

Sunday—September 16—2:00—5:00 PM

***** Home of David Hughes *****

15321 NE 163 Street

Woodinville, WA

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FREE DOOR PRIZE and raffle of Rhododendrons.

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SEPTEMBER MEETING—BBQ/PICNIC!

It's time to kick off a new meeting season with another potluck/picnic/BBQ.

Please note the location and the time above. Different place—different time!

We will again be treated to Bob McKinney's BBQ'd salmon. And I will bring along some BBQ'd ribs. The rest of you should bring whatever side dishes or desserts you would like to share. Also, please bring your own beverages and table service. Coffee and tea will be provided.

How do you get to **David's**? Good question! The address is above and a phone number if you get lost. Here are the directions:

- Go north on the Woodinville-Redmond Road (Route 202)
- At NE 145th Street, (the Old Hollywood School House), turn right (east). (FYI: turning left takes you to the Chateau St Michelle Winery)
- Go up to the hill on NE 145th; at the fork in the road, go left, under the pipeline.
- Follow the double yellow lines as the road curves to NE 160th Street (about one mile).
- At NE 160th Street, turn left (west), and go to the end of the road - 154th Ave NE.
- At 154th Ave NE, turn right (north), go about 100 yards, and turn left onto NE 163rd Street.

• At the end of the one block long street, you will find our house blocking the end of the road.

• Park. If necessary, and it is NOT raining, park in the driveway on the flat surface for disengaging from one's vehicle. No motorcycles, please.

We will not have a program this year, but we will have a cutting exchange. If you have cuttings that you like to share ... or seeds ... bring them along. Then you can take home some to grow that you have always wanted.

Don Smart, Editor



Bob Awards Ribbons and Trophies

JUNE POTLUCK AND MEETING

If you missed the June meeting, too bad, because we had perfect weather and great

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food! These are type of activities that make the Society fun and we must stress that to our friends as potential members. We are not just a garden club, we are also a social organization of people with similar interests.

Bob McKinney passed out awards from the May Show and **Bonnie Campbell** came up with another great watering can as an award. She continues to outdo herself every year.

We also had an election. **Warren Timmons III** is you new president; the VP position is vacant, **Diane Timmons** and **Bob George** will serve another term as Secretary and Treasurer; **David Sherbrook** (2010) and **Randy Jones** (2010) join the board, and **Bonnie Campbell** (2008) and **Charlene Jones** (2009) continue their terms. Notice that we still need a volunteer nominee for the Vice President position.

Don Smart, President



Greeting friends and members of the Cascade Chapter. It's that time again to get your fingers wrapped around your check book. And write the Chapter your dues for 2008.

Individual \$35.00

Family \$40.00

Commercial \$90.00

Sustaining \$50.00

Sponsoring \$100.00

Life \$1,000.00

The National is requesting dues payments to be in hand by November 15th. It seems that there is a problem about getting the Journals assigned to the membership early enough for the printers to get them addressed correctly.

In closing I thank you and the Cascade Chapter thanks you.

Bob George, Chapter Treasurer

(Editor's note: Better do it—Bob won't be a nice next month.)

THE RETURN OF WARREN'S WANDERINGS

Welcome back! I hope everyone enjoyed their sum-

mer. The rhodies and I have survived another dry summer....OK, it did seem to rain every weekend, but usually not enough to thoroughly water the plants....especially those in pots. My garden has too many plants in pots, which increases the hand-watering, but hopefully not the water bill!

The Chapter hosted a garden tour and well attended social at Elsie Watson's in July. God blessed us with fantastic weather with which to enjoy viewing Elsie's garden and her view of Lake Washington as well. Several members from other chapters joined us, including Fred Whitney the American Rhododendron Society President.

Please join us for the September meeting, a potluck at the home of David Hughes on Sunday September 16th.

Reminder, we will be meeting at a new location starting in October, watch for a map, directions, and address. The October program will be presented by Don Smart, who will be showing us via DVD, some of the gardens he visited at the ARS Conference in Washington D.C. last year.

Please join us for the potluck in September and the Garden tour in October.

Happy garden wanderings!

Warren F. Timmons III, President

HELP WANTED

At our June elections we did not have a nominee for Vice President. Your board is not complete without this position. Want to get involved? Want to help give direction and purpose to the Chapter? Want to eat cookies and drink Bob George's special coffee once a month? Let one of your officers or board members know if you are interested.

Don Smart, President

TREATS TIME!

We won't need treats at our first meeting, but we will have a sign-up list for the remainder of our meeting. We never miss a chance for dessert!

Coleen George, Sunshine Lady

FURTHER ADVENTURES OF THE LITTLE GARDEN

Summer is almost over, and the garden has weathered the ups and downs of the year with ease. The plants all look great, and ready for fall. This has been a funny year for rhodys. This spring was warm, then cold, and then warm. Many plants got mixed up about when they were supposed to bloom. Some bloomed early, and others late. This, up and down, has persisted all summer, and produced surprising results. As of the first of September, three rhodys are in bloom.

Sapphire, *R. Camaethompsonii*, and a baby hybrid, consisting, of *May Morn* x *R. Proteoides*, which is seven inches tall.

A terrible thing has happened in the garden. It has weeds! The first year in the garden it had no weeds, but they have come. This is especially bad, because of the many plants in the garden, I can't use spray, but must pull each weed. These weeds are coming in spite of the nice cover of bark. Its just not fair.

The garden is alive with bright colors this summer. Besides the rhodys, it now has Fuchsias, Lilies, Geraniums, and others, with colors of purple, blue, red, pink, white, yellow, and orange. Soon an Aster will give color into fall.

So I must go out in the garden to work, and to enjoy.
Bob McKinney, Past Past President

A SUMMER VISIT TO ELSIE WATSON'S

We had a very nice chapter visit to Elsie Watson's home and garden in July. The weather was perfect and Elsie's garden was gorgeous. Rhododendrons do not have to be in bloom to look great. With new summer foliage coming out, many of them look like a second



Elsie and Friends—Photo Diane Timmons
flowering—specially some of Elsie's creations. Who could not be impressed by the velvety new leaves on *Pink Prelude*!

We had a good turn out, good food, and a great visit with Elsie. She loves having people there as she does not get out much anymore. It was also good to see some of you who do make it to the meeting during the year.

Don Smart, Editor

PLANT SALES!

Wow, fall plant sales! I have 4 to report on.

ARS Western Fall Regional Plant Sale

Friday—Sunday, September 21-23. Newport, OR. Plants from nurseries from Hammonds' in Arlington in the north to Singing Tree in Eureka in the south and all points in between.

Rhododendron Species Botanical Garden

Saturday, September 22, 2007 9am - 2pm
Weyerhaeuser Corporate Campus, Federal Way, WA. Parking and admission to the garden are FREE on the day of the sale.

Meerkerk Garden—Whidbey Island

Autumn Rhododendron Sale as part of Whidbey Island Farm Tour & Harvest Celebration—October 6th & 7th, 9am - 4pm.

Washington Native Plant Society

Saturday, October 20 - 10am-4pm at Building 30, Sandpoint/Magnuson Park, Seattle.

Editor

DON'S DOODLES

I guess I'll keep this column going for a while as I'm still involved in a lot of things. I'm still on your board as the immediate Past President. I somehow ended up as the Chairman for the 2009 ARS Convention sponsored by All of the chapters in District 2. And I represent you and the West Coast (and Hawaii) as your Western VP. Now, that's scary!

The closest event that you should know about is the ARS Western Regional Conference September 21– 23, 2007 in Newport, OR. The registration was in your summer Journal and there's still time to register. The folks in Oregon have pulled together a fantastic list of presentations and speakers in a very short period of time. Let's support their efforts. And who can resist an excuse to go to the Oregon Coast, anyway?

In October, I will be attending the ARS Board meeting. Warren Timmons, our president and District 2 Alternate Director will also be there representing the District. So if there something you want either of us to bring up, let us know.

Plans for the 2009 ARS Convention in Everett are moving forward. If you want to help on any of the committees—tours, speakers, food, plant sale, etc—let me know and I will put you in touch with the proper person. There's lots to do and your help would be much appreciated.

Don Smart

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



Renewal Time—Please get your renewals to Bob George!

***** ***DOLLAR TABLE*** *****

Support your chapter--buy a plant or bring a plant or do both!

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BOARD MEETINGS:

Board Meetings are held on the **Monday following our Chapter Meeting** at Bob and Coleen George's house. Any member is welcome at the Board Meeting. If you have an idea or agenda item that you believe the Board should consider, please call Warren Timmons III 425-825-0469. Or just come and see what goes on behind the scenes.

CASCADE CHAPTER 2006-2007 CALENDAR

YEAR MONTH - DAY EVENT

2007	September 16	Chapter Picnic/BBQ at David Hughes—2 PM
2007	Sept. 21-23	ARS Western Fall Regional—Newport, OR
2006	September 22	RSBG Fall Plant Sale—9 am - 2 pm, Weyerhaeuser Campus, Federal Way
2006	October 6-7	Meerkerk Gardens—9 am - 4 pm.
2006	October 16	Cascade Chapter Meeting— Eastgate Bible Fellowship in Eastgate, Bellevue
2006	October 20	Northwest Native Plant Society Seed, Bulb, and Plant Sale, Magnuson Park

E-MAILED NEWSLETTERS

If you would like to get your newsletter via e-mail, please let me know at donolyn@comcast.net. They can also be viewed on our website at <http://www.arscascade.org>. *Don Smart, Editor/Publisher*