

September 2021 Bulletin



A Look Back at September 1980

“Concrete plans for the twinning took major step last September” was proudly announced in our [first newsletter](#) dating back to early 1980. This step and eventual official signing are what laid the cornerstone for what would become our highly anticipated customary delegation visits between Seattle and Nantes.

The first delegation from Nantes took place the week of September 7th, 1980, when the Mayor of Nantes, Alain Chenard, arrived in company with 22 members from Nantes. After receiving an official welcome from the Mayor of Seattle at the time, Charles Royer, the signing of the final document that ratified the twinning of Seattle-Nantes took place.

The remainder of the week was anything but quiet. An expedition to Mount Rainier, venture to the Puyallup Fair, exploration of the Seattle harbor, and many more exciting events occurred during that week. Perhaps one of the most memorable experiences was the excursion to the exhibit of Jules Verne at the Pacific Science Center. The exhibit was festooned with original pieces sent over from the Jules Verne Museum in Nantes. Along with the pieces, the exhibit included an exclusive film series and multi-media show, [The World of Jules Verne](#). Another notable experience was the visit to the Museum of History and Industry (MOHAI), where members witnessed the incredible exhibit “Ville de Nantes” sent by the city of Nantes. The exhibit consisted of historical costumes, engravings, and memorabilia from the City of Nantes Museum itself. The delegation visitors experienced all this along with local wines, ciders, and snacks provided by fellow members. To read all about it, see the [nov 1980 newsletter](#).

This delegation visit would not have been as memorable without the help of members and volunteers who worked tirelessly to make a wonderful visit and a tradition. Cheers to many more future delegation visits!

Weeding and Mulching



On Saturday, July 17, neighbors and SNSCA members came together to do some weeding at Nantes Park. This was part of ongoing maintenance, but also in anticipation of the construction set to begin in October for beautification of the Park: <https://www.seattle-nantes.org/nantes-park> This was followed by mulching on August 28.

We thank all who volunteered, and please look for more opportunities to participate in the park cleanup and all other events with SNSCA.



Speaking of Nantes Park

Our landscape architects have completed the full set of construction specifications for our project – approximately 50 pages of layout drawings, grading plans, footprint specifications, materials data sheets, and all the art and text to be installed on signs and tiles. Phew! We are awaiting final approval from the Seattle Parks and Recreation Department to start construction.

8000KM Collab Beer Still Available

On tap and in bottles at Lantern Brewing, 938 N 95th St, <https://www.lanternbrewing.com/> Please support our incredible brewer partner!



Annual General Meeting

We have started planning our AGM, which will be virtual again this year, but fun nonetheless. Stay tuned for details about day and time in November. If you have any special requests for themes or activities, please let us know at seattlenantesSCA@gmail.com.