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



March 2019

Happy March to all of the friends and members of Evergreen Arboretum & Gardens! Before we explore our March events, I feel I personally owe all of you an apology. It was I who commented "What winter?" and "What snow?" and jinxed us all for the unbelievable amount of snow and cold we received in February. We all hope everybody stayed warm and safe, and that your gardens survived the cold spell. Plants are resilient creatures - they will undoubtedly awaken for another season in March!

Spring is just around the corner and we have a busy month of March to kick off another fun year in the Arboretum. The [Everett Home and Garden Show](#) is coming up March 8th-10th, offering visitors a welcome breath of spring. It all happens at Angels of the Winds Arena (formerly Comcast Xfinity Arena) in Everett. Be sure to attend and support the local garden show. The Arboretum will have a booth and some wonderful volunteers will be talking about the Arboretum with visitors. You can see our new 2019 raffle prizes on display for the first time, so come on down, say "Hello!", and while you are there grab some raffle tickets. There are some awesome prizes again this year and as always, all the funds raised go directly back into the gardens. Stop by the show and get into the spring spirit!

Our Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet is on for Tuesday March 12th at Floral Hall in Forest Park. This is a must attend event for all members! We will be enjoying appetizers, wine, and dinner from 6 to 9 PM. Come enjoy some fabulous food, mingle with fellow members and Arboretum Board Members, and learn all about our accomplishments from 2018 and our goals for 2019. We will have a presentation of new plants available in 2019 for the garden. And..... there will be lots of door prizes to give away to members who attend! Remember, all current members are invited to come as our guests. Individual memberships admit one, family memberships admit two. Renew your membership as soon as you can and RSVP for the dinner on our website

evergreenarboretum.com or by calling (425) 257-8957 so that we have an accurate count for food. **Space is limited at Floral Hall and it is essential that you RSVP as soon as you can if you are coming.** You will also be able to renew memberships at the banquet as well, but we may be full at that point for dinner - **so again - reserve your spot soon.** Please mark your calendars for **March 12th** and plan on attending - we would love to treat you to dinner, thank you for your membership, and show you all the things we are up to!

Our new Arboretum Gardening Days (work parties) continue in March for the 2019 season. Remember, as in past years, they happen the first Wednesday and third Saturday of each month from 10 AM to Noon. Wednesday, March 6th and Saturday, March 16th are up for this month. We have lots to catch up on after the snow and piles of debris to get out of the gardens. This is in addition to our usual weeding, pruning, and grooming of the gardens. We need all kinds of help to get the gardens prepared for spring so come join the fun and get dirty with us!

March also kicks off the Plant Sale Work Parties. These begin Thursday, March 7th from 10 AM to Noon and continue every Thursday at the same time until our annual sale in June. The Arboretum Plant Sale co-chairs Hap Wertheimer, Marylou Hart, and Barb Campbell have some lofty goals for 2019. Come down and join them to help in repotting, tagging, and organizing all the garden treasures in preparation for the sale. This is by far our greatest fundraiser for the Arboretum each year. It also takes the most time to make it successful. We promise you will have a blast with the crew if you come down and help! **Also, remember all volunteers for both Gardening Days and Plant Sale Work Parties are entered every month for drawings of \$25 gift certificates to Sunnyside Nursery in Marysville.** So come on down and help out - and feel good for contributing to a great community cause - Evergreen Arboretum & Gardens!

Finally, stick around after our Gardening Day on March 16th (10AM to Noon) and join us for our March class beginning at 1 PM. We have a special class for you, "Reproduction in the Garden", taught by the Master Gardeners of Snohomish County. The class will explore this hot topic for all gardeners and delve into the importance of the relationship between plants and pollinators. Not only is this process essential for our edible crops, but also is important for all plants in our ecosystem. Be sure to come to this informative class at Evergreen Arboretum & Gardens!

All of us on the Board of Directors wish you all a happy spring to come and a most successful gardening season. Let's get out and work in the garden both at home and in the Arboretum! We hope to see all of you on an Arboretum walkabout soon.

Trevor Cameron, President
Evergreen Arboretum and Garden