



# The Seattle Garden Club

## Member of the Garden Club of America

**General Meeting**  
**March 15th, 2017**  
**UWBG/CUH**  
**9:30 am Social**  
**10 am Program**  
**Guests Welcome!**

Come hear *Stephen Jones*, a wheat breeder and Director of the Bread Lab (Mount Vernon, WA). The Bread Lab is a combination think tank and baking laboratory where scientists, bakers, chefs, farmers, maltsters, brewers, distillers and millers experiment with improved flavor, nutrition and functionality of regional and obscure wheats, barley, other small grains and beans.



## At a Glance

Seattle Garden Club Event Calendar March 2018						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 10:00AM - 11:45AM SGC Board Meeting 5PM - 7PM Seattle Garden Club Photography and Floral Show	2	3
4	5 9:15AM - 11:30AM Hort Share / Hort Meeting @ CUH 11AM - 12PM Provisional meeting	6	7 10:00AM - 11:30AM Policy and Planning Committee Meeting	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 9:30AM - 12:00PM SGC General Meeting 12PM - 2PM Community Projects Meeting	16 9AM Auction Event-Greenhouse Tour	17
18	19 10AM - 12:30PM Conservation - Loop Biosolids Tour - Woodinville Contact Barbie Snapp: araby1957@aol.com	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## From the President



Whether March the first comes in as a lion or a lamb , we will be assembled and admiring a photography show in the Miller Library and the flower arrangements in the hall as we enter the main building at CUH! Come enjoy and appreciate the talent of our members! Thank you to Suzy Titcomb and her Photography committee for arranging a first time month long exhibit of our members photographs! Thank you to Sue Ashmun and her mentor JoAnne Rosen for the floral designs to enhance the evening! Thank you to Charlee for the floriferous invitation!

The business meeting was a multifaceted celebration masterminded by Catherine Allan and assisted by the Policy and Planning Committee. Our late Alison Andrews joined us in a video created by Mary Turner, Burnley Snyder and photos by Noreen Frink. I voted with the GCA for our winner, the Little Rock Founders Fund project. We heard about our own future Founders Fund

ideas from Eliza Davidson, voted on the Community Projects as presented by Shelley Rolfe , heard about the 2019 Flower Show from Suzette and Jenny, had a financial report from Barbara Feasey, approved our 2017 minutes and had a quiz presented by Sandy Hanower! Eve Rickenbaker gave us good information about GCA scholars and Charlee Reed led us in table discussions about the auction which was acclaimed to be a fun and terrific fundraiser. A big thank you to all who attended and contributed to our 2018 Business Meeting!

We look forward to this month's Hort with a Tour of the Greenhouses and hearing about CUH Research, thanks Diana. And, thank you, Diana for having Barbara Tuffli speak on Camellias in February. On March 15 we will see the film, "Unbroken Ground," guests are welcome!

We continue to organize and clean the office which we share. The board is forming a strategic planning committee for the next 100 years! If you are interested in being a part of this committee please email me!

Diana Neely

## Thank you

As many of you know, for years **Peggy Wilton** brought glass coffee mugs to all of the SGC meetings. She would bring them in from her car, set them out on the table, collect them all at the end of the meeting, wash them, store them and do it all over again for the next meeting. And, she did it all cheerfully! We all benefited from Peggy's generous commitment of time.

Peggy decided to retire from this job a few years ago and while several other people (including her daughter Peggy-Paige Most) worked to keep the mugs coming, none were able to keep up the pace so the mugs went into storage and we all started bringing our own coffee cups. This past week I gathered up all the mugs and at Peggy's request, delivered them to the Epiphany Parish, where they will find a second life with parish members. Thanks Peggy, for your service to the club through all those years.

Susan Potts

# Community Projects Report

At the February Annual Business Meeting, the membership voted to fund three proposals from the Community Projects budget including:

- A grant of \$7,000 for SGC's internal project to build an arbor for climbing roses at the CUH Fragrance Garden
- A grant of \$5,000 to the University of Washington Press toward the publication of the second edition of *Flora of the Pacific Northwest*
- A grant of \$30,000 over three years, with a recommendation of \$12,000 this year, for the new Burke Museum Garden (with award letter to mention importance of long-term maintenance and educational signage).

These important gifts to the community are funded with proceeds from the SGC Holiday Auction. The Community Projects Committee thanks everyone for their very generous support of the Auction!!

Shelley Rolfe, Community Projects Chair

## Gardener's Corner

### A FOUNDING FATHER'S FAVORITE FRUIT by Debbi Wilson

For 50 years, Monticello was Thomas Jefferson's laboratory of horticultural experiments. He was passionate about growing, especially fruits. From 1769 to 1814, he planted 1000 fruit trees in the South Orchard: apples, peaches, plums, nectarines, almonds, apricots and quince. Above all others, Jefferson preferred peaches.

His orchard contained 160 peach trees, but hundreds more served as an ornamental fence for his fields. Peaches were popular because they were easy to grow in the hot, humid Virginia climate. They bore fruit soon after planting, and could be propagated from seed.

His many visitors and friends devoured the fruit from the Monticello trees, and often dried them for winter consumption. Peaches could be used to make *mobby*, (peach brandy), a favorite in Virginia. Peaches were also used as feed for hogs and fuel for fires. A few varieties from the 19th century survive today: Oldmixon Cling, Health Cling, Indian Blood and Morris' Red Rareripec.

"Planting is one of my great amusements." Thomas Jefferson

## GCA Fellowship

**Purpose:** To support specialized graduate study and research in ecological restoration, the “active healing of the land.” Ecological Restoration is further defined as “the process of assisting the recovery and management of ecological integrity. Ecological integrity includes a critical range of variability in biodiversity, ecological processes and structures, regional and historical context, and sustainable cultural practices.” The goal of this fellowship is to support research that will advance knowledge and increase the numbers of scientists in this important field.

**History:** This GCA Fellowship was established in 2000 with funds from the John B. Young Charitable Trust as well as from GCA members and clubs. John and Marge Young of Waterloo, Iowa are the parents of Marilyn Magid (Cedar Rapids GC, Zone XI), who has served on GCA’s Executive Committee and as Chairman of the Conservation and National Affairs and Legislation Committees.

**Provisions:** Provides an annual grant of \$8000 for study and research at a leading accredited university in the United States.

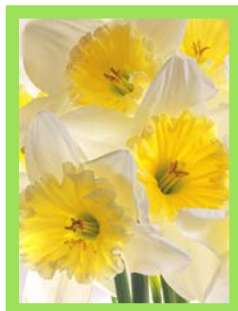
**Eligibility:** Open to graduate students. Fields of study of past recipients have ranged from forestry to applied plant sciences to ecology and evolutionary biology. *Eligibility is open to U.S. Citizens and permanent residents who are enrolled in a U.S. - based institution.*



Katya Jay is a PhD candidate in the Integrative Biology Department at Oregon State University in Corvallis. She studies relationships between beach grasses, dune geomorphology, and extreme storm events. She is investigating the recovery of coastal dune systems following Hurricane Matthew by comparing natural and managed dunes along the Outer Banks of North Carolina in Cape Lookout National Seashore. The dunes of the barrier island provide the coastline with critical protection against flooding and storm surges for nearby communities. She will conduct field surveys every four months over the next two years, and the results of her research will be used to inform coastal ecosystem

management about dune restoration techniques.

Eve Rickenbaker, GCA for SGC



# Photography Report

By the time you are reading this, the March Collaboration Photography and Floral Show has already successfully happened. We invited our family and friends to a complimentary reception at the Miller Library at CUH on March 1st from 5pm -7pm. If you were not able to attend please don't despair! The Photography show will be exhibited in the Miller Library for the month of March. Go see what members are creating.

One spot is left for the May 15th photo auction outing to the Salty Dog to hear Tara Champion (environmental journalist and educator) talk about inspiring creativity with composition and lighting. After listening to Tara we will take photos in the Salty Dog (artist studio in Ballard) and enjoy a boxed lunch, \$60. Please contact Suzy Titcomb ([sttitcomb2@gmail.com](mailto:sttitcomb2@gmail.com)) for more details.

Bev Martin says, "For those of you who are going to NY between now and the end of May you should try to see the huge Stephen Shore show at MoMA. He heads photography at Bard college and has been a different drummer in what is acceptable in the field ever since he started. He began developing his parents' photos at age 6, got his first camera at 9, and by age 14 had sold 3 or 4 photos to MoMA!"

Suzy Titcomb, Photography Chair



Spring has sprung in the Arboretum by  
Charlee Reed



Throw back photo of Mary Turner left, Pam  
Green, Iris Wagner and Debby Smith

## In Memorium

On Wednesday, February 7th, Alison Andrews left her earthly garden. We celebrated Alison on February 15, by viewing her recorded Seattle Garden Club Interview with Mary Turner and Burnley Snyder. Our love goes to Alison's daughter Patsy Pattison, and her family.

With gratitude, for Alison's life with us.



# Hort Report

Our March Hort Meeting will take place on Monday March 5, 2018 at CUH. **9:15 am Social & Hort Share & 10:00 am Program.** We will have speakers from CUH talking to us about the Greenhouses (and research happening there), the Miller Seed Vault, and the Yesler Swamp. There will be a walking tour following this meeting, so please come prepared with appropriate attire in case the weather does not cooperate.

**Hort Share.** What do you have blooming in your garden this March? Please bring a specimen (in a vase) to share from your garden. Baird Boards are always a great idea if you have 5 cuttings to display. Some ideas include: fragrant branches, bulbs, or any unexpected bloomers brightening your yard. Thank you Laurie Riley and Vicki Reed for organizing Hort Share for our club!

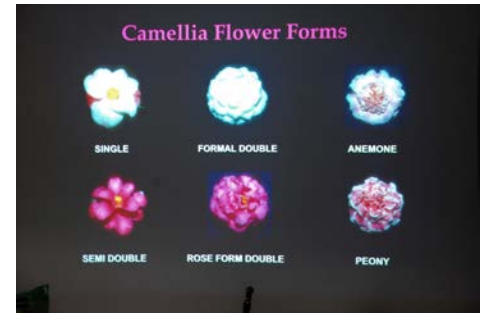
*Diana Ackerley, Horticulture Chair*



Hort Share!



Diana Ackerley, speaker Barbara Tuffli,  
Diana Neely



Barbara Tuffli's slide on camellias

## Fragrance Garden

Spring is around the corner! Please join us in the Fragrance Garden with our wonderful new Provisionals to help with keeping our little gem of a garden pristine and weed free.

Bring your favorite tools and gloves and we'll take care of the rest. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

See you after the Hort Meeting on **March 5<sup>th</sup>**!

Hotie Hard and Ana Hergert, Co-Chairs

# WAYS & MEANS

## AUCTION EXPERIENCES WITH AVAILABLE SPOTS! SIGN UP!

### **GREENHOUSE TOUR OF WASHINGTON BLUB COMPANY**    **MARCH 16**    **\$75**

*Two spaces available.* Experience the fascinating greenhouses and watch the process for the expansive bulb operation in Mt. Vernon. Includes lunch. Donated by Marnie Roozen.

### **DAY TRIP & GUIDED TOUR OF “EVERYDAY FLOWERS” & LUNCH**    **April 20**    **\$80**

*Two spaces available.* A personally guided tour of Vivian Larson’s bucolic flower farm. Founding member of Seattle Wholesale Growers Market. Includes fields of specialty anemones, ranunculus, double tulips and uses sustainable growing practices - ‘salmon safe’ certified. Hosted by Floral Design Committee.

### **SPRING WILDFLOWER TOUR & GOURMET LUNCH AT INDIAN POINT ON ORCAS ISLAND**    **APRIL 24**    **\$120**

*Three spaces available.* An exciting, full day of exploring. Gourmet luncheon with guest speaker Joe Gaydos of SeaDoc Society regarding the health of Salish Sea and its flora and fauna. Afternoon hike of meadow or several trail options. Hosted by Lee Rolfe.

### **HIGHLANDS CHAPEL CONCERT & PRIVATE SEATTLE GOLF CLUB WINE PAIRING DINNER**    **APRIL 29**    **\$150**

*Three spaces available.* Thrilling program to include the Haydn Lark Quartet, Schubert String Trio 471... Wine pairing dinner immediately following in the private wine room of the Seattle Golf Club. Hosted by Burnley Snyder, Sheila Noonan, Phoebe Andrews, Barbara Peterson, Sue Ashmun & Sandy Hanower.

### **WILD HORSE SOLAR & WIND FARM TOUR & WILDFLOWER WALK & LUNCH**    **MAY 4**    **\$75**

*Four spaces available.* Amazing day trip to Ellensburg area to visit the Horse Wind Farm. Besides being a spectacular setting, the tour will teach us about renewable energy (past, present & future), wildlife habitat and interactions around wind and solar farms of course. Cameras strongly suggested as scenery is stunning. Hosted by the Conservation Committee.

**Interested? Contact us.**

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# Conservation Report

\*There was great interest in Ashley Ahern's links to various portions of her fabulous presentation in January. I hope you all enjoy her wonderful podcasts and chuckling frogs!

All the terrestrial episodes can be found here:

<https://www.npr.org/podcasts/524952613/terrestrial>

Joanna Macy's book is called Active Hope: <https://www.activehope.info/joanna-macy.html>

And here is the chuckling frogs story - there's even a clear recording of the frogs towards the bottom of the page: <https://www.npr.org/2013/08/07/209892263/climate-change-could-spell-final-chuckle-for-alpine-frog>

**Shelley and Barbie say Thank You to all our Seattle Garden Club Members for such a successful Iris Wagner Lecture! We couldn't have done it without you!** If you or anyone you know, ages 16 and higher, is interested in learning the C-Change Conversations primer to promote Kathleen Biggins's important message, please let Barbie know. Kathleen and her staff would be thrilled to support you in developing your own C-Change Conversations presentations.



**\*Bev Martin and Barbie Snapp will be excited to share our DC/NAL experience with you in March.**

**\*ALERT...ALERT...ALERT!**

**The Loop Biosolids tour at the Brightwater Facility in Woodinville previously planned for March 20 has been changed to March 19th, 10-12:30.** For those who choose to stay, we can then meet for a no host lunch (or maybe potluck at the beautiful Brightwater facility) and swing into Molbaks before heading home. Though I will be out of town in early March, I will have someone send around a sign up sheet at our March meetings for this very unique tour...Remember... it's the one that turns our night soil into pristine garden soil! I hope you join in the fun and education! You will be amazed at the results!

**\*Please mark April 11th, 9:00 to 12:30 on your calendars for the annual Wetherill clean up and potluck** organized by Sis Woodside. This is always a fun and bonding experience! Look for more information in our April newsletter.

Barbie Snapp, Conservation Chair



Left, Members Barbie Snapp (left), Shelley Rolfe, Diana Neely, Iris Wagner welcomed Kathleen Biggins and Kathy Herring at a reception held at Jenny Wyatt's home.

Right, audience listening to Biggins' lecture at the Seattle Aquarium. Photo by Charlee Reed





## Announcements



### 2018 Annual Meeting Logo Needlepoint Canvas

The colorful poppy logo of the 2018 Garden Club of America Annual Meeting, created by graphic designer Gia Rideau working with the Portland Garden Club, has been transferred to needlepoint!

Intended for finishing as a pillow insert, clutch, zippered pouch, or shoulder bag, kits are available for \$110.00. They include needlepoint canvas, stitch guide, and all fibers. Each 5 1/4" x 7" canvas is hand painted and will take about 4-6 weeks for delivery. Finishing is available at an additional cost through A Stitch In Time in San

Marino or your favorite finisher.

All Proceeds support Zone XII sponsorship of the 2018 annual meeting.

Checks may be made out to the Pasadena Garden Club and mailed to:

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**March 1st:** The deadline for applying for new **Partners for Plants** projects! Since 1992, P4P has been a successful joint initiative of GCA's Horticulture and Conservation Committees to facilitate projects between GCA clubs and land managers of federal, state, local and public lands. P4P promotes educational, hands-on club projects with like-minded horticultural professionals to monitor and protect endangered plants, restore native habitats and remove invasives. For more information, try this link <https://www.gcamerica.org/members/partners-for-plants> or take a look at both the GCA Horticulture and Conservation Committee Landing Pages. This is a terrific financial resource for our clubs! (up to \$6000 over three years!) The proposal process for new projects has recently been streamlined and is now easier than ever!

**We need chairs!** We've been discussing an alternative to the large, bulky chairs in the SGC office at CUH. Rather than take up precious space in the office with these four chairs, we're wondering if anyone in the SGC would be willing to donate some (2 at least) folding chairs? If you are interested please contact Catherine Allan at [jardinsroyaux@gmail.com](mailto:jardinsroyaux@gmail.com).

# Looking Ahead

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8	9 2PM - 3:30PM Hort Committee Meeting Spring 2018	10	11 9:00AM - 12:30PM Wetherill clean up and potluck	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Joint SGC/Tacoma Meeting at Tacoma	20 10:00AM - 2:00PM Auction Event-Stanwood Flower Farm	21
22 1:00PM - 3:00PM Membership Committee	23	24 Auction Event-Indian Point, Orcas Island	25	26	27	28
29 5:00PM Auction Event-Highlands Concert + Dinner	30					

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