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February 2016 Newsletter

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Libbie Soden, Evergreen Arboretum President

State of the Arboretum

Happy New Year! We are off to a great start to 2016, which promises to be an exciting year for the Arboretum.

Gardens are always evolving and plants continue to grow, but remember the windstorm back in November? The Arboretum sustained considerable damage to some trees, including various ornamental trees, the evergreens on the west boundary and some of our beloved Japanese Maples. Once the mitigation is complete, we will be able to assess damages, fix what we can and make plans for replacement plantings. This will give us an opportunity to redesign our west boundary plantings and select some new specimen trees for the maple grove and lower garden.

The soil replacement / mitigation project in the Arboretum is moving forward. Most of the soil has been replaced and sod is being installed in the turf areas. The Master Gardener border will be replanted in the spring. We also plan to complete the south

area with an accessible pathway and sculpture installation by artist James Madison. We hope to have the Arboretum opened to the public by June, in time for Sorticulture and the Plant Sale.

Thank you to all the members and volunteers in advance for helping us continue to make these improvements and keep the gardens thriving. Let's make 2016 a successful year for the Arboretum!

Libbie



Your Membership Means Everything to the Arboretum!

2016 brings an exciting new year of membership events at the Evergreen Arboretum & Gardens that you won't want to miss. The Arboretum will reopen in late spring after mitigation is completed and the garden renovations will begin. Our Annual Membership Banquet and Meeting is coming up fast on March 8th.

Your individual membership will admit one to the banquet while other membership levels above that admit two. This is a great year to consider increasing your membership level or even giving a gift membership to a special gardening friend to bring along. Memberships are \$20 per year for individuals and \$35 per year for families. Take a moment to renew on line at www.evergreenarboretum.com. We would love to receive your membership renewals or new memberships by **March 1st**. Please consider making an additional donation to support the Arboretum's future development plans.

Attend Our Annual Membership Banquet and Meeting

You are cordially invited to attend the banquet as an Arboretum member. Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens will be hosting its annual banquet and meeting on **Tuesday March 8th from 6 to 8:30 PM** at Floral Hall in Forest Park. Drinks and appetizers, dinner catered by our very own Marylou and friends, and a fabulous silent auction all await you, along with a presentation on new plants for the garden 2016. Our program will include a special guest this year, well-known regional artist James Madison. He will tell us about 'Siblings', the sculpture he is creating to be placed in the new south area expansion this summer. Come and enjoy a fun evening and mingle with fellow members. This is our chance to say "Thank You" and ask for your continued support. Remember, admission is free to all current members. Please RSVP in the Contact Us section of our website or call (425) 257 8597. Come and enjoy great food and conversation all while helping to support the Arboretum. Not currently a member? Just [visit our website](#), complete the easy membership form, and join the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens family!

As mentioned above the silent auction is back at the banquet by popular demand. Bid on fabulous items and enjoy the fun, knowing all proceeds benefit the Arboretum. We would love to have any garden artsy pieces you would like to donate for the auction. Items can be dropped off at Floral Hall 30 minutes prior to the start of the banquet on March 8th. Please contact Cheryl Durham at cdurham@windermere.com with any questions.

Hope to see all of you at the Annual Banquet and Meeting!

Visit us at the Everett Home and Garden Show March 11-13!

The 15th annual edition of our local home and garden show is set for March 11-13 at Comcast Arena in Everett. There is always a ton of great ideas to absorb at the show and knowledgeable professionals to answer your questions.

Show hours are:

Friday Noon-7pm

Saturday 10am-6pm

Sunday 10am-5pm

Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens will have a booth at the show so, when you go and get in the spring spirit, stop by and say "Hi"!

Plant Sale Preparations are Underway!



Pink Dawn Viburnum

Yes it is true..... It takes a bunch of great volunteer help lots of time to make our annual plant sale a success. It is all set for June 2016 and once again, we will need your help! Much work is already happening behind the scenes and there is much to do still. If you are interested in helping, please [contact us through the website](#) or call the Arboretum at (425) 257-8597. Keep an eye on future newsletters as dates and times for work parties dedicated to the plant sale will happen all spring long.

Arboretum Focus: Plants, plants and more plants!



Sarcococca

Normally this is where we invite you to take a seasonal tour through the gardens and point out some interesting specimens to look for on your walk through, but since the mitigation project has closed down the gardens for a while, that will just not do this time. So instead take a walk around your own yard and discover that spring is just around the corner! Take a visit to a local nursery and breathe in some beauty! There are so many awesome plants that show off in the winter months - and many winter bloomers that are super fragrant as well. Hellebores, Witch

Hazel, Viburnums, Daphnes, Edgeworthia, Crocus, Star Magnolia, Cornelian Dogwood,

Sarcococcoa ... the list goes on and on! Keep on enjoying those plants and we will start touring again when the Arboretum reopens in June. Happy spring to all!



Captivating Cultivating Classes: Free from Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens!

Come and learn about all things horticulture from our guest instructors at the Arboretum. Classes are on the 3rd Saturday of each month from noon to 1 pm unless otherwise noted. Please RSVP by calling 425-257-8597 or online at contactus@evergreenarboretum.com.

HOW TO USE STONE IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

Saturday March 19th 12-1 PM Free

The professionals at Pacific Stone Company will discuss the different types of retaining walls, concrete paving materials and natural stone that they have available. They will explain how these materials can be used successfully in your landscape. Please RSVP to (425) 257-8597

Instructor: Tim Gray, owner of Pacific Stone Co.

Class will be held at Pacific Stone Co. 3826 Rucker Ave., Everett. Parking is available on Rucker Ave and surrounding residential streets. Parking is very limited in the parking lot, and the store will be open for business during our meeting. Your understanding of these limitations is appreciated.

SPRING CONTAINER DEMONSTRATION

Saturday April 16th 12-1 PM Free

Learn new and innovative ways to fill your outdoor containers that will provide color and interest all season. Please RSVP to (425) 257-8597

Instructor: Sandy Milam, award winning container designer

Class to be held at Sunnyside Nursery 3915 Sunnyside Blvd, Marysville WA. There is plenty of parking across street in large gravel lot.

SPRING GARDEN PREP TECHNIQUES

Saturday May 21st 12-1 PM Free

Learn how to amend your soil, what seeds are best for our area, and how to successfully germinate them. As well, get ideas from this unique garden for creative ways to blend ornamentals and edibles in your landscape. Please RSVP to (425) 257-8597

Instructor: Master Gardeners of Snohomish County

Class to be held at Jennings Park, 6915 Armar Rd. Marysville, 98270. Meet at the front entrance of the Master Gardener's Demonstration Garden in the back of the park. Plenty of parking at Jennings Park.



Our Oakleaf Fundraiser A Special Invitation to Help The Arboretum Grow

We have extended the deadline for our Oak Leaf Fundraiser. Until March 31st, individuals or businesses can make a gift of \$250.00 or more to help finish the South Arboretum Plan. The Evergreen Arboretum & Gardens Foundation will show its appreciation by putting your special message on a 4" x 6" stainless steel oak leaf. These are beautiful pieces and will be embedded in a new wall at the entrance to the South Area. The Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens Foundation is registered as a 501(3) C non-profit with the IRS. All donations are completely tax-deductible.

Though many don't realize it, the Evergreen Arboretum at Legion Park is largely funded by donations, with in-kind assistance from the Everett Parks Department. The Arboretum is featured in the book, "The Pacific Northwest Garden Tour" by Donald Olson and Timber Press, which brings international visitors and acclaim here to Everett. In 2016, we face many challenges: recovery from major damage to our specimen trees from the fall windstorm, renovation of existing gardens and the completion of the South Area, including a major art installation with a commemorative wall near the entrance.

Whether to commemorate an event, celebrate a success, or memorialize a loved one, each leaf makes a thoughtful gift and every new leaf helps the Arboretum grow!

Messages can be up to three lines, with 25 characters and spaces per line. To [order your leaf online](#), visit our homepage and click on the green "Make Your Gift Now" button.



Call the Arboretum message phone at 425-257-8597 for more information.

Volunteer With Us!

As with all charitable organizations, there always exists a need for volunteers at the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens. Have some tech savvy? We particularly need someone with technical expertise to help develop a mobile app for our sculpture and plant collections.

The foundation is also looking for special representatives from garden clubs to help us build relationships with all locals who love plants and gardening.

Every year we need people interested in learning and helping with garden maintenance to assist with work parties as well as people interested in organizing and staffing our annual events. We are involved in such things as the Everett Home and Garden Show, Sorticulture, and Our Annual Plant Sale, and much more.

Thank you for your membership!

Thank you to all of our faithful members that have renewed their membership for 2016! If you have not renewed it is never too late to [join and help support](#) the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens!



Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens
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We can always guarantee you three things - you will be among fellow nature, garden, and art lovers, have some serious fun helping out, and feel awfully good for helping out!



Just contact us on our website www.evergreenarboretum.com or call us at (425) 257 8597. Hope to see you all out getting involved when you can.

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