



# The Chinook Winds

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## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone. I hope you are all well and staying safe. The next three meetings are officially moved to a Zoom format. They will start at 10 a.m., the usual time. An email invitation to the meetings will be sent to all members who have an email listed for the Chinook Winds. If you have an email but get your Winds through the mail, please send me that information to [smnash9@gmail.com](mailto:smnash9@gmail.com). You don't need a camera on your computer to attend and view the meeting. I learned this from personal experience when my camera stopped working before a meeting. We will have a business meeting from 10 -11 a.m. with a short break, followed by a Horticulture Speaker.

I would like to do door prizes to include everyone. I would like to show off everyone's hard work this summer in their garden. So I want you all to send me a picture from your garden to [smnash9@gmail.com](mailto:smnash9@gmail.com). I will pick five at random for prizes and post all to the Chinook District Facebook page Chinook District WSFGC. I'm sure you all have beautiful gardens to share. Here's a picture of my garden; as you can see, it's very natural.



*Susan Nash*

Chinook District Director

## NEXT DISTRICT GENERAL MEETING

**September 2, 2020**

**Via Zoom**

Use the zoom meeting link sent in an email invitation. If you did not receive a meeting invitation, ask your club president or email our district director Susan Nash.

10-11 Business Meeting

11-12 Horticulture Program – "Growing Roses",  
John Moe

## CHINOOK WINDS SUBSCRIPTIONS

Club Presidents:

If you haven't sent in your club's updated distribution list for the Chinook Winds subscriptions, please send it right away (with \$3.50 each) to:

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## CHINOOK SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

Please remember to donate to the 2020-2021 Chinook Scholarship fund.

Please send donations to:

Jeanne Buchanan  
26417 SE 224th St.  
Maple Valley, WA 98038-6631

## BLUE STAR MARKER

Tanya Galat, Co-chair

The restoration work on the Tahoma National Cemetery Blue Star Marker is postponed due to covid pandemic. We will keep in touch with Historical Markers Restorations regarding travel to restore our marker.

Certain visitor restrictions on funeral and memorial services were lifted in April so visitors have returned to Tahoma National Cemetery. Although proper social distancing is not possible for a planting/cleaning work party around the Marker, the good news is, the Marker's flower bed now is home to 75 annual begonias, thanks to a local landscaping company which offered the flats at wholesale prices. Also, we received a donation of several additional azaleas from Marine Hills Garden Club, three hardy fuchsias from Pierce County Master Gardens, as well as several donations of various perennials. In addition to these summer blooming additions, numerous daffodils, lilies, azaleas, and the gorgeous Japanese weeping maple provide interest in the spring. Hopefully, we can continue to provide a respite to cemetery visitors.

## CHINOOK DISTRICT NEWS

### NGC GARDENING SCHOOL, Series 12, Course 3



Gardening School Course 3 was successfully held via zoom technology August 12-13, 2020. We had 37 participants. This was a beta test for National Garden Clubs, so many of the participants were observers/auditors. NGC has decided there is value in offering zoom classes in the future. These are valuable for those in more remote locations or who do not want to travel for a class, as well as during the current pandemic.

Brynn Tavasci was Local Chair, as well as Washington State Gardening School Chair. Debbie Angel was Zoom Technical Administrator, and Marilee Capodanno was Registrar/Treasurer.

## WAYS & MEANS FLORAL SUPPLIES

Do you need supplies for your flower arrangements? Contact Barbara Smith at 253-631-7118. You can make an appointment to pick them up at her house at 29332 199th Ave SE, Kent.

## CHINOOK DISTRICT AWARDS

Awards Chair: Jeanette Pruin  
206-244-6185  
[jbandrjpruin@comcast.net](mailto:jbandrjpruin@comcast.net)

The awards applications for the 2019 award year have all been judged and the certificates printed. Thank you all for entering. There were applications for most of the Past Director's Awards. The question now is, when and how to distribute the certificates?

There are no changes to the awards listed in the 2019-2021 directory. I have not been informed of any changes from WSFGC. 2020 has been and appears will continue to be a different and difficult year for our clubs. Meeting the requirements for many awards will be difficult.

The certificates for WSFGC Awards will be mailed out.

The district award winners are listed on the next page.

Evelyn Snyder, Debbie Angel's granddaughter, won first place (1<sup>st</sup> grade) in Pacific Region for the Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl poster contest!



## CHINOOK DISTRICT AFFILIATED GROUPS

### JUDGES COUNCIL

President: Brynn Tavasci 253-813-9678

They study the responsibilities and duties involved in judging flower shows. They discuss rules, procedures, changes and other information from state meetings.

### THE FLOWER GAL'S

Co-Presidents: Donna Hall 253-561-1996  
Maggie Lindsey 253-839-8092

This group of Garden Club members meets on the third Tuesday of each month (at 10 a.m.) to discuss horticulture or to tour nurseries or gardens.

### DESIGNERS GUILD

President: Tory Bennett  
360-825-2096

This group of Advanced Amateur Arrangers meets to further their interest in floral design.

### ELLE DESIGNERS

President: Nora Fisher  
253-236-5456

This group of Intermediate Amateur Arrangers meets to make and study creative designs from the handbook.

## CHINOOK DISTRICT AWARDS

### \$50 HORTICULTURE SWEEPSTAKES

Auburn Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR LOIS KESSLER – Community Service

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Des Moines Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Enumclaw Garden Club

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Marine Hills Garden club

### PAST DIRECTOR SARA JANE RANTS – Honor Club

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Auburn Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Des Moines Garden club

### PAST DIRECTOR ANN CRAIN – Yearbook

Less than 20 members

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Maple Trails Garden club

20 – 29 members

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Des Moines Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Marine Hills Garden Club

30 – 44 members

1<sup>st</sup> Place - O'Brien Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Auburn Garden Club

45 – 69 members

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Parkside Garden Club

70 - 99 members

1<sup>st</sup> Place - **Enumclaw Garden Club** - Trophy winner overall best yearbook

### PAST DIRECTOR SALLY PRIEBE – Outstanding Design

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Faye Lewis Auburn Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Debbie Angel Marine Hills Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR LONA CARTER – Contribution to District

No Entries

### PAST DIRECTOR JEANETTE PRUIN – New Members

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Enumclaw Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – O'Brien Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR DIANNE GREEN – Outstanding Horticulture

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Debbie Angel Marine Hills Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Debbie Angel Marine Hills Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR ESTHER BANHOLZER – Yearbook Cover

1 -20 members

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Maple Trails Garden club

21 – 35 members

1<sup>st</sup> Place O'Brien Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Des Moines Garden Club

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Marine Hills Garden Club

36 & over members

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Parkside Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Enumclaw Garden Club

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Auburn Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR DOTTIE WILSON – Outstanding Club Member - Yolanda Nelson Enumclaw Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR ANN KRONENWETTER – Support of Birds

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Marine Hills Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR BETTY BURKHART – Outstanding Tables

No Entries

### PAST DIRECTOR ANNE KINSLEY – Flower Show Schedule

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Des Moines Garden Club for “Plantmania”

### PAST DIRECTOR MARION NANCARROW – Outstanding Craft -

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Debbie Angel Marine Hills Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR SHIRLEY LINS - Outstanding Novice Design

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Lisa Adsero O'Brien Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Sandra Haines O'Brien Garden Club

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Carol Widell O'Brien Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR BRYNN TAVASCI – Garden Art

No Entries

### PAST DIRECTOR MARY IRELAND Flower Show Staging

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Des Moines Garden Club for “Plantmania”

### PAST DIRECTOR KAY McDONALD – Outstanding Petite Design

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Faye Lewis Auburn Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR BARBARA SMITH – Arbor Day Project

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Auburn Garden Club

### PAST DIRECTOR DEBBIE ANGEL – Pollinator Project

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Enumclaw Garden Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Marine Hills Garden club

## GARDEN CLUB NEWS

### Auburn

President: Sue Miller 206-617-9920 [sm1llr@hotmail.com](mailto:sm1llr@hotmail.com)

Our club has not met since March, and most scheduled activities have been canceled. We have tried to stay in touch via the "Virtual Garden Tour" on our Auburn Washington Garden Club Facebook page, where members can post pictures of their gardens. We have continued to maintain the garden at Les Gove Park in downtown Auburn, with several members doing socially-distanced weeding every few weeks. In July, we collected the Mason Bees from our spring Pollinator Project and will have them ready to clean and store for the winter. We are eagerly awaiting the opportunity to start planning a restart.

### Des Moines

President: Teenie Dillinger [teenie.dillinger@gmail.com](mailto:teenie.dillinger@gmail.com)  
206-878-7478 & 253-243-4892

No report.

### Elle

President: Nora Fisher 253-236-5456 [norafshr@gmail.com](mailto:norafshr@gmail.com)

Elle officers decided to cancel October and November meetings. We hope to meet March 2, April 6, and May 4, 2021. By then we may be able to still meet at the Foundation House which is questionable at this point. We could do the tubular design in our book for March and The Tapestry Design for April, then designer's choice of design for May. Hope you all are well and staying safe at home enjoying your gardens and this beautiful weather.

### Enumclaw

President: Karen Arris 425-698-3717  
[peacerosekelley@yahoo.com](mailto:peacerosekelley@yahoo.com)

I look forward to joining Marilyn Topp, Tory Bennett, and Susan Petittclerc in supporting Chinook District. The planning for Breakfast for the Birds is moving along. The overall decoration theme will be "English Garden" and the Hat Parade theme will be "Guess who's coming to Breakfast in your garden?" Marianne Binetti will be our featured speaker. The location will be the historic Pete's Field House, date February 24, 2021.

Our club is responsible for watering the pots at the VFW Memorial in June, July, and August, with committee members taking turns, as well as our foothills trail committee keeping the walking trail in good shape. We were not able to assemble in Enumclaw for our Plant Sale, so we held front porch pick-ups that brought in over \$1500. We were not able to have our member's tea and tour this summer, so we have all been posting our gardens and blooms on our website for us to enjoy. It's amazing how it has lifted our spirits during this pandemic.

We plan to begin our first quarter in September with zoom meetings to stay connected. We will continue to mail our monthly newsletter and our new yearbook.

### Flower Gals

Co-Presidents:

Donna Hall 253-561-1996 [bdonnahall@comcast.net](mailto:bdonnahall@comcast.net)  
Maggie Lindsey 253-839-8092 [maggie.v.lind@gmail.com](mailto:maggie.v.lind@gmail.com).

No report.

### Maple Trails

President: Arlene Brenner 253-852-5904  
[arlenebrenner@msn.com](mailto:arlenebrenner@msn.com)

No report.

### Marine Hills

President: Debbie Angel 253-486-2326  
[debbielangel@gmail.com](mailto:debbielangel@gmail.com)

NGC Gardening School 3 was held August 12-13 via zoom; see article on page 2. We had a scaled-down plant sale in April and a "pop-up" driveway sale in July. Both were successful, especially considering pandemic limitations. We are planning virtual meetings via zoom for most of the next year.

### O'Brien

President: Sandy Haines 951-823-9193 [skhaines@gmail.com](mailto:skhaines@gmail.com)

O'Brien Garden Club may try to hold a September meeting, casually, on Sandy Haines' property Sept 18, weather permitted or see if Kent East Hills Nursery would be willing to host something after that. I am hoping to host something monthly, even if it is just visiting an outdoor nursery or space. Everything is still up in the air.

### Parkside

Co-presidents:

Jill Cooke 206-708-4616 [jillcooke63@gmail.com](mailto:jillcooke63@gmail.com)  
Sissi Smithhart 206-719-7429 [sissismithhart@gmail.com](mailto:sissismithhart@gmail.com)

Our priority is to keep members safe and healthy, so we have not had meetings since March. We had board and planning meetings via zoom and anticipate virtual club meetings in the fall, as our meeting space will not be available. Hopefully, we will have some tours with proper social distancing. We are committed to finding ways to connect with our members. We are exploring becoming a 501(c)3.

Our plant sale was a success given the pandemic. We started with a club sale and then opened up to the community via social media. We had a yard plant sale while practicing social distancing. Any remaining plants were donated to Highline Botanical Garden.

Parkside Garden club was selected as the Normandy Park Grand Marshall for the 4th of July parade. We selected 3 members to participate and ride in the neighborhood parade. It was a proud moment to have our club recognized by the community.

## Chinook District Directory Corrections

### New directory corrections:

page 4: Enumclaw has a new Club president, Karen Arris. Her contact information is [peacerosekelley@yahoo.com](mailto:peacerosekelley@yahoo.com). Home address is 18126 Rhodes Lake Rd E., Bonney Lake, WA 98391, Cell phone number is 425-698-3717.

page 7: 2020 WSFGC Convention in Ellensburg is being rescheduled to **June 7-10, 2021**.

page 7: 2020 Pacific Region Convention in Silverton, OR, is being rescheduled to **August 8 -12, 2021**.

page 12: Chinook General meetings for September 2 and November 4 have been changed to a Zoom format. Horticulture Speaker for September will be John Moe "Growing Roses". November speaker TBA. Design speakers have been cancelled for now.

Page 92: Karen Arris 425-698-3717 (cell)  
Co-President Enumclaw Garden Club  
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Bonney Lake, WA 98391  
[peacerosekelley@yahoo.com](mailto:peacerosekelley@yahoo.com)  
Enumclaw GC

### Directory corrections sent earlier:

page 4: Jill Cooke's phone number is 206-708-4616

page 4: Arlene Brenner's email is [arlenebrenner@msn.com](mailto:arlenebrenner@msn.com)

page 5: Dorrie Carr's email is incorrect; it should be [hdcarr@outlook.com](mailto:hdcarr@outlook.com)

page 12: Kit Haesloop (spelling)

page 15: Ways & Means Chairs should be Barbara Smith and Liz Close

page 15: Smokey Bear / Woodsy Owl Chair should be Penny Merriman

page 19: Change Elle Designers meeting dates to the First Tuesday of October, November, March, April, May

page 19: Add Dorothy Weaver as Co-Treasurer

page 45: Soos Creek Botanical Garden address is **132<sup>nd</sup>** Ave SE

### Club speaker suggestions for Zoom meeting presentations:

Alison Johnson can speak on several topics, including Houseplants, Container Gardening, Gardening for Pollinators, Bellevue Botanical Garden Tour, NPA Garden Tours, and others – just ask her. Contact her at: [Alison.johnson@comcast.net](mailto:Alison.johnson@comcast.net).

Christina Pfeiffer is a well-known Horticulture writer and educator who has a substantial list of topics she can give via Zoom. Contact her at [capfeiffer@comcast.net](mailto:capfeiffer@comcast.net). To see her topics, visit her website at [www.christinapfeiffer.net](http://www.christinapfeiffer.net)

Laura Matter, Garden Hotline Manager at Tilth Alliance can talk about several topics, such as Integrated Pest Management, Soils, Composting, and Vegetable Gardening. Contact her at [lmatter@comcast.net](mailto:lmatter@comcast.net)

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**WSFGC WEBSITE:** <https://www.wagardenclubs.com/> password: peony

## **2019 – 2021 CHINOOK DISTRICT OFFICERS**

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2nd Assistant District Director: Penny Merriman

Recording Secretary: Maxine Ranta

Treasurer: Susan Petittclerc

Corresponding Secretary: Jeanne Buchanan

Parliamentary Advisor: Debbie Angel

Immediate Past District Director: Barbara Smith

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