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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

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Where has our Summer gone?!?!?

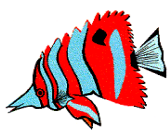
LOT'S OF GREAT NEWS:

- 1) HAPPY 50th Anniversary to Earl and Sharon Parrish and wishing you many, many more!!!!
- 2) Nancy Vaden's surgery was deemed successful and she is growing stronger everyday. She is still undergoing several treatment and procedures, and they send their "thanks" and continue to covet our thoughts and prayers. Music to our ears Jim and Nancy.
- 3) New Brochures are now available and have been updated to include the Membership Form. We will have them at the Banquet and will better serve our promotion of the Watergarden Society. What a great way to "spread the news."
- 4) Pam Ross, Linda Vanmaan and Terrie Young had a Pond Day at the Habitat Re-Store on Green Day. Our banner shone!
- 5) Terrie Young and I were guest speakers at Robertson County Master Gardeners in October and hopefully, expanded our network of neighboring counties for the annual pond tour. One of their members went this year and expressed great interest in the Snider's Stream. Jim and Trina, I gave him your name, so don't be surprised if he calls.

Happy Thanksgiving!!!

Sharon Baggett

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UV Clarifiers

UV clarifier use is a great means of controlling algae and achieving clear water. To extend the life and efficiency of your UV clarifier, take prompt preventive action and run your UV clarifier before algae becomes a problem. Don't wait until algae growth has reached aggressive nuisance proportions. Also, no matter how effective, a UV clarifier will have a difficult time controlling algae if the conditions that encourage aggressive algae growth are not addressed as well. Maximize the efficiency of your UV clarifier by minimizing the two main factors that influence aggressive algae growth - excess nutrients and too much light.


Excess Nutrients

Maintain a low level of algal nutrients such as phosphate and nitrogenous materials. Avoid overstocking by having no more than 1 inch of fish per 10 gallons of water and feed only as much as your fish can finish in a few minutes. Clean mechanical filter media on a weekly basis before organic material has had a chance to decompose and release algae-fueling nutrients.

Excess Sunlight:

If your water garden receives more than 6 hours of direct sunlight, consider providing shade with plants. They also help slow the growth of algae by competing for algal nutrients. If you are using plants as part of an algae control regimen, be sure that approximately half of your water garden is shaded. For stubborn cases, consider taking a multiple approach using Barley Straw products or plant-safe algaecides in conjunction with UV clarifiers. Addressing the cause of nuisance algae and taking prompt preventive action makes UV clarifiers a worthwhile investment

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| Deposits..... | 120.00 |
| Expenditures..... | -88.58 |
| Balance as of Jun 2011..... | 2944.17 |



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- **Apple Brown Betty**

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- 1 1/2 teaspoons freshly grated nutmeg
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 3 cups 1/4-inch bread cubes
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- Grated rind of 1 lemon
- 2 pounds large apples
- 2 to 4 tablespoons cold water (optional)

Preheat the oven to 375°F.

Combine the nutmeg and the sugar and set aside 2 tablespoons. Put the bread cubes in a bowl and toss with the rest of the sugar mixture, the melted butter, and the lemon rind.

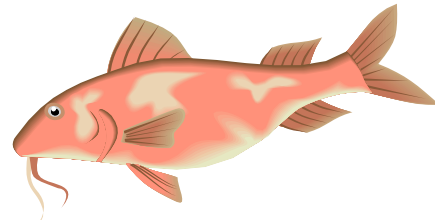
Peel, core, and slice the apples into fairly thick wedges. Line the bottom of a heavy 1 1/2-quart casserole with 1 cup of the bread cubes. Layer half of the apples over the bread and top with 1/2 cup of the bread cubes. Layer the rest of the apples in the casserole and sprinkle with water. Cover with the rest of the bread cubes and evenly sprinkle the reserved 2 tablespoons of sugar over the top. Put the lid on the casserole or cover tightly with foil. Bake in the center of the preheated oven for 40 minutes. Take the lid off the betty, and bake for 10 to 15 minutes longer, or until apples are tender and the topping is brown.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE give thought to hosting a Pond Party and/or being on the Tour. The time is NOW to get our agenda for the upcoming year. It is just around the corner. Call Pam Ross, Event Chairman at 368-1583. "If it is to be....It is up to thee." And remember, Tour Hosts do not have to be a member. So if you have a friend or neighbor with a Koi Pond, just ask or call me and I will be happy to ask them to do it for you.

Sharon Baggett

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OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Visit the Christmas tree exhibit at Smith Trahern Mansion starting in December.