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| NGC Gardening SchoolObjectives All gardeners can become accomplished horticulturists. To assist its members in achieving this goal, National Garden Clubs, Inc. created the Gardening Schools. A school is a series of four courses designed to:   * Stimulate interest in the growth of plant materials to their peak of perfection. * Give the student an understanding of how and why a plant grows. * Teach soil structure and methods for making the soil more productive. * Provide an understanding of plants’ reactions to certain weather conditions and how to modify these conditions to encourage optimal growth. * Provide an understanding of commercial and natural fungicides and pesticides, growth regulators, and other chemicals used in general horticultural procedures. * Illustrate methods for rapid propagation. * Offer plant identification instruction. * Explore growing techniques for garden plants, vegetables, fruits, houseplants, trees, shrubs, and specialized styles of gardening. * Develop a respect for and appreciation of plants and their roles in our lives and activities.   Gardening Schools provide current information to those interested in horticulture and related topics. The curriculum has been developed by National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC), and customized by the course instructors.  Classes are open to the public as well as garden club members. The program consists of a series of four two-day courses.  Garden club members who complete the series of four courses (with testing) are awarded the designation of Gardening Consultant. | |  | | --- | | NGC Gardening School **Directions to Light of Christ Lutheran Church**  2400 SW 344th St.  Federal Way, WA 98023  From north of Federal Way:   1. From I5, take exit 143 and merge onto  S. 320th St., heading west. 2. Turn left onto 21st Ave SW 3. Turn right onto SW 344th St.   From south of Federal Way:   1. From I5, take exit 142B to merge onto WA18 West toward S. 348th St. 2. Continue onto S. 348th St. 3. Continue onto SW Campus Dr. 4. Turn left onto 21st Ave SW 5. Turn right onto SW 344th St.   **Lodging**  Here are a few hotels in Federal Way:  Clarion Hotel Seattle Federal Way 855-516-1090  Comfort Inn Federal Way 253-529-0101  Courtyard by Marriott Seattle Federal Way 253-529-0200  Hampton Inn & Suites Federal Way 253-946-7000  Quality Inn & Suites Federal way 253-835-4141 | | **National Garden Clubs, Inc.**  **Gardening School**  Macintosh HD:Users:nancyhargroves:Desktop:ngc-logo-badge-print-rgb-433w.jpg**Series 12, Course 3**  **April 13-14, 2020**  Light of Christ Lutheran Church  2400 SW 344th St.  Federal Way, WA 98023  Presented by Marine Hills Garden Club    Affiliated with:  Chinook District of Garden Clubs  Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs  Pacific Region Garden Clubs  National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) |
| NGC Gardening SchoolCourse 3 Registration Form **April 13-14, 2020**  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  City, State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Zip+4: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Garden Club: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  District: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   * Full-time, April 13 & 14 $85 \_\_\_ * Only Monday, April 13 $45 \_\_\_ * Only Tuesday, April 14 $45 \_\_\_ * Exam fee or Refresher fee $5 \_\_\_ * Late Fee (After April 1) $10 \_\_\_ * Cancellation Fee $10 \_\_\_   Total enclosed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  *No refunds for cancellations after April 6.*  Registration includes complementary refreshments and lunches. *We cannot accommodate special dietary requests.*  **Make check payable to:** Marine Hills Garden Club Gardening School  **Mail to Registrar:** Dorothy Hitchcock 38126 30th Ct S  Auburn, WA 98001  [dhitchcock72@gmail.com](mailto:dhitchcock72@gmail.com) | NGC Gardening SchoolCourse 3 ScheduleMonday, April 13 8:30 a.m. Registration (check-in)  8:45 a.m. Announcements,  Introductions  9:00 a.m. Houseplant Basics  10:30 a.m. Break  10:40 a.m. New Plant Development  and Evaluation  12:10 p.m. Lunch  1:00 p.m. Factors that Influence  Plant Growth  (Break about 2 p.m.)  3:15 p.m. Break  3:30 p.m. Exam Tuesday, April 14 8:30 a.m. Registration &  Announcements  8:45 a.m. Container Gardening  (Break about 9:45)  11:00 a.m. Break  11:10 a.m. Supplemental topic  12:10 p.m. Lunch  12:50 p.m. Travel time to garden  1:10 p.m. Tour Rhododendron   Species Botanitcal Garden  3:10 p.m. Travel time  3:30 p.m. Exam  *Note: Those refreshing or those not wishing to become NGC Gardening Consultants need not take the exams.* | NGC Gardening SchoolCourse 3 Recommended Reading *The New Western Garden Book: The Ultimate Gardening Guide (Sunset Western Garden Book,* 9th Edition,Editors of Sunset  *Botany for Gardeners*, Brian Capon  *Secrets to Great Soil (Storey’s Gardening Skills Illustrated)*, Elizabeth Stell  Required Reading (for Garden Consultant status)  *The National Gardener* magazine,  subscribe (free online) at www.gardenclub.org Committee National Garden Clubs, Inc. Gardening School Chair: Barbara Hadsell  Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs Gardening School Chair Brynn Tavasci  Gardening School Registrar: Dorothy Hitchcock  [dhitchcock72@gmail.com](mailto:dhitchcock72@gmail.com)  Marine Hills Garden Club President and  Local Gardening School Chair:  Debbie Angel 253-486-2326  [debbielangel@gmail.com](mailto:debbielangel@gmail.com) |