

## January 2013

### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER Libbie Soden, Evergreen Arboretum President

VOTE FOR THE ARBORETUM! We are in the race with other local non-profit organizations to win a \$5000 gift from Lamoureux Real Estate. To win the award, we need YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS to Vote for the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens. It's easy to do, and the top 5 non-profits will be awarded this gift. Just go to the website, <a href="http://www.lamoureuxhomes.com/">http://www.lamoureuxhomes.com/</a> scroll down to Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens, and vote. You can also get there on Facebook. Winning the gift will help raise funds to complete our Arboretum development plan with additional landscapes and ADA accessible pathways. Ask your friends and your Facebook friends to vote and forward the request to their friends to cast a vote and help us win the gift. Each person can only vote once, so it's important to encourage your friends to help us, too.



AREORETUM'S FIRST TREE — Everatt's erboretum located in the north end, received its first tree, a pin oak, planted at Arbor Day evercises. Wednesday afternoon. The informal program was in the charge of Mrs. Thos. Clement, representing the aponsoring organization, Everatt Garden Club, Mayor George Gebert officiated at the planting as shown abore. Left to right: Park Superistandent John Hall: Mrs. Clement; Mayor Gebert; Finance Commissioner Mildred Simpson and Aria Johgéjan of Marysville Nursery which made the first contribution to the Arberteum. A goodly number of gercen club members attacked the caremony. (Herald Photo by Jim Leo).

2013 is our 50th Anniversary! The year is full of events to celebrate this Golden Anniversary. This photo is just a sample of the treasures from the old Arboretum scrapbooks. Thanks to a grant from the Snohomish County Historic Preservation Commission to digitize the books, we are now able to share our history preserved though a scrapbook of news clippings from our very beginning. The originals of these old photos no longer exist, so the scrapbooks are priceless. Members should be sure to reserve a spot at our annual meeting March 12 to see our program which brings this history to life. Reservation details are outlined later in this newsletter. Not currently a member? You can join now by going to our website and joining on-line so that you can attend this member's only meeting and dinner.

# IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP PRIOR TO MARCH 1st

Spring brings an exciting new year of membership events at the

Evergreen Arboretum & Gardens that you won't want to miss. Celebration of our 50th anniversary will begin with the annual Membership Meeting and Dinner on March 12th. Your Individual Membership will admit one with levels above that admitting two. This anniversary year is a great year to consider increasing your membership level or even giving a gift membership to a special friend to bring along to the dinner. Take a moment to renew on line at www.evergreenarboretum.com or even consider making donation to support the Arboretum's future development plans. Not currently a member? Just go to the link above and fill out the information for a new membership.

## WORK PARTY SPRING DATES Help the Arboretum shine for our 50th Anniversary!

This spring, more than ever before, we need many hands to assist with work parties. Visitors will be coming from all over the region and nation as they read about our 50th anniversary. Enjoy working with people who love the Arboretum and who share your belief in the need for public gardens and their impact on improving the quality of life. All you need are work gloves, your own beverage and a willingness to help.

Here are the spring dates:

March 16

April 20

**May 18** 

Work parties run from 9am-noon, but come for any portion of those hours that you are free to work. We look forward to seeing you.



## WANT TO BE AN ARBORETUM TOUR GUIDE? CLASS BEGINS IN MAY

The Evergreen Arboretum & Gardens is a destination for many visitors, local and out of state. Our docent-led tours are booked months ahead of time and are an easy, fun and a wonderful asset to the community. Consider our tour guide training that begins on Tuesday, May 7 10am to noon and continues for the next three Tuesdays; May 14, 21 and 28.

If you would like to sign up or have questions, email Christy Andre' at cjjandre@comcast.net or leave a message for her at 425-257-8597.

### ANNUAL MEETING

#### Celebrate our 50th Anniversary! Reserve now

Members will not want to miss this year's annual meeting and dinner. Member Shirley Murphy has created a fifty-year retrospective of the Arboretum's milestone anniversary. Local caterer Leanne Jacobs in donating her time to produce our dinner as we honor this momentous event.

NOTE: This dinner will be held at FLORAL HALL at Forest

#### Park.

Here are the details-Date: Tuesday March 12 Time: 6pm-8:30pm

Individual Membership Level admits one person Memberships above that Level admits two people

Guests are \$15 per person, payable by check or cash at the door If you are not currently a member, you may join at the meeting,

paying by check or cash or on-line at www.evergreenarboretum.com(click JOIN)

RESERVE YOUR SEAT NOW- leave a message with name and number of people. 425-257-8597 No return phone calls are made unless you are put on a Wait List.

#### MASTER GARDENERS TO THE RESCUE.....AGAIN!

When Master Gardener Florence Stiles was washing the moss off their tool shed behind the Arboretum, her heart sank when she noticed water leaking into the shed. At risk were all the tools that are used to maintain their 200' Demonstration Garden. This would be an unplanned expense that had to have attention. Enter Master Gardener Frank Cooper who offered to build them a new tool shed, and after getting approval from Parks manager Pachia Arway, Florence and team leader Dode Carlson spent two days tearing the old shed down. Frank built the new one off site, in pieces, so it was easily assembled at the Arboretum. Now, the only thing facing Dode and Florence is the paint job which they will tackle this spring. All tools accounted for, safe and sound. Our thanks to Frank Cooper for giving so generously of his time to build the new shed and save the Master Gardener tools.



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