

The Water Garden

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The CWGS meets monthly, March, April, May, August and September, usually at the Denver Botanic Gardens (DBG). The dates and specific locations of the meetings will be announced in The Water Garden. The 1st Sunday in June, at the Morrison Center at DBG, is a fund raising event with the sale of tropical and hardy waterlilies, as well as other water plants. This sale is open to the public. The 2nd Sunday in July is reserved for the CWGS members' pond tour and picnic. The 1st Saturday in December is the annual Holiday Party.

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**PLAN NOW
 TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL
 CWGS HOLIDAY PARTY**

WHEN: Saturday December 6 @ 6PM
WHERE: Morrison Center at Denver Botanic Gardens -SE Corner of 11th & York

DINNER

Turkey, other entrees and punch will be provided.
 Please bring a salad or dessert or other side dish that will serve 8-10 people, to share!

DOOR PRIZES

ENTERTAINMENT
 Joe Tomocik-Slides of the DBG Monet Garden & other DBG water gardens.

FRIENDLY SOCIALIZATION



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2000 MEMBERSHIP

Many Garden Centers give discounts to Garden Society members, so remember to show your 2000 membership card when shopping at Garden Centers. See inside for membership information.



Water gardening is the fastest growing segment of the gardening industry and it is expected to continue this trend well into the millennium. Just in the last decade there have been innumerable products developed in this specialty area. Products to hold water, filter water, control algae, and improve plant growth. Then we also need to mention the products for pond inhabitants, to control visiting wildlife, and the increase of plant propagation and hybridization.

A primary objective of our Society is to stimulate the study and culture of aquatic plants in combination with disseminating information of interest that will help members. Sharing information is important to achieving this objective. One of the best forums for sharing is at our meetings. We have great programs that provide some excellent information, but we also need members to share information on their experiences with new products and plants.

If you haven't taken the time, take a few moments and write down what "new" items you added this last year, and what worked-what didn't. What plants did terrific and which ones fizzled. Then plan to attend meetings to share information. Collectively this information will enhance everyone's water gardening experience.

Cyndie Thomas, President

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Based on our survey taken last year, members expressed they wanted an additional monthly meeting of the Society. The month of March was selected. Our first meeting in 2000 will be March 12 at 2 p.m. in Classroom B at Denver Botanic Gardens.

WE SAY THANK YOU

Two Board members completed two-year terms in September: President, Bill Bittman, and Member-at-large, Lynn Jewett. Like many CWGS members, both have served the organization in several roles over the years. Bill says he "doesn't want to toot his own horn", but our archives show that he was coordinator of community projects prior to chairing the pond tour in 1997. While serving as President from 1997-1999, Bill excused himself from a few activities in order to help launch satellites for Ball Aerospace.

Lynn Jewett and his wife, Nancy, have been members of CWGS for 14 years. Lynn has served as coordinator of volunteers for over 10 years, a job which involves recruitment, organizing and managing volunteers at DBG and other settings. Many members, new to water gardening, credit Lynn as their first "instructor" while volunteering at DBG on Sunday mornings. Sean Jewett says that he thinks that his dad's favorite water gardening activity is getting other people started in water gardening.

The Board extends its appreciation for the commitment made by both Lynn Jewett and Bill Bittman during their term of office.

Carla Littlefield, Member-at-large

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sept. 30, 1999	Balance	\$17781.44
	Income	493.50
	Expenses	(\$27.02)
Oct. 31, 1999	Balance	\$17747.92

Mike Gibson, Treasurer

NAME TAGS

Many members who requested name tags at a previous meeting have not picked them up. These will be

available at all general meetings and at the Holiday gathering, from the Secretary. The following list of names are for those who have their name tags available for pick up. Members who do not have name tags, or need replacements can sign up on the list at any meeting, for pick up at the next meeting.

Kyle & Vickie Aber
 Bill & Pauline Bathurst
 Ann Bennett
 Chris & Sue Blakeslee
 Mary Alice Carey
 Hal & Allison Crutchfield
 Larry & Janie Griffin
 J A Haggard
 Tim Hardy
 Barbara Klein
 Lucy Landry
 Ed & Mary Moore
 Cheryl Netter
 Rick & Rita Prindle
 Donna Randolph
 Ann Richardson
 Herb & Lynda Schaffer
 Eleanor Scott
 Elizabeth Sears
 Hanna Sparks
 Jack & Ann Verlinden
 James & Obie Waples

PARK HORTICULTURIST & COMMUNITY LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP

FREE EVENT

"How to make your garden victorious!" is the fifth annual free workshop, and is co-sponsored by Denver Botanic Gardens and Parks Division, Denver Parks and Recreation Department. The invitation says "join us for this exciting gardening experience, featuring herbs and vegetables in Denver. Look and learn about tools to make gardening easier. Knowledgeable instructors."

January 26, 2000

8A.M. To 3:30P.M.

To Register Call 303 964-2580
 (Denver Parks Division)

Registration Deadline-Dec. 17, 1999