

The Water Garden

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The CWGS meets monthly, 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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MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SUNDAY SEPT. 12, 1999

WHEN: SUNDAY, SEPT. 12 @ 2PM

WHERE: MORRISON CENTER AT THE
DENVER BOTANIC GARDENS
NE CORNER OF 11TH & YORK

GUEST SPEAKER: RON CAMERON

TOPIC: FILTRATION SYSTEMS

Ron and his wife Mary launched Ron's Golden Ponds four years ago, to retail filter systems, pumps, liners, pre-forms, UV lights, koi and other fish and water plants. After designing and installing ponds for ten years, Ron now sells the products necessary to get the job done. He and Mary have been members of CWGS for over 10 years and consider water gardening both a hobby and a business. You may have seen their exhibits at local garden and home shows. Ron will acquaint us with the basics of filtration systems, as well as new products and technology to increase the enjoyment of water gardening.

Call Carla Littlefield, Program Chair for additional information. 303 399-7946

PLEASE NOTE

THIS IS A PARTIAL NEWSLETTER AS I HAVE TO GO OUT OF TOWN FOR A FAMILY EMERGENCY. THERE WILL BE A SUPPLEMENT LATER THIS MONTH, WITH INFORMATION ON FALL/WINTER POND CARE. NANCY JEWETT, EDITOR

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1999 MEMBERSHIP

Many Garden Centers give discounts to Garden Society members, so remember to show your 1999 membership card when shopping at Garden Centers. See page 7 for membership information.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

The election of President, Treasurer, Program Chair and one Member-at-Large will take place at the beginning of the Sept. meeting. Nominations are open until the election begins. The following nominations have been accepted.

President

Bill Bittman
Cyndie Thomas

Treasurer

Mike Gibson

Program Chair

No nominations yet

Member-at-Large

Carla Littlefield
Craig Russell

You will notice we still have no nominations for the position of Program Chair. This is a very important position. The present Board will assist the new Program Chair in program planning. PLEASE HELP!

NOTICE

The silent auction planned for the September meeting has been postponed until the March meeting. YES, I SAID MARCH MEETING! Because

of the results of the member survey done this spring, the Board has voted to increase our annual meetings by one. We will have the first meeting in 2000 on Sunday, March 12, 2000. We hope this will give members an opportunity to ask questions and learn, before the season starts.

FINANCIAL REPORT

JUNE PLANT SALE

Gross Income	\$ 12966.75
Expenses	(5827.34)
Denver Sales Tax	(406.60)
DBG Use Fee	(1375.20)
Net Income	\$ 5357.61

JULY REPORT

June 30, 1999

Beginning Balance \$20229.26

Income 638.50

Expenses

(1974.57)

August 1, 1999

Balance \$18963.19

NOTE

Now that the income from the plant sale is known, the Board of Directors plans to make decisions on this year's donations to DBG and Hudson Gardens, at the Board Meeting to be held on September 12, 1999, at 12 noon, at the Morrison Center (prior to the 2pm meeting). Suggestions on donations, etc. are invited from all members. Please give your suggestions to a Board member, or attend the Board meeting to share your ideas.

EDUCATIONAL BROCHURES

CWGS members John Mirgon, Mary Mirgon, Cyndie Thomas, Nancy Styler and Stan Skinger have developed a set of nine educational brochures. The brochure titles are "Pond Care, Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter"; "Lotus"; "Tropical Lilies"; "Pond Design & Construction"; "Preserving Water Lilies"; "Green Water, The Ecology of the Pond"; "Hardy Lilies"; "Water Plants"; and "Container Water Gardens". These brochures will be available to members at all regular meetings, at no cost. If you are unable to attend meetings, these brochures can be ordered for a cost of \$1.50 to cover shipping and handling, from Cyndie Thomas, 1023 S. Kittredge Way, Aurora, CO 80017

GARDENS TO VISIT

There is still time to visit some water gardens before fall. The list of CWGS members who invite visitors to their water gardens is still available. (NOTE: This list was compiled from 1999 membership applications through May.) You can obtain this list by calling Nancy Jewett @ 303 671-7964.