBB layette packing session.

Interest Group Contacts 2010-2011

Movie Group – 1st Monday (Susan McAnulty)
AM Book Group – 2nd Tuesday (Eva MacLowry)
PM Book Group – 2nd Thursday (Joan Foley)
Garden Group – dates vary (Pam Anderson, Kim Beaudet and Leslie Brown)
Threads Group – 2nd Wednesday (Jean Morton)
Walking Group – Tuesdays and Thursdays at Forest Heights (Ellen Schwarz)
BLT – some variance in dates (TBD)
Gourmet Group – Bonnie Nuttall and Kay Dawson
Luncheons – Pam Anderson and Sally Hicks

Please refer to your SMA Directory for contact information.

Blankets & Books for Babies PACKING DATES

2011: January 24–March 28–May 23
9.30am for all dates. Contact Sarah McCarty for details.

May 2011

AM Book Group: Contact Eva MacLowry
PM Book Group: “Little Bee” by Chris Cleave

Thank you Contributors

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Upcoming Events / Notes

Spring Annual Meeting
Tuesday, May 3, 2011. Waverley Country Club.
11.30am–1.00pm

Attention Knitters! BBB Layette Distribution Resumes
Layettes will once again be distributed in the Mother/Baby Unit at OHSU Hospital! More knitters and packing day volunteers are needed so we are able to increase our layette numbers. Please get in touch with Jean Morton in regards to knitting and Kay Dawson or Sarah McCarty for packing day information.

HELP WANTED Seeking volunteers in a variety of capacities. If you have some time to help out, please phone / email Jodi Karr. With a bit of conversation, we'll determine the best fit. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Have an article, photo or item of interest for the SMA Newsletter? Contact Alisha Wang sma@ohsu.edu

Current Membership = 100

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