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Pikes Peak Water Garden Society Pond Tour

Black Forest and Colorado Springs Area

Saturday, July 26
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Sunday, July 27
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

2014 Pikes Peak Water Garden Society Pond Tour . . .
Saturday, July 26th & Sunday, July 27th

by Dorothy Martinez

We are teaming up with the Pikes Peak Water Garden Society's Pond Tour this year. We will not be organizing or hosting our own Pond Tour or Picnic this year.

Pikes Peak Water Garden Society (PPWGS) hosts a pond tour each summer. The Tour features PPWGS members' water gardens and yards. The Tour is open to the public at no cost. The Pond Tour will be Saturday, July 26th and Sunday, July 27th from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm each day. Maps are available at the PPWGS website and the CWGS website. Maps will be available through noon of the last day (July 27th) of the Tour. Please print your own map packet from a link on the CWGS webpage at:

There will be 12 ponds on the Tour. The locations will range from the Black Forest area to downtown Colorado Springs.

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2014 Pond Tour

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Special Tour of DU Water Features -
Great Sights and Many Parallels to DBG!

by Jim Arneill

On Saturday, June 21st, a dozen CWGS picnickers secured nearby
parking or arrived via light rail around noon to rendezvous at the
Chester M. Alter Pavilion on the University of Denver campus. After a
BYO lunch that included lots of fried chicken, potato salad, and various
cookies, Mark Hathaway, the University Arborist, appeared and the
grand tour began!

Mark’s main responsibilities include maintaining the 125-acre campus
grounds that include several water features, as well as the Chester M.
Alter Arboretum, which comprises about 2,150 trees of more than 250
species. Mark monitors the trees closely and also selects new trees to
add to the collection, which houses a large pin oak (*Quercus palustris*)
planted by Lady Byrd Johnson in 1969, and 10 notable trees which are
designated as State Champions, the largest species of that tree
growing in Colorado.

The primary purpose of the tour was to compare the water features at
Denver University with those at Denver Botanic Gardens. Coincidentally, both those on the DU campus and those at DBG were
originally designed just to hold water and provide aesthetics to the
setting. The aquatic plants were an afterthought, which has brought
additional interest and beauty to the waterways. In addition, the
waterways at both sites are dyed black by the same company to
provide better reflections, hide the pots and surface bottoms, and help
control the algae growth.

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A View To The West
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The IWGS Symposium Travels to Denver
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by Bill Powell

The International Waterlily & Water Gardening Society (IWGS) convenes in about a month for its annual Symposium. This year their destination is Denver!

The Symposium will be held Thursday, August 14th through Saturday, the 16th at Denver Botanic Gardens, Hudson Gardens, and in other Denver metro venues. Many internationally known hybridizers will attend the multiday event and a number of the activities will revolve around the ongoing New Water Lily competition at Denver Botanic Gardens. The competition, now in its third year of residency at DBG, has been sponsored by the IWGS for the last 13 of 15 years.

The New Water Lily Competition is only one attraction for Symposium goers. The Symposium’s keynote address will explore the history and culture of the Victoria Water Lily, the huge South American “water platter” that’s intrigued gardeners from its discovery in the first half of the 19th century to the present day.

Dr. Tomasz Anisko, Curator of Plants at Pennsylvania’s Longwood Gardens (the east coast gardens where Victorias were first hybridized), is the Symposium keynote speaker. His recently published (and visually lush) book “Victoria: The Seductress” is the basis for the lecture. Autographed copies of the book will be on sale at a special event price during the program.

Sylvia Bernstein, the noted authority on aquaponic gardening, will also speak during the three-day Symposium. Sylvia’s program explains the blending of hydroponic vegetable gardening with pond and fish culture. It’s a new twist on an ancient Native American practice of Chinampas (“floating” gardens) from the central Mexican highlands.

A panel of nationally known water lily hybridizers including Tony Moore, Mike Giles, and Brandon McClane will demonstrate their propagation techniques during a visit to Hudson Gardens. An optional trip to Mt. Goliath is also planned.

For more information and a day-by-day schedule of the many activities, visit http://iwgs.org/2014-symposium/. The CWGS website also provides a handy link. Just look for “IWGS Symposium” in the left margin of the home page. Whole-packages as well as selective registrations for specific events are available.

Timed to coincide with the IWGS Symposium and the New Water Lily Competition, The Colorado Water Garden Society (CWGS) will also co-sponsor the Water Blossom Festival with Denver Botanic Gardens on Friday, August 15th. This recurring annual event promotes water gardening in the front range while celebrating the profusion of blooms made possible at DBG by a legion of devoted aquatic volunteers.

The Water Blossom Festival runs from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on Friday August 15th and is free to the public with general admission to the Gardens. The Club will staff a day-long information center on the West Terrace where it will offer hands-on assistance to water gardeners and can answer specific questions you may have about aquatics. Longtime DBG Aquatics Curator Joe Tomocik will be on hand to share Club history and memorabilia.

At 1:00 pm and at 3:00 pm the Club will also sponsor free DBG docent-guided tours of the Gardens’ extensive aquatic display. These hour-long tours should be particularly interesting in that each will include a behind-the-scenes peek at the Gardens’ aquatic greenhouse program that is normally closed to the public. In addition, the docents giving the tours are familiar with the extraordinary Dale Chihuly environmental glass installation on display at DBG this summer. Many of these installations are in or close-by the ponds because of the artist’s attraction to water as both a medium and context for his work. DBG’s ponds mirror (often literally) the translucence of Chihuly’s extensive and exotic glass fabrications.

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2014 Plant Sale

by Dorothy Martinez

This year’s Plant Sale was one of the most successful Sale’s in many years. We received lots of positive comments about the location at Hudson Gardens and are likely to have future Sales there again.

A big thanks to everyone who helped make this Sale such a success. A special thanks to everyone who came out and purchased plants. Since this is our main fund raiser for the year, you really helped to financially support the Club. Also thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers who staffed the Sale, helped people select the right plant, and answered many questions.

Again, without your support, the Plant Sale would not be possible. THANK YOU!

A View To The West

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At 2:00 pm Ebi Kondo, Curator of the Japanese Garden at DBG, will conduct a special tour and walking program through Sho-Fu-En, the garden of the pines and wind. This presentation, which is being done in conjunction with the Symposium, offers a rare chance to visit DBG’s most important landscape garden through the eyes of its curator. Even though the tour has been arranged as part of the Symposium offerings, it is available without charge to all visitors attending the Gardens. However, space for this curator-led tour will be limited. Sign-up early on the 15th at the Club’s booth on the West Terrace.

Take time now to mark your August calendar, and DO visit the IWGS website for a more extensive explanation of Symposium activities. This year’s Symposium promises information on cutting edge hybridizing, a host of internationally known aquatic growers and speakers, good food, and fellowship with other aquatic enthusiasts from all over. Best of all, it will soon be here on your doorstep!

New & Returning Members for July 2014

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Special Tour of DU Water Features

As Mark toured us around the grounds, the Denver’s Delight (*Nymphaea* ‘Denver’s Delight’) water lilies stood out the most prominently in several locations. Joe Tomocik, who retired in 2011 as Curator of the Aquatic Collection at DBG, had worked closely with Mark and DU and provided extra water lilies and other aquatic plants for placement in the campus waterways. That species of water lily, perhaps due to its native locality at Berkeley Lake, has continued to winter over the most successfully. Some other familiar plants that parallel those from the Gardens include lotus (*Nelumbo*), water iris (*Iris pseudocoris*), sweet flag (*Acorus calamus*), blue pickerel (*Pontederia cordata*), and corkscrew rush (*Scirpus spiralis*).

At the time of our visit, the campus water plants had only started to begin flourishing and there was not as much variety compared to past years. Mark explained that DU had lost its access to greenhouses and thus was not able to include past tropical marginal plants such as the cannas.

Nevertheless, the DU campus looked spectacular and Mark shared in-depth information about the campus and especially the diversity of the trees there. Just like a typical picnic, what appears near the end of the tour - not ants - but rain!

Having experienced an interesting tour that showed the lasting influence of DBG providing aquatic plants for the DU waterways, the picnickers scurried back to their transportation and tried to avoid getting soaked. The talented efforts of Mark Hathaway as the University Arborist in helping to maintain and further develop this beautiful and historic campus was very evident!

**Did You Know? Fun Facts about the University of Denver**

- The University of Denver is the oldest private university in the Rocky Mountain Region
- It was founded as the Colorado Seminary in 1864 by John Evans, who had been appointed Territorial Governor by President Lincoln
- The institution’s first location, a three-story structure, was on Arapahoe Street between 13th and 14th Avenues
- It struggled in its earliest years when Denver was a mining town and didn’t operate from 1868 - 1880
- Afterwards the school was renamed the University of Denver and the current campus opened in the 1880’s after potato farmer Rufus Clark and others donated land and money for future growth
- The campus has flourished in recent years stemming from $500 million in capital improvements under the leadership of former Chancellor Daniel Ritchie
- Chester M. Alter was the 12th Chancellor and was responsible for dropping football from its athletics program in 1961
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A calendar of CWGS Activities and Events:

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9:00 AM – 4:00 PM each day

August 15: Water Blossom Festival, West Terrace/Plant Society Building, DBG, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Sept. 18: Potluck, Annual Board Elections, & Presentation – Plant Society Building, DBG, 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM
Oct. 16: Potluck, Presentation, & Planning Meeting – Plant Society Building, DBG, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Dec. 18: Holiday Banquet and Volunteer Recognition – Plant Society Building, DBG, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

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