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**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FREE
PRESENTATION ON THE HISTORY OF FINCH
ARBORETUM & ITS TREES**

History of Finch Arboretum and Its Trees

Presented by the Finch Arboretum Conservators

When and where: Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at the Woodland Center in the Finch Arboretum.

In addition: There will be information on an opportunity to help steer the direction of this newly forming support group for the John A. Finch Arboretum.

This event will include:

- Refreshments from 5:30—6:00 PM
- Slide show presented by one of Spokane's Tree Experts—Ed Lester starting at 6:00 PM
- A short discussion of the possibilities presented by this group

Hope to see you there.

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Who are the Finch Arboretum Conservators?

The Arboretum Conservators are interested volunteers who are working to create a new group in support of the Finch Arboretum. Members will provide input for the future direction of landscaping and plant collections and will be involved in decisions that affect the Arboretum for years to come. The Conservators will work to create and find funding for the Arboretum Master Plan and other projects. They will ensure the care and improvement of Garden Springs Creek in the Arboretum as well as contributing guidance for the overall well being of the arboretum.

Mission of the Conservators

The mission of Finch Arboretum Conservators is to participate in the conservation, development and promotion of Finch Arboretum; to enhance the aesthetics and scientific value of the Arboretum and its collections; and to implement educational opportunities for the community. Group members seek to accomplish this mission in cooperation with the City of Spokane Parks and Recreation Department.

Additional Members are Needed

Now is the perfect time for additional volunteers to join and help set a course for an organization that will work to determine the future of the Arboretum.

To join this group, or for more information please contact Steve Nittolo at 509.625.6692 or by email, snittolo@spokanecity.org

About the Finch Arboretum

The John A. Finch Arboretum is located in southwest Spokane on 65 acres of wooded hills. The Arboretum is a botanical collection of trees and woody plants that have been labeled for field study. The collection has been planted along the Garden Springs Creek and contains a wide variety of native and cultivated plant aerial compatible with growing conditions in Spokane. Visitors to the Arboretum can enjoy the varied landscapes which range from a native pine forest to a shady glen filled with rhododendrons. There are seasonal activities planned year-round and tours are available.

Arboretum grounds are open daily during standard park hours. Admission is free. Download the Walking Guide on the right for a self-guided tour of some of the Arboretum's collections and specimen trees. For additional information please call the Arboretum at 509.624.4832.

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