

## ARBORETUM ASSOCIATES NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Arboretum Associates' President

## Message from the Arboretum Director

## Dear Members and Friends:

It's beginning to look like spring on the Palouse! The daytime temperatures are in the 50's, and the forecast calls for more of the same. Many plants are poking through the ground and buds are beginning to swell. Can we escape for the next two months without a damaging freeze? If this weather continues, plan to take a walk through the Arboretum in the next few weeks.

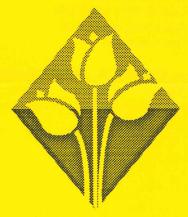
The change of the season is a reminder that the 17th Annual Meeting of Arboretum Associates is not far away; please mark your calendar for 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 25, 1995. The meeting will be in the Moscow Community Center (3rd and Washington). In addition to hearing the Director's annual report, we will elect a president, vice-president, and secretary to two-year terms and a member of the Executive Committee to a three-year term. A nominating committee chaired by past president Walter Kochan is preparing a slate of officers for your consideration.

Following the short business meeting, Professor Iain Robertson, Department of Landscape Architecture, University of Washington, will present an illustrated lecture. A consultant who has helped design numerous landscape projects, Professor Robertson is a frequent keynote speaker at professional society meetings.

The change of seasons also reminds me that we are over half-way through our fiscal year (July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995). Please consider renewing your membership or contributing to an endowment if you have not already done so.

This is my last newsletter message as president of Arboretum Associates. In retrospect, the two years have passed rapidly, and I have had an interesting and rewarding experience. I thank the Director, the members of the Executive Committee, and UI Vice President Jerry Wallace and his staff for their support. And my special thank you to the many loyal friends and members for their contributions, interest, and suggestions. Through the combined efforts of many groups and individuals, the new Arboretum is becoming a visual highlight in the Palouse landscape. Future efforts will not only improve the new facility, but preserve and reclaim the Shattuck Arboretum. In the long term, display gardens will be added at the southern end of the property along Palouse River Drive. I look forward to seeing the long-range goals first envisioned in the Arboretum's Master Plan become realities.

-Duane LeTourneau, President



Mark Your Calendar: the 17th Annual Meeting of Arboretum Associates Tuesday, April 25, 1995 7:30 p.m. Moscow Community Center

## Dear Arboretum Friends:

Within two weeks, new trees and shrubs will be arriving from across America to extend established plantings and initiate several new groves and commemorative tree projects. To date, we are working on 34 groves (including the 100 oak centennial grove) and 18 commemorative trees. All plant acquisition continues through philanthropic giving and donations from other arboreta and quality nurseries. Bronze plaques are now being made so that all funded, established plantings will be readily identified by early summer.

The Fleiger House at the south end of the Arboretum, built in 1935 by Emil and May Fleiger, was sold last October. This house, weighing an estimated 60 tons, and an adjacent building are now being prepared for a six-mile move to Eid Road east of the Hidden Village as soon as load limits permit transit over Sand and other back roads to the Eid Road site. The Fleiger barn is zealously retained and maintained for an aspired conversion into the Arboretum Visitor Center in accordance with the Arboretum Master Plan.

Individual plant identification tags for public education should begin appearing in their final form this summer. Although their form and material are not yet chosen, individual tags will carry common, scientific, and plant family names, accession numbers, and geographic versus horticultural/garden origin data. Because official cultivar ("cultivated variety" of horticultural origin) names are often erroneously interchanged with different registered and unregistered trademark names, I feel that our plant tagging system must distinguish the differences for accurate educational programs and legal correctness. I hope that our tags can also carry plant patent numbers, where applicable. In any event, we anticipate that the tags will be easily readable with white letters on a dark background.

The 13-member University of Idaho Arboretum and Botanical Garden Advisory Board has been meeting at 30-40 day intervals to provide counsel and help with challenging management decisions and development priorities for both the historic 19-acre C. H. Shattuck Arboretum and the 63-acre UI Arboretum and Botanical Garden. Plant collections policies are being debated and drafted by one committee (Douglass Henderson, Robert Tripepi, Richard Naskali) in order to codify issues of accession, usage, and maintenance in a manner that befits arboreta and distinguishes them from parks. David Adams, Stephen Drown, and Robert Mahler constitute another committee which is directed to propose specific educational programs and displays for our "new" Arboretum (now approaching its 14th planting season).

Seating in the Arboretum, a topic of much interest and potential for philanthropic giving, is also an important item on the Advisory Board's agenda. I believe that benches and seating which are underwritten by donors should be well designed, of a uniform style which is vandal resistant and not prone to theft, and constructed of material which would permit tasteful inscriptions of donor's name(s) and brief quotations. After the Advisory Board makes its decisions, I will promptly make specifications and costs available to all who are interested in underwriting one or more of these amenities.

I have nearly completed a list of potential commemorative trees which are needed in the Arboretum. The list will have specimens needed for the Asian, European, Eastern, and Western North American sections of the Arboretum; desired additions will be rated USDA hardiness Zone 5 (or hardier), and will not duplicate accessions already planted or underwritten. If you would like such a list for potential underwriting, please send me a note of request.

If you want to learn some details of the plants and see what is flowering in the Arboretum, I have scheduled two guided, walking tours for Sunday, April 30 & May 7, 1995, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. I will begin the tours at the north end of the Arboretum at the Nez Perce Drive entrance near the UI Golf Course parking lot. Rain cancels.

Thank you for your counsel and loyal support.

-Richard J. Naskali, Director 205 C.E.B., University of Idaho, Moscow, ID 83844-3226 (208) 885-6250



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We invite support for the UI ARBORETUM AND BOTANICAL GARDEN project. This form is provided for the convenience of all who have not already acted in FY95 (July 1, 1994, through June 30, 1995).

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