OFFERS a place to appreciate the day and visit with friends. All plants are drought tolerant and use little water. Follow the seven principles of Xeriscape™ when planning and designing your landscape. (For photos of the plants, see the Chelan County PUD Xeriscape brochure or visit the PUD’s Web site at www.chelanpud.org.)

For the first year, all plants need regular watering while they establish root systems. Water can be decreased the second year. Watch your plants for indications of stress because their water needs will also depend upon your soil type.

The planting areas can be mounded with good topsoil and further set off with heavy mulch or bark. The plants can be placed sparsely or densely. Remember that the plants will be small the first year, so consider their mature size when spacing them. By the second year they will fill in.

Plant tulip, hyacinth and daffodil bulbs in the fall. This will give you early color and they will be gone by the time the other plants emerge.

A flower meant for full sun exposure can often tolerate shade, but may not develop to full size and produce the normal quantity and quality of flowers.

Pea gravel works best around pavers, but larger rocks and different colors outside the pavers add variety and interest.

The 4-foot wall can be concrete blocks, bricks, lattice, wood or any combination of these that will produce a private area.

Hardscape can be rocks, boulders, driftwood, benches, tables, concrete, bird baths, or yard sale treasures.

The pavers can be concrete, stone or wood.

Containers of various shapes, sizes and colors can be used to add even more flowers and color to the garden.

Drip irrigation to each plant will help keep the weeds down and use a minimal amount of water.

This design represents a starting point for your landscape. Your yard and driveway will probably vary in its shape from this diagram. Arrange the plants and hardscape to suit your site. Depending upon the orientation of your yard and the sun and shade patterns, different plants may have to be used.

To learn more about the principles of Xeriscape and water conservation, call Chelan County PUD at (509) 661-8008 or visit this Web site: www.chelanpud.org.
1. Native American plum: Prunus Americana 12-20 ft. high, sun, white fragrant spring flowers
2. Rose of Sharon: Hibiscus syriacus 10 ft. high, sun/light shade, pink summer flowers
3. Lilac: Syringe vulgaris 10 ft. high, sun, lavender spring flowers
4. Butterfly bush: Buddleia species 6 ft. high, sun/shade, fast growing, purple late spring flowers
5. Maximillian sunflower: Helianthus maximilliana 6 ft. high, sun, yellow fall flowers
6. Apache plume: Felugia paradoxa 4 ft. high, sun, fast growing, white spring to fall flowers
7. Lavender species 18 in. high, sun, lavender spring to summer flowers,
8. Coreopsis species 18 in. high, sun, yellow spring to summer flowers
9. Penstemon species 18 in. high, sun, spring to summer flowers, colors vary with species
10. Goblin blanket: Gaillardia grandiflora “Goblin” 1 ft high, sun, red & yellow spring to summer flowers
11. Snow-in-summer: Cerastium tomentosum 6 in high, sun/shade, white spring flowers

Creeping thyme and/or speedwell make wonderful low-growing ground covers among rocks, pavers, boulders and trees. Many varieties tolerate heavy traffic and use little water.