

MARCH GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, March 20, 2008

Nobuko Relnik of Sogetsu Ikebana in Woodinville
will be our speaker

Center for Urban Horticulture
9:30 coffee, 10:00 program

Guests are welcome.

Respond by Monday, March 17
to Catherine Roach at tcroach@comcast.net or 206-325-5581

Penny Horne had to cancel her trip to Seattle. There will be no afternoon workshop.



EcoTips



Americans buy 140 billion gallons of gas for their cars each year. Here are some ways to cut down on your gas consumption and do your part to help save our planet:

1. Get the smallest car that you can live with. Don't buy a four-wheel-drive car unless you really need it.
2. Watch your speed; cars use lots less gas at 50 mph than at 70 mph.
3. Use your cruise control and avoid quick starts and screeching stops.
4. Avoid long engine warm-ups (today's cars don't need them) and shut off your engine if idling for more than three minutes.
5. Keep your car free from all extra weight. Remove roof racks if possible if not using for a while. Empty your trunk and back seat (except for your canvas bags of course!) Every pound counts.
6. Good maintenance: change air filters regularly, and have spark plugs checked and replaced when needed. Keep tires properly inflated.
7. Once again – consolidate your errands and cut back on driving. Carpool or walk whenever possible.

Every little bit each of us can do helps.

Board Briefs

- Community Projects submitted a request from South Lake Union Park for a Planter Boat approximately 100' x 20'.
- Eleanor Nolan will chair the Wagner Fund Event in Spring 2009.
- Patsy Pattison will be working with Nikki Whittle to update our website.



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings, SGC Members

Are you noticing the longer days? It's a great seasonal change to have the days lengthening. More sunshine is just around the corner. Crocus flowers are bursting out and daffodils are beginning to wake up from winter. In the Fragrance Garden, the charming white Snowdrops are in bloom at the entrance to UWBG.

At the February Board Meeting, the Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers to serve on the SGC Governing Board.

For one year, 2008-2009:

President-Elect

Hope Stroble

For one year, 2009-2010:

President

Hope Stroble

For two years, 2008-2010:

Horticulture

Debbi Wilson

Meeting Arrangements

Jane Harder

Recording Secretary

Betty Paul

Ways and Means

Carlyn Steiner

Continuing for 2008-2009:

Club Communications

Burnley Snyder

Community Projects

Judy Philllips

Membership

Peggy Wilton

Policy and Planning

Laurie Riley

Program

Sherrill Elliott



Our appreciation goes to Iris Wagner, Chairman and to B.J. Anderson, Eleanor Nolan and Debbi Wilson who served on the Nominating Committee.

We will soon be voting for the Founders Fund for 2008. Three projects by GCA Clubs are proposed to enhance regional communities. In 2013, the Centennial Year, GCA plans a gift to Central Park in New York City. Please read about the projects in the February/March Bulletin and be prepared to vote. In Norfolk, Virginia at the Annual Meeting in May the winners will be announced.

It was inspiring to listen to Tom Kiernan from the National Parks Conservation Association talk about spending time outdoors and enjoying forests, lakes and trails. We want to insure that opportunity is available for future generations.

Unfortunately, Penny Horne from Rochester, New York will not be our speaker for Flower Arranging. In her place, Nobuko Relnick from Woodinville will demonstrate Ikebana in March. Nobuku is a fine teacher and a skilled designer.

I hope each of you will have an opportunity to visit the Flower and Garden Show currently at the Convention Center. Blossoms and flowers in February are delightful to see when it is still cool outdoors.

Trudy Baldwin

Conservation Report

When we all do a little, it can really help a lot!

While recycling is extremely important, re-using as much as possible, then recycling when you no longer can use the item any more, is even better!

Google Earth911 and enter your zip and the item you want to recycle to find a local recycler appropriate to your needs.

Personally reduce pollution by picking up trash when you take a walk. Debris clogs storm drains; litters streams, lakes or oceans and harms wildlife. Use non-toxic agents around the house and minimal, organic fertilizers only in the garden. Pick up after your pets, disposing in the trash – but never bury or flush kitty litter. A parasitic protozoa found in cat feces can cause disease or death in coastal otters. Runoff water containing pollution from difficult to identify sources (NPS or non-point source) can easily pollute our wetlands, rivers and oceans. Industrial pollution is only one source; people living their every day lives are also major NPS contributors to this problem!

Sue Blethen



BOOK REVIEW

The Sense of Wonder

by Rachel Carson, Photographs by Nick Kelsh
HarperCollins, 112 pages

Rachel Carson, a once shy biologist and writer, is widely credited with having started the environmental movement. She has been honored with the Presidential Medal of Freedom, a GCA National Medal and a listing in *Time* magazine's 100 most influential people of the 20th century. Her books, especially her best known *Silent Spring*, were often controversial, politicizing and polarizing. Yet, throughout her life she found solace and strength in direct encounters with nature.

Her love of the rugged outdoors began in childhood. The young Rachel's mother tutored her in nature study as they wandered over the Carson's 65-acre farm in western Pennsylvania. She repaid that debt when she took over the care of an orphaned grandnephew, Roger. She began to take him on walks in the Maine woods or on the beach, imparting to him in a natural, non-didactic way the wonder and consolations of nature. *A Sense of Wonder* grew out of those experiences. It was originally published as an essay ("Help your Child to Wonder") in *Woman's Home Companion* in 1956 and republished posthumously ten years later in the form of a book with photographs. HarperCollins published the edition under review in 1996, with new photographs by Nick Kelsh. Trudy Baldwin passed her copy to me with a suggestion that I review it. I will not relinquish her copy until I have my own. It is a stunningly beautiful book.

Forget the maxim. Go ahead. Judge this book by its cover – or I should say its dust jacket. The colors, the graphic design, the typeface, the photograph, even the beautiful matte coated cover paper reward your gaze. Open it, slowly turn those thick, luscious pages and feast your eyes on Kelsh's sensuous nature photographs. Then sink into a chair and read Carson's poetic prose about the rewards of leading a child into nature and to lifelong pleasure. You'll be in the Arboretum with a grandchild the next day.

PHOTOGRAPHY NEWS

In-Club Daffodil Show / Photography Exhibit

There will be two classes:

- **DAFFODILS IN THE LANDSCAPE**
- **DAFFODILS WITH ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL**

Entries:

Registration: Jane Harder 206-361-7675

email: janeharder@comcast.net

*Registration Deadline: March 25th

Entries must be received no later than April 1st

Photos must be at least 8x10, but no larger than 9x12
UNMOUNTED, MATTE FINISH

Exhibit space is limited.

Priority will be given to photography committee members.

Questions?? Just call or email (Jane Harder: 206-361-7675)
(janeharder@comcast.net)

A Very Special Opportunity

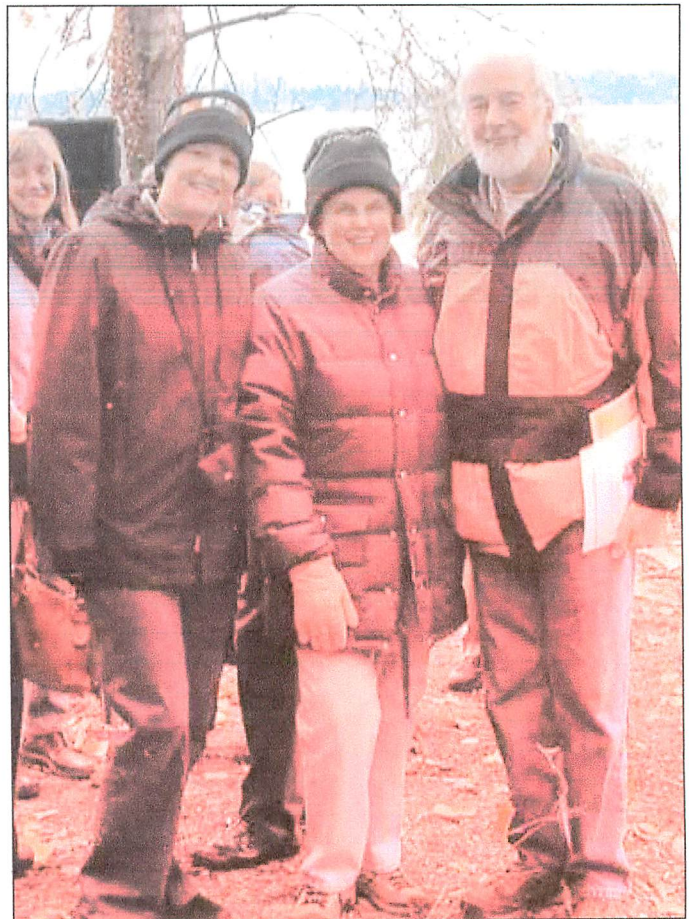
In recognition of our contribution to the Japanese Garden Entry Project, Mary Ann Wiley has arranged for a representative of our Club to be involved in the planning of the Meditation Garden! At the Board meeting it was voted to offer Catherine Allan this opportunity. Catherine accepted the position with enthusiasm and is looking forward to participating in meetings with the Parks Department's Andy Sheffer and the Japanese landscape designer. She has promised to report back to us in the fall with first-hand information on how the garden was designed, thus adding to our pleasure when we visit the Japanese Garden in the future. Our thanks to Mary Anne Wiley for arranging this wonderful opportunity.

Membership

Spring is an excellent time to think about proposing new provisionals for 2009. March 20 and May 15 2008 are both meetings open to guests who share the love of gardening, flower arranging, photography and conservation and can be introduced to other members and our board.

Don't procrastinate, begin your paperwork now! *"Well begun is half done."* Please contact me for a form.

Peggy Wilton 206-323-6322.



Laurie Ahern, Marilyn Fite and Fran Wood (a 2002 SGC Community Leadership Award recipient) pictured at a November gathering at Madrona Creek where Seattle Garden Club was recognized for its \$5000 grant to the Friends of Madrona Woods.

HORT STARTS

March 3rd Hort Meeting at Pam Green's, 9:30am coffee and meeting at 10:00am. Provisional Traci Tenneson will speak on Fragrant Rhododendrons and Azaleas. Provisional Marilee Ahalt will get us ready to show our daffodils at the April 7th Daffodil Show. Come preview the prize for best bloom in show and best photo in show.

Make a list of your named daffodils and bring it to the March Hort Meeting. We will help you fill out your entry cards. Remember, too, to pick up your complete Daffodil Show Schedule. The following is a schedule of classes for the April 7th Daffodil Show. If you want to enter a photograph, please call Jane Harder.

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE

Schedule of Classes

Royal Horticultural Society System of Classification will be used. The labeling authority is "Daffodils to Show and Grow," as amended each year in the December ADS Daffodil Journal supplemented by the latest printout of the ADS Data Bank.

"Predominately" means color in at least two cup zones. A reverse bicolor has a predominantly yellow perianth and a predominantly white cup where "predominantly" means at least two adjacent zones must be coded the designated color.

SECTION A: Classes 1-51 – Single stem SMALL GROWERS Section – All entries are single stem.

SECTION A

DIVISION 1 – TRUMPET DAFFODILS

Yellow perianth, yellow, orange or red trumpet	1
Yellow perianth, pale yellow or pink trumpet	2
Reverse bicolor	3
White perianth, yellow trumpet	4
White perianth, pink in trumpet	5
White perianth, white trumpet	6

DIVISION 2 – LARGE-CUPPED DAFFODILS

Orange perianth, orange or red cup	7
Yellow perianth, cup yellow	8
Yellow perianth, orange or red in cup	9
Yellow perianth, pink in cup	10
Reverse bicolor	11
White perianth, yellow in cup	12
White perianth, orange or red cup	13
White perianth, orange or red	14
yellow rimmed cup	
White perianth, pink in cup	15
White perianth, pink rimmed cup	16
White perianth, cup white	17

DIVISION 3 – SMALL-CUPPED DAFFODILS

Yellow perianth, cup yellow	18
Colored perianth, cup predominantly	19
orange or red	
Yellow perianth, cup rimmed orange	20
or red	
Reverse bicolor	21
White perianth, yellow cup or	22
yellow rimmed cup	
White perianth, orange or red cup	23
White perianth, orange or red	24
rimmed cup	
White perianth, pink in cup	25
White perianth, cup white	26

DIVISION 4 – DOUBLE DAFFODILS

Yellow perianth – one bloom to stem	27
White perianth – one bloom to stem	28
Any color, two or more blooms to stem	29

DIVISION 5 – TRIANDRUS DAFFODILS

Yellow perianth	30
White perianth, yellow or pink cup	31
White perianth, white cup	32

DIVISION 6 – CYCLAMINEOUS DAFFODILS

Yellow perianth, yellow cup	33
Yellow perianth, orange or red cup	34
White perianth, yellow or orange cup	35
White perianth, pink in cup	36
White perianth, white cup	37

DIVISION 7 – JONQUILLA & APODANTHUS DAFFODILS

Yellow perianth, yellow cup	38
Yellow perianth, orange or red cup	39
Reverse bicolor	40
White perianth, yellow or pink in cup	41
White perianth, white cup	42

DIVISION 8 – TAZETTA DAFFODILS

Yellow perianth, any color cup	43
White perianth, any color cup	44

DIVISION 9 – POETICUS DAFFODILS

DIVISION 10 – BULBOCODIUM DAFFODILS

DIVISION 11 – SPLIT CORONA DAFFODILS

(a) Collar Daffodil	
Yellow perianth, any color cup	47
White perianth, any color cup	48
Papillon Daffodil – Any color	49

DIVISION 12 – Other Daffodils

DIVISION 13 – SPECIES DAFFODILS

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Corrections to the Yearbook

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Catherine Parker

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Suzette de Turenne and Hope Stroble after Suzette's presentation at the February Hort meeting.

Important Dates in March

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| March 3 | Hort – Home of Pam Green
9:30 Coffee
10:00 Program
Fragrant Rhododendrons & Azaleas
Speaker: Provisional Traci Tenneson

Preparation for the Daffodil Show
Speaker: Provisional Marilee Ahalt |
| March 6 | Sunset Club
9:30 – 11:30
SGC Board Meeting |
| March 17 | 10:00 – 11:00
Community Projects Committee |
| March 20 | UWBG – NHS B&C
Guests Welcome
9:30 Coffee
10:00 Program
Flower arranging demonstration by
Noboku Relnick |



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