

Beacon Hill Garden Club Buzz

Membership Dues – It is time for the Beacon Hill Chapter of the Washington State Federated Garden Club to renew their membership. Dues are \$12. Payable at next meeting (July 26th) or **Contact: Madam Treasurer Christina at gaspari5@msn.com**

JULY EVENTS

Canning Connections

Join the Beacon Hill Garden Club and Rainier Valley Eats for another Canning Connections session at the Garden House.

We'll be meeting on Wed. July 18 (7-9pm) to can the freshest organic produce we can find. The fee is \$15 and includes everything you'll need but your apron.

The group welcomes all levels of experience, we have handouts for beginners, and we'll swap recipes for those with some experience. Enjoy tasty samples. We'll be planning for this fall's gift canning sessions. Join us!

Contact: Ankataa@yahoo.com. Class limited to 10 people.

Save the Whale campaign, to restore the antique weathervane to the Garden House roof!

The Beacon Hill Garden Club is partnering with Rockit community Arts to “Save the Whale”. Last November the antique Whale weather vane on Headquarters House blew off in a wind storm. For some time it was thought last for good. This spring, Betty Jean Williamson (Beacon Hill GC VP & director of ROCKiT Community Arts) discovered that it was “Stranded” on the second story roof!

ROCKiT is producing a spoof “mockumentary” about the Beacon Whale’s rescue which will be featured as an Indiegogo.com on-line fundraising campaign. Funds raised will be used to restore the Whale to its weathervane and any remainder will equally benefit Beacon Hill Garden Club & ROCKiT in their efforts to open Headquarters House to the Beacon Hill neighborhood for community events.

Local whale biologists Phil Clapham & Julia make a cameo appearance in “Save the Whale- the movie” and are shown above holding the rescued whale.

To donate to the Save the Whale campaign, and for details/updates, go to <http://www.rockitspace.org/2012-beacon-rocks---july-29th.html>

AUGUST EVENTS

1st Annual “Anywhere but Seafair Caravan”

Escape the noise, the crowds and the traffic of Seafair with a field trip to Mount Vernon on **Sunday, August 5th**. Tour the **Jell-O Mold Farm** (flowers) <http://www.jellomoldfarm.com/welcome.html> and the **WSU Discovery Garden**, <http://skagit.wsu.edu/mg/discovery-gardens.htm>, both located in the Mr. Vernon area. Picnicking will be included, of course. Take-off time and location TBD.

Free Gardening Class

Join Mick Dugan, Master Gardner, and Rainier Valley Eats for a great opportunity to learn all about gardening for food. Receive all kinds of free information to take home at each session.

Monthly Specific Topics / Guides for what to plant when. / How to improve your soil. / Watering / Weeds / Pests / Crop Rotation / Ask your Questions
Join us when you can, for as long as you can. Join us in the garden after class for more questions or some hands demonstrations.

Saturday, August 11th, 10-11:30am
El Centro de la RAZA
2524 16th Ave. S., Seattle, WA

Future Events

Please send your ideas or comments for fun Beacon Garden Club events.

Next meeting is July 26th. This is a “progressive” meeting which begins at : 3312 18th Ave S. 7pm.

Washington State Federated Garden Clubs

For local activities, browse here:

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