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We've got exciting news about Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens!



## April 2017

Happy spring to all the friends and members of Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens. We are finally warming up a bit and it is nice to see that sunshine poking through on occasion. Even better are the all the garden treasures starting to wake up for spring as well! I will start by exclaiming "Thank You!" to a bunch of volunteers that helped us through the busy month of March events.

- Lots of folks help us set up and staff the **Everett Home and Garden Show** and make it a huge success. Volunteers showed off all the new raffle items and sold tickets and memberships. Most importantly they all represented the Arboretum to the community and helped educate all the visitors about our group and all that we try and do. Way to go crew!
- **Our Annual Meeting and Banquet** was huge success this year thanks to all the planning and preparation put in by volunteers. We had a wonderful night and enjoyed wine, a salmon dinner and nice conversation with all the members who attended. Thanks to Libbie Soden for chairing the event and organizing everything and to Mary Lou, Sharon, and Renee for doing the cooking. Many others helped with

a zillion details and I thank you all as well. A truly awesome annual celebration that everyone enjoyed who attended!

- **Work Parties started in March for both the gardens and our Annual Plant Sale.** We have had some nice groups in so far considering the crummy weather but there is so much to be done. Plant Sale preparations are key the next two months as we get ready for this annual fundraiser. We really need all hands on deck as they say - [contact us](#) if you can help or just show up to the work parties every Thursday from 10 AM to noon. Thanks to all who have helped so far and we hope to see you again. Let's make this year's edition the best one yet!

Now speaking of work parties we always need help in the gardens too. Remember the garden work parties are on the first Wednesday and third Saturday of each month from 10 AM to noon. This year we are trying to thank volunteers with some money and will have \$25 gift certificate drawings from Sunnyside Nursery to give away each month to volunteers. So make sure to come down and help and get your name in the hat for the gift certificates. We have two very happy winners already!

In April we have some fun events scheduled at the Arboretum. [Our class this month is "Nativars" on Saturday April 15th from noon to 1 following the work party.](#) A special guest and friend of the Arboretum Scott Conner will be discussing this interesting topic which involves what is native and cultivars of native plants available for our gardens. **On April 22nd we will be hosting an Earth Day celebration in the gardens from 10 AM to 1 PM.** We encourage families and gardeners of all ages to join us as we plant some new natives along the Native Plant Walk in the Arboretum. This is one of our new family fun events and we would love to see you there! **Finally, on April 26th we will be hosting the annual Docent meeting and luncheon in the classroom at 11 AM.** Please contact us through the website if you are interested in becoming a docent or come see us at the meeting!

As we head into spring I again thank all of you for your help as volunteers and ask for your continued support by spreading the word about all the fun things we are doing at Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens. I am looking forward to an awesome gardening season and hope to see you in the gardens soon!

**Trevor Cameron, President  
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