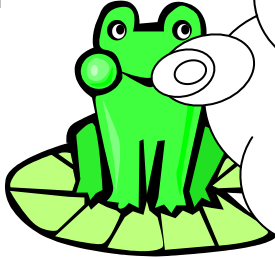


Highlights

Home & Garden Show

Water Garden Tour



I hope the folks remember the Canoe trip on this Sat. Mar.25th at 2p . So far we have 6 going. We have room for more. Call Sharral or go to the website for details.

Meeting

Come to our April 11th meeting at 7p to hear Randy Stewart. The meeting place will be announced a little closer to the date. Hear about Disappearing Water Falls and New Products. Lots of new products!!!!

Watch your email for meeting place....

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What's Up Under The Lily Pad?

We had 23 people at our SWGS St. Patrick's Day party/meeting in March. Tami Krehbiel spoke and gave a fine Power Point presentation on garden rooms. She suggested that we first identify the functions of our garden areas. She said to add mystique to our gardens we should not allow the eye to see the whole garden at once, but to rather have paths leading to a destination around a corner or behind some plants. For those of you who went on the garden tour in 2005, you will remember the Frasier's garden in Perry accomplishing that quite well. Mixing water and fire into the mix is excellent, Tami explained. She had quite a few pictures using those elements.



We want to thank O'Higgins for allowing us to use their garden center. It was an easy place to add a festive atmosphere on a cool evening. Kathy Peacock made the green jello cake and served it with lime sherbert punch. She also had Jr. Mints that you Okies used to get at the Saturday matinee. Folks with lucky green coins received a nice exchange gift. Those were great fun. Mine is out in the garden. Conrad Kleinholz brought two containers of Koi for door prizes. Thank you Conrad.

Conrad also gave a brief report on the aquaculture symposium held at Langston University in March. That symposium was well received, and very informative. Great speakers.

Our April meeting will feature Randy Stewart from Pondliner of Shawnee. He will speak to us on disappearing water falls and new products. Do you need a product that will sweep the algae off your waterfall with very little effort? He has it. Our meeting place will be announced. It will be where we can get out of the weather if it does not cooperate. Remember to bring your lawn chairs just in case.

Stillwater Home Show

April 1-2. Duane Horton, chairman.

Set up will be Friday starting at noon. Call Duane (372-5128) to let him know when you can help with set up and tear down. Those that signed up at the last meeting were: Dan Hubbard after 5pm; Robert Lowry after 4pm on Friday. The Stillwater Home Builders serve us supper that night. It's good.

Manning the booths: We have some of the slots filled, but if you see only one person or couple there, sign up

Check out the web site... www.stillwaterwatergardens.org for information on the canoe trip, etc.



for that slot. It is always more fun when there are at least two people to man the display. April 1st: 9-12 --- Dan & Joan Hubbard, and _____; 12-3 Mike Grayson & Sharral Tye; 3-6 _____ and _____.

April 2nd : 11-2 _____; 2-5 Sondra Garvey and _____

Call Sharral at 612-0698 to sign up or email me. Duane, the Woodworker Turns to Metal

Duane Horton showed us a unique Japanese rain chain. The Japanese will hang them from the corner of their house instead of a downspout. Duane made this one out of copper; he suggests it be used as a water feature. You could hang it above a container that had water, gravel, and a pump. The water could be continuously recycled to the top of the chain. His rain chain is made of copper and will develop a lovely patina over time. Great idea.

We soon will have a link to our website at www.visitstillwater.org. While I was checking out that website I noticed Oklahoma Gardening will have their "Gardenfest" on June 11th. It looks great. **Felder Rushing**, a 10th generation Southern gardener is the keynote speaker.

Stillwater Water Garden Tour June 24-25. Saturday 9-3 and Sunday 1-5 p.m.

We need about 17-18 water gardens, can yours or your friend's be one?

Call Sharral 612-0698 to help to:

- Secure paying advertisers. Mostly this is calling back our people from last year. _____
- Gather information about ponds and put into Word format to give to Dearing Printing. –Sharral Tye will do this.
- Cover for booklet in color. –I have volunteers for this.
- Map out a route to all the water gardens. _____
- Get word out on marquees _____
- Deliver booklets to places of sale and keep them supplied _____
- Put out signs the day of and take down the day after _____
- Plan the pre-tour for the hosts _____

Call Sharral soon to let her know you are willing to help. We will form a committee. We will meet a couple times and knock this thing out. A lot of preliminary work was done for us last year. Yea!