GARDEN CHATTER NOVEMBER 2023





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WHAT'S COMING UP at the Enumelaw Garden Club?

NOV 15 GARDEN CLUB GENERAL MEETING AT THE VFW HALL

*This meeting is one week early.

Breakfast 4 the Birds ticket will be available at \$25 each or buy a table for \$200 & invite 8 friends. Lynette will need to know who will be at your table closer to the event.

9:30 am Sign-In & Get-together 10:00 am Business Meeting

10:45 am Horticulture. Please bring a snip of something wonderful from your garden!

Don't forget to let us know what it is.

11:00 am Program: Jackie Szarka from Lake Holm Lavender will show us how to

"Cultivate & cook with lavender".

Noon Everyone bring your favorite dish or dessert to share! Coffee, tea, & water will be

provided. Please check yearbook to see if you are one of the hosts.

DEC 1 Join together to make tree ornaments at the workshop at the Senior Center.

Noon These ornaments will be used for decorating their tree on the 5th.

DEC 4 GARDEN CLUB BOARD MEETING AT THE KEY BANK COMMUNITY ROOM

9:30am All committee chairs encouraged to attend.

DEC 5 SENIOR CENTER TREE DECORATING

Noon Bring a homemade ornament or one of your own to jpin in the decorating of a nos

talgic old-fashioned Christmas tree just in time for the Annual Christmas Parade.

<u>DEC 12</u> 10:00 am Set-up for tomorrows Christmas Party. Call Connie Keen with questions

DEC 13 9:30 am GARDEN CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY. Let's Garden and Be Happy!!!

Wear your favorite once a year Christmas outfit!

THINKING OF YOU GARDEN THERAPY

If you know of a Garden Club member who is ill or just needs a little cheering up or encouragement please let Yolanda Nelson know @ 253-777-5810 or ziinia2007@yahoo.com

Carol Pedersen will also send out a group email to the members. Just let her know who needs remembering. @253-686-3942 or cajunchili@comcast.net

"Get Well" cards were sent to Barbara Hammond
& Linda Wilhoit after their surgeries.

"Welcome" cards were sent to new members
Karen Dahners & Kandi Dodrill.
A word of encouragement went out to
Cheryl Tricia on her upcoming surgery (Nov 8)



EGC BULLETIN BOARD

A reminder & a thanks in advance from Clarine, MeriBeth, & Dixie

If you didn't get a chance to sign up as hostess for this garden club year you have been assigned a month. If not, you are a sub. You will need to be at the VFW Hall between 8:30 & 8:50am to help set up the tables, set out the food, clean up & take down tables after the meeting. Hostesses also provide a raffle item & one lucky person is chosen to provide the centerpiece. The schedule is in the yearbook. If unable to be there please find a friend to fill in for you. Thanks

When you generously bring free items to the meeting please take home anything that is left over.



Please send all EGC Treasurer correspondence to Joan Meyer at: enumgcfinance@gmail.com or POBox 714, Enumclaw 98022

WEB-SITE WWW.enumclawgardenclub.info

Please contact Debbie B'Hymer with any questions, comments or club updates for the web-site at: debhymer@aol.com

Remember, the newsletter is included on the web-site, so please let Sharon know if there is any info you don't want made public.



All members can join our Facebook page. Go to Enumclaw Garden Club & click on JOIN. Call or email Ginny Montgomery with any questions.

The cut-off date for the December newsletter will be the 6th@ noon. This is a week early because of Christmas.

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DID YOU MISS ANYTHING AT THE OCTOBER MEETING???

After we recited the Pledge of Allegiance President Marilyn Cooper opened with the reminder that coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, working together is success!

Our Chinook District President Penny Merriman was introduced.

She is visiting the different garden clubs in our district & enjoys getting to know everyone. Look for Penny with Marilyn Nelson in the costume pix.

Marilyn Nelson encouraged everyone to come out to the Foothills trail to plant trees & pull weeds on Make a Difference Day Oct. 28th. Refreshments will be provided!

Debora Akers continues to get us excited about our Membership Appreciation bus tour to the Heronswood Botanical Gardens in May. She reminded us that this is open to all members as a thank you for all you have done in the past year for the Garden Club.

Nancy Wittman brought samples of t-shirts & sweatshirts. A vote was taken to decide the logo & lettering. Tshirts will be \$25 & sweatshirts \$50. There will be several color choices available but print will be in white. An order form will be sent via email with ordering instructions & delivery date.

Dee Nash provided sign-up sheets for Breakfast 4 the Birds. Tickets will be made available at the November meeting. One change is that for \$200 you will be able to buy a table for 8. There will be a Golden Key raffle with a 50/50 split. Karen Arris asked for help in making centerpieces for the event & Gayle Schmidt reminded us to start thinking about which houseplants we can donate for the sale.

Twyla Colvin gave a short report on the Plant Sale in May. A big change is that all members who help with the sale will receive a ticket that will let them buy 2 pre-sale plants between 4 & 5pm the evening before the sale begins. A change to the bylaws will be made at a later date.

The Horticulture table was full. There was Bergenia, Red Heart Maple leaf (beautiful!), green & red Coleus, a very fragrant apricot Ballerina rose "Intrigue" from Donna Larson's garden, Rose hips, huge dried Hydrangea balls, Chinese Lantern, a still blooming Calendula, & several Dahlias including a dark leaf variety. Tory says "it's time to put our babies to bed". There is a better chance of them surviving the winter if you don't prune but just tuck them in with a layer of mulch. Put your potted perennials close to the house or next to a wall to protect them. If you dig your dahlias pack them in sawdust to keep moist.

Tory also asked us to start saving our stretchy plastic wrap which includes produce bags, newspaper bags, bubble wrap, etc. Just give to Tory at a meeting & she will take it to district. Every 1000 pounds donated makes a TREX bench. Alison Johnson showed us how to make a wire cloche (or Critter Cloche, Bunny

Alison Johnson showed us how to make a wire cloche (or Critter Cloche, Bunny Barrier, Plant Support). She passed out instructions with material needed & several members tried their hands at making one. Not an easy feat but we all had lots of laughs & ended up with something resembling her great examples!

As usual lots of good food & lots of laughing & catching up with our GARDEN CLUB FRIENDS (if you cold recognize them)!

AND...THE COSTUME PARADE



















AND THE WINNERS WERE—————



CHINOOK DISTRICT NEWS

www.chinookgc.org/

Director Penny Merriman's theme this year is "Celebrate each other & educate our youth"

All meetings start at 10 am on the 1st Wednesday of the month Auburn First United Methodist Church, 100 N St, Auburn Flower Gals are no longer meeting.

Nov 20th & 27th...Flower Design Classes. Cost is \$25 for both classes. Contact Barb Smith to register @ 253-631-7118

Emphasis will be on different types of line, line mass, and mass designs and how they are created using the Principles and Elements of Design. The difference between Traditional and Creative designs will be discussed. Students will learn some of the basis types of designs that are used in the in the home. We will go over different types of products and mechanics that are used to help make the designs. The class will be designed to help those students just beginning or those who have some knowledge of floral design.

Dec 6....... District Holiday Luncheon Nutcracker Sweet

@ Grace Lutheran Church, 22295-24th Ave S Des Moines
Delicious lunch, unique entertainment, raffle baskets, design auction & sales table. Tables decorated by hostesses & prizes will be awarded.
A table for 8 can be purchased for \$200 or \$25 per ticket.
Contact Susan Nash for tickets & more information @ smnash9@gmail.com



Saturday, DECEMBER 16, 2023

Each December on National Wreaths Across America Day, our mission to REMEMBER the fallen, HONOR those that serve and TEACH the next generation the value of freedom is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 3700+ additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad.

Join us by sponsoring a veteran's wreath at a cemetery near you, volunteering or donating to a local sponsorship group.

Go to <u>wreathsacrossamerica.org</u> for more information & to donate a wreath. Our local veterans cemetery is Tahoma National Cemetery in Kent.



Please add this info to page 39 in your yearbook...

Our membership is now at 103

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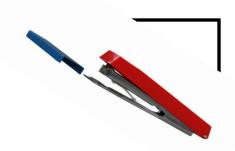
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YEARBOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND PLEASE ASK A GARDEN CLUB FRIEND TO PICK YOURS UP OR CONTACT SHARON FAGNAN @ 253-350-8930.



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Thanks to all who gathered together to decorate the Senior Center Fall Tree.

Don't forget that we need your help in transforming this tree into a

Christmas tree December 5th @ noon.



Thanks to Sharon LeVander, Trish Pierce & Yolanda Nelson for sprucing up the planters at the VFW Memorial for winter.



Save the Date ~ May 29, 2024 ~ 8:30am - 4:30pm (at least)

In appreciation of all the member's hard work and a celebration of our garden club and friendships, the garden club is going to visit Heronswood in Kingston. Heronswood was created by renowned plant explorer Dan Hinkley. The botanical garden is an amazing display of rare and unusual plants. For more information, visit https://www.heronswoodgarden.org/

<u>visit</u>. We will also be visiting the Bay, Hay and Feed Store - a combination of a nursery, garden shop and old fashioned mercantile. Catered box lunches will also be provided. Please sign up at the next meeting

New member? We want to meet you!

If you are a new member, & would like to be featured in the newsletter, please send me a small bit of info about yourself & a pix. No pix? No problem...We can have one taken at the next meeting. Just let me know.

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Where friendships GROW NOVEMBER 2023



November birthdays are lucky to have 2 lovely birth flowers. The chrysanthemum means friendship, honesty & loyalty while the the peony has come to symbolize love, happiness, honour, good fortune, wealth & a happy marriage.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL WHO CELEBRATE IN NOVEMBER