Ahmed M Jaddi

1993 President of the Chinese Garden Society

Ahmed M. Jaddi, president of the Seattle Chinese Garden Society, is a nationally recognized engineer.

Jaddi has extensive experience in the design of commercial and civic buildings and has provided innovative design solutions to complex structural engineering problems. His most acclaimed design and construction work include: the Jefferson National Monument; Gateway Arch, St. Louis, Mo; the United States Pavilion, World Fair, New York, NY; and Madison Square Garden Cable Roof in New York.

Jaddi formed his own engineering consulting firm and is the president of Millegan Jaddi, Inc. in Bellevue, Wash. In the Seattle area, he has done extensive work with the Seattle Parks Department and King County Natural Resources, including project such as Discovery Park’s demolition and site restoration, Rehabilitation of Lake Meridian and Angle Lake Parks and repair of the Cedar River Trail.

Jaddi is an active civic member who serves as president for the Seattle Chinese Garden Society, the Interfaith Coalition for Human Rights and past-president of the Rotary Club of Seattle International District. He also serves as a member of the American Arbitration Association and the Board of Appeals for Mercer Island.

Under Jaddi’s leadership this past year, much has been accomplished. The dinner auction for one which was a huge success that finally put money into the treasury for operating expenses. The inviting back of the Chongqing Design team for further work and the successful negotiation of the contract. The Black-tie dinner honoring Mrs. Pendleton Miller was another successful event. With such an activist president the Garden Society was able to forged ahead.

Mrs. Pendleton Miller Honored by the Chinese Garden Society

At a Blacktie dinner January 15th 1994, in the Westin Hotel before an overflowed crowd, Mrs. Miller was recognized for her many accomplishments in the field of horticulture both locally and nationally by the Chinese Garden Society.

Mrs. Miller is a co-founder and board member of the Seattle Chinese Garden Society and has been a moving force in bringing acclaim to the field of horticulture in Seattle.

She has received many awards for her work in horticulture, most significantly a citation from the Seattle mayor and city council for her civic projects covering more than 20 years. Additionally, Mrs. Miller has received five national gold medals including the Liberty Hyde Bailey Gold Medal from the American Horticultural Society.

As a member of the Garden Club of America’s horticulture committee, Miller initiated a long-range project on environmental tolerant plants, part of a national horticultural survey program. Under the title “Plants that Merit Attention” the Garden Club sponsored a 1984 publication on environmentally tolerant plants.

A founder of the Northwest Ornamental Horticultural Society, Mrs. Miller initiated and supported the development of the Center for Urban Horticulture at the University of Washington.

In addition to serving on the board of directors for the Seattle Chinese Garden Society; Miller is a charter and board member of the Pacific Science Center Foundation, the Garden Conservancy and the Northwest Horticultural Society.

The speakers honoring her that evening included William P. Gerberding, President of the University of Washington; Ms. Holly Miller, Superintendent of Seattle Parks and Recreation; Wallace Loh, Dean of the School of Law, University of Washington; Michael Lynn, Northwest Horticulture Society; Clem Hamilton, Executive Director of the Center for Urban Horticulture, UW; and George Reveille, former King County Superior Court Judge.

Dinner Auction

Saturday, May 14, 1994
Seattle International Trade Center
$40.00/person

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