



# The Seattle Garden Club

Member of The Garden Club of America

## Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon

### and Club Flower Show

#### Thursday June 5, 2014 Seattle Tennis Club

11 am - Receiving Line to Greet New  
Provisionals and  
Flower Show Viewing

Noon - Annual Meeting, Awards and  
Luncheon

**PLEASE RESPOND YES OR NO  
BY MAY 26 TO :** Carol Eland,  
206-324-5414 or [caroleland@msn.com](mailto:caroleland@msn.com)

Non-subscribers to the Hostess Fund:  
Please confirm your reservation by sending  
a \$38 check payable to SGC to Carol Eland,  
1225 Shenandoah Dr. E., Seattle, WA 98112

#### Club Flower Show Seattle In Focus

##### *Images in Horticulture*

7 am to 9 am - Hort Passing

9 am - Charging of the Judges

9 am to 10:30 am - Judging

##### *Seattle in Focus, Floral Design*

7 am to 8:30 am - Floral Design Passing

8:30 am - Charging of the Judges

8:45 am to 10:45 am - Judging

##### *Seattle in Focus, Photography*

8:30 - Charging of the Judges

8:45 to 10:45 - Judging

11 am - Viewing of Horticulture, Floral Design and  
Photography entries

For additional information, visit the Members' area of our  
website [www.seattlegardenclub.org](http://www.seattlegardenclub.org) or contact:  
Sue Ashmun or Barbara Feasey, Floral Design Show Chairs  
Laurie Riley or Debbi Wilson, Hort Show Chairs  
Suzette de Turenne, Photography Show Chair

#### Events at a Glance

6/5/14 **Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon, Club Flower Show**, as noted above

6/9/14 **Camellia Pruning Session**, Washington Park Arboretum, 10:30 am - Noon

6/12/14 **Incoming/Outgoing Board Meeting**, Sunset Club, 10 am - 1 pm

6/19/14 **Auction Event: Zoo Horticulture Tour and Lunch.**

6/25/14 **Auction Event: Zoo Behind the Scenes Tour**

**For More SGC Information and a Calendar of Events, Click on our Website:**  
[www.seattlegardenclub.org](http://www.seattlegardenclub.org)



## From the President

Another wonderful Seattle Garden Club year has come and almost gone, and it feels bittersweet. Being at the helm of this interesting and capable group of women has been more fun than I would have imagined. I have been blessed with an exceptional and hardworking board. What they accomplished in a short nine months was inspiring.

For our finale, we will gather at The Seattle Tennis Club on June 5 for the Annual Meeting and Luncheon. It will include our Club Show representing the disciplines of floral design, horticulture and photography and promises to be a fun event. Traditionally, this occasion attracts many of our Sustaining and Honorary Life Members whom we don't get to see as often, which adds to the fun and excitement of the day!

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you. It has been a privilege and an honor to be your President. Marilee Ahalt, as President Elect, will succeed me. She has been very supportive and helpful this past year, and I am confident in her ability to lead us skillfully into next year.

Most Sincerely,  
*Catherine Parker, Club President*

### Summary of Actions: Meeting of the Governing Board of the Seattle Garden Club, Thursday, April 3, 2014, Sunset Club

- MOTION to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2014, Board Meeting as distributed was seconded and approved.
- MOTION to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2014, Annual Business Meeting as distributed was seconded and approved.
- MOTION to authorize the Finance Committee to determine the size of an increase to Dues and/or Meeting Arrangement Fees necessary to balance the SGC budget, commencing with the 2014-2015 fiscal year; such fees/dues increases shall not exceed \$50 per annum, per member, was seconded and approved.
- MOTION to approve the Provisional candidates was seconded and approved.
- MOTION to approve the second-year Provisionals becoming active members of the Seattle Garden Club was seconded and approved.
- MOTION to approve the By-Law revisions proposed by the Policy & Planning Committee was seconded and approved by email.

### Visiting Gardens News



#### Exploring Indochina January 23 - February 10, 2015

Please contact me if you would like the itinerary for this trip. In order to be placed on the wait list, an interested member should fill out the Application form and the Terms and Conditions form, which I have and can send to you.

You will then send the forms, but not the deposit, to Tina Semenaza, 1 Irving Place P26B, New York, NY 10003. Wait list position will be determined by the postmark date on the envelope that contains the two completed forms, as well as specific room availability (single or double). Call if you have further questions.

*Burnley Snyder, Visiting Gardens Chair*  
206-364-2720, [lottie7@aol.com](mailto:lottie7@aol.com)

# Ways and Means Featured Outing

## Join us! Have Fun and Support Community Projects!

### Art Class, Gardens and Festive Lunch, August 14

Artist Gayle Harris will guide us in a class to create our own sculpted leaf, garden art to take home (typically a \$75+ value for the class, in and of itself). Enjoy being creative and be inspired by two lovely gardens (those of Gayle and Karen Simmonds). A festive lunch will be served at Gayle's. \$110/person



**Interested? Contact Suzette de Turenne @ 206-524-9042 or [sdeturenne@comcast.net](mailto:sdeturenne@comcast.net)**



*Eve Rickenbaker directed the Herbarium Flower Pressing and Lunch for lucky SGC participants*



*Diana Neely, Carlyn Steiner, Catherine Parker and Catherine Roach enjoy the Board Cocktail Party. What delicious fare!*



## East Montlake Park

The dogwood are in full bloom and looking wonderful! Take a few minutes and visit East Montlake Park on one of these beautiful days. We will continue to cut horsetails and maintain it over the summer so watch for emails. Thank you for all of your continued support.

*Sue Blethen*



**Precious Planet**

## GCA Goes Green

The good green news from the Flower Show Committee is that they have created a new opportunity for GCA members to display their flower arranging talents AND promote conservation! The Committee constructed a most amusing sample green flower show. Set in a recycling center, encouraging donations of used tin cans and with a Club President named Carbona Footprint, the show has a light hearted touch. Division I Flower Arranging promotes using eco-friendly paint on backdrops, nudges exhibitors to use LED lighting and awards 20 points for recyclable or locally grown materials.

The Classes have a whimsical touch. There's an underwater design class requiring water conservation (Class consultant is Leakey Tapp), another class asks for arrangements that save electricity and energy. One class called "Cancel the Catalogues" gives the site where you register to cancel junk mail. The horticulture section of the sample show carries on in the same humorous vein. There are, however, informative Sustainable Garden Practices put together by GCA's Conservation Committee. They include suggestions about growing locally, avoiding pesticides and even using recyclable display cards! For traditional flower show devotees, rest assured that the standard Garden Club of America's rules and guidelines, so carefully tuned, are still present in this example of combining flower arranging and conservation.

*Carey Davis*



**Precious Planet**



## The Hort Report

What better note on which to end the year's Horticulture meetings than with a walk through Azalea Way with its array of blooming color! It should have been dubbed, "Rainbow Sherbet Road," with purples, pinks, oranges and white blossoms as far as the eye could see. Candace Lancaster's Provisional presentation on the history of Azalea Way came alive as we strolled the distance, trying to imagine the horse races and skid road atmosphere of previous Seattle generations. We reap the benefits of Seattle's visionaries who set aside this oasis, with the help of the Seattle Garden Club's 1934 grant of \$3,000 to fund the Olmsted design of the Arboretum. A special highlight that Candace brought to our attention was *Quercus rober* 'Concordia,' an Oak, which had just burst into spring green leaf.

The Horticulture Committee met on May 8 to discuss this year's allocation of Memberships and Contributions, listed for 2013-14 on page F-6 of our Yearbook. There was a strong recommendation from the SGC Board to allocate \$500 towards the Save the Redwoods from the \$3,000 total amount. This action was approved, thereby distributing \$100 to all other recipients, except for the UWBG Rare Plant Care, which will remain at \$200. We felt that our continued relationship with the UWBG was deserving of the extra \$100 that remained from our redistribution of funds. The grant to BBG was reinstated, having been removed last year as a recipient of an SGC Community Projects grant.

The last order of business was to discuss the various topics for next year's Provisional talks. Deborah Cheadle, our upcoming Horticulture Chair, led the discussion. Deborah and Charlee Reed recently guided the Provisionals in selecting topics for their talks, to be announced in our Yearbook.

One reminder is the Camellia pruning opportunity in the Arboretum on Monday, June 9 at 10:30 am.

Happy Summer! Happy Gardening!

*Catherine Allan, Horticulture Chair*



*Eve Rickenbaker and Jo Anne Rosen present Hort Share's glorious peonies*



*Strolling Azalea way are Karen Simmonds, Phoebe Andrew (background), Candace Lancaster and Catherine Allan*



*Carolyn Kitchell, BJ Anderson, Debbi Smith and Noreen Frink delight in the spring display*

## Shirley Meneice Horticulture Conference Coming to Seattle!

Hold onto your Hort Hats, Seattle! The Shirley Meneice Conference is coming in September 2015! Seattle was selected from among several U.S. cities last summer to be the host for the annual GCA Horticulture Conference. It has been fondly named the Shirley Meneice Horticulture Conference to honor Shirley, a member of the Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club. She'll be 92 years young in 2015!

The SMHC will be in Louisville, Kentucky this fall where several SGC members will be scrutinizing procedures. It means much more to us than casual participation this time around!

Stay tuned for the next SMC report in the September newsletter.

*Catherine Allan, Shirley Meneice Horticulture Conference Chair, 2015*

## GCA Spring Meetings



*Marilee Ahalt and Vicki Reed at the GCA Annual Meeting in New Orleans*



*Catherine Parker, Debby Smith, Iris Wagner and Marilee Ahalt at the Zone XII Meeting in Pasadena*

## Fragrance Garden News

What a delightful sight to see the new and improved NHS Hall garden this morning! We met our landscape designer/contractor Anne Kennedy, and her crew: Taber, Amy, and Fernando. They had cleaned out the bed and salvaged plants for UWBG, which revealed the long hidden beauty of the large structural boulders. The crew spread fresh compost and planted some of the large shrubs. Our SGC Work Party volunteers, Marianne Kitchell, Laurie Riley, Megan Smith and Debby Smith, worked in the larger areas of the Fragrance Garden: weeding, cutting back and spreading mulch. The concrete containers are lush with a conical Rosemary, Heliotrope, Campanula, Salvia. It was a sunny warm day, perfect for sharing an enjoyable task with friends in a peaceful place.

Please visit the garden and see for yourself.

*Debbi Wilson, Fragrance Garden Chair*



*Fernando, Tabor, Anne and Amy refurbish the Fragrance Garden*

## Notice of Bylaw Revisions of The Seattle Garden Club

A vote on the following proposed bylaw revisions will occur at the June 5 Annual Meeting

Please refer to pages B-12 and B-13 of our Yearbook. Black ink represents current bylaw and red ink and/or parentheses represent proposed change to bylaw.

### ARTICLE VI GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

~~Section 1. Annual Meeting. There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Members, on a date to be specified....~~

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**Section 2. Quorum.** [deleted in its entirety]

**Section 2. General Business Meeting.** Annually, there shall be a Business Meeting of the Membership. The General Business Meeting shall be in lieu of the General Meeting in the month in which it is held.

~~Section 3. General Meetings. There shall be monthly General Meetings of all Members unless otherwise directed by the President.~~

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**Section 4. Robert's Rules of Order.** (All meetings of SGC and of the Governing Board shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order..)

**Section 4. Quorum.** There shall be a Quorum at any meeting of the Membership in order for any vote(s) taken by the Membership to be valid. A quorum.....[continuing with remainder of original Sec. 2]

**New:**

**Section 5. Robert's Rules of Order.** All meetings of the Membership shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order.

**The Membership Committee is pleased to announce our second-year Provisionals graduating into active status:**

**Diana Ackerley  
Candace Lancaster  
Lindsay Price  
Megan Smith**

**We are also pleased to welcome four new Provisionals:**

**Kim Bishop (Kim Lyford)**

Kim is a multiple SGC legacy having grown up in Seattle. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Construction and MBA from the UW. She is currently continuing her education by taking classes in Horticulture, Master Gardeners and Master Pruners Programs. She is involved in the gardening world, serving at U Prep as the Container Gardener Chairman; Life Member of the American Rhododendron Society; and Landscape Design has been a long time hobby. She is very 'tech savvy,' a videographer and an avid photographer with a keen interest in conservation and horticulture. Also, she is treasurer of the PTA Board at U Prep, has been on the Henry Gallery Board, Sam supporter/past Board Member and is involved in other organizations. Kim is a team player, organized, dependable, knowledgeable and will thrive on the learning environment our Club offers.

**Caroline Hazard Goedhard (Mrs. James L.)**

Caroline is a GCA legacy having grown up in Rhode Island. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering and Business at the UW. She also received an MBA from Kellogg. She lives above Lake Sammamish where she has developed formal gardens around the house including a beautiful perennial garden and her husband tends to 150 Chardonnay grapevines. She served four years as President of the Colonial Dames and is now the Region I Vice-President on the National Society of Columbia Dames Board. She has also had many roles in the Sunset Club. Caroline has considerable plant knowledge in Horticulture and has been described as very conscientious, organized, knowledgeable and willing to put the time and energy into whatever she takes on.

**Catherine Sherry Mueller (Mrs. Christopher)**

Catherine is a SGC & GCA legacy having grown up in the Seattle area. She attended SPU followed by studies at the Fashion Institute of Technology. She worked as a manufacturers representative as a buyer, has been a sales executive and recently retired but has been busy remodeling, as well as renovating her garden. She has an interest in Floral Design, Horticulture and Conservation. Catherine and her husband have been active in fundraising at Epiphany School and Seattle Academy of Arts & Science where their son attends Junior High School. She likes to be involved in activities, is responsible, enthusiastic and will bring organizational and leadership skills to our Club.

**Delphine Dove Stevens (Mrs. Charles)**

Delphine is British by birth but is an American citizen as well. She has lived in Medina for over twenty years and has three children. She is a lawyer by training and an active participant in the organizations of which she has been a part. She has been involved with ARCS, the Seattle Opera Board, St. Thomas Church Vestry and the Sunset Club. She has been a member of Twigs unit of the Arboretum since 1995 and is a 'hands on' gardener in her own beautiful garden design and plant selection. Delphine has great gardening knowledge and ideas. While living in Japan she enjoyed classes in Ikebana. She has been described as an amazing leader, delightful, capable and well-liked individual.

**Please come meet and greet our new class of Provisional Members at the Annual Meeting! Special thanks to the Sponsors, Co-Sponsors and the Membership Committee Members.**



## Photography

We will display our "Favorite Summer Photos" again this year at a general meeting in the fall. So, keep that in mind when you are shooting family gatherings, beautiful gardens, and traveling.

*Juliet Romano, Photography Chair Nominee*



*Photographers gather at the pig for the spring field trip to Pike Place Market*

## Garden History and Design Hot off the Press!

The new 2014 Garden History Book will be presented at the annual meeting on June 5. You may review it and order a copy for yourself. This book features 13 of our members and their gardens. You may also purchase copies of the 2010 and 2012 books at that time. Purchased books will be available at the picnic in the fall.

*Mary Turner and Deborah Cheadle*

Wisteria woke me this morning,  
And there was all June in the garden;  
I felt them, early, warning  
Lest I miss any part of the day.

Straight I walked to the trellis vine.  
Wisteria touched a lifted nostril:  
Feelings of beauty diffused, to entwine  
My spirit with June's own aura.

*Ann McGough, Summons*

## Gardener's Corner



### Reminders for June

- Pruning, controlling slugs, dividing perennials, planting vegetables and eliminating weeds head the list of things to do in June.
- Watch for mildew, aphids and black spot on roses.
- Prune rhodies, azaleas, camellias, lilacs, forsythia after blooming, but then you knew that.
- Transplant starts of heat-loving tomatoes, peppers, squash and cucumbers. Wait until last part of month before planting basil.
- Continue fertilizing bedding plants and annuals. Do not fertilize culinary herbs.

### Thoughts for July and August

- Avoid using fertilizers in hot, dry weather. You knew that too.
- July and August are the best times to take cuttings of evergreens such as rhodies, azaleas, junipers, camellias and heather to name a few. Take cuttings from mature tip growth, 3 to 6 inches in length. Remove lower leaves, dip the cut end into a rooting hormone and plant in Vermiculite type substance, or a top quality potting soil.
- Water lawns deeply and early in the morning, approximately one inch every 5 to 6 days per week to keep looking nice.
- Deadhead to promote longer flowering period for both annuals and perennials.
- If you're looking for something else to do (!) August is a good month to select and plant crocus bulbs (they say!).

Sit back and enjoy your colorful, gorgeous garden, which you have earned!

*Janet Footh*

## Looking Ahead to the Summer and Next Season!

7/11/14 **Auction Event:** Clamming at Mary Jane Anderson's

7/24/14 **Auction Event:** Dan Hinkley's Garden Tour & Lunch

8/14/14 **Auction Event:** Art Class, Gardens and Festive Lunch

9/18/14 **September Picnic on Bainbridge Island.** Garden Tours at Homes in and around the Country Club and Lunch at Sheila Noonan's Family Home

9/19/14 **Auction Event:** Birding--We Go Where the Birds go!

12/4/14 **Holiday Luncheon and Auction,** The Sunset Club



**Have a glorious summer in the garden!**

### GCA Encourages Use of Email

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