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# The Garden Scoop

Arlington Garden Club  
[www.arlingtongardenclub.org](http://www.arlingtongardenclub.org)

March 11th, 2019



- Date** **March 11th** at 11:00 am  
Gleneagle Golf Club Family Restaurant  
7619 W Country Club Drive, Arlington 360-435-6713
- Agenda**
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| 11:00 am | Social           |
| 11:20 am | Business Meeting |
| 12:00 pm | Lunch            |
| 12:45 pm | Program          |
| 1:45 pm  | Miscellaneous    |
| 2:00 pm  | Adjourn          |
- Program Fee** \$15 fee for everyone (even if you come late).
- Menu** Irish Stew and Biscuits
- Greeters** Marcia Kelley & Joan Vlasic
- Program** **'In Love with Roses, from Empress Josephine to David Austin' by AGC member Meg Jacobsen**
- Growing roses successfully in our area: selection, avoiding diseases, designing roses into the garden and schedule for care.



**February Program Highlights**~~ “Gardening for a Lifetime” based on a book by Sydney Eddison, presented by AGC member Bea Randall.



**Table Decorations**~~



**Membership**~~Libby Adams, Membership Chairperson, reports that we had three guests at the February meeting: Thelma Sayers, Margaret Monzo Ruthford and Kathleen Burnett.

**Phone number change**~~  
Cheri Hansen's cell is **425-330-2626**.

**Email Address for**~~  
Kitty Fitch [sonjafitch@icloud.com](mailto:sonjafitch@icloud.com)

**Address Change**~~Lois Heichel, 1032 Circle Drive, Camano Island, WA 98282

**Plant Sale**~~From Merle Green, our AGC Plant Sale Lead 2019:

**AGC ANNUAL PLANT SALE**

May 11, 2019

9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Arlington City Hall Plaza

To help you spread the word to friends, family and neighbors, bookmarks will be available at the March General Meeting for distribution. Give to groups that you are affiliated with: church, clubs, etc. Please continue getting ready the plants that you wish to donate for our plant sale. The sooner plants are potted, the better they will look on sale day.

® Clean and fill pots.

® Detailed labels with pictures are VERY helpful, and not a requirement. Your best will be acceptable.

® Sample of IDEAL plant label below. Include as much useful information as possible on your label.

Monarda didyma  
'Gardenview Scarlet'



Common name: Bee Balm

This variety is resistant to mildew (unlike some Bee Balms). Grows about 3 feet tall and spreads without being invasive. The scarlet color blooms are an eye catcher. Blooms between July & September. Prefers full sun. Plant in loose, moist, humus rich soil. Requires extra water in summer.

® Perennials, annuals, groundcover, shrubs, edibles (vegetables, berries, herbs, etc.), small trees and garden art are welcomed.

® Fill your pots with healthy plants. Bring selections worthy of your time and effort.

® Don't have plants from your own garden to donate? Consider making a planter from nursery stock.

® Our sale day also includes a bake sale. Think about the treats you may wish to share.

Plant sale day schedule:

7:00 AM – Table set up

7:30 AM - Set up canopies and signs

8:00 AM - Plants arrive for arranging and pricing

9:30 AM - Plant Sale opens to the public

1:00 PM - Clean-up

Please look for a detailed volunteer sign-up sheet at the March AGC General Meeting. Separate crews for set-up and clean-up will insure that no one is exhausted. Many hands make light work.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO TO MAKE SALE DAY MEMORABLE!



### In need of~~

Members, do you have any tea pots you could donate to the garden club Plant Sale? We would turn them into planters and sell them at the Sale. If so bring them to a meeting and give to Judy Ness.

### Upcoming Activities~~

#### **Plant Sale Potting Day** at Judy Ness

We will be potting up the accumulated tea pots and planter items that members have donated. Carpooling would be a good idea, and come about **11:00am** on **Thursday April 18th**.

#### **Trip to Victoria**

Tentative date is **Wed. June 26th**. You must have a Passport or Enhanced Driver's License. Still no firm price but around \$250 per person which includes: Bus to Seattle to the Clipper, Victoria Clipper to Victoria B.C., Butchart Gardens, possible tea at the Gardens, tour of Victoria on the way back to the Clipper. Trip home and bus back to Arlington.

Should you want to bring your spouse that is an option but it will be members first then spouse - BUT I do not see us selling out. Judy Ness

### Potting Day at Sunnyside Nursery~~From Kathy Engell:

SAVE THE DATE!

On **Saturday, May 25, 2019**, our club is teaming up with Sunnyside Nursery in Marysville for a "Potting Day" from 10am – 4pm. You are invited to participate in this rewarding experience. This is fun, and is good advertising for our club. Sign up for a two-hour shift at the next club meeting or contact Kathy Engell 425 -238- 9079 (texting ok) [kathy.engell@comcast.net](mailto:kathy.engell@comcast.net).



### Biochar Available~~

We have 25 bags of Biochar left and on **Thursday, March 14th at 10am** the gate will be open and any member interested in purchasing a bag(s) of biochar should come to "The Shed" located next to Arlington Food Bank on the south side with their \$15.00 per bag in hand. (South of the Transfer Station on 63rd Ave NE)

### Celebration of Life for Inez Kuhnhausen~~

**Saturday, March 9th at 1:00pm.** Freeborn Lutheran Church, Stanwood, WA

Take exit 215 and go east. Church is at the top of the hill less than a quarter of a mile from the exit.

### Arlington Garden Club Memorial...To Be or Not to Be~~ From President Judy Ness

In the past, to honor past members, we have been buying a tree and planting it along the centennial trail, some have died and some do not look so good. The City is running out of room for trees and Mike Conner has been gracious enough to make the markers but this effort should not be necessary.

Currently Mike Conner has memorials for Gloria Carlson, Annette Green and Doris Markham which will go under a tree at Haller Park, I believe.

**Going forward**~~in the past few weeks, there has been a lot of discussion and with that comes differing opinions. So, I feel we need to form a committee from AGC members to discuss and decide what to do for members who pass in the future. Do we need to continue to have a memorial or some form of recognition for members for their service in the Arlington Garden Club? Those who wish to be a part of this committee, please contact me, Judy Ness, for more information or to sign up.

### A Tidbit~~

Members - Please consider linking your home and phones together in Smart 911.

Should there be an emergency the 911 operator will have your phone numbers, emergency contacts, and if you have any animals in case of fire.

Just logon to [Smart911.com](http://Smart911.com), set up a user ID, password and answer the questions. You will receive notification occasionally to update your information. Judy Ness

### Learning Opportunities in the area~~

**REPRODUCTION IN THE GARDEN, Martha Clatterbaugh, Master Gardener, Sat, Mar 16, 1-2PM, Evergreen Arboretum, 145 Alverson Blvd, Everett WA**

Just how far will plants and their pollinators go to sustain the life cycle and perpetuate the species? Find out who the players are: helpful pollinators that provide the fruits of our growing labors in the garden and the 30% of those plants that feed all of us. Meet in the Horticultural Classroom 105. RSVP: 425-257-8597. Free to members/\$10 for non-members. Join online at [www.evergreenarboretum.com](http://www.evergreenarboretum.com) or day of class. \$25 for individuals per year/\$40 for household.

**Designing a Four-Season Hummingbird Garden** at Christianson's Nursery and Greenhouse

**Saturday, March 16, at 11:00am – noon**

Class fee \$8

For reservations, visit the Nursery or call 360-466-3821 or 800-585-8200.

Please check in at the Garden Store before class.

Just in time for spring and the return of Rufous Hummingbirds to the Pacific Northwest, the Skagit Audubon Society will present a program about hummingbirds and how to attract them to your garden.

Instructors Sheila Pera and Jane Brandt will cover garden design and plants that are a magnet for these beautiful birds throughout the year.



**Puget Sound WildCare**

With the first big cold snap of the winter season, we'd like everybody to be aware of how dangerous the cold can be for our only permanent hummingbird species, the Anna's Hummingbird. They're certainly the hardiest of them all, able to withstand freezing temperatures. But 25° F and below makes it hard for such a little bird to keep warm. If you walk outside in the evening to find hummers on the ground or on your feeders with their feathers puffed up and eyes closed, they're probably at risk of freezing if they spend the night there. Gently pick them up and place them in a cardboard box with a couple of holes poked into the top. Don't worry about towels, supplemental heat, or light sources. Just keep them in that dark cardboard box inside a garage or other secured area. Don't let anyone open the box or they may not go to sleep, which conserves vital energy. In the morning, place the box outside and open it up. It will take about 15-20 minutes for them to come out of torpor, so leave them be and watch them fly away! If you find a hummingbird sleeping in the morning, give us a call and we will let you know if it's something that should be brought in. The cold can take a lot out of them, and we have many hummingbird-specific facilities and treatments to help them get back into the wild.

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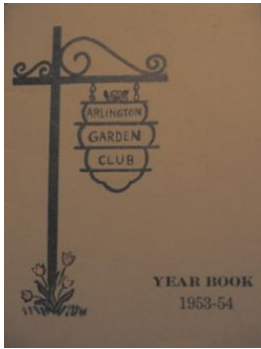
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**Summer Blooming Bulbs** at Sunnyside Nursery. Located at 3915 Sunnyside Boulevard, Marysville, WA 98270 **Saturday, March 9, 2019 from 10am-11am**

Summer is when you want to enjoy your garden's blooms without needing to put in endless hours - bulbs are your answer! Summer blooming bulbs are easy to drop in the ground in spring when you're doing your other plantings, forget about them & enjoy the beauty in summer when they bloom. Mix them with annuals and perennials or use them to fill empty spaces later in the season, summer flowering bulbs are an important part of the garden palette. Come learn everything you need to know to grow successful summer blooming bulbs from our guest speakers from the Evergreen Arboretum, Dode & Richelle (gardening experts!) We hope you'll join us for this **FREE** class that starts @ 10am!

~~Looking Back as We Move Forward~~

**Arlington Garden Club History (condensed)**



Around 1937

Visits were made during the year by different groups representing the club, to the Northwest District of Federated Garden Clubs at Mt. Vernon, the Darlington Garden Club, at Mukilteo, and the Palmer Tulip Farm, also to a plant sale at the former home of Mrs. Eliza Terry Leary, in Seattle, and most interesting reports were brought back.

Always on the alert for anything affecting the beauty of our community, the Garden Club, upon hearing rumors that the male trees on Olympic Ave. were to be destroyed, because of damage to the sidewalks, presented a new version of "Woodman, Spar That Tree" in a letter to the City Council. Our organization, in conjunction with the local Sportsmen, sponsored a Bird House contest open to boys and girls up to eighteen years of age, and donated prizes for the three best entries. The winning bird houses became the property of the Garden Club, one of which was placed on the Lebanon St. plot. A decorative sign, bearing the name of the Arlington Garden Club, was purchased, and also placed on this plot.

The Contest Committee arranged a Year Book Cover Design contest – thus bringing to the open more hidden talents among our members, and Mrs. Fred Verd, again demonstrating her versatility, took first honors.

A mole eradicating campaign was conducted, a bounty of 5 cents per mole captured, dead or alive, being offered. Doubtless fortunes were made and spent in the imaginations of some of our young citizens as they contemplated various methods of snaring these beasts, and, for a while, some of the moles about town had a rather unhappy time; however, our treasurer had no real cause for worry, only about \$1.50 being paid out for the drive.

Stilly News~~



**Stillaguamish Senior Center Annual Health Fair!**  
**Wednesday, March 27, 2019 10am-2pm Admission is FREE**

Meet 40+ LOCAL health and wellness related vendors. Participate in our raffles, listen to health-related presentations and receive free health screenings.

**Stilly Thrift Shop** open from 10am-4pm Monday through Saturdays. All profits support the Stillaguamish Senior Center.

**ARLINGTON GARDEN CLUB BOARD MINUTES**

February 6, 2019

President Judy Ness called the meeting to order at 12:00pm due to the snow and icy road conditions. An effort was made to contact all board members about the time change.

- + A special sad message was relayed about the passing of long-time member and former club president Inez Kuhnhausen.
- + The minutes of the January board meeting were approved.

+ Laurie Marshall was introduced as a candidate for our 2019-20 club vice president.

### **Old Business**

+ Our Club has been asked to donate money to the City of Arlington for some flower planters at two new locations. We decided by a motion made by Connie Gronning and Karen Ricketts to donate \$300.00. The motion passed.

+ Our donation this quarter was \$64 (10 members) from Fred Meyer.  
+ A link to AGC's web site will be on Gleneagle's upcoming new web site.  
+ Our upcoming club field trip to Stephanie Burgesses' shop in Bellingham is on Feb 20<sup>th</sup>.

+ A report on the progress of the June Fling Committee was made by Anne Ostrander.  
+ Laura Lane reported on the upcoming summary of our club history.

+ Merle Green reported on the May 11, 2019 plant sale.

+ The possible formation of a plant sale potting committee was discussed.  
+ **START ANNUALS FOR THE SALE NOW!**  
+ Jack reported on our club's gardens.

### **New Business**

+ There was a discussion about what our club will do about our changing relationship with the District, a vote will be held at the meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup>.

+ A possible field trip to Butchart Gardens on the Victoria Clipper was discussed.  
+ Potting soil will be available for members to pick up at the same time as purchasing Biochar on March 14th at the shed next to the Food Bank.

+ Members of the garden club are being asked to present ideas for a memorial for Chuck & Bea Randall for all their work at the "old" community garden. This memorial will be located at the new community garden.  
+ Depending on the vote as to whether AGC goes it alone or not, President Judy Ness presented the idea of a change in the club's dues structure: single members \$15, spousal couples \$20.

+ Trevor, from Sunnyside Nursery's class on pruning, will be at Everett Arboretum Feb 16<sup>th</sup>.  
+ The February general meeting date was changed from Feb 11<sup>th</sup> to Feb 18<sup>th</sup> due to the approaching snow storm.

Respectfully Submitted by Bea Randall, secretary pro-tem

## **Arlington Garden Club Meeting Minutes**

February 18, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Judy Ness at 11:20 am.

Minutes: January general meeting minutes were accepted as presented in the Scoop.

Financial: Barbara Lindberg presented the financial report. It was accepted as presented.

Checking Bal as of 1/31.....\$6,091.98

Cash on hand.....200.00

Savings.....4,000.65

Total of check-cash-savings \$10,292.63

We need ideas for AGC donations to horticultural or environmental organizations.

President's remarks: + We have ten members signed up for cash rebate from Fred Meyer. This month we earned \$64.

+ Thank you to Karen Ricketts, Connie Gronning, Judy Headrick and Jack Lybyer for making the phone calls to alert members of the meeting date change this month.

+ Does anyone have teapots they would like to donate for planters to be sold at the Plant Sale?

+ The Farmer's Market is having a "special sale" on the same day as our Plant Sale. Discussion followed: Is this going to affect our Plant Sale? The Farmer's Market will be at the south end of the parking lot. This could be either a hindrance or a benefit to our sales. More will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

#### Committee Reports

##### *Membership:*

+ Our guests today were Thelma Sayers brought by Judy Ness, Margaret Monzo Ruthford and Kathleen Burnett. We have 111 members in our club. Libby can make new name tags if your tag reflects a club position you are not holding any longer or if you are a new committee chairman or officer.

##### *Activities:*

+ The trip to Bellingham to **Stephanie Burgess's shop for Peace Art** has been moved to Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Contact Karen Ricketts if you want to carpool (meet at the Club House by 10:00 am).

+ There will be a sign-up sheet at the March meeting for the **May 25 Sunnyside Potting Day**. Kathy Engle is chairperson for this event.

##### *Programs:*

+ Cheri Hansen announced that the program for today's meeting changed due to the change in the meeting date. Bea Randall will be speaking on "Gardening for a Lifetime" based on a book by Sydney Eddison.

##### *June Fling:*

+ Ann Ostrander will be collecting \$20 next month, as well as today, from members who will be attending **the June Fling**. Begin collecting things that you want to bring to our Silent Auction fundraiser.

##### *Plant Sale:*

+ Connie Gronning's brother will be making **wooden pots** for the sale and we will be staining and planting these pots.

+ The **sign-up sheet for your time to work** during the plant sale will be at the greeter's table before the meetings.

##### *Community Service:*

+ Marilyn Enright reported on the **Senior Center classes** that are being offered this winter and spring. Call her at the Stilly for more information and location of classes - 360-653-4551.

#### Old Business:

+ **Dissolution of the Evergreen District:** Bea Randall and a few other members spoke on their perspective regarding the dissolution of the Evergreen District. A vote by ballot was taken and counted. The majority of the membership voted to become an independent club.

+ In March the club will vote on whether to change the dues structure to \$15 for a single member and \$20 for a spousal couple.

+ A possible day trip to the Butchart Gardens on Vancouver Island is being planned for warmer weather. The cost will be around \$250 per person. No plans have been made yet; this is only a survey to see if there is enough interest. If your spouse is interested in coming please sign them up as well.

#### New Business:

+ The remaining 25 bags of **Biochar** will be for sale for \$15 - pick up at the club shed on

**March 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to noon**. At the same time, members may also pick up bags of **potting soil** at no cost when used for potting plants for the Plant Sale.

+ Membership is asked to come up with idea for a piece of **art in honor of Chuck & Bea Randall** and their many years of work on the old Community Garden. This artwork will be placed at the new Community Garden on 2<sup>nd</sup> & French. Judy sent an e-mail to a metal artist to help with ideas and to produce.

+ The **Blue Star Memorial** at the I-5 rest stop has been a project that the Evergreen District sponsored but Arlington Garden Club members have been the ones that have done the work on it. With the dissolution of the Evergreen District, The Arlington Garden Club will now find a partner organization to help with the upkeep.

#### This n' That:

+ Diane Jochimsen showed her dried flower arrangement from amaryllis blossoms.

+ Mike Conner showed his very tall, gorgeous, red amaryllis.

+ Nancy Rambo showed her bouquet, some flowers were from her garden and some from friends.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05pm

Respectfully submitted by Chris Nielsen/Secretary





# Plant Sale

*Saturday*

*May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019*



## Ready, Set, Grow!

*9:30am to 1:00pm*

*Arlington*

*City Hall Plaza*

*238 N. Olympic Ave.*

For more information please visit our website at

[www.arlingtongardenclub.org](http://www.arlingtongardenclub.org)

email- [moreinfo@arlingtongardenclub.org](mailto:moreinfo@arlingtongardenclub.org)

The plant sale is held the second Saturday each May

*See our  
impressive selection  
of perennials  
annuals  
vegetables  
herbs  
shrubs  
& more!*



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