



- Features of the new Conservatory Complex include:
 - Year-round plant displays in a 5,000-square-foot indoor conservatory
 - Live butterflies in flight among tropical plants in a 2,500-square-foot butterfly house
 - Five greenhouses
 - An 80-seat café named Hazel's Kitchen
 - A gift shop featuring unique garden- and butterfly-related items
 - A 1,000-square-foot room for meetings and lectures named Hughes Auditorium
- The Conservatory features
 - About 500 tropical plants from over 100 varieties
 - Palm trees that will grow up to 30 feet tall
 - Seasonal displays that change several times a year
 - Aquatic plants in a water feature
- The Christina Reiman Butterfly Wing features
 - Nearly 1,000 butterflies in flight from as many as 50 species
 - Butterflies native to North, South and Central America, Asia, Africa, and Australia
 - Exotic and native butterflies that range in size from one to six inches
 - About 400 plants from 70 varieties
 - A water feature
- Currently, the Christina Reiman Butterfly Wing is the only one its kind in Iowa and the only one of its kind in the nation that is located at a university garden facility.
- The temperature of the Conservatory and Butterfly Wing are kept at about 70 degrees Fahrenheit to ensure optimum plant and butterfly conditions.
- Construction began in May of 2001, and the Conservatory Complex will be formally dedicated in 2003.
- The Board of Regents state of Iowa approved budget for the project was \$9.6 million, which was paid by private donors.
- The Conservatory Complex is open year-round from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday (the glass houses are closed on Mondays for maintenance).
- Admission to Reiman Gardens, including the Conservatory and Christina Reiman Butterfly Wing, is:
 - Adults ages 18 to 64 – \$5 (adults over 65 receive a 50-cent discount)
 - Youth ages 4 to 17 – \$3
 - Members – free (with the CoHorts membership card)
 - Current ISU students – free (with their student ID)
 - Children three and under – free