

Next Meeting: June 11th – 9:00 a.m.

The June meeting will be held. at the home of Jeff & Rita Karsten.
1200 E. Tyson Street, Chandler, AZ 85225. Phone 480- 821-0768. Please Mapquest
or call for directions.

Please bring your own lawn chairs and bags/buckets for any plants/fish that may be
available.

GPPS Annual Pond Tour Saturday May 7th

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Dick & Ailyn Wilson, Chandler, AZ

Sharan Hoyle, Phoenix, AZ

Ron & Peggy Demaray, Phoenix, AZ

Thank you to Don and Fern Shaw for hosting the April meeting.

Thank you to Ed Tunstall for his presentation on turtles. His
presentation will be published in the June newsletter.

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President's Letter



Hello GPPS members,

It is Easter Sunday as I write this, so a happy belated Easter to you and your families! By the time you get this the Maricopa County Home and Garden Show will have passed as well. It was on April 29, 30 & May 1, 2011. Thank you to all who volunteered to help out at our booth this year!

It is time for our 15th annual pond tour on the 7th of May. The main purpose of our pond tour is to promote our club and our hobby of ponds, water features and water gardens. We offer our tour free of charge to the public so we can get as many people as possible to go on the tour. The greater the attendance at the pond tour the greater the interest in ponds and our club, therefore an increase in membership in The Greater Phoenix Pond Society. So we need this to be an excellent tour, please go out and support your fellow members and your club!

The April meeting was at the home of Richard and Pet Smith. Despite the rain, there was a wonderful turn-out and it was a great meeting. Thanks for opening up your beautiful yard and sharing your pond with the club. The speaker was Ed Tunstall and the topic was aquatic turtles. The information put out was interesting, informative and helpful, thanks Ed!

There is no general meeting in May due to the pond tour. There are 12 wonderful ponds that your fellow members have been busting their behinds getting ready for your enjoyment as well as the enjoyment of the public/potential future members! Please show your support by going out and seeing these beautiful ponds. Tell everyone you know and car pool with your friends! It will be a great day, do not miss it!

The next general meeting will be on June 11, 2011 at the home of Jeff and Rita Karsten in Chandler. They have a gorgeous pond and a lovely yard so you won't want to miss this one!

I hope to see you at the June meeting!

Dave Nelson - President

GO ON THE POND TOUR!

Support your members, support your club!

Have a tip, trick, recommendation or idea? Send it to gskylstad@gmail.com

Pond Happenings

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May 20-22 is the date for the Turtle trapping event at the Phoenix Zoo. Please contact the following if you would like to participate in the project.

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GPPS Newsletter

Monthly Submission Deadline: 18th of each month. Newsletters will be sent out the 28th of each month. All submissions are subject to review and all materials become the property of GPPS. Due to space and timing, it is not guaranteed that all submissions will be printed. Submissions can be emailed to "gppsnews@blue-fish.biz".

Contact gskylstad@gmail.com if you'd like to change your newsletter option to "paperless".

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Upcoming Meetings & Events

Month	Location	Month	Location
June 11	Jeff & Rita Karsten, Chandler	Sept 10	Dan & Carol Catlin, Mesa
July	No Meeting	Oct 8	Mike & Karen Valenzuela, Chandler
Aug	No Meeting	Nov 12	George & Diane Morris, Queen Creek

A request from GPPS Webmaster Dennis Beard

GPPS has "FAQs" that are listed on the <http://www.phoenixponds.com/archive/gppsfaq.htm> web page. This page is now a link on the left navigation bar titled -- guess? FAQs

I solicit your assistance in helping the club's website. Please write some questions with the answers and send them to the webmaster link on the FAQ page. If you know a good outside source to your answer -- copy the address at the bottom of the supplied answer.

Time To Rejoin GPPS for 2010!

Membership forms will be on the table at the monthly meetings or contact the treasurer, Ed Tunstall, 5439 E. Dolphin Ave, Mesa, AZ 85206-2208.

The cost is \$25 to join or renew your membership. Dues should be received by March 31st.



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Have a safe and happy Memorial Day!