

## Speaker Schedule for the Everett Home Show 2018

### FRIDAY March 9<sup>th</sup>

#### **1pm: Dave Hofeditz - WSU Master Gardener – “Pollinator Gardening”**

The importance of pollinators is a hot topic these days but what can you do to encourage them? Everybody knows about the bees but what else is a pollinator? Dave will cover the need for pollination and the role of pollinators, how pollinator gardening can help the environment and how you can create and maintain a pollinator garden.

**2pm: Steve Smith – Sunnyside Nursery - Let’s Talk Pruning—bring your questions to the Whistling Gardener as he shares his insights into how to simplify pruning and make it understandable.**

#### **3pm: Dave Whitesell, WSU Master Gardener – “Tool Sharpening and Care”**

Do you find yourself opening your shed in the spring and finding piles of dirty, rusty tools staring at you? Do you have to throw out ruined tools every year and replace them? Come learn some basic sharpening and maintenance techniques to make your hand tools work better and last longer.

### SATURDAY March 10<sup>th</sup>

#### **11 am:– Blake Birrell, Forecast Solar – “Understanding Current Solar Incentives”.**

Learn how 80% of your residential solar array is paid for by state incentives and federal tax benefits. Over 103% to 128% is possible for commercial systems.

#### **12 noon: - Martha Clatterbaugh, WSU Master Gardener - “Vegetable Gardening”**

Have you always wanted to start a vegetable garden? Have you been growing vegetables for years but could use a few new tips? Now is the time to get your plan together for a successful season. Martha will talk about starting that garden and some techniques that will keep it growing up to a great harvest.

**1pm: Solatube Vs. Traditional Box Skylights – Dawn McMillion demonstrates how to brighten rooms more evenly and effectively providing consistent light throughout the day and year.**

**2pm: Steve Smith – Sunnyside Nursery - Creating Year ‘Round Interest—everyone wants their gardens to look interesting all season long. In 45 minutes the Whistler will take you through 12 months of plants that will do the trick.**

#### **3pm: Sheryl Kelly, WSU Master Gardener - “Mole Management: An Underground Movement”**

Holey Moley, do I have a Mole? Learn a little mole lifestyle to understand what they are up to in your lawn. Know mole-caused damage vs some other creature’s works. Hear legal ways of evicting that mole (which may or may not work for your particular soft-pelted intruder...).

### SUNDAY March 11<sup>th</sup>

#### **11:00am: Jerelyn Resnick, WSU Master Gardener – “Indoor Seed Starting”**

Want to grow your own plant starts and save money? Come learn how to start seeds indoors and learn about the supplies you'll need plus how to use light, humidity and temperature for more success.

**12:00pm: Steve Smith – Sunnyside Nursery - What’s New for 2018—learn about 32 new introductions for our gardens that will add more pop and sizzle without more maintenance.**

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**2pm: - Sheila McKinnon, WSU Master Gardener –  
“Follow that Slime! Management of Slugs and Snails”**

Slugs and snails are a bane on the existence of every gardener. Our frequent cool, damp conditions make the Northwest heaven for these creatures. Come learn some interesting facts about them and some strategies for managing them without making yourself crazy.