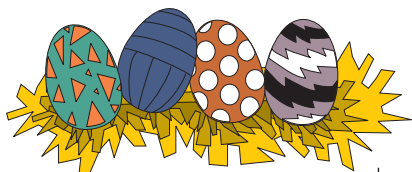


Illiana Garden Pond Society

POND PAGES

APRIL 2011



APRIL MEETING • SATURDAY,
APRIL 9, 2011 • 10:00 AM

**Join
Dian
Fruth for
a talk
on
attracting
Hummingbirds
to
your
garden**

Meeting to be held at the St. John Library south of Route 30 on Route 41. Go to one block south of Walgreens at 93rd Avenue, right side of the street. If you get to K-Mart, you have gone too far.

SPRING SPEAKERS

We have some wonderful speakers scheduled for the spring meetings. In April, Dian Fruth will talk about how to attract hummingbirds to your garden. And Nancy Doktyz will have a presentation on visiting English gardens at the May meeting.



Great new hardy lily available!
See page 3 for more details on
how you can have one of these
jewels!!

2011 EVENT SCHEDULE

April 2011

April 9, 2011
Saturday, 10:00 am
St. John Library
St. John, Indiana

April 30 - May 1, 2011
POND EXPO 2011
Lake County Fairgrounds
Crown Point, Indiana
9 - 5 pm
Saturday - Sunday

May 2011

May 14, 2011
Saturday, 10:00 am
St. John Library
St. John, Indiana

June 2011 **PLANT SWAP!!**

June 8, 2011
Wednesday, 7:00 pm
Zahida Saleem Home
Scherville, Indiana

July 2011

July 13, 2011
Wednesday, 7:00 pm
Kenn Krizan Home
Dyer, Indiana



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Hardy waterlily is 'Best New Waterlily - 2010; Now available from IWGS in 2011

By Soni Forsman, IWGS board of directors

A hardy waterlily was named Best New Waterlily for 2010, acing out 30 other entrants in the competition sponsored by the International Waterlily and Water Gardening Society (IWGS). *Nymphaea* 'Wanvisa' is the first hardy variety to be named 'Best New Waterlily' since the competition began in 1997.

A limited number of the winning waterlily are available from the IWGS in 2011. This is through an exclusive agreement with Dr. N. Nopchai Chansilpa of Thailand, a waterlily hybridizer, who introduced this waterlily to aquatic plant enthusiasts at the 2010 symposium held in San Angelo, Texas.

It has salmon-pink petals streaked with white/cream, variegation never before seen in a hardy waterlily. It is described as a good bloomer with pads heavily mottled with deep bronze and bright green. Its vigorous and compact growth habits make it a good choice for most water gardens.

Dr. Chansilpa did not create this waterlily. He rescued it from an unspoiled pond of *N.* 'Joey Tomocik' in Thailand. He saw the potential of the vagrant and saved it from being discarded. For three years, he grew the plant to determine if the flower and pad variegations remained constant and if it could be propagated. Almost 500 plants later, the answer to both concerns was 'Yes.'

The rescued waterlily first bloomed for its new owner on the day of Visakabucha, the most important holy day in Buddhism. It commemorates the birth, enlightenment and death of Lord Buddha, (Wan= day and Visa=Visakabucha).

N. 'Wanvisa' is offered through the IWGS Collector's Plant(s) of the Year (CAPY) program. This program started in 2010 to offer members and others an opportunity to purchase limited new and/or rare aquatic plants prior to widespread distribution. It is also a society fundraiser, furthering education, research and the conservation and enjoyment of aquatic plants.

Another exclusive CAPY offering in 2011 is the Best New Waterlily of 2009. *N.* 'Tanzanite,' from Florida Aquatic Nursery, is a day-blooming tropical with deep purple blooms and mottled pads.

For more information about these exclusive offerings and the IWGS, visit www.iwgs.org.



Special offer to allow clubs to purchase lily for members

I am Jim Purcell, President of the International Waterlily and Water Gardening Society.

I am emailing pond clubs, and I know that most of you have received an email from IWGS Executive Director Larry Nau promoting the sale of Wanvisa through pond clubs.

Wanvisa is a stunningly unique hardy waterlily with a variegated blossom in addition to variegated foliage, and won the IWGS New Waterlily Competition for 2010, the first time a hardy waterlily has won the overall competition against tropical waterlilies.

Because the IWGS is fortunate enough to be the exclusive distributor of Wanvisa for 2011, we are trying to promote this gorgeous waterlily through several venues and get it into the hands of the pond hobbyist. At the same time, it is an opportunity for us to fund our society in its efforts to develop effective digital marketing, influence pond legislation, and help educate and engage hobbyists.

We are all excited about Wanvisa, and want to get it into the hands of the hobbyist. Clubs seem a natural venue for this. In addition to having club members buying them at the club discount, having the club itself buy plants is also a great idea. Wanvisas can be given away as door prizes, lottery/raffle tickets can be sold for them, and they can be given to important club sponsors, or to the club member voted as donating the most volunteer hours in the past year. With a minimum purchase of 5, individual club members and the club itself may combine their requests into one from the club to buy Wanvisa plants for \$75 each, shipping included, rather than our standard introductory price of \$100.

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There is another topic I'd like to bring up, and that is the pond legislation that is increasingly regulating our ability to build and own ponds, plants, and fish. This legislation is appearing more and more on a state-wide level, with states copying the statutes of other states, regardless of the amount of thought that went into the original state's regulations or if those regulations are advisable with the conditions of the state they are being copied into. Counties and cities are even going beyond the state regulations and creating their own regulations. Texas pond owners and businesses just undertook a huge battle to prevent legislation from taking away a large number of aquatic plants, and Maryland is about to undergo the same kind of legislation. Many other states have extensive legislation and are going to consider increasing the scope of that legislation. The IWGS is committed to helping monitor and influence pending legislation, in partnership with local pond clubs, businesses, and hobbyists. I would like to discuss our efforts in this, and talk to you about who in your state would be the most effective partners for us in your area.

I will be contacting you in the next few days to see if your club or its members is interested in purchasing any Wanvisa, and get your input on legislative networking in your state. Attached is an article on Wanvisa and also a photograph of the bloom. If there is someone else in your club that I should be corresponding with, please pass along this information and let me know who they are. In addition, if there are other clubs, pond companies, or individuals you think might be interested, I would be happy to contact them as well.

Thank you for your time.
Best regards,
Jim Purcell, IWGS President

Come
on
Spring!!

RECIPES OF THE MONTH FROM CAROL BAUER

spiced chai mix

PREP/TOTAL TIME: 15 MIN.

YIELD: ABOUT 5 CUPS MIX (26 SERVINGS)



Dee Falk
STROMSBURG, NEBRASKA

"This recipe from my sister-in-law tastes great with a cozy blanket and a good book!"

- 3 cups nonfat dry milk powder
- 1-1/2 cups sugar
- 1 cup unsweetened instant tea
- 3/4 cup vanilla powdered nondairy creamer
- 1-1/2 tsp. ground ginger
- 1-1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. ground cardamom
- 1/2 tsp. ground cloves

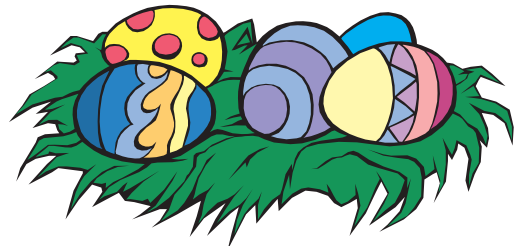
OPTIONAL GARNISH:

Whipped cream

In a food processor, combine all dry ingredients; cover and process until powdery. Store in an airtight container in a cool dry place for up to 6 months.

To prepare 1 serving: Dissolve 3 tbsp. of mix in 3/4 cup boiling water; stir well. Dollop with whipped cream if desired.

Nutrition Facts: 1 serving equals 114 calories, 1 g fat (1 g saturated fat), 3 mg cholesterol, 75 mg sodium, 21 g carbohydrate, trace fiber, 5 g protein.
Diabetic Exchange: 1-1/2 starch.





Plant Sale/Lowell

**Lowell Garden Club's
15th Annual
“Bloom Into Spring” Plant Sale
May 7th. 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.
Evergreen Park
East Commercial Ave., Lowell**

Just in time for Mother's Day, we will be selling a great variety of hanging baskets, herbs, perennials, and Knock-out shrub roses . Perennial starts from club member's gardens will be available and reasonably priced. Master Gardeners will be available to answer your gardening questions. The Lowell Garden Club is a Not-for-profit organization dedicated to the beautification of Lowell.

For more info 696-8282 or www.lowellgardenclub.com

Thank you,

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