



The Chinook Winds

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

As we put our gardens to bed for the winter, it is time to think of all the activities coming up in the coming months. From your reports at the October Board meeting, it looks like each club has scheduled some very interesting programs.

Chinook District's Christmas Luncheon on Dec. 6 will be great fun. Our program will feature a fashion show with vintage designs that date back to the late 1800's. Each design comes with a story, so we will get a history lesson too. Of course, all of the different tables created by the different club members, the raffle baskets, and designs for the silent auction all add to the festivities. Tickets are going fast so don't wait too long to get yours. You can buy them from Susan Nash.

Coming up also is the Holiday Show at the Red Lion in Olympia on Nov. 6 & 7. Check out the Chinook Web site for more information.

Unfortunately, I have some sad news. Maureen Courtney, a long-time garden club member, passed away on Sept. 30. She was an avid gardener and photographer and active member of the Enumclaw Garden Club. She will be missed by all who knew her. Her funeral will be held on Oct. 14 at 2:00 at the Wabash Church in Auburn (18325 SE 384th, Auburn).

Barbara Smith

Chinook District Director

NEXT DISTRICT GENERAL MEETING

November 1, 2017
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.

Garden Clubs participating in the Flower Show:

Auburn (2 clerks)

Marine Hills (1 clerk)

Parkside (2 clerks)

Sunset View (1 clerk)

10-11 Business Meeting

11-12 Horticulture Program –
David Droppers,
“Gardening for Butterflies
in the Pacific Northwest”

12-1 Luncheon – Provided by
Enumclaw Garden Club

1-2 Design Program –
Cathy Johnson,
“Whimsical Garden Decor”

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
\$9.00, which includes registration,
program and lunch.

For All District General Meetings:

Reservations for lunch must be made
by the **Tuesday** (October 24) of the
week prior to the meeting.

Cancellations must be made by Noon
the prior **Friday** (October 27) or you
will be charged.

Leave your Club name, the number
attending, your name and phone
number. All members are encouraged
to bring interested guests. Be sure to
include them in the total head count.

Table Arrangements:

Des Moines, O'Brien, Maple Trails

Each club brings four arrangements
for the District luncheon table
centerpieces.

After the meeting, arrangements are
taken to a local nursing home by
Penny Merriman, Marine Hills Garden
Club.

Clerks for Flower Show

Club Presidents: Please provide the
names of the clerks from your club to:
Tanya Galat
tgalat@msn.com
206-612-0021

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 6 - 7, 2017: WSFGC Holiday Show, Red Lion, Olympia

December 6, 2017: Chinook District Christmas Luncheon, Grace Lutheran Church (Set-up 9:00 – 10:30 a.m., doors open 11 a.m.)

December 10, 2017, 2:00 – 7:00 p.m., Cookies and Pictures with Santa, WSFGC Headquarters House

February 7 – 11, 2017, Northwest Flower and Garden Show, Seattle, WA

March 14, 2018: WSFGC Gala XXXX, Red Lion, Olympia

March 26 – 27, 2018, Landscape Design School II, Oak Harbor, WA

April 17 – 18, 2018, Environmental School course 3, The Cove, Normandy Park.

June 20, 2018, Chinook District Awards Luncheon, Grace Lutheran Church



CHINOOK DISTRICT NEWS

CHINOOK DISTRICT MEETINGS

General Meetings:

November 1, 2017
 February 7, 2018
 May 2, 2018
 September 5, 2018
 November 7, 2018
 February 6, 2019*
 May 1, 2019*

Board Meetings:

January 3, 2018
 April 4, 2018
 August 1, 2018
 October 3, 2018
 January 2, 2019*
 April 3, 2019*

*tentative

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CHINOOK DISTRICT WEB SITE

www.chinookgardenclubs.org/

WSFGC WEB SITE

<http://wagardenclubs.com/>
 password: peony



CHINOOK DISTRICT AFFILIATED GROUPS

CHINOOK DISTRICT JUDGES COUNCIL

President Mary Ireland
 206-248-3077

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

CHINOOK DISTRICT THE FLOWER GALS

President Maxine Ranta
 253-946-3733

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

CHINOOK DISTRICT DESIGNERS GUILD

President Esther Banholzer
 425-228-6330

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

CHINOOK DISTRICT ELLE DESIGNERS

President Maggie Lindsey
 253-839-8092

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

CHINOOK DISTRICT AWARDS

Awards Chairman: Betty Burkhart
253-852-2935 or paul-burkhart@msn.com

Woodsy Owl and Smokey Bear posters (youth contest) should be turned in by December 6 to Barbara Smith. You can bring to the Christmas Luncheon to submit for judging by the committee. If you have questions about the contest, contact Youth Chairman Penny Merriman at mmmerri2730@aol.com.

Deadlines for State Awards through January 2018

December 1

Butterfly Program – Mary Lou Paulson
Civic Development – Mary Dahlgren
Garden Therapy – Linda Oberloh
Garden Growing Project – Daphne Ruxton
High School Gardeners/Youth – Mary Bewley
Horticulture Essay – Debby Minton
NGC High School Essays – Sally Karg
NGC Youth Awards – Mary Bewley
Youth Poetry – Joyce Johnson
District Newsletter – Linda Maida
Publication Awards – Linda Maida

December 15

Flower Show Schedule – Jeanette Pruin
Flower Show Awards – Brynn Tavasci
Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl – Evelyn Marwood

January 25

Press Book Awards – Marva Lee Peterschick

CHINOOK SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Chinook District board votes on distribution of scholarship funds during the January board meeting, so please encourage your club to budget for this fund. Thanks to Parkside and Auburn Garden Clubs for sending in their 2017-2018 donations.

Please send your club's 2017-2018 scholarship donation as early as possible. Mail checks to:

Jill Cooke, Scholarship Chair
18212 3rd Pl. SW
Normandy Park, WA 98166

Questions? Contact Jill Cooke at jillcooke63@gmail.com or 207-708-4616.

BLUE STAR MEMORIAL, TAHOMA NATIONAL CEMETERY

As we all know, this has been a very challenging year to maintain a garden, and unfortunately, it appears we may lose a few of the azaleas around the Blue Star Marker. The sprinkler system issues were never resolved, so next spring, I plan to start writing letters to appropriate officials so we don't have problems next year.

I am planning another work party on Thursday, October 26, so the memorial will be a bright star at the entrance to the cemetery to welcome all of the Veterans Day visitors. I will be contacting the presidents from Auburn and Enumclaw Garden Clubs to request the names and contact information of at least two members from each club who can participate in the work party. And if any other garden club members would like to participate in any upcoming work party, please contact me.

Tanya Galat, Blue Star Marker Chairman



ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOOL

Parkside Garden Club has been sponsoring NGC's Environmental School. Course 3 - The Living Earth - Air and Related Issues is postponed until April 17-18, 2018. It will be at the Cove in Normandy Park.

This course will cover ecology-air; plants-the rain forest; environmental science – pollution; wildlife-endangered plants and wildlife; youth programs in environmental education; earth stewardship-effective citizenship; plants that clear the air, and will include a field trip.

If you have questions, contact one of the co-chairs, Linda Haas, lindahaas@comcast.net or Chris Calderon, christine.calderon@gmail.com.

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Auburn

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

To celebrate our club's successful flower show, The Garden of Magic and Delight, members went on a tour of Ed Hume's Educational Garden in Puyallup in September. It was a delightful tour of 15 separate fun areas, including a bird garden, a maze, a native plant area, a "tunnel" garden, and more. Despite the rain for days before, on that day there was a rainbow over the valley! Though Ed has retired from his television show after 50+ years, he is a surprising 85 years young. Gardening is the "fountain of youth." After the tour we went to Watson's Nursery for shopping and lunch. What a terrific way to celebrate!

Our October speaker is Anne Kinsley, who will share her knowledge and growing tips about dwarf conifers and their benefits to all gardens, small and large. In November, our club will make centerpieces for the Auburn Veteran's Day Luncheon. The November program involves learning new designs from the revised 2017 NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, to be presented by club members Betty Burkhart and Marion Nancarrow.

Des Moines

President: Kris Ripley 253-852-7462 krisripley12@yahoo.com

Our October meeting was interesting. We had Lynne MacDonald demonstrate finishing clear-cut found wood. She uses a tool to chip away the soft wood down to the hard wood. Then using a deer horn, she polishes the wood. Her wood pieces were truly beautiful. In the afternoon Anne Kinsley, Jeanette Pruin, and Gayle Mowry shared their designs using wood pieces. Lunch was followed by interesting and quality pieces of horticulture in our 'mini' flower show.

In November we will share house plants and discuss their care and needs. This will be followed by a program on 'Indigenous Birds' by Bubbles Crowder.

We meet the first Monday of the month at Grace Lutheran Church, starting with meet and greet at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome to join us.

Enumclaw

President: Connie Keen 360-825-5085 keenck@msn.com

Enumclaw Garden Club started their year with a meet and greet pizza and salad luncheon. A questionnaire was filled out, and we passed our budget. Our October meeting will be Gardening for Wildlife.

Enumclaw is sad to report that member Maureen Courtney died on September 30.

Maple Trails

Co-presidents:

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Joanne McCandless 253-833-1394 dkmccandless@msn.com

We started our year with two successful meetings. In August, we toured the Neely Mansion in Auburn and thoroughly enjoyed the building as well as hearing all the plans for the surrounding gardens. Following our tour, we held our business meeting at The Rock restaurant in Covington.

In September, we hosted Thayer Cueter, "The Frog Lady". She is an interesting, well informed, and animated speaker whom we all enjoyed – even those who were not particularly thrilled about frogs. We want to thank those of you who attended from other clubs. We were very happy to have you join us for this meeting.

In October, we are looking forward to touring Featherhaven in Enumclaw.

Marine Hills

President: Diane Goss 253-839-4470

dianegoss@comcast.net

We started the year off with a great lesson from Melissa Stanley who is a parent volunteer at Nautilus K-8 School that we have supported for several years. Melissa is the lead in their gardening program and has helped make it very successful. She also shared some ideas on cool weather crops and thanked us for all our work to help teach the students about gardening.

We discuss the maintenance of our Blue Star Marker as well as ideas for the district's Christmas Luncheon which is always a great event. We reserved two tables, and we are working on the table decorations and the raffle basket.

Our October meeting will feature Nita Fulwiler talking about birds in the garden.

O'Brien

Co-Presidents:

Sandy Haines 951-823-9193 skhaines@gmail.com

Susan Nash 425-392-8151 smnash9@gmail.com

We will meet October 20. Our guest speaker will be Janel Garnett, Garden Designer, she will talk about perennials with long bloom times.

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Parkside

Co-presidents:

Kathy Linnell 206-651-7787 kelinnell@comcast.net

Chris Calderon 206-242-1955 christine.calderon@gmail.com

Parkside Garden Club's first meeting of the year had members making a variety of cement leaves. Many thanks to Sue and Dave Williams for hosting the event, and to Mary Ireland for excellent instructions and guidance.

The Normandy Park Community Club Sept 2017 Newsletter featured Parkside Garden Club winning the Landscape Design - Environmental Awareness category for Washington State. Parkside member Nancy Storey was recognized for her assistance in the landscape process used for the new entry to the Cove Community Club. The design used mostly native plants.

Due to limited faculty availability this fall, we postponed the Environmental School, Course 3 scheduled for Oct 24-25. It will now be held April 17-18, 2018 at the Cove in Normandy Park.

Parkside Garden Club will be touring the UW Arboretum's Japanese Gardens in October.

Sunset View

President: Eileen Sunderland 614-563-2633 eileents@hotmail.com

We had a work party at the Masonic Lodge in Renton to clean up the grounds. All the plastic was pulled up, plants pruned and weeding done. By the end of the month, there will be new plants and shrubs planted in the two large areas.

Our club will have a craft table at the Renton Senior Center Bazaar on October 28.

We have adopted the Brookside Senior Living Center in Renton and will be providing table decorations four times a year for Valentine's Day, Easter, Mother's Day and Christmas.

We will be making Christmas swags, an annual event for our club, on December 1 for another adult living campus in Renton. Last year we made 50-60 swags – a fun and rewarding event for our club.

Elle Designers

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

We met September 5 with designs that featured our interpretations of an Underwater Design, according to the NGC Handbook for Flower Shows.

Elle meets five times a year on the first Tuesday of September, December, February, March, and May at Brookdale Foundation House in Federal Way. We study and make NGC creative designs.

Our December assignment is a Reflective Design.

Flower Gals

President: Maxine Ranta 253-946-3733
dulcie49@yahoo.com

The Flower Gals speaker for the September meeting was Ron Elliott of the Evergreen Chrysanthemum Society. Everyone enjoyed his presentation very much.

Our October meeting will be held at Watson's Nursery in Puyallup on October 17 at 10:00 a.m. Sue Williams will give a presentation on Shade Gardens.

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.

Sweepstakes Awards will be awarded to the clubs winning the most blue ribbons: one in Horticulture and one in Design and Artistic Craft Divisions. In case of a tie, red ribbons will be counted. This is a monetary award of \$10 for each (one for Horticulture Division and one for Design and Artistic Craft Divisions).

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 the **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**.

CHINOOK DISTRICT MEETING FLOWER SHOW

GENERAL RULES

1. Competition is open to all Chinook District members. See General Rule #2, Horticulture #1 & #2, and Design and Artistic Crafts #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 am 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.

Flower Show Chair:
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 six (6) entries per show.** Clubs listed in the Chinook Directory to participate in this show are expected to have at least 12 horticulture entries per club.
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 (5) 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 only to Clubs listed in the Chinook District Directory to participate in the Meeting's Flower Show and those listed in General Rule #2. Those Clubs listed in the Directory are expected to have at least five (5) design entries, but no more than seven (7) , and at least one (1) artistic craft entry per club.** It is recommended that each participating club distribute their design entries among the schedule's design classes. The Artistic Crafts Division is open to all club members who wish to enter.
2. "Novice Only" classes are to be entered only by those who have won no more than three (3) blue ribbons in a Standard Show. Novices may enter other classes but will be judged in open competition.
3. There shall be only one entry per entrant in each class or subclass.
4. 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.
5. Maximum space allowed for a design is 24" wide and 30" deep on a table, unless otherwise stated.
6. See information on page 80 in the Handbook regarding the use of fantasy flowers.
7. Accessories and featured items are permitted unless otherwise stated.
8. 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.**
9. No Design or Artistic Craft is to be entered if it has been shown previously in a Standard Flower Show.
10. 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.

DISTRICT MEETING FLOWER SHOW

November 1, 2017

DIVISION II: DESIGN

Open to the following clubs ONLY:

Auburn, Marine Hills, Parkside, Sunset View

CHINOOK DISTRICT MEETING FLOWER SHOW November 1, 2017

DIVISION I HORTICULTURE - Open to all garden club members

SECTION A – Conifers - TO BE LAID ON A FLAT SURFACE

- Class 1 *Abies* (Fir)
- Class 2 *Cedrus* (Cedar)
- Class 3 *Chamaecyparis* (False Cypress)
- Class 4 *Juniperus* (Juniper)
- Class 5 *Picea* (Spruce)
- Class 6 *Pinus* (Pine)
- Class 7 *Thuja* (Arborvitea)
- Class 8 Any other worthy specimen

SECTION B – Broadleaf Evergreens

- Class 9 *Aucuba japonica* (Japanese Aucuba) no berries
 - a. Green leaf
 - b. Variegated
- Class 10 *Elaeagnus*
- Class 11 *Euonymus*
- Class 12 *Leucothoe*
- Class 13 *Mahonia* (Oregon Grape)
- Class 14 *Osmanthus*
- Class 15 Any worthy specimen

SECTION C – Berried Branches

- Class 16 *Acuba japonica* (Japanese Acuba) must have berries
 - a. Green leaf
 - b. Variegated
- Class 17 *Cotoneaster*
 - a. *C. dammeri* (Bearberry Cotoneaster)
 - b. *C. horizontalis* (Rock Cotoneaster)
 - c. Any other worthy cotoneaster
- Class 18 *Pernettya*
- Class 19 *Pyracantha* (Firethorn)
- Class 20 *Skimmia* a. red berries b. white berries
- Class 21 *Ilex* (Holly)
- Class 22 Any other worthy specimen

SECTION D – CONTAINER OR POTTED GROWN PLANTS

- Class 23 Flowering
- Class 24 Foliage

SECTION E COLLECTIONS – MUST consist of least 5 specimens

- Class 25 Collection of cut flowers specimens
- Class 26 Collection of cut foliage specimens
- Class 27 Collection of potted specimens

SECTION F – Any other **worthy** specimen

Grooming of plant material is essential. It may mean the difference between a blue ribbon and no ribbon. Use Botanical names. An exhibit without a botanical name may cost an exhibitor a top award.

DIVISION II DESIGN

Open to the following clubs ONLY: Auburn, Marine Hills, Parkside, Sunset View

DIVISION III ARTISTIC CRAFTS "HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS"

Open to all garden club members

All exhibits must have some plant material, fresh or dried. NO ARTIFICIAL PLANT MATERIAL ALLOWED.

Exhibitor to provide own staging for crafts.

Class 1 "Anticipations and Gifts" – Decorate a box no larger than 6" – designer's choice

Class 2 "A Holiday Table" – Decorate a napkin holder – designer's choice

ALL DESIGNS MUST HAVE A 5" X 7" CARD DETAILING ALL PLANT MATERIAL USED.

Can use either scientific or common name.

The Chinook Winds

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Dated Material

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