

The Seattle Garden Club

Member of The Garden Club of America

Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon

June 7th, 2018 Seattle Tennis Club

Members Only

10:30 am Provisionals and Sponsors arrive, Horticulture Show

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Social & receiving line to greet the new Provisionals

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm Annual meeting, awards and luncheon

PLEASE RESPOND **YES** OR **NO** BY WEDNESDAY MAY 30th TO SIGN UP CLICK BELOW LINK:

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Non subscribers to the Hostess Fund: Please confirm your reservation by sending a check for **\$50** payable to SGC to

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Events at a Glance

Seattle Garden Club Event Calendar June 2018								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
					Auction Event-Leavenworth Getaway	2		
3	4	5	Auction Event-Bunco Party	7 -10:00AM - 1:30PM SGC Annual Meeting & Luncheon	Auction Event-Winthrop Weekend	Auction Event-Winthrop Weekend		
10 - Auction Event-Winthrop Weekend	11	12 - 10AM - 1:30PM In and Out Meeting at the Sunset Club - 6:00PM Auction Event-Cooking Demo by Linda Augustine	13	14	15	16		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23		
24	25	26	27 - Auction Event-Echelbarger Garden Tour	28 - 10:00AM Auction Event-Bridge + Lunch	29	30		

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From the President



Our club is filled with competent, talented members who are not afraid to step up and fulfill every joyful moment of membership in the Seattle Garden Club! Informed Hort Share moments spurred on by Vicki Reed's encouragements in eblasts were celebrated. Diana Ackerley guided 2018 talks and planned next year's Hort talks. Debby Smith provided Floral Design opportunities galore and was always smiling with encouragement. The Wagner Lecture was an enlightened event skillfully produced by Shelley Rolfe and Barbie Snapp! The picnic at the beginning of the year arranged with love by Sheila Noonan ended our Centennial Year! Jenny and her committee have provided us with new leadership next year! Catherine Allan has lead Policy and Planning through any foggy moments. Karen Simmonds is a secretary extraodinaire aided by Shelley Rolfe and Catherine Allan at needed moments. We have enjoyed colorful, informed

newsletters from Sue Brickman. Peggy Paige produced our Yearbook and wrote needed letters for us and kept us up to date with GCA! Barbara Feasey has our Treasurer reports current and clearly laid out as you will see at the June 7 Annual Meeting. Shelley Rolfe has thought ahead to next year and beyond for the Fragrance Garden/our public garden. Marilee Ahalt has provided a new class of Provisionals and our only honorary member, Dan Hinkley. Suzy Titcomb created a gorgeous much appreciated CUH Library Photography Show along with Sue Ashmun's Floral Design Show. Carolyn Kitchell has guided our programs and is providing a new look for next year! Charlee Reed and Dabney Rohrbach created a wonderful Christmas Auction which is the way we fund all the garden projects we support in Seattle. Hope Stroble finished off our Centennial year in September. Susan Potts educated our Provisionals and Mary Turner guided the judges. Eve Rickenbaker spoke and wrote in the newsletter about Scholarship. Technology guru Kim Bishop guided everyone in the club including the board! Jolie Roze was the Historian and Mary Turner our Garden History and Design Chair developed a recorded SGC History format. The Fragrance Garden was ably led by Hotie Hard and Ana Hergert. We will look forward to the installation of the rose arbor June 6th! Archives continues under Christine Davis while Founders Fund will continue planning next year under Eliza Davidson. Visiting Gardens, Delphine Stevens and Laurie Riley, took us to Lakewold Garden after our joint meeting with the Tacoma Garden Club. Suzette led us in San Francisco to much fun providing "Concierege Services" for the GCA Annual Meeting! Awards, Sheila Noonan and Burnley Snyder, will have their day at the Annual Luncheon June 7th! See you there to participate in the Nature's Poetry Preview Hort Show, And, please welcome Catherine Allan as your new President, and our new 2018/19 Provisional Class!

Thankfully,
Diana Neely, President



Diana Neely gets a little birthday attention from Board members at the May 3 meeting.

The Membership Committee is pleased to welcome into "Active" status:

Sandra Hanower and Marnie Roozen

We are also very pleased to announce and welcome the 'New' Provisionals!

Please see below

Marilee Ahalt, Membership Chair

WELCOME TO OUR 'NEW' PROVISIONALS

Please come meet and greet our new class of Provisional Members at the Annual Luncheon and Meeting on June 7th. Special thanks to the Sponsors, Co-Sponsors and the Membership Committee Members.

Ann Blume:

Ann grew up in upstate New York, graduated from Cornell University and has lived in Seattle for 38 years. She takes great pleasure in her garden, is a generous hostess, active volunteer and serves on several boards. Ann and her husband, Bruce, are active philanthropists in the Seattle community and parents of five children. She is also interested in fly fishing, gardening, skiing, tennis and has a creative flair and artistic eye. She will be able to contribute to any of our GCA disciplines. Sponsors: Jennifer Wyatt and Juliet Romano

Stacey Campbell:

Stacey's grandmother, Betty Benson Runstad, taught her the love of gardening at an early age. She grew up in Seattle but attended high school at Brewster Academy in NH before attending UW. She is a six time published children's/young-adult author and an Interior Designer. Stacey and David raised their three children in Anacortes and recently moved back to Seattle. In Anacortes and she maintained her orchard, vegetable flower gardens. She is interested in Photography, Horticulture and Floral Design. Sponsors: Diana Ackerley and Kristie Ratzlaff

Jane Hargraft:

Jane moved from Toronto to Washington seven years ago with her husband and daughter. Jane is very organized, capable and willing to take on leadership roles. She is the Vice President of Development for the Seattle Symphony Orchestra and has flexibility with her schedule. Jane loves to garden and is interested in photography, conservation and horticulture.

Sponsors: Sheila Noonan and Burnley Snyder

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Betsy Larson:

Betsy is a native Seattleite, a past real estate broker and very engaged in her community. She and her husband, Chris, have a beautiful garden in which Betsy has a special interest in the roses. She is a past treasurer of a women's club and an avid golfer. She is interested in Horticulture and Conservation.

Sponsors: Carolyn Kitchell and Susan Ashmun

Judith (Judy) Rupert:

Judy comes from a long line of gardeners (Brooks Plum Orchard) and has experience working the family gardens and land in Vancouver. She and Fred raised their two children in Seattle. She has lived here for 36 years, worked as a CPA and is an active member of several clubs. She has great leadership skills and will be an asset to any of our GCA disciplines.

Sponsors: Christine Davis and Margie Allison

Seattle Garden Club

Active & Provisional Membership Dues and Fees for Fiscal Year June 1, 2018 – May 31, 2019
Active & Provisional Membership Dues \$230

Meeting Arrangements Fee \$175

Please note the Board of Directors approved an increase in meeting arrangement fees to cover significant increases in room rental, food and beverage costs for meetings and luncheons.

Total dues and fees due on or before June 1, 2018

Please send one check, payable to Seattle Garden Club, to: SGC Treasurer Barbara Feasey, 2701 NE 94th St, Seattle, WA 98115

Poetry from Delphine Stevens

June Viridatas by Hildegard von Bingen (1098-1179)

"O most honored Greening Force,

You who roots in the Sun; You who lights up, in shining serenity, within a wheel that earthly excellence fails to comprehend.

You are enfolded in the weaving of divine mysteries.

You redden like the dawn and You burn: flame of the Sun."

GCA Report

The Garden Club of America's new scholarship flier is ready to post on college campuses and to send to faculty, advisors and clubs via email. Terry Huang, The Garden Club of America and The Royal Horticulture Society 2013 Interchange Fellow and University of Washington graduate, is one of the featured scholars and he recently attended the GCA Annual Meeting in San Francisco.



Terry Huang pictured with Lorill Haynes (left), past GCA Scholarship Chairman, and Kathy Keller (right), 2017-2018 GCA Scholarship Chairman

The Garden Club of America and The Royal Horticulture Society Interchange Fellowship celebrates 70 years this year.

The following information is from the GCA Scholarship website:

Purpose: To foster British-American relations through the interchange of scholars in horticulture, landscape architecture, and related fields and to promote the exchange of information in the horticultural field.

History: In 1948 the Hillsborough Garden Club in California proposed the idea of fostering British American relations through an exchange of scholars in horticulture, landscape architecture and related fields by supporting a British Exchange student for a year in America. In 1950 the English Speaking Union offered a reciprocal fellowship for an American Student to study in Britain, and by 1952 The Garden Club of America voted to make the Interchange Fellowship a permanent project. Financial sponsorship in the UK has been provided by various institutions, including the McLaren Family, and the American Scholar was once known as the Martin McLaren Scholar. Now the fellowship is sponsored and administered by the Royal Horticultural Society, and the scholar is known as the Royal Horticultural Society Interchange Fellow.

The Interchange Fellowships are a reciprocal exchange program, sponsored by The Garden Club of America in the US and the Royal Horticultural Society in the UK. More than 100 students have participated in the Interchange Fellowship Program, and many have gone on to hold prominent positions in public garden management, horticulture, education, and landscape architecture. The opportunities available to the fellows are unique in the horticultural field, and the network of past Fellows is a lasting legacy.

Eve Rickenbaker, GCA For SGC

Gardener's Corner by Debbi Wilson

A PHENOMENAL CREATURE

Hummingbirds are found in the Western hemisphere from Southeast Alaska to Southern Chile; of the 300 species, just 12 summer in North America. Because its wings flap at 40-80 beats per second, they produce a humming sound, thus the name. Some remarkable facts about this bird include: its lifespan is four years, it consumes 50% of its weight in nectar per day, takes 250 breaths per minute at rest, and its heart rate is 250 beats per minute. To top that, the small bird can fly right, left, up, down, backward, upside down, and can hover in a "figure 8" pattern. They can zoom 25 miles per hour in normal flight, BUT 40 mph in the courtship dive!

Black - chinned, Calliope and Rufous hummingbirds can be found year round in the Northwest, but Calypte Anna (Anna's hummingbird), is the most prevalent species. Its familiar green back, grey white underbelly and golden flanks are a pleasant sight in the area. Only four inches long, Anna's needs fresh water for drinking and bathing, such as a garden mister. It eats nectar, tree sap, insects, and pollen from brightly colored tubular flowers. The bird needs a safe haven for rest and nesting, such as tall shrubs to shield it from predators.

Most of you have many of these plants that hummingbirds enjoy in your garden, from the following list.

Petunia, Fuschia, Geranium, Lupine, Phlox, Knifophia (Red Hot Poker), Lonicera (Honeysuckle), Campsis radicans (Trumpet Vine)

Hibiscus syriacus, Syringia vulgaris, (Lilac) Sambucus (Elderberry), Rubus spectabilis (Salmonberry), Ribes (Currant)

It's time to welcome our awakening gardens of spring blooms and the buzzing of the hummingbirds.

Awake at dawn

darting through strands of mist

the flower-seeker

out of heaven

still glittering

the hummingbird

Larry Gates 1998

Fragrance Garden Report

The Fragrance Garden is SGC's pride. It welcomes all visitors to the Center for Urban Horticulture with a lovely wash of sweet perfumes. This spring we shall add a new beacon. We are centering the garden with a new arbor! Yellow, fragrant 'Colette Rose' will grace these new arches through late spring and summer. At this time, we are planning the new arbor installation and unveiling in the first week of June 2018. This arbor replaces the two magnolias that were too tall and too shady for our sweet sun-loving garden.

Our new arbor is a gift from the SGC "Community Project Fund". Approved by the club, this elegant arbor will add year-round vertical interest to the garden. We expect it to bring delight and pleasure with each visit!

Sweet greetings from your Fragrance Garden Chairs, Hotie Hard and Ana Hergert

Nominations Report

Member Notice: Vote on Slate of Officers, SGC Board 2018-19, at June Annual Meeting

The Nominating Committee announced its Board-approved slate of new officers and Standing Committee Chairmen for the Seattle Garden Club 2018-2019 in our April newsletter. As previously announced, a membership vote will occur at our Annual Meeting on June 7, 2018, at the Seattle Tennis Club.

Subsequent to membership approval, the following positions will serve from fall 2018 through spring 2020, with the exception of the one-year rotation of the President Elect (also Policy and Planning Chair); the President; and the Immediate Past President (also Nominations Chair). Catherine Allan, our current President Elect, who was voted into office last year, will become President. Diana Neely, our current President, will become Immediate Past President. Jenny Wyatt, our current Immediate Past President, will complete her term.

Please note that approximately half of the Board is replaced each year on a rotating basis. The Horticulture Co-Chairs listed below will each serve two years. Current Ways and Means Co-Chair, Charlee Reed, will remain in this position for the second of her two-year term, to be joined by a new Co-Chair, serving two years.

President Elect/Policy & Planning Chair: Diana Ackerley

Communications: Caroline Goedhart

Conservation: Bev Martin Floral Design: Sue Ashmun

Horticulture, Co-Chairs: Roxanne Wiley and Susan Potts

Meeting Arrangements: Wade Garretson

Photography: Jolie Roze

Ways & Means Co-Chair, joining Charlee Reed: Catherine Mueller

Jenny Wyatt, Nominations Committee Chair



May Morning in the Arboretum by Mary Turner

SGC MEMBERS HELP ZONE XII SHINE AT GCA ANNUAL MEETING

"How the West is One"...what a perfect name for the cooperative effort displayed by Zone XII volunteers as they hosted the 2018 GCA Annual Meeting in San Francisco. From Wednesday, 5/24, through Sunday, 5/29, eighteen SGC members worked as judges or members of the newly formed Concierge Services Committee (our major responsibility), participated as delegates (Catherine Allan and Debby Smith) and/or were honored (Megan Smith, for her proposal of *Maianthemum racemosum*, False Solomon's Seal, which won an Honorable Mention as a Freeman Medal Winner). A conservative estimate of the hours SGC volunteers, alone, contributed in San Francisco, is easily in excess of 200 hours! If you add hours contributed by other Zone XII volunteers on our Concierge Committee...it would be in excess of 300 hours! And remember, this is only one committee, however, a mighty one! Not to mention the countless hours spent over the past couple years helping plan how this committee would work and support the cause. As a reward, we had the satisfaction of a job well-done coupled with lots of fun and education...and a few of us welcomed Laura Bush as she arrived for the Medalist Awards event! Many thanks to all those who spent any time working, attending or judging...as "One!"

Marilee Ahalt, B.J. Anderson, Sue Ashman, Deborah Cheadle, Pam Green, Barbara Hamachek, Diana Neely, Charlee Reed, Eve Rickenbaker, Megan Smith, Laurie Riley, Shelley Rolfe, Debby Smith, Barbie Snapp, Carlyn Steiner, Mary Turner, Iris Wagner

Take time to visit the GCA website to hear various speeches of honored guests and view additional photos of this grand event! www.gcamerica.org

Suzette de Turenne, GCA 2018 Annual Meeting Concierge Services Chair



From left, Pam Green, Marilee Ahalt, Diana Neely, B.J.Anderson, Catherine Allan, and Suzette de Turenne hard at work.



Sue Ashmun (left) and Barbara Hamachek with their gorgeous arrangement which received Honorable Mention.

Conservation Report

The Peace of Wild Things

When despair grows in me and I wake in the middle of the night at the least sound in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be, I go and lie down where the wood drake rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.

I come into the peace of wild things who do not tax their lives with forethought of grief. I come into the presence of still water.

And I feel above me the day-blind stars waiting for their light.

For a time I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.



-Wendell Berry

This is my last missive as your Conservation Chair. It has been a wonderful and educational three years and I thank you all for the support you have provided me. If you have read any of my reports over this time, you are without question, aware of my strong conviction in protecting and restoring the natural environment that I so cherish. The world is what we all have in common. I hope you find moments in each day or night to appreciate and absorb the peace, smells and beauty surrounding us. I ask, as always, that we continue to strive in keeping those, our wild places, intact for future generations.

Thank you, Barbie Snapp, Conservation Chair



Carlyn Steiner (left) and B.J. Anderson taking a much deserved break at the GCA Zone XII Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

Marilee Ahalt (right) and Pam Green managing the welcome table at the meeting.



Field Trip to Everyday Flowers in Stanwood hosted by the Floral Design Committee



Susan Potts (left) and Barbara Feasey



anemone



The ladies enjoying lunch



Laurie Riley(left), Candy Lancaster and Marianne Kitchell





Baird Boards by B.J. Anderson (left) and Vicki Reed at the May 7th Hort meeting

Ways & Means Report

AUCTION EXPERIENCES WITH AVAILABLE SPOTS! SIGN UP!

SGC BOARD SPRING COCKTAIL PARTY

MAY 22 \$75

Many spaces available. A special event at the beautiful home of Delphine Stevens. Bring friends, guests and spouses! Hosted by the SGC Board.

SUPER SUZIES' BUNCO PARTY

JUNE 6 \$75

Five spaces available. A fun event at the home of Kay Baxter's beautiful Capital Hill home. Bunco, prizes, drinks and dinner! Hosted by the Kay Baxter and Susan Potts, Suzanne Ragen, Sue Brickman, Sue Simmons, Suzy Titcomb, Sue Blethen, Suzette de Turenne, Susan Mosley & Sue Ashman!

WITHEY-PRICE GARDEN TOUR & LUNCH

JUNE 27 \$75

Five spaces available. Tour Carolyn Echelbarger's extensive, beautiful Woodway garden with the renowned design team. Includes a fabulous lunch hosted by SGC's 2017-18 Provisional Class!

TOUR & LUNCH AT HEYDAY FARM ON BAINBRIDGE

JULY 26 \$85

Many spaces available. A 25 acre farm tour of farm kitchen, greenhouse, microcreamery, gardens & pastures. Lunch featuring Heyday farm to table produce. You will also have time to visit their unique store. Hosted by Sheila Wyckoff-Dickey and Marilee Ahalt.

Interested? Contact us.

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Nature's Poetry Preview Flower Show

Horticulture Classes Nature's Poetry Preview Seattle Garden Club Show June 7, 2018 Seattle Tennis Club

Class I. METAPHOR Roses Unlimited Entries

"What's in a name? That which we call a ROSE by any other name would smell as sweet." Romeo and Juliet Act II, William Shakespeare (1564-1616)

<u>Description</u>: A single cut stem or spray from exhibitor's garden, not to exceed 30" in height. To be displayed in a glass container provided by the committee.

a. Old Garden Roses (prior to 1867)
b. Floribunda
c. Grandiflora
d. Hybrid tea
f. Miniature
g. Shrub
h. Climber
i. Other

Class Consultant: Nancy Bain

Class 2 RHYTHM

"If I could put my woods in song, and tell what's there enjoyed, All men would to my gardens throng, and leave the cities void...."

Baird Boards

My Garden, Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882)

A traditional horticultural display in a custom-designed board for Seattle Garden Club members only. The display typically involves like or compatible colors or species of exhibitor-grown flowering specimens.

<u>Description:</u> A Baird Board display has five 4.5" high clear glass bottles that are inset. A special key card is required, available on SGC website. The card identifies each flower's botanical and common names and its location in the Board. Foliage is permitted if attached. One flowering stem per bottle. Sixmonth ownership is required.

a. A collection of five different specimens no higher than 6" above the rim.
b. A collection of five different specimens no higher than 12" above the rim.
Six entries

Class Consultant: Jenny Wyatt, 206-499-0543, wyattjen@comcast.net

Class 3 POETIC LICENSE PAR Unlimited

Entries

"I celebrate myself, and sing myself. And what I assume you shall assume, For every atom belonging to me as good belongs to you." Song of Myself, Walt Whitman (1819-1892)

<u>Description</u>: A single rooted plant exhibit of exceptional horticultural merit, which does not qualify for entry elsewhere in the Horticulture Division. Entries in the Par classes must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for a minimum of six months. Containers may not exceed 12" diameter/diagonal. Key cards are required.

Class Consultant: Pam Green, 206-954-2572, pam.green@comcast.net

Scale of Points for Roses

Form		25
Color		20
Stem and foliage		20
Substance		15
Balance and proportion		10
Size		10
	Total	100

Scale of points for Baird Boards

Cultural perfection	50
Variety	35
Distinction	10
Suitable labeling	5
	Total 100

Scale of Points for Par

Cultural perfection		40
Scale and balance		35
Suitability of plant material		15
Suitable key card		10
	Total	100

Horticulture Guidelines

For Nature's Poetry Preview, June 7, 2018 Horticulture Guidelines

Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules, General Information and Timetable for Exhibitors.

Entries must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for a minimum of six-months.

Saucers, stakes, and ties are allowed when appropriate and unobtrusive. Mats and stands are not allowed.

Classes may be sub-divided and entries moved and/or reclassified at the discretion of the show committee and/or the judges.

Containers are measured at the diameter or the diagonal of the widest point on the inside of the rim at the soil line.

Entry Cards: http://www.seattlegardenclub.org/natures-poetry-preview/

Cut Specimen Entry Cards: http://www.seattlegardenclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/2018NPP_CutSpecimenEntryCard.pdf

Baird Board Class 2 a Key Cards: http://www.seattlegardenclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/BAIRD_CLASS_2A_NPPreviewENTRY_CARD.pdf

Baird Board Class 2 b Key Cards: http://www.seattlegardenclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/
BAIRD_CLASS_2B_NPPreviewENTRY_CARD.pdf

Container-grown plants may be exhibited in containers that are clean, unobtrusive and compatible with the exhibit. Terracotta clay pots are preferred. Disguised double potting and top dressing are permitted; top dressing must not float when watered. Moss (rooted or unrooted) is allowed as a top dressing, but not considered an additional plant. Saucers required where needed to prevent leakage.

Required use of Botanical Names: All horticulture entries must be identified with correct botanical names: example: *Malus floribunda*, is underlined, the Genus is capitalized, the species is not.

Please direct questions to Class Consultants or the Horticulture Chairmen.

TIME TABLE for JUNE 7, 2018

7:30 am - 8:30 am Horticulture entries accepted, placed and

passed

8:30 am - 8:45 am Judges and clerks briefing

8:45 am - 10:30 am Judging begins and ends

10:30 am - 11:00 am Awards placed

II:00 am Social begins

II:30 am - I:30 pm Luncheon and Program



Baird Board by Delphine Stevens at May 7 Hort Share meeting

HAVE A GLORIOUS SUMMER IN THE GARDEN!

Looking Ahead to the Summer and Next Season!

Auction Event-Heyday Farm July 26th

Auction Experience-Oxbow Farm September 13th

SGC Annual Fall Picnic September 20th, Bainbridge Island

GCA Encourages Use of Email

If you receive this newsletter via U.S. Mail and would like to receive it via email, please contact me. Please help us reduce waste and expenses. Thank you!

Susan Brickman, Communications Chair susanbrickman@msn.com

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