



The Chinook Winds

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DIRECTOR’S MESSAGE



Wow, 2019 was a wonderful year. The Christmas luncheon was the cherry on top. I’ve had many notes and emails from guests thanking us for a great event. Many thanks go to Brynn Tavasci and Erin Gregory for the fabulous show and delicious food.

Now it’s time to start thinking of spring. Do any of you have a special project, or is your club going on an adventure? WSFGC website would like to let people know what garden club is all about, and this would be a good way to get people interested in your club. Send your pictures and plans for past or future events to me at smnash9@gmail.com.

Susan Nash

Chinook District Director



Dreaming of Spring

NEXT DISTRICT GENERAL MEETING

February 5, 2020
10:00 a.m.

Grace Lutheran Church
22975 – 24th Ave. So.
Des Moines, WA

DISTRICT MEETING

Entry times for Horticulture and Designs: 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Be prompt – no entries after 9:45 a.m.

To save time, fill out entry cards before arriving.

- 10-11 Business Meeting
- 11-12 Horticulture Program – Julia Graham, “NPA Garden Tour”
- 12-1 Luncheon – Parkside
- 1-2 Design Program – Tory Bennett & Brynn Tavasci, “Playground Play: Designs Inspired by School Recess”

Clerks for Flower Show:

Auburn, Enumclaw, Marine Hills, O’Brien

Club Presidents: Please provide the names of the clerks from your club to:
Faye Lewis lewisfay@hotmail.com
253-735-1374 (H) & 253-797-6077 (C)

Table Arrangements:

Auburn, Enumclaw, Parkside

Each club brings four arrangements for the luncheon table centerpieces. After the meeting, arrangements are taken to a local nursing home by Penny Merriman, Marine Hills GC.

DISTRICT MEETING LUNCH RESERVATIONS & CANCELLATIONS

Lunch Reservations for District General meetings go to:
Dorothy Weaver 253-878-5744
or dotyweaver43@gmail.com

The cost of our General Meeting is \$10.00, which includes registration, program and lunch.

For All District General Meetings:

Reservations for lunch must be made by the **Tuesday (January 28)** of the week prior to the meeting.

Cancellations must be made by Noon the prior **Friday (January 31)** or you will be charged.

Provide your club name, the number attending, your name and phone number. Be sure to include guests in the total head count.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 5, 2020: Chinook General Meeting & Flower Show

February 19, 2020: Breakfast for the Birds, Enumclaw High School

February 26-March 1, 2020: Northwest Flower and Garden Show

March 9-10, 2020: WSFGC Flower Show (educational) and Workshops

April 1, 2020: Chinook board meeting

April 13-14, 2020: Gardening School 3

May 6, 2020: Chinook General Meeting & Flower Show

June 17, 2020: Chinook District Awards Luncheon

BASIC DESIGN CLASSES

Ten students attended the two classes in November 2019. The students were enthusiastic at these upbeat classes. They learned about vertical design, L design, Hogarth curve, and mass design. Several students made Thanksgiving centerpieces for their mass design.

BREAKFAST FOR THE BIRDS

Enumclaw Garden Club will hold its annual breakfast event February 19, 2020, returning to Enumclaw High School. Doors open at 9:00 a.m. and the breakfast begins at 10:00 a.m.

The theme is "Birds and the Bees". The decorated hat parade will again entertain all with themes of "Bee in Your Bonnet", "Bee Happy", "Honey-Do Notes", and "Cute as a Bee". Attendees are invited to join the parade to show their creativity.

The featured speaker will be Andy Matelich from Washington Master Beekeepers.

Tickets are \$20, pre-sale only, available at the February 5 Chinook district meeting. For more information, contact Lanette Knapp 360-802-0268.

CHINOOK DISTRICT NEWS

NGC GARDENING SCHOOL, Series 12, Course 3



April 13-14, 2020

Light of Christ Lutheran Church
2400 SW 344th St.
Federal Way, WA 98023

Presented by Marine Hills Garden Club



MARINE HILLS GARDEN CLUB
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Topics for Course 3: Houseplant basics, New Plant Development & Evaluation, Factors that Influence Plant Growth, Container Gardening, Ferns, and Tour of Rhododendron Species Botanical Garden.

For more information and a registration form, contact:
Chairman Debbie Angel
debbielangel@gmail.com
or Registrar Dorothy Hitchcock
dhitchcock72@gmail.com

BLUE STAR MARKER

Tanya Galat, Co-chair

Thanks to all seven garden clubs, the Elle group and Chinook District for their purchases through Wreaths Across America. Through our contributions we honor all service members and show appreciation for our military.



CHINOOK SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

Thank you garden clubs for scholarship fund contributions totaling \$2300.

Chinook Scholarships for 2019-20 were awarded as follows:

Washington State University	\$1500
University of Washington	\$1500
WSFGC	\$100
WSFGC Teachers Conservation	\$75
Total =	\$3175

These scholarships for college students and teachers help develop leaders for our next generation of gardeners!

Please send donations to:

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

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 GALLS

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

Chairman: Jeanette Pruin 206-244-6185
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The Chinook District Past Directors Awards are due May 1, except for the Ann Crain (Yearbook Award) and Esther Banholzer (Yearbook Cover Award), which were submitted in October. The plant a tree award is due May 15 to chairman Marilyn Topp, based on the trees planted from April 1, 2019, to March 31, 2020.

The other Past Directors Awards are blue ribbon entries from the District Flower Shows, Club Flower Shows and State Holiday Show from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 of 2019. Submit entries to Jeanette Pruin when you have the book of evidence prepared.

WSFGC AWARD DEADLINES - *March through April 2020*

Award Applications are based on activities in Award Year 2019. Send to respective chairmen in 2019-2021 WSFGC Directory.

March 1, 2020

Youth Pollinator Power (Bats) Posters from clubs to district chair

April 1, 2020

- Arbor Day Award to Lona Carter
- Youth Pollinator (bat) Posters from district to Mary Lou Paulson
- Conservation/Environmental Green Ribbon Donation Awards and Conservation Teachers' Scholarship Donations to Bobbie Schoss
- Corsage Awards to Tory Bennett
- Honor Clubs, including Violet Gose Club Achievement Award for highest-scoring honor club, to Sherry Matthews
- Organic and Vegetable Gardening Awards to Dorothy Munroe
- Landscape Design Awards to Karen Lee
- Betty Belcher Horticulture Award to Debbie Minton
- Marva Lee Peterschick Arboreal Flowering Shrub/Tree Award to Debbie Minton
- Jeanette Pruin Youth Involvement Award to Mary Bewley
- Recycling Awards to Brynn Tavasci

Past President's awards to Billie Fitch as follows:

- Terry Critchlow Photography Award
- Phyllis Danielson Table-Setting Awards
- Berta Deming for Most Blue Ribbons in Flower shows
- Lois Donahue Award of Achievement
- Carolyn Erickson for All-Fresh Design Award
- JoAnn Goldman Artistic Craft Award
- M. Cerita Goody Civic Achievement Award
- Judith Juno Petite Design Award
- Carol Klingberg for Educational Award
- Ann Murray (Mabry) Judges Council Educational Award
- Ellen B. Swenson Flower Arrangement Award
- Brynn Tavasci Recycled Art Award
- Margaret Titlow District Flower Show Staging Award
- June Willard Club Flower Show Staging Award
- Helen Wolff Club Program Award

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Auburn

President: Sue Miller 206-617-9920 sm1llr@hotmail.com

November and December were busy months. We started November with a very informative presentation by Barb Smith about sustaining cut plant materials in arrangements. On November 16, we participated in the Holiday bazaar at St Matthews Church in Auburn. We had more garden-related items to sell than we had space and felt it was a successful fundraiser. On November 26, in spite of the cold weather, several members participated in our monthly clean-up of the Back Yard Idea Garden in Auburn's Veterans park.

At the beginning of December, many members attended the District Christmas Gala; and five of our members, led by Erin Gregory and Dorothy Weaver, took on the major challenge of preparing lunch for this bazaar. We held our annual holiday potluck at our December 10 meeting, where we collected \$225 in cash and 163 pounds of food and winter clothing for the Auburn food bank. We created Christmas mug flower arrangements for the residents of Terry Homes, an Auburn non-profit for TBI victims; as well as for ourselves. The following Saturday, many of our club members were volunteers at the City of Auburn's Breakfast with Santa at the Auburn Community Center. On December 28, some of our members began a garden clean-up and ongoing maintenance project at the new perennial garden in Auburn's Les Gove Park. Funds for this garden were donated by Tanya Galat in the name of the Auburn Garden Club and dedicated to her mother.

In January, we kicked off a collaboration with the City of Auburn to place mason bees in four of their parks and enhance pollinator plantings in those areas. Our next club meeting is Tuesday, January 14, where our program will be about composting. We regularly meet on the second Tuesday of the month in the Warren Building at Auburn's Veteran's Park. All are welcome.

Des Moines

President: Teenie Dillinger teenie.dillinger@gmail.com
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Our Des Moines Garden Club had a very fun community event, Wreath and Swag Workshop, in November that got about 25 people creating their own Christmas decoration to start their celebrating. Our December meeting was a special luncheon at Anthony's Home Port.

We started out the new year on Monday with information we shared about growing houseplants, orchids, succulents, and unknown favorites. Our February meeting will have us making "Love in a Cup" floral designs to give to residents at Wesley Gardens. We meet the first Monday of each month.

Elle

President: Nora Fisher 253-236-5456 norafshr@gmail.com

No report.

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Enumclaw

Co-Presidents:

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Lanette Knapp 360-802-0268 Lanette53@skynetbb.com

Early in November, some members decorated a Thanksgiving-themed tree at the Senior Center. In December, we changed it to a Christmas tree. Designs were from artistry of member Karen Arris.

The day before our Christmas meeting/party, several members decorated the VFW Hall with lovely gingerbread houses. This project was also the brainchild of Karen Arris, who provided everything needed to build the houses. Karen's artistry was recognized at the Chinook Christmas luncheon with a best table award. At our club's Christmas party, we collected money for the local food bank and "Plateau Outreach Ministries". A small local choir sang for us and enjoyed lunch with us.

Breakfast for the Birds is February 19. *See the article on page 2.*

Flower Gals

Co-Presidents:

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Maggie Lindsey 253-839-8092 maggie.v.lind@gmail.com

Flower Gals enjoyed a Christmas luncheon at Red Lobster in Federal Way, followed by shopping at Branches Nursery. Activities planned for 2020 include:

January 21: Class on Kokedama (moss ball hanging planter)

February 18: "Where's the Color" will cover ways to add light and color to the winter garden.

March 17: A docent-led tour of Highline SeaTac Botanical Garden will showcase the new native garden, which complements the existing shade garden.

April 21: "Summer Bulbs" to be presented by Francine McCormik-Cook.

May 19: "Fairy Gardens" to be presented by Rosy Carolan.

June 16: Investigating, Shopping & Eating – Visit Edgewood Gardens & Nursery, Watson's Nursery, and Vassey's Nursery, then lunch.

July 21: Annual planning meeting/potluck at Joyce Lowe's lovely garden.

Classes are at the Federal Way 320th Library at 10: a.m. Carpools for tours and trips will meet at the library. Contact Maggie Lindsey or Donna Hall for more information.

Maple Trails

President: Arlene Brenner 253-852-5904 arlenebrenner@msn.com

At our November meeting, we created Christmas arrangements for Farrington Court Retirement Center. We gathered cuttings from our gardens and purchased flowers for 30 arrangements for dining tables. Hostess Lorretta Edinger provided lunch. We enjoyed our December Christmas party and gift exchange at Joanne McCandless's beautiful home. We collected for the food bank and planned our January program of Floral Design with Costco Flowers, to be given by Carolyn Sanford.

Marine Hills

President: Debbie Angel 253-486-2326

debbielangel@gmail.com

Our speaker October 15 was Alison Johnson, "Gardening with an English Accent. On November 19, Linda Maida gave a design program "Enjoying Your Flowers, a Few Easy Tricks". We enjoyed both informative presentations and that both our speakers had a great sense of humor. Our annual Christmas party was great fun.

We donated funds for 10 wreaths in the Wreaths Across America program. We donated \$300 for the Chinook District Youth fund and \$50 to the Blue Star Marker fund. We made 30 floral arrangements for residents of Brookdale Foundation House.

Gardening School 2 was another success with terrific instructors and 30 students. Mark your calendars for April 13-14, 2020, for Gardening School 3.

O'Brien

President: Sandy Haines 951-823-9193

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Our Christmas luncheon at Vince's in Renton included a fun white elephant exchange. Our January 17 meeting will feature Susan Wigley with a program about Fruit Trees.

We meet the third Friday of the month at the Kent Senior Center starting at 11 a.m. All are welcome!

Parkside

Co-presidents:

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Sissi Smithhart 206-719-7429

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The Parkside November meeting featured a fun, hands-on Shadow box crafting program led by Brynn Tavasci and Mary Ireland. Members brought their "treasures" and left the meeting with a beautiful Shadow or Memory box. After the meeting, we planted an Enkianthus tree at the Normandy Park Cove to honor Parkside member, Kathy Coberly, who passed away in 2019.

Thank you to Parkside Garden Club and Chinook District members who generously donated funds for a park bench in honor of Sally Priebe. We will be dedicating Sally's bench at the Normandy Park City Hall Park near the Blue Star Marker garden. All garden club, district members, family and friends are invited to the dedication. Date to be announced.

Our January meeting will feature Laura Watson, who will share her expertise and tips for growing Clematis.

CHINOOK DISTRICT MEETING FLOWER SHOW

GENERAL RULES

1. Competition is open to all Chinook District members. See General Rule #2, Horticulture Rule #1, and Design and Artistic Crafts Rule #1.
2. Student judges (or anyone needing exhibiting credits) from any District may enter any Flower Show to obtain credits.
3. This Standard Flower Show is judged by Accredited judges, whose decisions are final. No one will be permitted in the judging area except judges' chairman, judges, clerks and classification chairmen.
4. Entries will be received from 8:30 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. Late entries cannot be judged but will be shown for "Exhibit Only". Entries may not be removed until the afternoon program starts (preferably not until after the program).
5. Entrants must register with the Classification Committee. Entries must conform to schedule.
6. Horticulture will be placed by the committee.
7. Designers and Crafters will be assisted with placement.
8. Flower Show Chairman is Jean Gilbertson 253-943-5356.

HORTICULTURE RULES

1. All clubs may enter exhibits in the Horticulture Division of each Flower Show. **Each individual member is limited to ten entries per show.**
2. **Entrants must supply their own clean, clear glass containers.** Containers should be in scale to the specimens.
3. Horticulture entries will be limited to 30" in length for the arboreal section, or optimum growth for any other section.
4. Unobtrusive wedging and double potting are permitted.
5. Exhibitor may make more than one entry per class or subclass if each is of a different variety/cultivar, type or color.
6. Classification Chairman may add or divide classes or subclasses as deemed necessary on the day of the show.
7. Horticulture entries must be grown by the exhibitor and correctly named.
8. Potted plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession 90 days prior to entry.
9. The same cut specimen may not be shown again, if it has already been shown in a Standard Flower Show.
10. Horticulture Collections and Horticulture Displays must include at least five similar specimens. See page 60 in the Handbook for staging information for collections and displays.

DESIGN and ARTISTIC CRAFTS RULES

1. **The Design Division is open to members from all clubs listed in the Chinook District Directory and those listed in General Rule #2. Except for the club providing lunch for the general meeting, all clubs are expected to have at least three design entries, but no more than five, and at least one artistic craft entry.**
2. **ADVANCE ENTRY ONLY FOR DESIGN (Division II). All design entries are advance entries registered with Debbie Angel, debbielangel@gmail.com or 253-486-2326.**
3. "Novice Only" classes are to be entered only by those who have won no more than three blue ribbons in a Standard Show. Novices may enter other classes but will be judged in open competition.
4. There shall be only one entry per entrant in each class or subclass.
5. Artistic exhibits may be moved by the placement committee and for critique. All care will be exercised by the show committee, but they cannot be responsible for loss or damage.
6. Maximum space allowed for a design is 24" wide and 30" deep on a table, unless otherwise stated.
7. See information on page 80 in the Handbook regarding use of fantasy flowers.
8. Accessories and featured items are permitted unless otherwise stated.
9. Some fresh plant material must be used unless otherwise stated. Dyed, painted or otherwise embellished fresh plant material is not allowed. **Artificial plant material is not permitted.**
10. No Design or Artistic Craft is to be entered if it has been shown previously in a Standard Flower Show.
11. **Each Design and Craft exhibit must have a 3x5-inch card listing plant material included.** Botanical or common names are accepted.
12. Careful study of the Flower Show Rules and the Flower Show Schedule will eliminate points being deducted for nonconformance. Remember, the schedule is the "**Law of the Show**" and is binding on the judge as well as the exhibitor.

CHINOOK DISTRICT FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

Standard System of Awarding: Blue for first place; Red for second; Yellow for third, and White for Honorable Mention. Only blue-ribbon winners are eligible for top design awards.

Best Horticulture Exhibit Award (*Green and White Rosette*) may be given to the named exhibit judged as the finest in the entire Horticulture Division.

Show Chairman's Award (*Yellow Rosette*) for the **Best Design in the show.**

District Director's Award (*Burgundy and Mauve Rosette*) for **Best Novice Design.**

Crafters Award (*Lavender Rosette*) for the **Best Artistic Craft.**

Collection or Display Award (*Light Blue and Dark Blue Rosette*) for the **Best Collection or Display.**

An annual **Horticulture Sweepstakes Award** will be presented to the club winning the most blue ribbons in Horticulture (Division I) in a district flower show. In case of a tie, red ribbons will be counted. This monetary award of \$50 will be awarded at the annual district awards ceremony.

CHINOOK DISTRICT MEETING FLOWER SHOW
FEBRUARY 5, 2020
Small-Standard Flower Show

Advance Entries Required with Debbie Angel debbielangel@gmail.com or 253-486-2326

DIVISION II: DESIGN “Candy Hearts”

Designs staged in a space 24” wide x 30” deep, on a rectangle table draped in white unless otherwise stated. All classes are **designer’s choice of plant material** unless otherwise stated.

SECTION A.

Class 1. “Cupid’s Arrow” – Creative Design.

Class 2. “Hearts Entwined” – Multi-rhythmic Design.

Class 3. “At First Sight” – Transparency Design.

NOVICE

Class 4. “Always and Fur-ever” – A design including an animal figurine.

DIVISION III: ARTISTIC CRAFTS

All exhibits must have some plant material, either fresh or dried.

No artificial plant material allowed.

Exhibits staged in 12” X 12” space.

Class 1. “Puppy Love” – a decorated gift box not to exceed 8” in any direction. Designer to provide staging.

Class 2. “Be Mine” – a handcrafted Valentine card not to exceed 7” in any direction. Designer to provide staging.

Clubs are expected to enter at least 3 designs, no more than 5, and at least 1 artistic craft. Advance entry required, see above.

All designs and crafts must have a 3 x 5 card with common or scientific names of all plant material used.

Advance entry required for designs.

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2019 – 2021 CHINOOK DISTRICT OFFICERS

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