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



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Happy September to all! As the kids head back to school we still have some summer sunshine left to enjoy and another fall harvest to look forward to. We are busy at the Arboretum preparing for numerous projects this fall - mainly the planting of the WSU Master Gardener Border and the installation of the new gardens in the South Arboretum Plan. Fall is a great time to plant and plant we will. Many treasures will be added to the gardens to grow for decades to come. At its core, the Arboretum IS all about plants - and our Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens Foundation is about plants - but we are also about

two main objectives - Education and Volunteerism.

Education. I would hope that all of our members and friends take advantage of the free classes held at the Arboretum each month. We try to present timely and informative classes for all to enjoy. Local garden experts volunteer to share their knowledge and passions about gardening. It is a unique opportunity for gardeners of all levels to learn all things horticulture in a relaxed setting. This month on **Saturday September 17th we have a special guest, Scott Conner, in for a special talk on plants for fall interest from noon to 1 pm.** You need a burst of fall color? Some blooms for autumn and berries for birds and wildlife? Scott will have some great ideas for you to add some interesting plants to your garden this fall. Scott has spent a lifetime running garden centers, hosting a gardening radio talk show and teaching horticulture classes around the area. You will not want to miss this treat talking gardening with Scott! See the website for details and please RSVP that you will be attending - seating will be limited.

Volunteerism. We cannot thank all of wonderful volunteers enough for their help throughout the year. It feels good doesn't it?! It is amazing to look back and see what a great team can accomplish when they are passionate about a cause. And we do love the Arboretum! So many folks help throughout the year with events like our Annual Banquet, the Everett Home Show, Sorticulture, the Annual Arboretum Plant Sale, and the Annual Arboretum Raffle. Monthly work parties on Wednesdays and Saturdays, with assistance from Everett Parks and Recreation and volunteers, have been a huge help in maintaining the gardens. Literally thousands of volunteer hours are spent each year to help Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens. Again, we can't thank you enough. The least we can do is offer you a BBQ lunch right? **Please join us for a meal at noon after our work party on Saturday September 24th.** We would love to say "Thank you!" for all the help so come down, grab some grub and enjoy the Arboretum with us!

As we head towards autumn stop in for a stroll at the Arboretum. The gardens are looking great and many of the specimens will be glowing with fall color soon. Remember this is your public garden treasure to enjoy and share with family, friends and neighbors. We hope to see you in the garden soon!

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