



GARDEN DELIGHTS

Issaquah Garden Club

"Celebrating our club's 85th Year..."

"Working in the garden gives me something beyond the enjoyment of the senses. It gives me a profound feeling of inner peace."

Ruth Stout

October Meeting October 9, 2013

Our speaker this month is our own member, Janel Garnett, explaining to us **"The Art of Landscape Design."** Janel, a garden club member for the past 22 years, is a landscape designer, floral designer and accredited Master Judge for flower shows.

Janel will walk you through her beautiful Cobble Creek Gardens which she designed. Her passion for studying horticulture and design is contagious. The massive sections of Cobble Creek Gardens capture exquisite displays of her perennial collections showing off outstanding color design. Take the garden journey and step into the Woodland Border, Fern Lane, entering through the Gecko Gate Garden to the vivid Salsa Garden, slipping into the serene Secret Garden, as well as many more delightful named gardens mixed with abundant garden art so perfectly placed.



Our Garden Vignette this month will be presented by Joanne Dinken.

Don't forget your donations to the Issaquah Food Bank this month!

Our members donated fourteen pounds of food at the September meeting, considerably less than the average of over fifty pounds donated each month, January through May.

And please don't forget to bring your utensils, cup, plate and napkin to our meeting.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HOW TO BE TRUE

You may find fulfillment if you learn from the leaders and members who have ever worked for Garden Club, Please focus on these words:

PURPOSE

VALUES

In your personal life as well as when seeking the best way to deal with every decision and action, first you must really understand "Purpose" and then strive toward uplifting "Values" to guide you. What is the "Purpose" of garden club?

What is your "Purpose" in belonging?

Blessings to you as we all strive to take our organization into the future with these words as guides to keep us true.

June Ann Hassebroek

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A PROMISE FULFILLED

At the beginning of each garden club year, the officers and members set out a goal of what they hope to accomplish. This goal is written up in a Yearbook. This outline lets everyone know what the group hopes to learn and accomplish. The mission of our group is to teach as many people as possible how to create beautiful and sustainable gardens, learn about floral arranging and be involved in civic and youth oriented projects.

The Awards any club wins represent how

good a job a garden club does in reaching their goals and fulfilling the garden club mission. By winning [awards for] our Yearbook and our Newsletter, it is a good example of the quality of our communications.... Issaquah was the only club in our District [to have won] a National Award for a project. Our National Award and \$500 was for the work done at the Bellevue Botanical Garden Native Trail.

Three cheers for the help each of you put into making such top notch achievements. Now think about what you can do for the upcoming year to continue programs and projects that help us all work towards making our world a more beautiful place.

June Ann Hassebroek

AVAILABLE FOR SALE

June Ann Hassebroek purchased several 2014 Vision of Beauty calendars and ten tickets for the Holiday Show, mentioned on the next page. These will be available for purchase at our October 9 meeting. Please keep this in mind and bring the necessary cash or your checkbooks with you on that day.



HELP GGG

There will be a work party at Issaquah Valley Elementary School on **Oct. 16 at 2 pm**. The IVE PTA will take care of seven beds and we have been asked to do the eighth.

Can you come help that day? School will be held only a half day on Sept. 16th, so no security check would be needed that afternoon.

Junior Girl Scouts Club

This year, IGC has added another Junior gardening club, this one made up of girl scouts, also chaired by Dianne Tanner. Dianne reports that there are now sixteen fifth grade girls in the Junior Gardening Club. In October the girls, directed by Dianne, will continue the upkeep of the native garden that they planted at Issaquah Valley Elementary School near four of the raised beds. They are planning a tour of the native garden at Pickering Barn in working towards the NGA badge.

On November 6, they will have a "Design in a Coffee Mug" session, from 7 - 8 pm. Please call Dianne 425 392 7430 if you can help. In December, a Styrofoam ball decorating session is planned.

SMOKEY BEAR/WOODSY OWL POSTER CONTEST, 2014

Dianne Tanner is the ELWD Chair for this contest. Posters, on 11x17 paper in a variety of materials are to be created by individual student artists, grades first through fifth. These should be submitted to Dianne by January 15, so that she may

submit them to the State Chairman prior to January 23, 2014. Posters will be judged for originality, design, slogan, artwork, and overall effectiveness of the message

Please see information available at our Oct. 9 meeting.

WORK DAY AT BBG

Help is needed on **October 18** at the Bellevue Botanical Gardens. ELWD members will work in the Native Discovery Garden near the ravine bridge.

67th HOLIDAY SHOW

The Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs will present the 67th Annual Holiday Show, "Winter Dreaming," on **Wednesday, November 6, 2013**, from 6 PM to 9 PM and **Thursday, November 7, 2013**, from 9 AM to 4 PM.

This event will be held at Everett Holiday Inn, 3105 Pine St, Everett, WA 98201. Donations are \$8 in advance, or \$10 at the door.



"Winter Dreaming"

ELWD GENERAL MEETING

More than ten members of Issaquah Garden Club attended the first General Membership Meeting of the 2013-14 year, held on Monday, September 23. Attendees heard an informative, interesting program on lavender presented by Tom Frei, Master Gardener and owner of Woodinville Lavender Farm. (We agreed that a visit to his nursery on a weekend would be a pleasant experience.) While we were enjoying his program, the Judges reviewed many entries in the horticulture show. There were some outstanding dahlia specimen. Our own Karen Lee won the Best in Division with her chocolate cherry tomatoes, as well as numerous blue ribbons for other tomatoes.



There was a design display of containers ELWD members had purchased or otherwise acquired at the national or the state convention. These containers ranged from a large plastic design created by Joy Young, to the black pipe container of which 60 were made for the national convention by Linda Thompson and her husband, to an interesting fish design June Ann had embellished, to a tiny container with a charming miniature sedum arrangement.

The event concluded with a short business meeting a raffle, a White Elephant sale of garden books, a 50-50 raffle to benefit

Habitat for Humanity—won by Joy Jackson—and a luncheon prepared by Willowmoor Garden Club. Hospitality before and during the event were hosted by Gail Holmstrom and Audrey Ellingsen. Several other IGC members helped on the show or lunch service.

OTHER GOINGS-ON IN ELWD

On Monday, October 21, there will be a design class, “2013 Space Odyssey,” presented for all levels of designers by teacher Linda McClenahan. This class will concentrate on SPACE, one of the design elements used in flower arranging. Ms. McClenahan will teach about positive and negative space and its importance in creating a floral picture that is pleasant to the eye. She’ll show how a floral arrangement can become a work of art using space to create depth, rhythm, balance and interest.

Register by calling Linda McClenahan at (425) 641-6105, and mailing a check for \$18 made out to “ELWD” to Gale Baullinger, 16626 SE 24th ST, Bellevue, WA 98008-5408.

On Thursday, November 7, Hilltoppers Garden Club will hold a Silent Auction and Boutique, to benefit “Give Kids a Hand.” Come for coffee, a Silent Auction and a short regular meeting, starting at 9:30 AM. Please RSVP to Char Crawford, Crawford.charj@gmail.com.

See the flyer at our meeting, Oct. 9.

IGC 85TH ANNIVERSARY

Excitement is building as the planning committee is busy organizing the celebration event of our garden club's 85th Anniversary on Wednesday, November 13, 2013. We will be meeting at Tibbett's Creek Manor as usual. Our planning committee will begin setting up for the event at 9:30 on that day and will welcome extra hands to help us with the tablecloths and place settings.

Karen Bukantz and her sister are graciously providing our club with the table cloths and place settings so there is no need for members to bring their own that day. Our business meeting will be followed by a short break at 10:45 AM as we welcome special guests for the celebration which will officially begin at 11 AM with introductions. After introduction of our special guests, Erica Maniez, Director of the Issaquah History Museums, will give a short presentation.

We will continue the celebration with a tea luncheon. Vintage or season appropriate tea hats are encouraged as we will be taking a group photo after lunch!

At our October meeting, Jessica will bring some lovely tea pots that we will use for the table centerpieces. We will ask volunteers from the club to take a tea pot home and bring it back to the November meeting with some lovely fresh flowers in it. Rita and Jessica are organizing the food so you may get a phone call from them.

Happy Anniversary, Issaquah Garden Club!

Karen Lee, Chairman

CONTAINER GARDENING

Since we moved last year to a smaller home, with no grass to mow, I have been somewhat limited to what I can and cannot grow. I have 3 huge cedar trees on the side of our home which makes for a very shady yard. We have some big rhodies which provide some privacy for our patio area and I have managed to plant some ferns (from Sue Olsen, of course), some lovely hostas and a several other shade-loving delights. We are surrounded by green growing shrubs, trees and perennials, but in order to grow edible delights, I have had to get creative with pots. I have only a couple of spots that receive enough sunlight to make things grow properly, so I bought a large Rubbermaid tub, added dirt and planted both red and yellow potatoes. We have enjoyed eating the harvest!

I would like to encourage you all—though my days of doing traditional vegetable gardening are over, I'm finding success with growing my edibles in pots. I have had basil, oregano, rosemary, chives and parsley in pots for years and love having them all handy when I am preparing dinner. My zucchini plant in a pot didn't do well this year, but I think it needed more sunshine. I would love to grow tomatoes but there is not enough sun for them either. So next year I hope to try some lettuce, spinach, carrots, radishes, peppers and cukes. **Make sure that your container has several holes in the bottom for proper drainage and don't use wooden containers for vegetables since the wood may have been treated with chemicals.**

My daughter and I rented some plots in the local community garden but it was always an afterthought to go tend to it! I just got the last of the onions out several days ago. You really need to be dedicated to grow your crops off site! I discovered that is just not me. I know we are just getting to the time of cleaning up our flower beds and that Spring seems like a long time from now, but thinking about doing something different is the first step toward making it happen!

Sandy Young

GARDEN TIPS

From June Ann: One of the tips I always share when planting in the fall is for everyone to outline spring bulbs with grape hyacinth. They send up green leaves in the fall so that even though the gardener may have forgotten where she planted her daffodils, etc., the green outline will remind her not to dig in wrong place.

From Cate: I routinely steam vegetables, both fresh and frozen. Rather than discard whatever water is left in the pot under the steaming basket, I wait until it's cool and use it to water my houseplants.

Information adapted from Garden Gate magazine: To insulate trees from deer damage, try using pre-slit foam insulation. Cut it to whatever length you need. The slit lets you place the insulation over the trunk or lower branches. Since the insulation comes in various sizes, measure your tree trunk before going to purchase the insulation. You might secure it with pieces of duct tape. Either leave the insulation on all year, or remove it when it isn't needed to prevent splitting, disease or insect problems.

Seed sharing: try taking digital photos of plants from which you'll save seeds. Then you can glue the pictures to the envelopes before storing or sharing with others the seeds you've gathered.



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