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



January 2018

Happy New Year to all the friends and members of Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens! We sincerely hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season with friends and family. Off we go into another stellar year for the Arboretum. **Your Board of Directors has some big plans for 2018 to continue to make the gardens a world class destination for both residents and visitors to be inspired by all things nature.** All of us

anticipate the 2018 season to be both productive and eventful. We have much to accomplish this year and look forward to making things happen with all of you!

It is winter in the gardens, but there is still much to see and do. We will be down in the gardens busily getting some winter pruning accomplished and preparing for numerous spring projects. Besides, there is a wonderful assortment of winter plants to admire while we work! Orange and yellow Witch Hazels are blooming. Winter Daphne and Sarcococca will be filling the air with sweet fragrance. Numerous Hellebores throughout the gardens are coming into bloom. The colors and textures of all the conifers are on full display over the winter. The Native Plant Walk is loaded with birds and berries as always. **We encourage everyone to stop down for a walkabout and discover all the winter treasures throughout all the gardens.**

We have a fabulous line-up of classes and events set up for the 2018 season. You will see all the information on our website, printed on bookmarks to take home from the Arboretum, and also in the Everett Parks and Community Services guides for each season. We have inspiring classes each month, numerous special family fun events scheduled in the gardens, and of course the annual Arboretum Plant Sale slated for June as always. **For January, make sure to attend our class "Waking Up Your Garden" on January 20th from noon to 1pm at the Horticulture classroom.** Craig Callies, Horticulturist for Everett Parks and Community Services and Arboretum Board Member, will be discussing projects to get the garden going for spring. This informative class will help you get a head start on spring and have your gardens ready for the coming spring warmth and sunshine. We hope to see a nice crowd of eager gardeners ready to go on the 20th of January. To RSVP, please call the Arboretum at (425) 257-8597 or email us at contactus@evergreenarboretum.com.

Now, remember how good things come to those who wait? **The South Area completion project has begun!** We are so excited to see the new paths, gardens, irrigation, benches, and sculpture go in. **We thank the Parks staff for making this happen with us.** Keep an eye on newsletters this spring as we are planning a grand opening celebration once finished to show off the completed area to all of you - our generous friends and members of Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens who helped make this happen. Let's get a huge crowd of Arboretum supporters down there to show everyone how much the gardens mean to our community. We sincerely thank all of you for your support and patience during this project - it has taken a bit longer than planned - but here we are ready to get this done!

Once again, Happy New Year to all of you! We hope to see you on an Arboretum walkabout this January. Thank you as always for your continued support of Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens.

**Trevor Cameron, President
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