Plant these summer bulbs as soon as you can

deal of color and a great
deal of color and accitement to the garden. For
the most part they are not winter hardy (except lilles and alliums), so we
need to plant
and nurture
them as soon
as we can in
the season.
Contribute



the season.
Container
gardening just
seems a natural with these
bulbs. Why not
try your hand
at it and see
what a success-

Marty what a successful display you can grow them in pretty containers that complement the flowers or use containers of the same color so the flowers will get center stare.

stage.
Another plus with container gardening is that you can move them around for different effects. One caution: if the container is large and heavy, set it on a caddy so it can be moved on a caddy so it can be move without breaking your back.

FLOWERING BULBS

Some summer flowering bulbs are well-known, here are some that may be new to you,

but that's part of the fun of gardening, to try something

new.

Amarcrinum, blooms late
summer until the frost and is
very fragrant. If you like
amaryllis and lilles, you'll love
this, a cross between Amaryllis
belladonna with lily-like
Crinum moorel. It does best in
full sun, but it can handle partial shade. tini shade

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tial shade.
Plant the little bulbs of
Chinese Ground Orchid
(Illettila) now, to get pots full
of orchid-like flowers in early
summer. Bach bulb produces
up to 10 clusters of long-lasting magenta, white or pink
flowers on small plants under a
floot tail. Plant several to a pot;
grow in full sun or light shade.
Glorious Lluj's completely
different. A lily vine that
blooms in early mid-summer
in wide red/orange and yellow
with petals so widely ruffled
and reflexed that they look
rather like tropical birds nesting amidst the leaves. These
vines want to climb to an
upright support; either a trellis upright support; either a trellis or obelisk will do, or even another woody vine or shrub. Plant in full sun near a patio or

rian in nui sun near a parto of deck where it can be enjoyed. Pineapple Lilies (Eucomis) has a tufted pineapple effect atop a 15-inch spire of tiny greenish-white flowers with

'If you like amaryllis and lilies, you'll love this, a cross between Amaryllis belladonna with lily-like Crimum moorei. It does best in full sun, but it can handle partial shade."

strappy green leaves. Flowers can also be wine-colored. Keep this pot in the background in early summer, then bring it in a special area during its July and August bloom time. After blooming its dried seed heads are outstanding, so you get a second show.

They do best in full sun or filtered light.

Ozalis or wood sorred, are low-growing mounded plants that resemble shamnocks. They are great as an underplanting for taller plants, or by themselves in several smaller accent pots. The four-leafed-clower leaves are marked at the center by a "cross" of dark brownish-red flowers appear in late spring through fall. Often called Oxalis tetraphylla Tron cross, it is sometimes labeled Oxalis deppei.

Tigridia, Mexican
Shellflower or tiger flower, is an excute beatty with pleated

Shellflower or tiger flower, is an exotic beauty with pleated

leaves and brilliantly multi-colored, triangular blassoms. Each blossom sports three broad petals of red, orange, yellow, scarfet, rose, or white fanning from center petals with leopard spots of contrast-ing colors. Although Tigridia flowers last only a day, each plant will bloom heavily over many weeks in late summer. They prefer hot, dry, sunny spots.

spots.
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ORDERING ORGANIC

You can now order true ganic bulbs online from organic bulbs online from TulipWorld.com. Their line of bulbs is called EcoBulbs - certified organic flower bulbs. What makes a flower bulb organic? Jacqueline van der Kloet, Dutch master gardener and one of the founders of this

bulb site explains: 'Organic bulbs are grown without using man-made fertilizers or penticides. This makes the bulbs naturally healthier, requiring less attention, and they will be more productive and naturalize much more readily. 'For more information, visit bittp://www.tutupipworld.com. A new product that allows gardeners to water plants on balconies, decks and patios if they don't have an outdoor water access, is now available. You'll need to replace your kitchen or bathroom faucet aerator with a special adapter and snap on the hose end for an easy and secure fit. For more details and to order, please call Linda Marie Waller, Founder, Doolittle Gardens, LLC, Scattle, Washington, at 206-323-8941, or visit www.insideouthose.com

Good Garden Word

Bulb: A storage organ, usually formed underground. The swollen portion consists mostly of fleshy, food-storing scales attached to a short flat stem.

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GARDEN WALKS

Wayne

The Wayne Garden Club presents A
Garden Walk 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdey,
June 21. starting at Goudy Park
Gardens behind Wayne City Hall, 3355
S. Wayne Road.

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For information, call (734) 722-9666.

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materials and other elements needed to successfully create a garden that butterflies call home.

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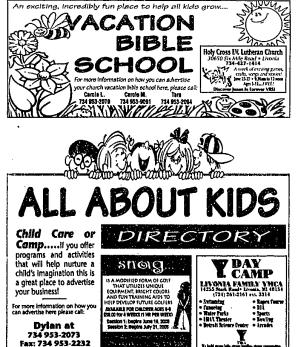
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