

# Chuckanut Judges Council

## Current Officers (2011-2013):

Gerry Douglas - President  
Helen Allan – Vice President  
Joyce Johnson - Secretary/Treasurer

## Members:

Judith Juno  
Judy Boxx  
Ruth McLeod  
Delores Weightman  
Elizabeth Timmer  
Iola Ratcliff



Student Judges:

Cherie Cobley, Helen Allan, Sally Karg, Val Manuel

Emeritus Judge: Cora Zoberst

## Mission:

To continue the study of judging techniques in relation to Flower Shows; to further knowledge of horticulture and flower design. We strive to be in harmony with the objectives of Chuckanut District, Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs, and National Garden Clubs, Inc.

## 12-30-2010:

**We have nine members in our Chuckanut District's Judges Council: Cora Zoberst is an Emeritus Judge; Judy Boxx, Joyce Johnson, Ruth McLeod, Elizabeth Timmer and Delores Weightman are Master Judges; Judith Juno is a Life Judge; and Gerry Douglas and Iola Ratcliff are Accredited Judges. We will welcome Student Judges upon passing their third Flower Show School test in March, 2011.**

**What does all this mean? Starting with Student Judges: Student Judges have gone to 3 Flower Show Schools and passed the Flower Show School tests; Accredited Judges are Student Judges who have passed the *Handbook Examination*. To remain an Accredited Judge in good standing one must earn the required judging credits, exhibiting credits and attend and pass three refresher courses (Symposiums and/or one Flower Show School III or IV course and exam) over a period of six to nine years. Upon completion she becomes an Accredited-Life Judge. To become an Accredited-Master Judge, an Accredited-Life Judge must have earned exhibiting credits, attended two symposiums and passed the tests. She is no longer required to earn Judging credits. Any Accredited-Master Judge may request to become an Emeritus Master Judge. She then is no longer eligible to judge or evaluate a Standard Flower Show.**

**If you have followed all this, you will see that our District has only two judges who**

**are required to earn judging credits. This has made it difficult to get more than one judging team of three for our District Flower Shows. For our May Flower Show and beyond we will be able to have two judging teams with a Student Judge serving on each team.**

**Members of Judges Council are delighted that we will soon have more judges eligible to join Chuckanut Judges Council.**

### **Judges Council Meetings:**

January, April, July and September.

The Judges Council meets at 10am, **the fourth Thursday** in September, January, April and July. We bring a sack lunch and review the schedule for the upcoming District Flower Show. Updates of rules for judging are noted in our judges handbooks and studied. Business is conducted, unusual plants shared and new design concepts explored. Meeting reminders are sent by the president. We are an affiliate club, since all our members also belong to other Chuckanut District garden clubs of the Federation.

Information about District Meetings, Flower Shows and other district events may be found in the Events Calendar.

State, Regional and National events will also be found there.