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Lotusland's Best Management Practices: How Your Garden Can Benefit from Lotusland's Experience

By VIRGINIA HAYES

MANAGEMENT IS KIND of a new word in our vocabulary of plant care here at Lotusland, but we think it best describes our approach. One definition of management is "the careful guarding of an asset: conservancy, conservation, husbandry, preservation." This is exactly what our horticultural staff engages in every day. Our job is not just to present a weed-free, well-groomed group of plants to our visitors, but also to take any steps necessary to promote the health of these specimens and the garden as a whole.

As we have progressed toward our goals of sustainable management of the garden, staff, led by Plant Health Care Manager John Lafleur, has been perfecting a set of easy-to-follow guides to address the common problems they encounter. This series of Best Management Practices (BMP) covers such topics as control of insect pests including ants, aphids, scale, thrips, and mealybugs; methods of trapping gophers and applying snail bait; and our approach to weed control and turf management. Others outline our tactics in growing roses, cacti, cycads, and palms. Throughout these latter BMPs, soil building, plant health management, and plant vigor are the objectives. Experience shows that healthy plants are most likely to resist pathogens and pests.

Some of the tricks we've tested and fine-tuned are quite simple. For

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MIKE IVEN

A Marguerite daisy provides a source of pollen and nectar for adult Syrphid flies to feed on. The fly eggs hatch into voracious larvae that provide natural protection for our plant collections from pests such as aphids.

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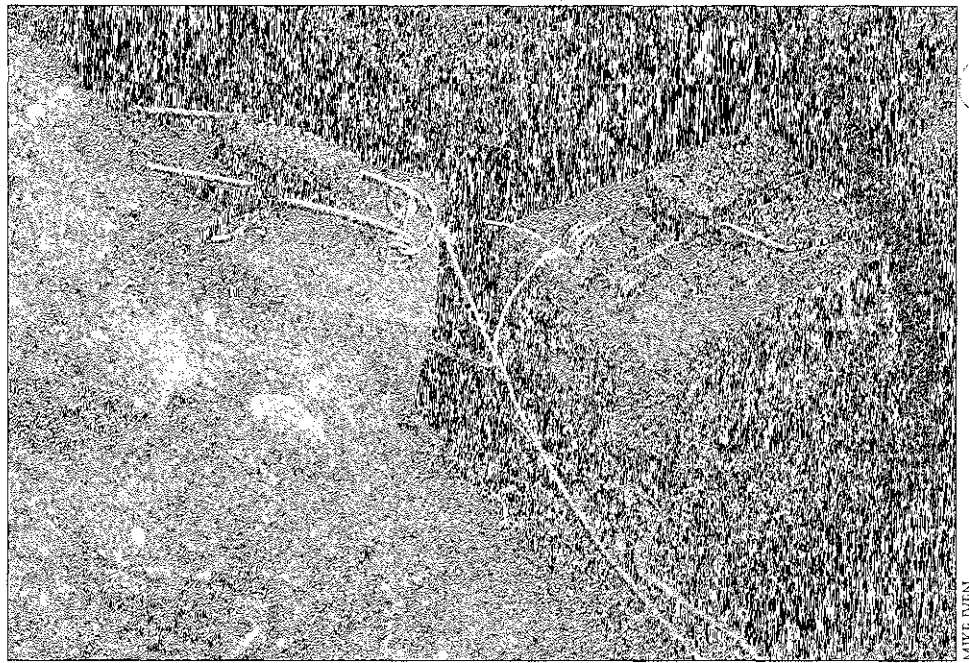
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Vigilance and old-fashioned box traps have replaced dangerous poisons in the never-ending battle against gophers at Lotusland.

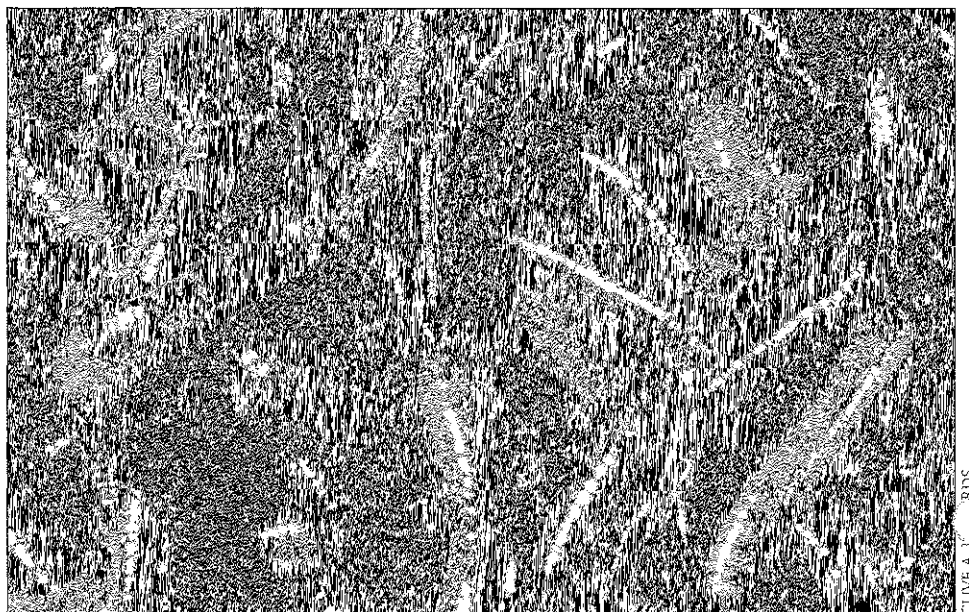
expensive and toxic commercial ant bait stations. Another of our favorite practices is mulching. The benefits of spreading a thick layer of organic material on the ground are myriad from conserving water to smothering weeds. As the mulch breaks down it returns organic matter to the soil benefiting the helpful worms, fungi, and bacteria that live there.

We have presented these practices at several workshops over the last

few years and think that both garden professionals caring for landscapes at other public institutions and home gardeners alike can profit from our experience. While some of our members have been able to participate in the workshops, we realize there are many more who cannot. We would like to share this information with you by making the Best Management Practices available in the newsletter, beginning with this issue.

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example, to catch a gopher, it is useful to "think like a gopher." By baiting the trap with the gopher's favorite weed, cheeseweed, and adding a couple drops of anise oil, you create an irresistible lure. It's also useful to know that plain water can be your best tool in the fight against many insect pests. A strong stream from the hose can dislodge a horde of aphids or mealybugs; a sprinkling during the dry months can create a humid environment unfavorable for spider mites; and a simple solution of sugar water and boric acid beats the



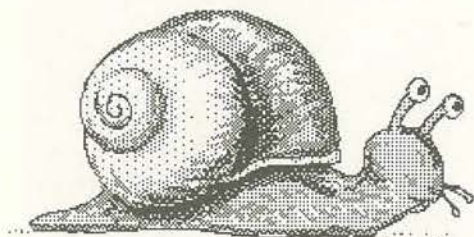
CLIVE ARDS

Earthworms such as these now thrive in the soil. Their burrowing carries organic matter from the surface down into the root zone of plants.

Horticultural Happenings

LOTUSLAND'S BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICE

SNAILS AND SLUGS



MANY SPECIES OF PLANTS are highly susceptible to damage from snails and slugs. Several strategies, other than the use of pesticides, can be successful when followed persistently.

- **Eliminate breeding places:** Practice sanitation in the garden by removing decaying matter and rubbish.
- **Modify garden design:** Eliminate plants that are attracting snails.
- **Isolate host plants:** Surround plants that are attractive to snails with diatomaceous earth barriers.
- **Hand picking can be effective:** When snails get up into plants, hand picking is often the only way to remove them.
- **Install copper barriers:** In some instances barriers of copper screening or copper strips can be effectively used to keep snails from certain areas.
- **Use "Sluggo":** "Sluggo" is an organic alternative to metaldehyde baits that can be used safely around domestic animals. The active ingredient is iron phosphate, which occurs naturally in the soil. Even though "Sluggo" is an organic material, it is considered a pesticide and all necessary restrictions and precautions must be observed. Evening is the best time to apply the bait. All likely areas of infestation should be treated, especially the perimeter of garden plots. These pests travel into plant areas from daytime refuges. Favorite areas include flower gardens, rockeries,

hedges, citrus groves, ivy patches, and other ground covers where they obtain shelter by day. The label lists all the information needed by the applicator for the safe use of this material and should be reviewed prior to each application.

POCKET GOPHERS

IN THE PAST LOTUSLAND relied on the use of strychnine as well as trapping for gopher control. The use of strychnine was discontinued because of its extreme toxicity and the regulatory complexities associated with its use. Adequate control of gophers is possible with trapping, if done in a proper manner on a regular basis. It is important to become familiar with the gopher's activity.

- **Regular monitoring of traps** is important to successful management of gophers.
- **The use of wire mesh to protect roots** of valuable plants in areas with high gopher populations is recommended.
- **Cover crops and insectary areas** can be home to gophers. When these areas are mowed, the gophers are likely to migrate to other areas and their movement must be monitored.
- **Non-restricted gopher bait and smoke flares** are used at Lotusland if trapping is repeatedly unsuccessful.

Trapping Method Using Box Traps and Anise Oil

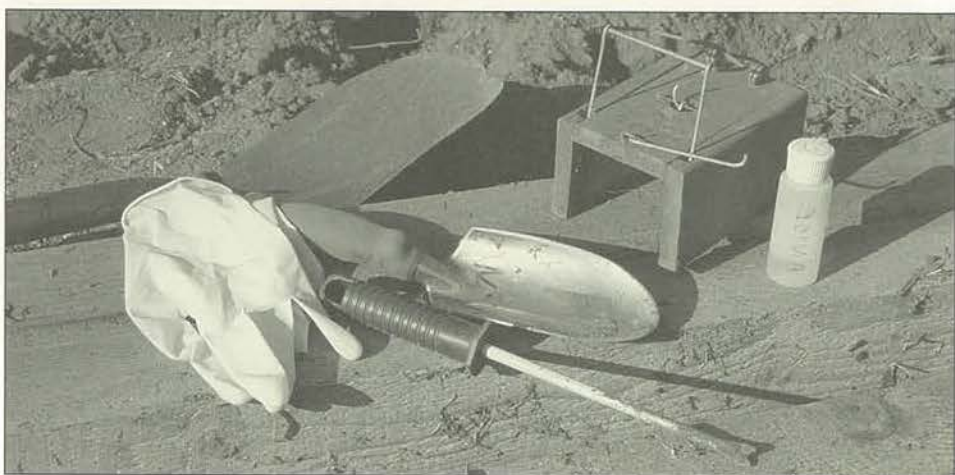
Tools:

Anise oil, box trap with wire leash, one branch of cheeseweed (*malva*), shovel, weeder, or hand trowel.

Procedure:

- A hand weeder is an excellent tool for discovering gopher runs.
- Excavate enough soil to fit the box trap flush up against the gopher run. Hand trowels are helpful in the final shaping and fitting of the traps against the openings.
- Anise oil is used as an attractant. Place 2 to 3 drops on the inside rear wall of the trap on either side of the $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch hole. Do not handle the underside of the trap or the bait with bare hands. Tweezers or rubber gloves may be used to bait the trap.
- *Malva*, a common weed with large enough leaves to disguise the triggering mechanism of the box trap, is a favorite food for gophers.
- Two traps may be set back to back in a main run facing both directions of the run.
- Sometimes a small gopher will trigger the trap without being caught, but resetting the trap with fresh *malva* and new anise oil is usually successful.
- Dispose of the gopher by burying it or wrapping it securely and placing it in a garbage can.

—Mike Iven





Lotusland Receives IPM Innovator Award

IT IS MOST GRATIFYING to announce that our efforts at sustainable management and education have garnered two awards this year. Joining last year's Green Award, our "trophy shelf" now proudly displays the Ladybug Award from the Santa Barbara Pesticide Awareness and Alternative Coalition. This Certificate of Achievement for Environmental Stewardship is awarded locally each year, and we will proudly display our new Pesticide Free Zone flag. The California Environmental Protection Agency Department of Pesticide Regulation also recognized our use of least-toxic methods of pest control with the IPM (Integrated Pest Management) Innovator Award. Their acknowledgment of our determination to pursue new systems of pest control and our efforts to share our experience with others is truly rewarding.

—Connie Buxton



CHARLIE HUNTER

John Lafleur, Lotusland's Plant Health Care Manager, accepts the IPM award from Paul Helliker at the October awards ceremony in Sacramento. John has been instrumental in moving the garden from conventional to sustainable landscape practices.

Lotusland Hosts October Sustainability Workshop for Horticultural Professionals

A RECENT WORKSHOP provided an opportunity for Lotusland's horticultural staff to share their knowledge of sustainable gardening techniques with other horticultural professionals

from such respected institutions as Hearst Castle, the Los Angeles Zoo, the City of Santa Barbara Parks & Recreation, UCLA, Quail Botanic Gardens, Rancho Santa Ana Botanical

Garden, Casa del Herrero, San Ysidro Ranch, Isabelle Greene & Associates, and many more. In addition to our staff members, workshop presenters were from the Santa Barbara Community Environmental Council, Dietrick Institute for Applied Insect Ecology, Plant Health Care, and Growing Solutions. These organizations are committed to promoting education about improving the health of plants by environmentally safe methods that are reminiscent of a natural system.

On June 15, a similar workshop for Lotusland members will offer the opportunity to learn how to incorporate sustainable gardening practices into home landscape maintenance. More information and registration materials will be in the spring newsletter.

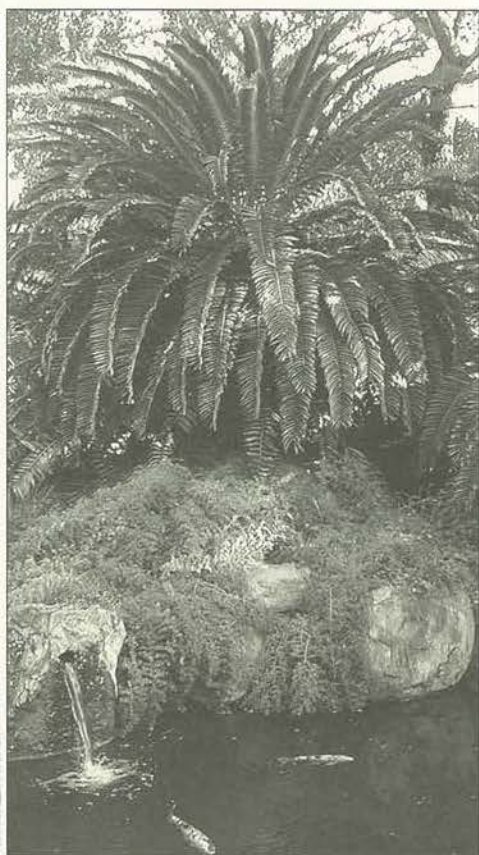
—Connie Buxton



CONNIE BUXTON

Lotusland fern garden specialist Jay Hinkle demonstrates methods of using organic matter to workshop participants.

New to the Collections



FOUR INTERESTING VARIETIES of the well-known asparagus fern (*Protasparagus densiflorus* 'Sprengeri') have been growing in the Lotusland nursery for a year and will soon be ready to plant in the cycad garden to add some softening to the stone borders of the *Encephalartos* beds, for a similar effect to that pictured. The seeds were acquired through a seed list jointly produced by Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens of South Africa and The Botanical Society of South Africa. Lotusland is an institutional member of the latter.

Protasparagus densiflorus 'Cwebe' has dark green leaves on arching branches and new growth, which is a contrasting copper color. Bright red berries follow its small, fragrant white flowers. *P. densiflorus* 'Mazeppa' resembles its familiar relative but has a more compact form, and cultivar 'Flagstaff' is a spreading, low-growing groundcover. The most unusual of the group is *Protasparagus virgatus*, which has soft, finely divided foliage that could easily be mistaken for a fern.

—Jennifer Wilbanks

The asparagus fern (*Protasparagus densiflorus* 'Sprengeri') in the cycad garden. The new varieties to be planted in the spring will do a similar job of softening the rock borders and complementing the cycads.

In Memoriam



George and Poney Eagleton.

LOTUSLAND LOST A GOOD FRIEND and talented docent when Poney Eagleton passed away on November 8.

Poney was a member of the 1993 docent training class and enhanced the experiences of hundreds of visitors through the years as she shared her knowledge of Lotusland's plantings and history while showing them Madame Walska's garden.

Her warmth and smile will be missed by all of us.

LotusFest Kudos and Thanks

IN A DEPARTURE from our format for 2000, this year's LotusFest was a full day of educational presentations on all things aquatic. We would like to thank all those who presented talks, gave demonstrations, and set up displays. Karen Coberly and Dean Cornell of Santa Barbara Water Garden Care demonstrated water lily propagation and brought displays of several tub gardens. Penn Davis and Randy Baldwin of San Marcos Growers set up a display of marginal aquatic plants, which Penn aptly described to the interested crowd. Pond construction expert Bruce Raph of Town and Country Waterscapes gave a presentation on pumps and



filtration. Dan Miller talked about koi and their care. Dr. Larry Friesen from Santa Barbara City College led a hands-on nature photography session; and Dr. Bob Cummings, also from Santa Barbara City College, gave a slide talk on algae and pond biology.

Togen Daiko of Oxnard generously donated their time and talent by entertaining guests during lunch

with an enthralling presentation of Japanese drumming. Eye of the Day in Carpinteria donated a popular raffle item: a beautiful ceramic pot filled with aquatic plants from Lotusland's ponds. Earthworks' display of stone table fountains and benches added an enticing element to the day. Lotusland staff and volunteers provided everything from informative displays of the aquatics growing in our ponds (special thanks to Mike Jimenez and Dorothy Shaner) to a lecture on lotuses by Virginia Hayes and all the tasks of set up and clean up.

Thanks to all for a great day!

—Virginia Hayes



Docent Profile: Nancy Wood

WHEN IT COMES TIME to train new Lotusland docents, many talented, dedicated and experienced docents offer their help. Among this group one can always expect to find Nancy Wood, a Lotusland docent for almost six years. She is extremely knowledgeable, has a spirited sense of humor, and is a tremendous asset to Lotusland's volunteer program. Always interested in learning, she regularly attends lectures at the garden and willingly offers support and encouragement to new docents in training.

Nancy was born in New York City and raised in La Jolla, California. After graduating from La Jolla High School, she went on to UC Berkeley where she found her niche as a Speech and Drama major.

Her love of gardening began as a young child when she followed her grandfather around his rose garden each morning before he left for the train station. She was fascinated by the speed at which he could collect a jarful of Japanese beetles. Her fond memories of his rose garden stayed with her until later, as an adult, she decided to try her hand at creating a rose garden for herself.



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Nancy Wood conducts a tour for prospective new docents.

Her own gardening experiences began after she married her husband Kent, whom she met on a blind date arranged by one of her UC Berkeley sorority sisters. The two rented a home that included a large back yard. Having zero gardening experience between them, they mistakenly planted the sack of rye grass seed they found in the garage of the home. Because it was the dead of summer, their efforts only produced crabgrass.

Since that discouraging experience more than 35 years ago, Nancy and Kent have come a long way, honing their landscaping skills and creating lovely gardens in each house they have lived. Before moving permanently from Calabasas to Santa Barbara in 1996, they were week-enders with a townhouse. They found that they were always bringing their sick plants up to their plant "hospital" in Santa Barbara. Nancy says that they decided to make Santa Barbara their home because of their shared passion for gardening. The two remodeled a house in the Sheffield Reservoir area and created several stunning gardens on the one and one half acre grounds that surround their beautiful home.

Avid art collectors, they were introduced to Lotusland in 1993 by gallery owner, Ellen Easton. Nancy admits that Lotusland has been much of the inspiration for several of her own gardens. She is mad about roses, with more than 150 in her collection. She and Kent have a policy: Bloom or Doom. They give each new rose a three-year trial period and if, in that time, they discover that the plant is more trouble than pleasure, the plant is "shovel pruned" to make way for a different one. Kent is devoted to what he deems "the weird plants." He painstakingly removed four tons of prickly pear cacti on the property to make room for his personal collections of cacti, euphorbia,



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succulents, agaves, and aloes. After six years of working on their gardens together, Nancy agrees that his gardens are more fun.

Nancy estimates that she spends about 20 hours each week in her own garden, and we know she spends many hours each week in the gardens at Lotusland. Somehow she finds the time for her many other community activities. Serving as a board member of the Santa Barbara Rose Society for four years, she has acted as editor of its newsletter for the past year. In addition, she serves as a board member for the Santa Barbara Horticultural Society and as Vice President on the Women's Board of the Community Arts Music Association (CAMA). An active member of the Coastal Quilters' Guild, Nancy also finds time to express her creativity with quilt making.

We are so fortunate to have Nancy as a volunteer at Lotusland and as a member of the Lotus Society as well. As one of our most dedicated volunteers, she claims that she gets more from Lotusland than she gives. We are truly thankful for the service she provides. Considering all of the organizations in which she participates, we are grateful that she emphatically states that for her, "Lotusland is number one, and always will be." —Debbie Hild

Birding at Lotusland

JEFF CHEMNICK, Lotusland volunteer, cycad expert and fanatic birder, will team with Executive Director Steven Timbrook to lead a winter bird walk at Lotusland on Saturday morning, January 12, 2002. Jeff has built an impressive life list while birding the Americas, Asia, Africa, and Australia, and Steve has caught up on his continent list, having added Asia since we last did this walk in January 2000, but is still behind on his bird list. Both know their local birds and Lotusland well, and look forward to flushing out the garden's avifauna with any interested birders. Beginners are welcome, and we will have three pairs of binoculars to loan if you need them.

Please use the coupon on page 11 to register.

—Steven Timbrook



Connie Buxton and Steven Timbrook can't find these Japanese garden cranes in their birding field guides.

VIRGINIA HAYES

Eight Essential Results Your Will Can Accomplish for You

REGARDLESS OF YOUR SITUATION or your estate size, your will is perhaps the most important document you will create. A thoughtfully crafted will expresses your wishes and values and effectively provides for the people and charitable causes, such as Lotusland, that are important to you.

Unfortunately, writing a will is also something we tend to put off. Here are eight important reasons that you need a will:

1. Without a will, California law—not you—determines how, when, and to whom your property is distributed.
2. With a will, you—not the state—name the guardian to raise your minor children.
3. You can name your executor to manage and settle your estate.
4. You can pass down specific items such as heirlooms, art objects, jewelry, or real estate.
5. You can create trusts to provide for your spouse, children, and others—including charities.

6. You can reduce (or perhaps even eliminate) estate taxes and reduce taxes in a survivor's estate.
7. A pour-over will can transfer left-over assets to your living trust, bypassing probate.
8. A tax-deductible bequest in your will is a simple, flexible way to leave a meaningful legacy for Ganna Walska Lotusland and other favorite charities.

In May 2001, Congress enacted legislation that significantly reduces the amount of taxes paid by most Americans. As a result, many of us will find we have increased freedom to spend, save, and give our assets to others in ways that are more in keeping with our personal priorities.

Providing for heirs is a priority in any estate plan. Charitable organizations receive estate distributions when donors wish to assure that a mission close to their hearts will be helped.

When you support Lotusland through your estate plan, you support an unrivaled botanic treasure and a

favorite destination for visitors from both the community and around the world. Open to the public since 1993, Lotusland serves a broad range of audiences, including local school-children, who enjoy this garden that educates and delights.

For information about *The Lotus Society* and tax-effective ways that you can include Lotusland in your estate plan, please contact Anne Dewey, Development Director, at 969-3767, extension 105.

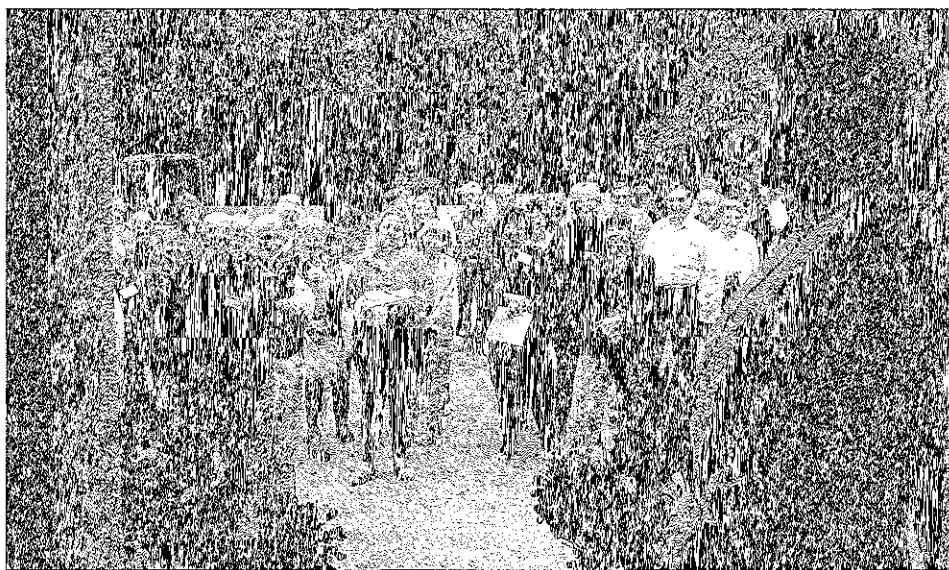
WHEN SHOULD YOU UPDATE YOUR WILL?

DON'T FORGET TO REVIEW and update your will whenever...:

- Tax laws change
- You move to another state
- Your executor no longer can serve
- Your marital status changes
- You need to change guardians
- Your financial status changes
- Needs of your heirs change
- You inherit property
- Your charitable interests change

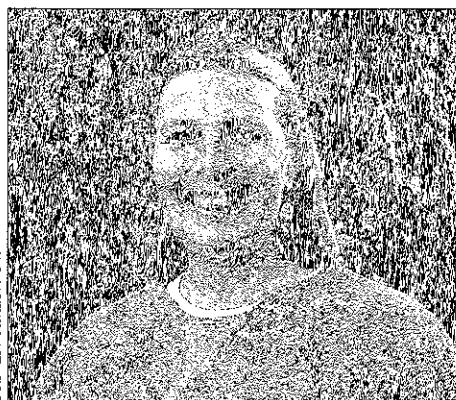
Gavit Plaque Unveiling

ON OCTOBER 22, a commemorative plaque, honoring the Gavit family's contribution to the estate we now know as Lotusland, was installed at the main house entrance. The main house, the pavilion, the parterre, and other important garden design elements plus many of the outbuildings were constructed in the 1920s during the "Gavit era." The Gavit family named the estate *Cuesta Linda*, which Madame Walska changed to Lotusland after her purchase of the property in 1941.



Docent trainees and staff enjoy a plaque unveiling ceremony, honoring the Gavit Family, conducted by Lotusland Executive Director Steven Timbrook.

Virginia Hayes Celebrates Ten Years at Lotusland



STEVEN TIMBROOK

THE CURATOR of the Living Collection was the first new position created at Lotusland when it made its transition from a private to a public garden. In January 1992, Virginia Hayes accepted that position and celebrates her tenth anniversary at Lotusland in January of 2002. As a cause for further celebration, Virginia expects to receive her Master of Arts in Evolutionary Biology from UC Santa Barbara in January. Her thesis is titled *Floral Development of Nelumbo: Micrographic and Statistical Analysis of Variation among Wild-type Flowers and Double Cultivars*.

Virginia is responsible for deciding what new plants will be added to the collection and for maintaining Lotusland's plant record database, an invaluable aid for furthering our educational, conservation, and research

goals. In recent years, she extended the database to include entering data on a digital map of the property.

In 1998-99, Virginia coordinated the design and launch of the Lotusland website (www.lotusland.org). The Associate Curator of the Living Collection, Jennifer Wilbanks, maintains the website with input from Virginia and other staff members.

Lotusland has a world-class collection of cycads with more than 170 species represented. In January of this year, Virginia was able to participate in Lotusland's inaugural collecting trip to assess cycad populations in eastern Mexico. Members will have an opportunity to hear all about the trip when she and Jeff Chemnick present an illustrated slide talk on May 4.

In 1995, Virginia initiated what has proven to be a very popular series of Private Garden Tours that give members and their guests access to spectacular private gardens in Santa Barbara and beyond. Each summer Virginia coordinates an event that focuses on the lotus and other water plants. This coming year, she will inaugurate an Aquatic Lecture Series that features talks on water gardening and the practicalities of growing aquatic plants. See the cal-

endar listing for details about this series and the Private Garden Tours.

In 1995 and 1996, Virginia was a consultant on three books published by Pantheon Books: *Dry Climate Gardening*, *Oriental Gardening*, and *Water Gardening*; from 1996 to 1998, she was the editor of *Santa Barbara Seasons*, a semi-annual publication of the Horticultural Consortium of Santa Barbara. Her article titled "Floral Development of *Nelumbo nucifera* (Nelumbonaceae)" co-authored by Edward L. Schneider and Sherwin Carlquist appeared in the *International Journal of Plant Science* in 2000. In January 2001, she was honored by being appointed to the International Cultivar Registration Authority for *Nelumbo* by the International Society for Horticultural Science under the sponsorship of the International Water Lily and Water Gardening Society. In addition to these scholarly accomplishments, she writes a weekly column, "Gardening," for the *Santa Barbara Independent*.

Virginia's dedication and love of the Garden have been an important part of Lotusland's growth and change during the past ten years. We congratulate her for her multitude of accomplishments and look forward to the next ten years.

Give the Perfect Gift This Holiday... A Friends of Lotusland Annual Membership

Every Gift Membership ordered in December will include a copy of the beautiful book titled
Ganna Walska Lotusland: The Garden and its Creators by Sharon Crawford.

For details, see the enclosure inside your Fall 2001 edition of the *Lotusland Newsletter For Members*
or call the Membership Department at (805) 969-3767 and speak with
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Birding at Lotusland

A Winter Bird Walk
With JEFF CHEMNICK and
STEVEN TIMBROOK

Saturday, January 12, 2002
9:00 to 11:00 AM

\$20.00/members
or member pass + \$5.00

Number of
people attending _____

Number of cars _____

Total \$ _____

Ganna Walska Lotusland Registration Form

PAYMENT METHOD:

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Card number _____ Signature _____

Member name _____

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*Fees are refundable only if cancellation is received one week before class or lecture.
If minimum enrollment is not reached, classes and lectures may be canceled.*

No phone reservations, please.

Mail to: Ganna Walska Lotusland, Attn: Member Events,
695 Ashley Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93108

2002 Member Events

MANY LOTUSLAND EVENTS are open to non-members,
so let your friends and neighbors know about the great activities we offer.

Children are welcome at many events, and

Family Tour days are scheduled twice every month (see the last item in the listing).

We hope you will enjoy the year 2002 at Lotusland.

Saturday, January 5

Self-guided tours for all Members
1:30-4:00 PM

Members \$15 or use admission
pass. Call 969-9990 for reserva-
tions 9 AM-NOON, M-F.

Saturday, January 12

*Birding at Lotusland with Jeff
Chemnick and Steven Timbrook*
9:00-11:00 AM

See description on page 7 and
sign up using the coupon above.

Friday, February 15

Regular tours resume after our
winter recess.

Saturday, April 20

Members' Family Day
10:00 AM-4:00 PM

Music, entertainment, educational
activities for the whole family
and a picnic lunch on the lawn.
Free to members to thank you
for your support of the garden.
Use the coupon in the spring
newsletter to sign up.

Saturday, April 27

*Spring Garden Tour
for Members*

9:00 AM-4:00 pm
Private gardens tour with
Lotusland's Curator of the
Living Collection, Virginia Hayes.
Includes lunch. Members \$85;
non-members \$95. Use the
coupon in the spring newsletter
to sign up.

Saturday, May 4

In Search of Ceratopamas
2:00 PM

You may have read of their
adventures in the Summer 2001
Newsletter and now you can see
the photographs and hear the
stories in their own words when
Jeff Chemnick and Virginia Hayes
present this lecture. Both Jeff and
Virginia were pressing the shutter
releases on their cameras while
collecting cycads in Mexico last
January. Join them for a slide

show of their trip followed by
refreshments on the patio.
Members \$25/non-members \$30
(members may use one pass for
\$15 off the lecture). Use the
coupon in the spring newsletter
to sign up.

Saturday, May 18

*Self-guided tours
for all Members*

10:00 AM-12:30 PM
Members \$15 or use admission
pass. Call 969-9990 for reserva-
tions 9 AM-NOON, M-F.

Saturday, June 8

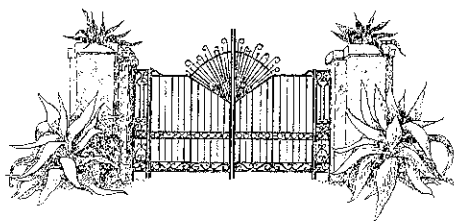
*Summer Garden Tour
for Members*

9:00 AM-4:00 PM
Private gardens tour with
Lotusland's Curator of the
Living Collection. Includes lunch.
Members \$85; non-members \$95.
Use the coupon in the spring
newsletter to sign up.

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2002 Member Events *Continued*

Saturday, June 15

Sustainability Workshop for Members

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

This hands-on workshop will be an "everyman's guide" to sustainable landscaping. Participants will learn how to incorporate sustainable landscape practices into their own garden maintenance and let nature do the work for them. Look for information and registration materials in the spring newsletter.

Friday, July 12, 3:00 PM

Friday, July 19, 3:00 PM

Saturday, August 3, 11:00 AM

Aquatic Lecture series

A new lecture series, featuring talks on several aspects of water gardening and the practicalities of growing aquatic plants, will be inaugurated in the summer. The series coincides with the peak of bloom in Lotusland's own water gardens. Gates will open one and a half hours before the lectures begin to allow guests to view the lotuses and water lilies in their prime. Watch for details in future issues of this newsletter. Admission is \$30 for individual lectures and \$75 for the series.

Saturday, July 28

Lotusland Celebrates

A magical event!

4:00 - 8:00 PM

Lotusland's annual gala event; invitations will be mailed to all members in June.

Saturday, August 3

Self-guided tours for all Members

1:30 - 4:30 PM

Members \$15 or use admission pass. Call 969-9990 for reservations 9 AM-NOON, M-F.

Friday, October 12

Illustrated Slide Presentation and Reception

Beyond Birds and Bees

with Angela Overy, Author of *Sex in the Garden*

2:00 PM

Upper Level Member Event

Ms. Overy opens our eyes to the intricate and important relationship between plants and animals, and their utter dependence upon one another for survival. Lotusland offers this special event as a thank you to our upper level members (Level III and above) for their increased support. Invitations will be mailed in September.

November 15

Garden is closed to regular tours until February 19.

Saturday, December 7

Holiday shopping and Self-guided Tours

1:30 - 4:00 PM

Members \$15 or free admission pass; non-members \$20. Beginning October 1, call 969-9990 for reservations 9 AM-NOON, M-F.



Family Tours

Family tours for all ages are offered the first Thursday morning of each month at 10 AM and the third Thursday afternoon of each month at 1:30 PM (except between November 15 and February 19). Family tours are child and parent friendly and are separate from regular adult tours. Adult members \$15 or use admission passes; children under ten \$8; children under two free. Call 969-9990 for reservations 9 AM-NOON, M-F.