



GARDEN DELIGHTS

Issaquah Garden Club

*"To forget how to dig the earth and to tend the soil
is to forget ourselves."*

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September Meeting September 12, 2012

Susie Egan will present our program, "**Wonderful Plants for Winter Color and Interest**," this month. Ms. Egan is a garden designer, lecturer, writer and owner of Cottage Lake Gardens, near Woodinville, a private display garden and plant nursery located on Cottage Lake just east of Woodinville, Washington. Cottage Lake Gardens is a two acre mix of native woodland gardens intertwined with nature trails, perennial borders and a breathtaking sunny lakeside garden. Cottage Lake Gardens is a botanical treasure trove of more than a thousand different species of native and exotic plants and hosts numerous garden tours each year. Please go to the website, www.cottagelakegardens.com, for information on garden tours and plant sales.

Susie focuses her attention on the study and propagation of native and woodland plants, particularly the Trillium. At this time her garden collection includes 45 of the 47 species of Trillium in the world. Her dream is to share her knowledge and passion of gardening and bring the joy and beauty of gardening to others.

June Willard will present our **Design Vignette** this month. Each month a member will share a 5- to 10-minute presentation which may be a floral design, a table design or accessory, or a short demonstration, to help you with ideas for designing your own creation. We're hoping that members will be inspired to use their won talents.

Please don't forget your contribution for the Food Bank! Sylvia reports that we gave over of 462 pounds of food during the 2011-2012 year!

And don't forget to bring your table setting!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

TAKE CARE

Garden Club has much to offer. To get the most benefit, you must TAKE CARE.

TAKE CARE to look forward with eager anticipation to all meetings, projects and opportunities for service and friendship. Of course, you can't do everything that is offered. Everyone helps with lunch service. Almost everyone is either an Officer, Chairman or "backup" or helps out as possible on some project. All of us travel, take care of family or may fall ill. By sharing responsibilities, we all have freedom and the club keeps running smoothly.

TAKE CARE that you stay well informed by reading IGC Newsletter "Garden Delights." Study the IGC Yearbook and bring it to every meeting. Give yourself knowledge and inspiration by enjoying our organizations' many web sites: our Club: www.issaquahgardenclub.org; our District: www.elwd.org; our State: www.wagardenclubs.com; our eight-state Pacific Region: www.PacificRegionGardenClubs.org; our National: www.gardenclub.org.

Share the excitement of what garden club has accomplished and what is about to happen right here, around our nation and even internationally. You

help all of it just by being a garden club member. Doesn't that make you proud?!

TAKE CARE of our club, our community, our earth and especially family, friends and YOU. Begin by sharing your warmth by **smiling**. That will TAKE CARE of a wealth of things. Smiles improve your overall feeling of well being. Smiles open the hearts of those that share it.

TAKE CARE by arriving at meetings on time. The fun buzz of anticipation is greatest then. Look for someone new to sit by or talk to. Each member is a treasure waiting. While we try to follow Robert's Rules and be official, mostly we strive to be comfortable and enjoy our time together.

TAKE CARE of your needs by letting our officers know how we can help each of you benefit the most from this experience. Great programs await. Special community projects beckon. Be proud to be a part of the garden club world. Be sure to invite others to come visit our meetings so they might learn our heritage and goals and be proud as well.

June Ann Hassebroek



GARAGE SALE REPORT

The club held its garage sale on August 17th and I am delighted to report it was a grand success on two fronts. We raised \$808.50 to support our community projects. And we had terrific membership participation. We chose the second hottest day of the year for our sale, but the heat didn't seem to put off the shoppers or the volunteers.

Club members contributed a huge number of items for the sale, enough to fill Audrey Ellingsen's garage to almost overflowing. Thanks to Audrey for storing it all over the course of the year!

The sale took place at the home of Joan Harris in Renton—a great location and, likewise, a great (and tolerant) hostess. The ice dispenser on her fridge came in really handy. :-) Thanks Joan!

There was an army of other members who helped in a myriad of ways: ferrying boxes from Audrey's to Joan's, setting up tables and unpacking boxes, serving shoppers in the baking sun, lending equipment, bringing refreshments and cold cloths, making lunch runs and, finally, packing up and transporting the leftovers at the end of the day. Thanks to everyone who helped out! [A special thanks goes to Gail and Godfrey who ferried items in their brand new truck both from Audrey's home and afterwards from Joan's to

the GoodWill.]

In addition to the funds raised the day of the sale, we got \$25 for the leftover books for a total of \$833.50. Add to that the \$489.50 raised in the 2011/12 fiscal year through trade-ins and sales at our monthly meetings and the ultimate total was \$1320. Thanks again for everyone who contributed items to sell!

Michele Peltonen

FLOWER SHOW, JUNE 13

"Summer on the Move" turned out to be fantastic! We received nearly seventy horticultural entries and nineteen beautiful artistic designs, thirteen of which were created by novices. The designs were judged without reference to experience, except for the award specifically for the best novice design.



"Enjoying Cool Treats" Capsule Table - winner **NGC Design Excellence Award, Novice** Rita Hansen; Walking on Sunshine" red ribbon (black hoop): Sally Cadranell; blue ribbon: **Novice** Karen Bukantz for her cowboy boot; "Strolling in the Garden".

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MORE ON THE FLOWER SHOW

A rosette for **Best Novice** in show was given to **Novice** Joann Morgan in her arrangement in a ceramic shoe; Miniature "Spotting Lightning Bugs" by **Novice** Sandy Young won the **Club President Award for Best Theme Interpretation: "Gazing at the Stars"** (see below).



Additionally, Jean Pass was awarded a blue ribbon for her small design, and Karen Bukantz was awarded a blue ribbon in Craft Division for her decorated sun visor.

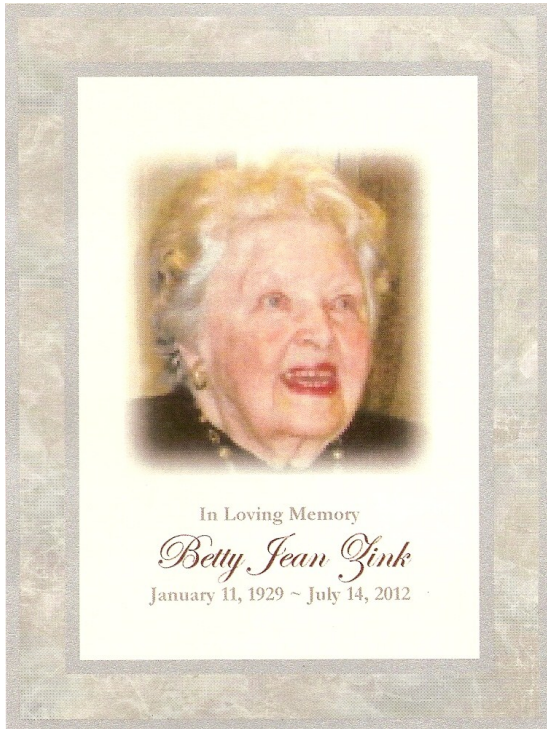
Horticulture NGC Award of Merit: Sandy Young for cut perennial foliage, hosta. **NGC Arboreal Award:** Janel Garnett for her artistic branch, a variegated Japanese Maple. The Educational exhibit by Janet Wall, "Weeding the Garden," teaching noxious and invasive weeds was very popular. The display by Dianne Tanner, "Growing Young Gardeners," (even though she had a broken shoulder and needed help from grandchildren), was a valuable and appreciated addition. In all, twenty Garden Club members were actively

involved in the show in one function or another. Advanced Publicity was handled by Karen Lee and Rosemary Fahey. The Schedule and the cleverly-decorated Class cards and Entry cards were created and printed by Janel Garnett. Sandy Young was in charge of staging and had great help from Joanne Westveer and Jean Pass, Cate and Rita. Rita took the Advance Entries and did up the Design Entry cards. After helping Janel set up entries, Rita and Cate went to being Clerks, and helping clean up. The ELW District Judges obtained and gifted by Sally Cadranell were Elaine Pinkerton, Pat Kaald and Marianne Wilkins.

We were pleased with the response of the public, including those who'd come intentionally to see our show, and the attendance of members of other Garden Clubs, notably the seven or so members of Terra Tillers Garden Club. At the end of the show, our members were already giving ideas about our next show.



[Your editor regrets she couldn't print all the pictures Rita Hansen took of the flower show.]



IN LOVING MEMORY OF BETTY ZINK

Once again Issaquah Garden Club has lost a long time beloved member. Betty passed away on July 14, 2012 at the age of 83. Betty was a member of our garden club since 1963. Betty's lifelong passions were art, flower arranging and floral design. During her 49 years as a club member she was a friend and mentor to many. Betty was always willing to share her insight and creativity of design with fellow members.

She belonged to several design guilds and was noted for her many entries in Vision of Beauty calendar as well as winning entries at the Northwest Flower and Garden Show. Betty was a

Master Flower Show Judge and named Flower Arranger of the Year by National Garden Club. She will also be remembered for the many metal sculptures that she designed and created with her husband Lewis.

She was born January 11, 1929, in Tacoma, WA, the daughter of Inez and Manville Bergheim. She graduated from Puyallup High School and remained a Washington resident her entire life. Betty met her husband of more than 54 years, Lewis Zink, while he was stationed at Fort Lewis. Lewis passed away in 2010.

Betty will be remembered and missed by many. She is survived by her son Peter Zink (Jane), daughter Randi Zink, niece Karen Holloway and nephew Eric Berg. A celebration of life was held on August 2, 2012 at Sunset Hill Funeral Home Chapel in Bellevue, WA.

Dianne Tanner



This metal sculpture was made by Betty Zink for IGC Past President and Past District Director, Ann Chandler.
June Ann Hassebroek

ELWD GENERAL MEETING

On Monday, September 24, ELWD will hold the first General Meeting of the 2012-2013 year at St. Andrew's Church, Eastgate. The meeting will consist of un-judged flower show of various late summer and fall horticulture classes, and one open design class, limited to twelve entries, with the theme, "Inspired by Betty," to commemorate Betty Zink. The floral designs will be arranged in metal sculpture created by Betty Zink. The show schedule will be posted on the ELWD website, www.elwd.org.

There will be a silent auction to benefit the National Convention, next May. Jon Throne, of Countryside Floral and Garden, Issaquah, has donated a class for six, to be held on October 16, at 6 P.M. Each guest will make and keep a \$50 floral design. In addition to the two-hour class, guests will receive champagne and snacks. The opening bid will be \$25.

There will also be two raffle items at the GMM meeting, one each from West Sammamish Garden Club and Hill and Dale Garden Club.

The speaker for the meeting will be Don Marshall, director of the East Lake Washington Institute of Technology Environmental Horticulture program, who will explain "environmental horticulture," and what this has to do

with our own gardens. He'll also discuss the program offered, the goals of the school, and what the program does in the community.

Lunch will be provided by Sherwood Forest Garden Club, served by Linda Patricelli with help from members of other Garden Clubs.

The schedule for the meeting will follow somewhat the schedule at the May meeting, with registrations and check-in for the flower show from 9 to 10 A.M.; program from 10 to 11; a fifteen-minute break; business meeting from 11:15 to 11:45; lunch from 11:45 to 12:30; the raffle and talking about the show from 12:30 to 1:30 P.M.

The cost of the meeting with program and lunch will be \$10. **Reservations will be taken at our September meeting, September 12, or by Email to Linda Patricelli: lindapatricelli@hotmail.com.**

ELWD WORKDAY AT BBG

The Fall workday at Bellevue Botanical Garden will be held on October 26 at 1 PM. Volunteers will meet at the Visitor Center, and should bring their preferred hand tools. Please sign up at the IGC meeting September 12 so we can give June Ann a count when she returns from Wisconsin later in the month. If the weather is cold and wet October 26, please dress for it.

IGC'S ISSAQUAH HISTORY MUSEUM PROJECT

In 2003, Issaquah Garden Club began a project to renovate the front garden at the Issaquah History Museum, formerly Gilman Town Hall, to plant native plants representative of an earlier era. The Garden Club collaborated with the Washington Native Plant Society for their recommendations of native plants appropriate for the site conditions.

The plants the Garden Club selected were suited to sunny and dry conditions and were beneficial to wildlife (birds and butterflies). The refurbished garden contained evergreen plants to make the garden attractive in rainy yet mild Pacific Northwest winters. A temporary drip irrigation system was installed, with final completion of the garden, including interpretative signage and an ethno-botany brochure - set for spring of 2005.

Since that time, Issaquah Garden Club members have maintained the garden, replacing plants as necessary, weeding, mulching and pruning plants in the two front beds. Currently, Gail Holmstrom chairs the committee for this project. Work is completed as necessary, scheduled on Thursdays at 10 A.M.

Native Plants at the Issaquah Historical Museum, Gilman Town Hall, 165 SE Andrews Street

Plants installed and still remaining include **Achillia millefolium** (yarrow), **Allium cernuum** (nodding onion), **Aquilegia formosa** (western columbine), **Festuca roemerii** (prairie fescue), **Mahonia nervosa** (low Oregon grape), and camas bulbs.

The Gardener's September

"In its way—from the horticultural point of view—September is a gratifying and excellent month; not only because golden rod, autumnal asters, and ... chrysanthemums are in flower; not only because of you, heavy and amazing dahlias; for know ye, unbelievers, that September is the chosen month for everything that flowers a second time: the month of the second flower; the month of the ripening wine. All these are mysterious advantages for the month of September, full of deeper meaning; and, above all, it is the month when the earth opens so that we can plant again! Now those things should go into the ground which must get a hold before the spring...."

Excerpt from **The Gardener's Year** (1929) by Karel Capek, which every Real Gardener should have in his or her library.

LOOKING FORWARD TO OCTOBER

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE OCTOBER MEETING WILL BE HELD THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF OCTOBER, OCTOBER 17.

Our program for the October meeting will be a hands-on “Container Bulb Workshop.” We are asking that members plan for participation in this workshop. We will be providing bulbs, container, and soil for planting to create a pot of flowers for our enjoyment next spring. You will be asked to sign up and pay a fee—not yet determined, but certainly very reasonable—for this experience. We have not done this since 2003 and it was a suggestion that this be done again. We will have an assortment of bulbs from DeGoede Bulb Farms in Mossyrock WA., and we’ll be under the planting guidance of Gayle Cote. Members will be asked to bring their own tools.

We will send extra email alerts to all to contact Dianne Tanner for participation **no later than September 25th.** At that time our final order needs to be placed.

At the October meeting, we will also view the CD from National Gardening Association and June Ann will speak to us about garden clubs at district, state, regional, and national levels. We may review the new Yearbook copy, as well.

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