

15th Bainbridge Island Environmental Conference

Sunday, May 20th, 2018 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. IslandWood

OUR ISLAND'S FUTURE Creating Community Together

12:30 p.m. Registration/Exhibits at IslandWood Welcome Center

1:00 p.m. Welcome to IslandWood

Christina Doherty, Community Education Coordinator 15th ABC Environmental Conference Charles Schmid

ABC Environmental Award 2018
Jeannette Franks Weed Warrior

1:10 p.m. Introduction to Keynote Address: Maradel Gale,
Paul Inghram, Senior Program Manager, Growth
Management Planning, Puget Sound Regional Council

1:40 p.m. First Workshop Sessions

- Education
- Housing
- Infrastructure and Facilities
- Land Use
- Local Economic Development
- Natural Resource Protection
- Parks and Recreation
- Public Safety
- Transportation

2:45 p.m. Break to visit exhibits

3:15 p.m. <u>Second Workshop Sessions</u>

4:20 p.m. Report-back from workshops by Mayor Kol Medina and Paul Inghram on what they heard from the Workshops Great Hall

4:45 p.m. Thoughts on "Where do we go from here?" Great Hall

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

Keynote Speaker

Paul Inghram is a Senior Program Manager for the Puget Sound Regional Council where he supports the region's Growth Management Policy Board and implementation of our regional plan, VISION 2040. Prior to PSRC, Paul served as the Comprehensive Planning Manager for the city of Bellevue, Washington, leading city efforts to plan areas around future light rail stations, revitalize neighborhood shopping centers, and update the city's long-term vision. Paul has also worked as a planning consultant serving communities throughout the Puget Sound area and worked for the US Navy in Poulsbo. He regularly speaks to local and national audiences about planning. Paul was honored to serve as President of the American Institute of Certified Planners and on the Board of the American Planning Association and continues to be actively involved in the planning profession.

Recipient of ABC Environmental Award 2018

Jeannette Franks has coordinated Weed Warriors for more than 16 years. Weed Warriors carries out environmental restoration by pulling invasive weeds and planting natives. This help save trees and forests to save the planet. In addition to plant action, Weed Warriors seek to inform others and change behavior through teaching at weed pulls, schools, environmental events, and publications. Weed Warriors is a volunteer coalition of amateur and professional gardeners and environmental activists serving various organizations including IslandWood, BI Land Trust, City of Bainbridge Island, BI Parks Foundation, BI Parks & Recreation, Association of Bainbridge Communities, schools, service groups, and Kitsap Weed Board. Weed Warriors' goal is to participate in at least one action and/or educational event a month focused on removal of noxious weeds and restoration of native plants. Weed Warriors is part of Sustainable Bainbridge. Jeannette Franks is also an ardent gerontologist and for over 25 years has taught ethics, grief and loss, and courses on geriatrics and gerontology for the University of Washington. She received her PhD, MA, and BA from the UW.

Fifteenth ABC Environmental Conference Co-Sponsors

The Association of Bainbridge Communities (ABC) is celebrating its 40th year working to protect, preserve and restore Bainbridge Island's natural environment. ABC often speaks out on proposed legislation and developments at City Hall, including issues of water and pesticides, and is proud to be known as the Island's "watchdog". ABC was instrumental in initiating the cleanup of the Wyckoff creosote site (now Pritchard Park) and the Vincent Road Landfill. ABC working with one of its neighborhood associations, the South Bainbridge Community Association, led to the denial of an application for a 1,000-home development in South Bainbridge - some of which has become Blakely Harbor Park and IslandWood. ABC published the book *In Praise of Island Stewards* in 2002 and turned out an environmental newsletter "Scotch Broom" from 1980 until 2008.

Bainbridge Island Land Trust -- The Bainbridge Island Land Trust is a local non-profit organization founded in 1989 with the mission to preserve and steward the diverse natural environment of Bainbridge Island for the benefit of all. It works with private landowners to protect their land using land protection agreements called conservation easements and also works with a variety of partners to acquire land for preserves, parks, trails and public use. To date, the Land Trust has helped to protect over 1,345 acres of vulnerable forestlands, wetlands, meadows, shorelines, agricultural lands, scenic vistas, and land near lakes, ponds and streams. Over 1,000 of these acres are open to the public.

Quality Bainbridge supports informed civic participation in our community.

Sustainable Bainbridge works to build cooperation and collaboration among a broad-based network of local organizations, businesses, government and individuals to protect and strengthen the Bainbridge community's environmental, social and economic sustainability for current and future generations. Programs include Zero Waste, Bainbridge Beach Naturalists, Watershed Council, Weed Warriors, Let's Pull Together and Go! Bainbridge.

IslandWood -- IslandWood's mission is to provide exceptional learning experiences and to inspire lifelong environmental and community stewardship. At its 255-acre outdoor learning center on Bainbridge Island, and other off-site locations, IslandWood invites children and adults to discover a new way of seeing nature, themselves, and one another.

December 29, 1955 Bainbridge Review Editorial by Walt Woodward

"The title of the year-end *Review* last year was both an exclamation and a question: Bigger! also better...? It was prompted by the marked population growth of 1954. But the attendant commercial growth caused us to say that there is no virtue in a community's merely becoming bigger. It also, we said, must be better to satisfy most of the inhabitants. ...

"PLANNING: Although the start of 1955 was marked by a great step in planning (the state highway was kept free of a "Main Street" commercial development), little else was done on an island-wide basis for planned growth.

"POPULATION: We are even "bigger." The establishment this year of the Nike (missile) base has augmented the continuing steady growth of year-round commuters. This year saw many new homes being built, yet there has been no "boom" in the sense that there is in other fringe areas of Seattle, where vast acreages are leveled for the mass production of houses.

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The Silver Cup was originally presented to Jerry and Elane Helmuth in 1984

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Previous ABC Environmental Conferences

1st (2001) State of the Environment on Bainbridge Island

2nd (2002) Environmental Protection on Bainbridge Island

3rd (2003) Planting for a Healthy Environment

4th (2004) Water and Watersheds

5th (2005) The State of the Environment on Bainbridge Island

6th (2006) Wildlife and their Island Habitat

7th (2007) Aquatic Life and Habitat on Bainbridge Island

8th (2008) Positive Energy

9th (2009) The Truth about Dirt

10th (2010) Protecting the Island's Shorelines

11th (2011) The Reasoning, the Science & the Law for Protecting the Island's Shoreline

12th (2012) Downstream – Connections between Our Life and Marine Life of Puget Sound

13th (2013) The Future of Trees on Bainbridge Island

14th (2017) Changing the Nature of Puget Sound: A look at Impacts of Industrial Aquaculture