



GARDEN DELIGHTS

Issaquah Garden Club

"All gardeners live in beautiful places because they make them so."

Joseph Joubert, 1754-1824, French moralist and essayist, whose works were published only posthumously

May Meeting

May 10, 2017, 10:00 A.M.

"How to Create Beauties of Nature by Pruning"



Those of us who heard our speaker, **Alan Haywood**, at our November, 2015, meeting or are familiar with him from programs he has given elsewhere, will be pleased that he is making a return visit.

Mr. Haywood was an employee of the City of Issaquah Parks and Recreation Department for thirty years. His employment changed with the years, evolving to the title of City Arborist and Horticulturist. He is responsible for most of the plantings we enjoy throughout the city, including that at Tibbett's Creek Manor. Some of the land-

landscapes he designed, some he installed, and some he inspected.

He was responsible for the City's Tree City USA designation and he organized many Arbor Day plantings as part of that program. Since leaving City employment, he has founded his own private practice, "Alan Haywood, Arborist & Horticulturist," <http://www.haywoodarborist.com/home.html>

Mr. Haywood is a delightful, friendly, knowledgeable person, we'll all enjoy hearing. If anyone can make pruning understandable, it is Alan Haywood!

Please don't forget to bring your plate, cup and utensils from home! Not doing so causes unnecessary expense for these items for the club.

And don't forget your contributions for the Issaquah Food Bank!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A favorite tour of mine as well as both of my daughters took place in Korea. We toured the gardens of Seoul where many beautiful weddings took place. Cameras were everywhere, capturing the beautiful natural settings of this exquisite landscape. In this immense park was a secret garden. We walked the acres and could not find it. We were exhausted exploring and to no avail did we find the secret garden. Finally, my daughters agreed that the secret garden was so secret, that's why. I was disappointed, but thought perhaps there may be another time to see the secret garden.

As you may already know, there is soon to be a Secret Garden near us, the 85th Washington State Convention held in Everett is coming on June 6 – 9 at the Courtyard by Marriott. What a wonderful theme. I am hoping that we have club members who are excited as I am to attend and glean more knowledge of horticulture, design, and wildlife through the workshops and tours. All the details for registration are included in the latest issue of Washington Garden & Design.

Please come to the Secret Garden.

Lenda Sundene

MAY LUNCHEON

Those helping Hostess **Lenda Sundene**, are members Peggy Abernathy, Debbie DeFilipps, June Hassebroek, Georgann Lennon*, Ann Moskowitz, Kim Ray, Sandra Roberts, Shadi Wang, and Gloria Woo. (*Whoever substituted for Georgann last month will not bring food for this meeting.)

PLANT SALE THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped the plant sale take place. This is a preliminary note to let you know we took in \$1,914.36 [as of Monday], but I'm sure there will be an adjustment to the final numbers once the expenses come into Joan Fields.

Thanks so very much for all of your help,

Lenda

FROM OUR TREASURER

Joan Fields, our Treasurer, reports that the grand total profit was \$1878.61, of which the plant sale earned \$1280.50, the bake sale 130.05, and the garage sale \$468.06.

[There may be more income from the plants. One member purchased plants for \$8 to be paid at the meeting. If any other members are interested in plants left over from the sale, now on the Mueller driveway, they may contact Cate Mueller by Email.]

WORK PARTY AT BBG

June Ann Hassebroek reports that the next work party At Bellevue Botanical Gardens will be held on **Friday, May 26, 10 to noon** in the new Urban Meadow

ISSAQUAH HOBBY AND VOLUNTEER EXPO

The Expo is being held on Saturday, May 20, from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M.. At Pickering Barn.

Join the Issaquah Garden Club at this year's Expo! We will have an informational booth at Pickering Barn, 1730 10th Ave NW, Issaquah., across the street from Costco.

Come learn about our club and all the other great clubs, hobby and community groups the area has to offer and how you can get involved...all while exploring the Issaquah Farmer's Market.

Come visit us at this fun and free event!

FUCHSIA SALE EASTSIDE FUCHSIA SOCIETY

IGC has been asked to publicize this sale to our members.

The sale takes place this **Saturday, May 6, from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M.** at Bellevue Botanical Garden, Aaron Educational Center. You are advised to come early to take advantage of the good selection. There will be many upright hardy fuchsias at great prices. There will be four-inch pots available for \$3.50 and there will be "some great advice."

Pictures and descriptions of plants can be found at either of the following websites:

<http://www.nwfuchsiasociety.com/hardies/hardyfuchsias.htm>
<http://www.fuchsias.net/>



GARDEN CLUB DUES

If you have not already submitted payment of your 2017-2018 dues, **please bring your checks, payable to "Issaquah Garden Club" to our May meeting to give to our Treasurer, Joan Fields** or mail the check to her at 24331 SE 132nd Way, Issaquah, WA, 98027-8374. **You are asked to include a copy of the completed form, "Let's Get Acquainted," with your payment.**

Receipt of dues in a timely manner will help to facilitate closing the books for this year in preparation for the audit by the Finance Committee and makes revision of the next IGC yearbook a lot easier.

If you didn't know...Issaquah Garden Club dues include dues for Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs and for East Lake Washington District. It also includes your subscription to WSFGC's publication, *Washington Garden & Design*, (formerly *Smoke Signals*).

Want to grow great tomatoes but don't have time to take a class? Watch this episode of Season Eight of Joe Lamp'l's Growing a Greener World: Epic Tomatoes with Craig LeHoullier. Go to <http://www.growingagreenerworld.com/episode-803-epic-tomatoes/>.



NORMA AREHART PASSES

We were sorry to learn of the passing of our member, **Norma Wilkerson Arehart**, a member of Issaquah Garden Club since 1984. Those of us who knew her, remember her as a kind and gracious lady.

MEMORIAL DAY, 2017



Memorial Day in 2017 is on **Monday, the 29th of May**. As every year, there will be a ceremony at the Blue Star Marker, near the Issaquah Branch of the King County Library System building. You may not be aware that this marker was erected by the Issaquah Garden Club, as a part of the Blue Star Memorial Program of National Garden Club, Inc.:

“The Blue Star Memorial Program honors service men and women who have served, are serving or will be serving in the armed services of the United States. In 1945, the National Council of State Garden Clubs (now National Garden Clubs, Inc.) adopted the program started in New Jersey and began a Blue Star Highway system, which covers thousands of miles across the Continental United States, Alaska and Hawaii. A large metal

Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker was placed at appropriate locations along the way. Memorial Markers and By-Way Markers are placed at locations such as national cemeteries, parks, veteran's facilities and gardens. The Blue Star became an icon in World War II and was seen on flags and banners in homes for sons and daughters away at war, as well as in churches and businesses.”

LECTURE AS BBG



Dan Hinkley - "Magic and Miracle: The Subtle and Profound Beauty of Plants"

Wednesday, May 17 |
p.m. \$15/\$5 BBGS mem-
bers.

Dan Hinkley will introduce you to some of the natural world's strange and wonderful characters on a visual tour of some of his favorite plants, while discussing some of their unique characteristics. **Before the lecture, Windcliff plants will be available for sale, and the Trillium Store will be open for shopping.**

MAY GARDENING TIPS FROM THE BELLEVUE BOTANICAL GARDEN STAFF.

- Enjoy the exotic, uniquely colored, and often fragrant blooms of *Paeonia suffruticosa* 'Apricot', commonly known as a Tree Peony, which can be seen at the Garden in the Perennial Border.
- Mulch to suppress weeds and conserve soil moisture. Take care not to mulch over plant crowns or up against tree trunks.
- Test hoses and irrigation systems to make sure they're in good shape for the dry months ahead.
- If needed, fertilize lawns with organic slow-release fertilizer.
- Continue to deadhead Rhododendrons and lightly trim early spring flowering plants.



**CHOCOLATE FLOWER FARM:
“SPECIALTY PLANTS, GARDEN
ACCESSORIES, UNIQUE GIFTS
AND ALL THINGS CHOCOLATE”**

Some of us have been on the look-out for special places our members might like to go on a tour, this summer. One of the nurseries your editor has visited twice, but not for a few years, is “Chocolate Flower Farm,” in Langley. This nursery specializes in plants that are either chocolate color, chocolate-scented, or both. Her favorite is the Chocolate Cosmos—which is both, and is also, unfortunately, sold out this year. Other plants include columbine, nicotiana, two dahlias, and corn. Marie also offers seeds of various plants, as well as five special seed kits. She also offers scented candles, natural, chocolate-infused bath and body products, raspberry and chocolate jam, and chocolate mint tea.

You can visit her nursery, outside Langley, or the shop in downtown Langley. See information on her website: <http://chocolateflowerfarm.com/home>

**Chocolate Flower Farm
5040 Saratoga Road
Langley, WA 98260
Phone: 360.221.2464
Fax: 413.383.8920**

BELLEVUE DEMONSTRATION GARDEN

Another place we might visit is the **Bellevue Demonstration Garden:** 15500 SE 16th St., Bellevue.

“The King County Master Gardeners in cooperation with Bellevue Parks & Community Services manage the Lake Hills Greenbelt Urban Demonstration Garden also known as Bellevue Demonstration Garden. Established in 1984, this urban demonstration garden has grown from a single P-Patch surrounded by blackberries on a steep, rock-filled slope to the flourishing garden it is today.

“The **mission** is to provide public education in gardening and home horticulture based on resources from Washington State University, and to create a solid learning experience for the volunteer. The **goals** are to demonstrate good gardening practices in a typical urban setting, involve Master Gardeners with the public at the garden using the garden setting and WSU resources and provide a practical hands-on educational resource for all Master Gardeners.

“The garden includes a complete MG Diagnostic Plant Clinic, Master Compost Center, Greenhouse Operations, Children’s Garden, over 40 demonstration beds and gardens, **Saturday Workshop Series for the general public from January through October** and two major events; Children’s Fair & High Summer Celebration in August and Harvest Festival in September.”

The website for the garden: <http://www.mgfk.org/resources/demonstration-gardens/bellevue-demonstration-garden>

The Workshops may be found on the PDF: <http://www.mgfk.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/2017-BDG-workshops.pdf>

I saved this from Facebook on April 15, 2015—It's even truer for me today than it was two years ago...



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On Pruning**