

Arboretum Associates Newsletter

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Message from the Arboretum Associates' President

Dear Members and Friends:

After a cool, wet summer, the Palouse had a beautiful fall. While most are still small, many of the deciduous trees in the new section of the Arboretum were gorgeous. A walk through the area was an exhilarating experience. With a few more years for growth, plus the many new plantings coming up, I believe the Arboretum and Botanical Garden will become a major attraction for residents and visitors to the area.

In the August newsletter, I reported that several committees had been appointed. I am pleased that all of the groups have now completed their assignments.

After a few modifications, the Executive Committee approved the Budget Committee proposal of \$7,600. About one-third of this amount will be used to purchase plant identification labels and new plant materials. Also included is the expenditure of funds for membership in the North American China Plant Exploration Consortium (NACPEC). This will allow us to obtain rare and unusual plants from the recent expedition to northern China. Funds were also approved to prepare a new brochure and publish an issue of *Arbornotes*.

As a result of a proposal from the Centennial Endowment Committee, we approved a formal agreement with the UI Foundation as to the use of our funds (currently about \$20,000) invested in the Consolidated Investment Trust. According to the agreement, at least 10% of the yearly earnings will be reinvested; this will help increase the principal of the endowment.

Based on a recommendation of the Publications Committee, it was agreed to publish one issue of *Arbornotes* each year to serve as the annual report (July 1-June 30) for Arboretum Associates. A committee chaired by Beverly Rhoades, a member of the Executive Committee, plans to have *Arbornotes* in your hands early next year. From what I know is planned for inclusion, I believe you will find many items of interest in this publication.

While only four individuals showed up for our first annual Arboretum work day on September 25, it was a beautiful, sunny day, and we did manage to fill many plastic bags with weeds pulled from the shrubs along the fence in the University Heights area. We plan several more work days next year and hope that many more volunteers will join in.

As indicated above, our fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30. If you have not paid dues since July 1, 1993, we would appreciate receiving your tax-deductible contribution; the appropriate form is found on the back of this newsletter. If you become a Life Associate, all of the funds are automatically deposited into the Centennial Endowment Fund.

Please contact me (479 Ridge Road, Moscow, ID 83843; telephone (208) 883-5078) if you have questions about or suggestions for Arboretum Associates.

My best wishes for a Joyous Holiday Season and a Happy New Year! - Duane LeTourneau, President



Message from the Arboretum Director

Dear Arboretum Friends:

Outdoors, we are in the final stages of "winterizing" the Arboretum; sunscald-preventing shields and anti-rodent aluminum tree collars are being added to the trunks of hundreds of specimens. Freezing temperatures and one premature snowfall have ended the mowing and slowed our work in weed eradication and mulching specimens with pine and fir bark. The student employees' work will end in November. It was a good growing season.

By summer's end, we completed the first phase of gabion wall building to begin stabilizing the slumping slopes along the western margin of the Arboretum. Planting ended in October with the installation of many *Forsythia* and *Chaenomeles* cultivars to the E. W. Hartung Grove area around the new gabion wall.

As the year ends, we have funding commitments for 27 groves and nine commemorative trees. The newest underwriting has been by the seven clubs of the Clearwater District, Idaho State Federation of Garden Clubs for a grove of Asian shrub roses to be started in 1994. I am extremely pleased that private individuals and organizations have underwritten all of the trees and shrubs in the UI Arboreium & Botanical Garden. In the next few weeks, we will have a revised handout map to locate all of these groves and commemorative trees. It will be included in the *Arbornotes* being prepared for early 1994.

1994 will bring a major extension of our effluent irrigation system into the southern half of the Arboretum valley and open opportunities for planting groves and commemorative trees in the Eastern and Western North American sections of the Arboretum. A list of potential groves and trees for donors will be prepared.

An Arboretum reference library, which had a modest beginning in 1987 with contributed books from Jim and Marge McClelland of Camarillo, CA, has had two significant gifts during 1993.

George and Katherine Woodbury's gift of 15 books came in the summer. This month, we had a major addition of reference books on horticulture and temperate plants from the estate of Joshua Harlan, M.D. Dr. Harlan was an Idaho alumnus who practiced in many parts of the USA prior to his retirement return to Idaho.

Thank you all for your valued support of the UI Arboretum and Botanical Garden. Happy Holidays!

-Richard J. Naskali, Director 205 C.E.B., University of Idaho Moscow, ID 83844-3226 (208) 885-6250 GET A JUMP ON SPRING! Join Arboretum Director Richard Naskali on a trip to the Northwest Flower and Garden Show in Seattle February 12-13, 1994. This is the third largest Spring flower show in North America! Contact the UI Enrichment Program at the University of Idaho, Moscow, ID 83844-3224 (208) 885-6486 for details.

URGENT SNOW ALERT: HELP US PROTECT THOUSANDS OF TREES AND SHRUBS UNDER AND ABOVE SNOW IN THE ARBORETUM. PLEASE DO NOT SLED, SKI, OR TOBOGGAN IN THE ARBORETUM. THANK YOU!!

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED DURING THE PERIOD AUGUST 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 1993:

We greatly appreciate general contributions to the Arboretum Associates from the following individuals and families: Stuart E. Bedwell; Eloise Burnett; Alton G. & Janet C. Campbell; Charles O. Decker; Nick & Margaret DeMattia; Clifford & Norma Dobler; Frank C. & Margaret P. Fickeisen; Douglas W. Finch & Robin Shore; James F. & Lucinda Fisher; John C. & Janet Murray Fiske; Floyd W. & Eloise F. Frank; Martin L. & Ricanora A. Fry; Ruth L. Horgan; Larry A. & Joanne F. Kiridand; David L. & Rebecca B. Knapp; Harry F. & Colleen Magnuson; Shirley A. Newcomb; Pamela A. Peterson; J. Karen Pyrah; Norman L. & Deborah L. Schoen; and Marie H. Whitesel.

Other valued contributions which benefit the Arboretum endowments, memorials, and plantings were received by the UI Foundation, Inc., for categories noted:

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William S. & Hilda B. Roberts; Roland W. Portman Memorial Grove of Asian Confern: Marylin Chichester & family.

Robert & Karen Tripepi contributed a specimen of the Korean Mountain Ash, Sorbus abilfolia. The Western Printing Center donated 100 used printing plates which were converted into tree collars to prevent girdling by rodents.

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 FY94 (July 1, 1993, through June 30, 1994).

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