



The Seattle Garden Club

Member of The Garden Club of America

Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon

and Club Flower Show

Thursday June 6, 2013

Broadmoor Golf Club

11 am - Receiving Line for New Provisionals
and Flower Show Viewing

Noon - Annual Meeting, Awards and
Luncheon

PLEASE RESPOND YES OR NO

BY MAY 31 TO : Carol Eland,
206-324-5414 or caroleland@msn.com

Non-subscribers to the Hostess Fund:
Please confirm your reservation by sending a
\$40 check payable to SGC to Carol Eland,
1225 Shenandoah Dr. E., Seattle, WA 98112

Club Flower Show

In Tune with Horticulture

7 am to 9 am - Hort Passing

9:15 am - Charging of the Judges

9:30 am to 10:45 am - Judging

11 am - Member Viewing

A Symphony of Flowers

7 am to 8:30 am - Floral Design Passing

8:30 am - Charging of the Judges

8:45 am - 10:45 am - Judging

11 am - Member Viewing

For additional information, visit the Members' area of our
website www.seattlegardenclub.org or contact:

Barbara Feasey, Floral Design Show Chair,

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Laurie Riley or Debbi Wilson, Hort Show Chairs,

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Events at a Glance

- 6/2/13 **Auction Event: Olympus Luxury Cocktail Cruise**
- 6/4/13 **Weeding Party at East Montlake Park**, Contact Sue Blethen, 10 am - Noon
- 6/5/13 **Weeding Party at East Montlake Park**, Contact Sue Blethen, 10 am - Noon
- 6/6/13 **Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon, Club Flower Show**, as noted above
- 6/10/13 **Auction Event: Cisco Morris Garden Tour**
- 6/12/13 **Introduction to the Judging Program**, Carol Henderson's, 10 am - Noon
- 6/13/13 **Incoming/Outgoing Board Meeting**, Sunset Club, 10 am - 1 pm
- 6/14/13 **Auction Event: San Juan Island with Eleanor Nolan**
- 6/18/13 **Auction Event: Whidbey Island Artsy Lunch and Garden Tour**
- 6/24/13 **Auction Event: Clam Digging and Lunch with Mary Jane Anderson**
- 6/26/13 **Auction Event: SGC Board Cocktail Party at Diana Neely's**

For More SGC Information and a Calendar of Events, Click on our Website:
www.seattlegardenclub.org



From the President

I remember a beautiful, sunny, October Sunday afternoon meeting with Carol Eland, Juliet Romano and others to begin planning for the Iris Wagner Conservation Lecture. The seeds that were planted that day blossomed into an important civic gathering at the Seattle Aquarium with Peter Seligman leading us in a conversation on the connections between all living things on our fragile planet. As part of our nonprofit status we are tasked with outreach to our community, and this exemplified that purpose. Please join me in thanking Carol and Juliet for all their perseverance and hard work. Bravo Ladies!

We will gather on June 6 to celebrate the year at our Annual Meeting and Luncheon. We will welcome new provisionals and active members, watch a video of the year's events and congratulate recipients of this year's awards. Be sure to take time to view the Floral Design Show, "A Symphony of Flowers," and Horticulture Show, "In Tune with Horticulture." A big thank you to the chairs, committee and exhibitors.

Eight Board meetings, ten General meetings, seven Horticulture meetings, countless committee meetings, work parties, cups of coffee, walks and phone calls all go into the making of a Seattle Garden Club Year. As President, I attended many, but by no means all of these meetings and gatherings. My intention was to provide some guidance and counseling, and then trust that members would do the work that needed to be done. I was not disappointed! This has been an exceptional Board, which provided the leadership and motivation that gave us all a terrific year full of exciting programs, flower shows and activities. I was honored to be your President this year and am thankful for the opportunity.

Taking a line from Laurie Riley's last newsletter last year: I am thrilled to pass the gavel on to my capable friend, Cathy Parker. Good luck and have fun.

Laurie Ahern, Club President

East Montlake Park

Native Plantings are doing well; the dogwoods are gorgeous; and many visitors are enjoying the warm weather as they stroll our paths and watch the boaters.

New additions: two small native *Rhododendron occidentali* that Catherine Allen located at the Rhododendron Species Garden. These were purchased from previously donated funds.

Weeding is needed to keep the horsetails at bay. Our technique is to break or cut them to about 4" tall so the roots utilize their energy trying to keep those stems viable. With persistence, they should weaken while our other native plants grow more vigorous. Does anyone have a good idea for combating morning glory?

Weeding Work Parties
Tuesday, June 4 and
Wednesday, June 5
10-12 each day



Please contact Sue Blethen if you can join in! It is fun to work with old and new friends!
sueblethen@hotmail.com 206 930-0129

Update on In Tune with Horticulture Club Flower Show, June 6, 2013

Summertime is coming...

Without your participation, our Show could be an *off key melody*. Here's how to *Stay in Tune*....

Go online to the Seattle Garden Club website, click on the Horticulture Schedule Logo on the front page. Read the Schedule (Program) for ideas.

Do you have a favorite flower that will be in bloom at the time of the Show? Three plants from the same family? A Potted specimen? Each Class has a Consultant who is waiting to answer any of your questions.

Let's make a *symphony* of colors, combinations, textures and aromas! Bring one, bring many, but come with your garden delights and all that jazz.

Need details? Call or email Laurie Riley, laurieriley@msn.com, or Debbi Wilson, jwilson803@comcast.net.

The Membership Committee is pleased to announce our Provisionals graduating into active status:

Susan Ashmun
Sue Brickman
Peggy-Paige Most
Barbara Peterson
Sarah Robinson
Suzy Titcomb
Roxanne Wiley

We are also pleased to welcome our new Provisionals:

Karen Simmonds (Mrs. Mark John Gilbert)

Karen was a partner of K & L Gates along with being quite involved in many community organizations and boards: Dunn Gardens, Campfire, University Prep, adjunct faculty at both the University of Washington and Seattle University and President of International Wine and Food Society. She is retiring from K & L Gates so she can spend more time actively gardening on her 1+ acre of land.

Joanna "Jolie" Roze (Mrs. Gatis Roze)

Jolie has enjoyed garden tours, floral design and photography classes for years. She has a lovely garden on Mercer Island. She has held executive positions with the Mercer Island Lacrosse Team, Mercer Island Arts Council, PTSA, SAMS, Kansas State Historical Society, the San Francisco Ballet Auxiliary, and a PNB STARS founder. Jolie is a prize-winning published author (*Pioneer Women: Voices from the Kansas Frontier*). A recent "empty nester," Jolie now has more time to pursue her interest in gardening, floral design and photography.

Edith "Edie" Tenneson (Mrs. John T. Tenneson III)

Edie has designed and planted two of her own gardens. Edie served on the Sequim Bay Point Board overseeing homeowner property maintenance, including garden upkeep. Edie spent several years volunteering at Hopelink, was a Windermere real estate agent, and helped a Bellevue senior class restore and plant drought tolerant plants at the school. Her creativity and life skills extend from the garden to the kitchen and out on the water. She and her husband are in the process of restoring a sailboat. She is the new daughter-in-law of Barbara Pringle.

Jill Crutcher (Mrs. James Crutcher)

Jill is an active gardener, which includes a newly installed vegetable garden in her new home (Barbie Crutcher's previous home). Jill worked in the banking industry until the birth of her first child. She now has one high school age child at home. Jill has many leadership skills and is a computer whiz. She is tremendously creative and artistic.

And New Transfers:

Eve Rickenbaker

Eve moved to Seattle almost 2 years ago from Savannah, Georgia, where she was a member of the Trustees' Garden Club. She graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point. She received a degree from the University of Georgia in Horticulture. She cycled across the United States from Boston to Seattle and has hiked the entire Appalachian Trail from Maine to Georgia. She is now taking classes at the UW and works at the Herbarium at CUH.

Stacy King (Mrs. Doug King)

Stacy move to Seattle from St. Louis where she was a member of the St. Louis Garden Club. She moved here with her husband who became the new Director of the Museum of Flight in Seattle. Stacy is originally from Austin, Texas. Aside from her interest in gardening, she was the founder and president of two companies: BB Exhibits, which developed and managed exhibits at companies and museums, and S-King Collection of Fine Jewelry and Accessories. Before that she was a couture buyer for Neiman Marcus.

April General Meeting and Photography Show



Photo buddies JoAnne Rosen, Noreen Frink and Mary Turner enjoy themselves



Carol Eland and Diana Neely greet the guests with a smile



Catherine Parker studies the show

Community Projects

- The Community Projects Committee is already receiving requests for grant applications due November 30, 2013.
- We are building a reservoir of ideas for appropriate projects to consider and an agenda for next year's Committee. SGC members learn of potential projects through written publications and members' affiliations.
- They illuminate the broad spectrum of needs for funding that may fit SGC criteria.

• SGC gave \$37,300 to worthy projects this year. We welcome and encourage proposals from throughout our community, often referred by SGC members. In concluding as Community Projects Chair I offer my most sincere appreciation for the thorough work of the committee on behalf of the SGC membership.

- One last update: Many have mentioned not being able to locate the Lookout in the Washington Arboretum. While walking on Mother's Day, Charlie and I stumbled upon it and can confirm that major work on the funded restoration of the Lookout is well under way. It can be found within the construction fence at the north end of the Pacific Rim project. Its opening will be a wonderful event! Stay tuned!

Eleanor Nolan, Community Projects Chair

Conservation Condensations

- "Green" Ladies' Rooms use paper towels. A recent M.I.T. study gives paper towels a better overall energy-use grade than heated electric hand dryers (though not the Dyson Airblade). More energy is used to heat the dryers, which then creates more CO2 emissions. So, use your linen towels at home; choose paper when out and about.

- Little "Sweet Alyssum" lining your pathways attracts more pollinators than any other plant. Fragrantly, sturdily blooming, they are small, easy conservation stars!

- Jane Goodall, U.N. Messenger of Peace, encourages children to become conservationists on her website "rootsandshoots.org." As well, her new book *Seeds of Hope* embraces the leafy world: "There would be no chimpanzees without plants--nor human beings either." Small shrubs, large trees, veggies and flowers all contribute to our health as well as a healthy planet.

- Summer heat reminds us of Arctic Ice Melt. While CO2 is the biggest contributor to Arctic climate change, second on the list is "Black Carbon." Diesel fuel, used to power vehicles in the Arctic, creates Black Carbon. The "soot" of this carbon warms the air and accelerates melting of snow and ice. Black carbon lingers in the atmosphere for mere days or weeks (unlike 100 years for CO2). We could slow Arctic warming by two-thirds in the next 30 years using current available reduction strategies. Clean, renewable energy is an achievable product.

- Here's good news: Energy efficiency policies, plus increased use of natural gas and renewables, work. The United States carbon dioxide emissions from the Energy Sector are at their lowest levels since 1994. Let's keep our voices raised—and our power needs lowered--for more of the same!

Devotedly Green,

Hotie Hard, Conservation Chair

Greetings from the GCA 2018 Annual Meeting Steering Committee

Yes, it does take 5 years to plan such an event!

We would appreciate your input in a few areas.

Committee Assignments: Each club in Zone XII will be asked to make three choices from the list of committees needed for a GCA Annual Meeting (see Annual Meeting Handbook- the handbook is on the website).

The goal is to involve each and every club in some aspect of the meeting. We acknowledge that the Bay Area clubs, by necessity, will carry a bit more “hands on” responsibility for events. Also, you may not get your first choice of choices submitted.

Theme: Members are encouraged to submit ideas of a theme for the meeting by October 30. In late summer we will distribute previous Annual Meeting themes and other guidelines we may have. The theme should reflect Zone XII, our diversity and breadth, not just San Francisco.

Logo and Scarf Design: We will solicit submissions from members following choice of theme in the fall.

Communications: Expect to hear from the committee on a regular basis as plans develop, but in the first few years communication will be pleasantly spaced.

Please contact me with any questions, thoughts or concerns: igarden@comcast.net

Iris Wagner, GCA 2018 Annual Meeting Committee Member

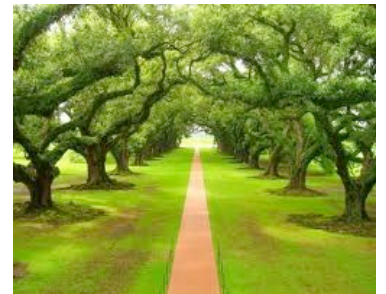
Garden Club of America Centennial Celebrates Trees

“Trees are safer than the stars,” wrote the Oregonian poet William Stafford. Perhaps that is what the GCA’s Centennial Committee believed when they created the Centennial Tree Project that would honor GCA’s 100th birthday and also leave a legacy for the next century.

Back in 2005 this Committee announced the chance to be part of this year’s celebration by planting, or discovering or rescuing a tree. Since then over 22,000 trees were planted or saved or hybridized in 200 plus communities. Seattle Garden Club has its own pictures and stories about our efforts to plant the *Thuja plicata* (western red cedar) and *Amelanchier alnifolia* (serviceberry).

Other clubs collaborated with schools or outside groups to save trees in parks, land preserves and on city streets, and some tried to propagate disease resistant trees. Oak was the most popular species. They are as different as the pineapple guava to the sassafras to the American elm. Some trees have such lovely lyrical names--such as carolina silverbell, white owl juniper, winter king hawthorn and bitternut hickory--that you’d think the poet himself named them. No doubt, Stafford whose makeup was more bark-like than skin is celebrating with us today as we look forward to 200 years underneath the protection of trees.

Carey Davis



Dues Notice

Look for your dues notice in June. This will also be your opportunity to update or change your listing in the Yearbook as it relates to name, address, phone, cell phone or email address.

Sheila Noonan, Treasurer

Floral Design

Prudence Hammett came up from Bend, Oregon, to lead a workshop for some of our newer members on May 7th at CUH. She gave a fabulous power point presentation covering the three classes of our "A Symphony of Flowers" Show to be held June 6th. She inspired and encouraged the participants in their floral designs with her amazing passion for and knowledge of floral design.

Please contact Barbara Feasey, (Flower Show Chairperson), barbarafeasey@yahoo.com, if you have any questions about the Show and Marilee Ahalt (Registration), marilee.ahalt@gmail.com, if you would like to register for a class!



FA 201 Workshop for Contemporary Design

September 20, 2013

Who is invited: all members of SGC (except accredited Floral Design Judges) and Tacoma and Portland Garden Club members

Spaces: 20 (we already have 6 signups)

Cost: \$195 (includes materials and lunch)

Time and location forthcoming

Please sign up with Debby Smith, barleyanddeb@yahoo.com

Please send checks made out to Marilee Ahalt to Marilee: 9204 SE 57th St., Mercer Island, WA 980409

Hort Report

We learned more than expected and enjoyed each Provisional's presentation on the subject of trees this past year. Reflecting on a seasonal calendar of horticultural talks and walks, covering the topic of trees from native, champion, botany of, winter interest, street, folkloric and fruit trees, we are looking in depth at this mundane subject with renewed interest. Thank you to the class of 2013 for your good research!

We'll look forward to more talks on the subject of trees in 2013-14 with four Provisionals in the class of 2014. April afforded an enjoyable and relaxing walk through the Bellevue Botanical Garden before the bulldozers arrived to begin the year-and-a-half renovation project, to which we contributed. The new changes will be exciting to observe and enjoy for future use.

Following the May Hort meeting, the Hort Committee met to review our yearly "Project and Charitable" contributions. Please refer to Page F-3 in the Yearbook for our current recipients. New groups were added and some former ones deleted to stay within our financial limitations. Next year's revisions will be in print and distributed at the September picnic in next year's Yearbook.

A new outline for future volunteer work in the Fragrance Garden was approved to present before the UWBG Curation Committee. Debby Wilson will meet with the Curation Committee in June to present a plan and define jobs between the SGC and the UWBG. Lastly, Betty Paul offered to delegate the hospitality segment of our Monday Horticulture Meetings and asked committee members to help organize a specific meeting date. If one of our Hort Committee Members happens to call, please help us. Everyone's participation makes it easier for all.

Here's to another educational and energetic year of horticultural endeavors!

Catherine Allan, Hort Chair



Sponsors Carol Henderson and Pru Hammett with Peggy-Paige Most following her May Provisional talk on fruit trees

GCA Annual Meeting

I want to thank the Seattle Garden Club for sending me as a delegate to the Garden Club of America Annual Meeting held in Philadelphia. The fact that the 100th anniversary was being celebrated made it even more special. Putting faces to all those famous names we read in the Bulletin was exciting, and of course everyone's friendliness and charm made even someone from Seattle feel special.

We attended 2 business meetings, a delegates' workshop, and two dinners including the Medal Awards' Program (Gala) the last evening. One thing that impressed me the most was hearing from Dr. Christian Samper, President and CEO of the Wildlife Conservation Society, about the fact that he had received a fellowship from the GCA as a young man early in his career. This later inspired him and his wife to set up their own foundation fellowships to other young people in this field. The ripple effect of GCA's wisdom and generosity is truly inspiring. It makes one proud to be a member of this wonderful organization.

Traveling to New York City after the meeting, I was able to see and photograph the 10,000 narcissus, which were part of the Founders' Fund project to restore a two-acre site in Central Park to celebrate the Centennial.

Mary Turner, SGC Annual Meeting Delegate



Gardener's Corner

Reminders for June

- Weed, water, deadhead.
- Slugs are out in full force now. Take charge! Early control will reduce the population of slugs before they have a chance to reproduce.
- Prune Rhodies/Azaleas/Camellias/Lilacs/Forsythia after blooming. (You knew that.)
- Plant warm weather vegetables: corn, beans, peppers, tomatoes, squash, pumpkins, basil.
- Apply organic mulch around plants to reduce watering and weeding time.
- Fertilize container-grown plants at regular intervals. Move houseplants outdoors for cleaning, grooming, repotting and summer growth.
- Thin apple and pear trees.
- Water lawn deeply, or let go dormant and water just once a month. Avoid using fertilizers in hot, dry weather. Keep mower blades sharp.
- Keep hummingbird feeders clean and filled. Wash thoroughly before each refill to prevent mold. (Recipe: one part sugar to four parts water)
- Enjoy the summer months and the fabulous garden you've made!

Janet Footh

Ways and Means

Whidbey Art and Garden Tour Tuesday, June 18

Cary Jurriaans and Laurie Riley would like to include more people on this fun event. Visit Cary's Fine Art Studio, followed by lunch and tour of Cheryl Kamera's special island garden. Transportation via carpool, to arrive on Whidbey at approximately 11:30 am.

\$50/Person

SGC Cocktail Party

Wednesday June 26, 6 pm

Hosted by the SGC Board at the beautiful home and garden of Diana Neely

Spouses and friends welcome - \$75/person

To make your reservation for these events, please contact: Suzette de Turenne, sdeturenne@comcast.net or 206-524-9042



Jane Harder, Barbie Snapp, Shelley Rolfe, Suzette de Turenne and Laurie Riley on the Vendovi Island Day Trip

Looking Ahead to our Next Season!

9/19/13 September Picnic, Hope Stroble's Home

9/20/13 Floral Design 201 Workshop

12/5/13 Holiday Luncheon and Auction, The Sunset Club

Have a glorious summer in the garden!



Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?

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Thou art more lovely and more temperate.
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
And summer's lease hath all too short a date.
Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines,
And often is his gold complexion dimmed;
And every fair from fair sometime declines,
By chance, or nature's changing course, untrimmed;
But thy eternal summer shall not fade,
Nor lose possession of that fair thou ow'st,
Nor shall death brag thou wand'rest in his shade,
When in eternal lines to Time thou grow'st.

So long as men can breathe, or eyes can see,
So long lives this, and this gives life to thee.

William Shakespeare, Sonnet 18

GCA Encourages us to Use Email

If you currently receive this newsletter via U.S. Mail and would like to receive it via email, please contact me. We are happy to reduce waste and expenses, in keeping with GCA policies. Thank you!

Jenny Wyatt, Communications Chair

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