

# Pond Happenings

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Society

February 2010

**Next Meeting: Saturday, February 13, 2010 at the home of Don & Dawn Jarratt**  
**Address: 7151 E. Grandview Street, Mesa AZ**  
**Subject: "Real Gardens for Real People" Presenter: Master Gardner, Susan Higgins**

Directions: From Loop 101 N, take 202 Loop E Exit 51, Merge into 202 Loop E. take the Power Rd exit, exit 23A, turn right onto N. Power Rd./ N. Bush Hwy. Turn Left onto Brown Rd., turn left onto N. 72<sup>nd</sup> St., turn left onto E. Grandview St. 7151 E. Grandview St. is on the left.



GPPS booth at the Maricopa County Home Show

**Welcome to new members  
Daniel and Carol Catlin of  
Mesa!**

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### Letter from the President

Hello GPPS members!

January was a busy time for GPPS. We had a pretty good turn-out at our general meeting at the home of Tom & Carla Briggs on the 9<sup>th</sup>. There was a lot of information brought up and discussed at the meeting and it was great to have all of the input from the members who attended.

We were given a great opportunity to participate in the Maricopa County Home and Garden Show at the Arizona State Fairgrounds on the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. We were offered a complimentary 10'X10' booth space in the Garden Pavilion. We had our booth set-up with banners, posters, pictures, books, membership applications, flyers and a small aquarium with some baby Koi. The baby Koi were a magnet for the kids attending the show with their parents. The turn-out for all three days was pretty good and we passed out over 500 flyers to promote our club and our up-coming pond tour. In addition approximately 50 membership applications were taken by interested individuals. Overall I think it was a terrific success! We needed to "man" our booth for all open hours during the show and our members stepped up and volunteered for 25 show hours worth of coverage. I would like to thank the following members for volunteering their time at the GPPS booth during the three day event.

Dave & Betsy Allen  
Tom Briggs  
Jeff Karsten  
Bob & Diane Malone  
Diana McClure  
May Nelson  
Clyde & Rita Parks  
Gloria Skylstad  
Gary Siders  
Ed Tunstall & Susan Smithwick  
Matt Watson

Our general meeting in February is a very important one; we will be voting on the date/s for our annual pond tour. Please attend the meeting, voice your opinions and VOTE! Remember this is **YOUR** club, participate!

Thank you,

Dave Nelson - President

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## GPPS Updates

Koi for adoption: Tom Briggs has a pair of 8-12" Koi. One is a red, white, black Sanke with blue eyes and one is white with a slight pinecone pattern and a few yellow scales. He is asking \$20.00.

Contact Tom Briggs  
TBriggs@getgilmore.com

Thank you to GPPS member Jennifer White for this month's newsletter article!

Coming in the March Newsletter: "The Riddle of Two Pumps", an article by GPPS member Jeff Kirk

March meeting topic "Preparations For Spring", Presenter Robert Lang, Pond Perfectioner

### GPPS Newsletter Submissions

The submission deadline for the monthly newsletter will be the 18<sup>th</sup> of each month. Newsletters will be e-mail and snail-mailed on the 28<sup>th</sup> 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".

**Did you know? It currently costs approx \$40 per month to print and mail the Newsletter. Receiving an electronic version will save GPPS Members money every month. Contact [gppsnews@blue-fish.biz](mailto:gppsnews@blue-fish.biz) if you'd like to change your newsletter option to "paperless".**

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Upcoming Meetings & Events			
Month	Location	Month	Location
March	Ed Tunstall & Susan Smithwick	June	Bill & Gay Reeves
April	Richard & Pet Smith	July	No Meeting
May	TBA	Aug	No Meeting

### 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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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!