

October 2013

Next Meeting: October 12 - 9:00 a.m.

The October meeting will be held at the home of George and Diane Morris.

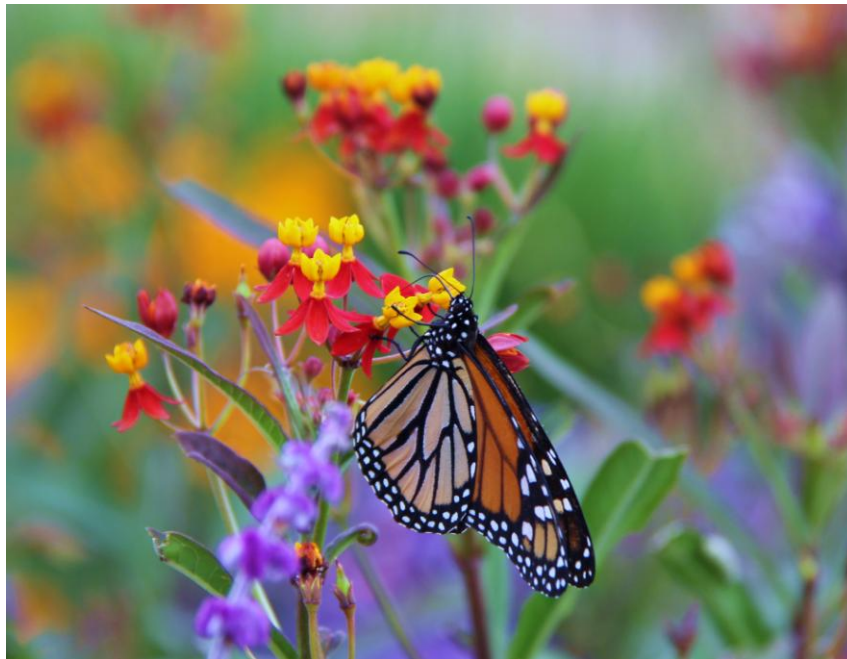
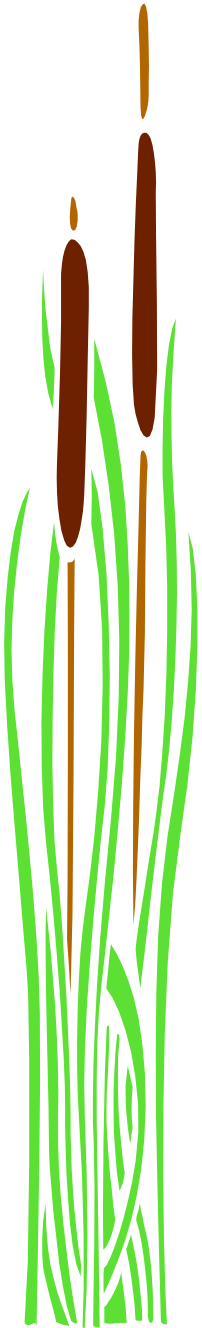
Telephone: 480-306-6417

Their address is: 31408 N. Gecko Trail, Queen Creek, AZ 85243.

Master Gardener, Jo Setliff will be the speaker for the October meeting. The presentation will be "Growing Vegetables" How, What and When to Grow Vegetables".

Please MapQuest for directions: **Please note** that MapQuest says "Take the 1st right onto Tumbleweed" which is a locked gated community. The user can tell MapQuest to Avoid that turn. When you do it will recalculate and tell you to "Turn right onto W Golf Club Dr" which is correct .

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



A reminder that membership dues are payable before January 1st.



President's Letter

Hello GPPS members!

Wow, it's already October and there are only three more meetings left in 2013. It was good to see everyone at the September meeting. After a couple of months with no meeting there was a lot to talk about! The meeting was held at the home of Jon and Kristy Jolly. I would like to thank them for opening up their beautiful home and yard for the meeting. Jon talked about their pond and also did a presentation on how to split, maintain, store and take care of hardy and tropical lilies. Both Jon and Kristy answered a variety of questions about pond plants and their care.

We had a second presentation that was put together by Jeff & Rita Karsten. The presentation was a video slide show of the 2013 pond tour. It was a great presentation and we are working on getting posted on the GPPS website for all to enjoy.

As the year winds down we still have three meeting left. Like you I enjoy the meetings and the opportunity to learn new things but mostly I enjoy seeing and interacting with all of you. There is still some business to attend to as well as fun.

The November meeting is when we have our GPPS officer election for 2014. The December meeting will be held around mid-day and we will have a year-end/holiday pot luck lunch. Neither meeting will have a guest speaker. This is your club and it is up to you to support it and keep it going strong! I hope that both of these will be well attended.

The next meeting is on October 12, 2013 at the home of George and Diane Morris in Queen Creek. The guest speaker will be Jo Setliff, Master Gardner; she will be talking about vegetable gardens. I hope to see you all at the meeting!

Dave Nelson - President

Pond Tips:

- Step up Pond Fish feeding Schedule,
- Stop fertilizing Pond Plants
- Boost Bacteria
- Add Barley Product

**MOONVIEWING
FESTIVAL**
Sat. October 19, 2013
5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP GARDEN
1125 N. 3rd Ave,
Phoenix, AZ 85003


City of Phoenix
PHOENIX OFFICE OF ARTS AND CULTURE
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Purchase on-line discount tickets
at moon2013.brownpapertickets.com
(also available at Gate)

\$25 Adult / \$20 Member
\$12 Youth (4-10 years)
(includes Entertainment and Bento Box)

Free 3 and under
Gate opens at 4:30 pm



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(602) 256-3204
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For more information on this event, please go to the website.
<http://www.japanesefriendshipgarden.org>



Interested in painting but don't know where to start? Check out Brush Party!

You don't have to be a painter or artist to have fun in this step by step instructional setting, where everything is set up for you and all you have to do is bring your imagination (and possibly some beer or wine) and a friend and Paint!

The Koi or Lily theme is suggested but as a group we could do any of the other choices. Check out www.brushparty.com for more details.

If interested contact Kristy at tcerret@hotmail.com so she can tally a list. We need a 12 person minimum to book a private party.

A note from Webmaster Dennis Beard: All members are encouraged to report any link errors to the webmaster. The bottom of each page has a link to report errors.



It's time to think about fall chores that will make your spring start up easier.

Cover the pond. Fall winds will blow debris into your pond making it difficult to clean it in the spring.

Clean the sludge in the bottom of the pond. If you leave it over the winter, it will be food for the spring algae.

Switch to the proper fish food for cooler weather. Your fish will be short on nutrition going into the winter and more susceptible to disease and parasites. They do not have a stomach and cannot digest higher protein summer food in cooler water.

Pond Happenings

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Did you know? Receiving an electronic version will save GPPS Members money every month. Contact gskylstad@gmail.com if you'd like to change your newsletter option to "paperless".

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

Pond Happenings

Upcoming Meetings & Events			
Month	Location	Month	Location
Oct 12	George & Diane Morris, Queen Creek	Jan 2014	TBD
Nov 9	Gloria Skylstad, Sun City Election of Officers	Feb 2014	TBD
Dec 14	Richard & Pet Smith, Phoenix	Mar 2014	TBD

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 2013!

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 December 31st.



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