Richard & Danielle Parshall 2016 Inductees Federation of Northwest Dahlia Growers Hall of Fame

Richard and Danielle Parshall have been longtime Federation "workers." They have filled many positions and spent considerable time on Federation projects over the years. In addition to being involved in the Federation, they have been active in their local society, and have originated many award-winning dahlias that benefit dahlia growers around the country.

They did a wonderful job as the co-chairs of the Federation judges evaluation committee for many years. Judges could ask them at any time for information about their judging status and records. The Parshalls always had it up-to-date and available. They took on this challenging job – that many would find very difficult – and made it appear easy.

Richard and Danielle also held judges training positions as teachers. Many of the current Federation judges were taught in their very classes. They have also been the co-chairs of the judges training for several years. They worked closely with the other judging instructors to attain a well-coordinated curriculum for the judging classes, both north and south, including instituting a one-day training session for the judging instructors.

Richard Parshall also took over a critical position in the Federation when he became president, replacing an "institution" who had held the office for many years. This was a big step. Richard handled meetings and people with the utmost care, always being sure that everyone had a chance to be heard. Dick held that position for eight years, leading the Federation through the successful 2014 National Show.

In addition to their roles in the Federation, they have been active members on the classification committee for the American Dahlia Society. Both have and still are active in their local dahlia society. Danielle has been the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer for several years.

We believe that Dick and Danielle Parshall have enriched the Federation of Northwest Dahlia Growers over the years and are pleased to nominate them for prestigious positions in the Federation Hall of Fame.