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### Pond Side Meeting

**Knudson Residence  
Boulder, CO**

Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>  
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

### Pond Tour & Picnic

**Denver, CO**

Tour, Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Picnic, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

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**Charlotte & John Knudson's Pond in  
North Boulder,** (photo courtesy of  
Charlotte Knudson)

## June 24<sup>th</sup> Pond Side Meeting

by Dorothy Martinez

Please come join us for our next event, a Pond Side Meeting at Charlotte & John Knudson's residence in North Boulder on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 pm until 2:00 pm. This meeting will be a potluck, so please bring a main dish, side dish, or salad to share. The club will provide drinks and dessert. Also, please bring a chair for yourself and any guests.

Here is some information about the Knudson's Pond. This is their third pond, so when they moved to this house it was sort of a given they would build a pond, besides the lot was perfect for it. Charlotte wanted a smaller feature and John, being a Colorado native, wanted a feature he could hear since he grew up in the mountains. Mike Wehling of Colorado Rock and Water built it in 2000. John met Mike when he designed a custom swimming pool for a house in Genesee years before. The pond was built into the existing 30-year-old landscape, which the Knudsons eventually changed as well.

The pond is about 4,000 gallons with a waterfall following a hillside with 3 pools above the main pond. Unfortunately, last year, the main pond drained down to about 2 feet of water and 15 very large Koi died due to the lack of enough water.

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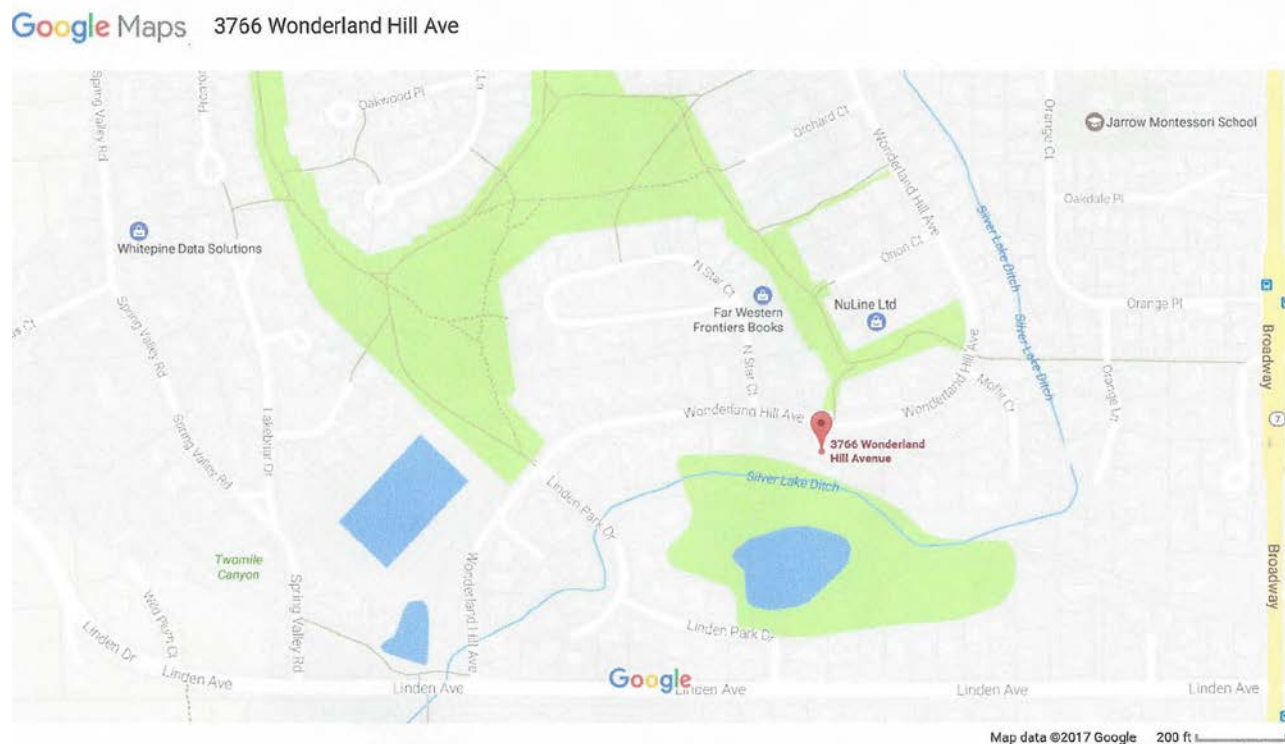
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## Pond Side Meeting

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The plants in the pond vary depending on whether they are protected or not from predation by a submerged fence. The herons and raccoons don't seem to be as big of a problem now as they were the first year the Knudsons had their pond. The house and yard sit above a small lake, so they move some artificial cranes around the yard and ponds to help keep the herons and raccoons at bay. Being in North Boulder, the yard and ponds have added protection being in close proximity to the foothills (Zone 5b). That also means being totally exposed to the wind, since the house sits on top of a ridge.

The Knudsons are hoping we don't have hail this year for the Pond Side Meeting as they did when they participated in the 2006 Pond Tour. For more information, please contact Brenda Parsons-Hier at (303) 278-2106 or moose.4bph@q.com. Please join us for a beautiful, relaxing June day in North Boulder.



## CWGS Secretary & Member Honored for Service at Denver Botanic Gardens

by Dorothy Martinez\*

At the Denver Botanic Gardens' Spring Volunteer Appreciation Event held on April 19<sup>th</sup> Tamara Kilbane, Secretary of the Colorado Water Garden Society and Bill Powell, previous Secretary and Member of the Colorado Water Garden Society were awarded the Golden Gnome Award and the Pete Peterson Award respectively.



**CWGS Secretary Tamara Kilbane and CWGS Member Bill Powell**, (photo courtesy of Marissa Pietrefeso, Volunteer Coordinator at Denver Botanic Gardens)

The Golden Gnome Award is given to a DBG staff member that goes above and beyond the scope of their daily work to create an exceptional volunteer experience that not only cultivates and empowers volunteer leaders within DBG, but also fosters a community of encouragement and growth.

As Senior Horticulturist of the Aquatics collection, Tamara not only worked extremely hard and intelligently to provide so much for the Gardens, but also recruited a dedicated group of volunteers to assist her. Tamara identifies and promotes the interests and skills of her volunteers, and she also encourages volunteer-initiated special projects that broaden the mission of Aquatics.

Volunteers feel she is such a pleasure to work with as she gets dirt under her fingernails while working alongside her volunteers. She is also willing to answer all questions on what and why volunteers are doing with the various duties of looking after the water plants.

Tamara's effective use of volunteers makes it possible for the achievement of the spectacular display of colorful water lilies, lotuses, and other aquatic plants - one of the most popular aspects of the Gardens. Additionally, volunteers feel Tamara is one of the most sincere and kindest staff members and her genuine expressions of appreciation are always well received.

With more than 30 years of devoted volunteer service to Denver Botanic Gardens, Bernice "Pete" Petersen personified volunteerism. Her energy, vibrant spirit, and inspiration to others served to advance the mission of the Gardens for many years. In recognition of her tremendous contribution to the Gardens, the Board of Trustees and an anonymous donor created the Bernice "Pete" Petersen Award in her memory. She was the first recipient of this award in November 1998.

Bill Powell is a veteran volunteer of 17 years, and sets an excellent example for all other volunteers. He has been a leader in the docent program. Not only was he part of the Docent Council last year, he also generously shares his architectural knowledge both on tours and with other docents. He has developed an architecture class for the docents-in-training, which he teaches every year. He is one of those individuals that is ready to help at the last minute and does so with a wonderful smile.

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## DBG Service Awards

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Bill has been a valuable member of the water gardens volunteer team for many years now. During the summer months, you can find him wading through the ponds with his clipboard and yardstick in hand, recording weekly growth measurements of our Victoria water lilies. In the Spring and Fall, he is a steady presence on the Sunday morning volunteer team, where he helps with everything from dividing hardy water lilies to using his perfect handwriting to create plant labels.

In addition to these annual contributions, Bill recently took the initiative to research, design, and construct a display of Chinampas in the Sacred Earth garden waterway. This year, he is also assisting with the design and construction of a cart, which will be used by trained volunteers to educate the public about the water gardens. His artistic talents, attention to detail, and enthusiasm for the aquatic plant collection have greatly benefited the gardens and have made him a true pleasure to work with.

*\*Source, presentation of speeches given @April 14<sup>th</sup> DBG Volunteer Event*

## 2017 Pond Tour

**by Dennis Weatherman, Sue Weatherman, and Rebecca Nash**

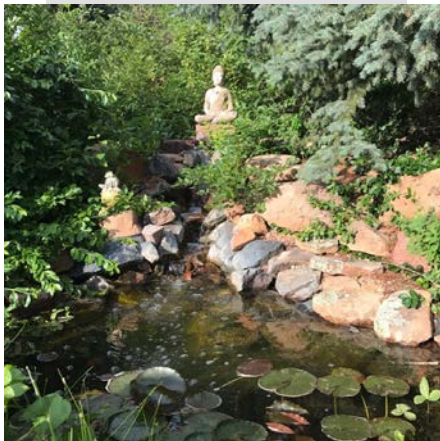
Mark your calendars! This year's Pond Tour is scheduled to take place on Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm with a picnic to be held afterwards at a member's pond from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

This year's Tour will be in the Central Denver area. We have approximately 12 ponds lined up. There will be a wide variety of ponds to view. Some ponds are larger, some smaller, some with waterfalls, and some with Koi and goldfish.

This is a great opportunity for members to get ideas, make new friends, and catch up with old ones. The next issue of **The Water Garden** (July) will include the logistics and details about the Tour ponds, addresses, suggested routes, times, etc.

Mark July 15<sup>th</sup> as taken so you can visit a variety of water features at homes in the Central Denver area. After the Tour, the group will host a Picnic for all those who attended or participated, for only \$5 per head.

Pack up some cold drinks, snacks, and get on the road July 15<sup>th</sup> and enjoy various water features in Denver!



Hawes' Pond, (photo courtesy of Susie Hawes)



Tymkovich Pond, (photo courtesy of Terri Tymkovich)

## 2017 Colorado Water Garden Society Plant Sale Thank You!

by Janet Bathurst & Vicki Aber

This year's Plant Sale was quite successful. We received many positive comments about the location at Hudson Gardens and will likely have next year's Sale there again.

First, a big thanks to everyone who helped move plants, assist with set-up, and make this Sale such a success. Special thanks to Hudson Gardens and their staff who helped market the Sale. Also, a big thank you to everyone who came out and purchased plants. Since this is our main fundraiser for the year, you really helped to financially support our Club.

Many thanks to all of our dedicated volunteers who staffed the Sale, helped people select the right plant, and answered questions.

Again, without your support, the Plant Sale would not be possible. THANK YOU!

### New and Returning Members for March - July 2017

#### March 2017

**Carolyn Lupe**  
Denver, CO

*Renewal*

#### June 2017 Cont'd

**April & Jonathan Hough**  
Boulder, CO

*Renewal/NEW!*

#### April 2017

**Joanne Bowen**  
Boulder, CO

*Renewal*

**Sybil Jacobson**  
Longmont, CO

*Renewal/NEW!*

#### May 2017

**Gary & Joyce Blubaugh**  
Lakewood, CO

*Renewal*

**Les Lambert**  
Greenwood Village, CO

*Renewal/NEW!*

**Michael & Susie Hawes**  
Englewood, CO

*Renewal*

**Pat McFee**  
Denver, CO

*NEW!*

**Joe & Carla Mascarenas**  
Lakewood, CO

*Renewal*

**Susan Pinkney-Todd & Steve Todd**  
Wheat Ridge, CO

*NEW!*

**Patricia Roth**  
Denver, CO

*Renewal*

**Anne Rafferty**  
Lone Tree, CO

*Renewal*

#### June 2017

**Craig & Deb Dawson**  
Highlands Ranch, CO

*Renewal*

**Jill & Charles Richardson**  
Arvada, CO

*Renewal/NEW!*

**Carol & Ron Delongchamp**  
Littleton, CO

*NEW!*

**Corey Snipes**  
Denver, CO

*NEW!*

**Mary Ege**  
Denver, CO

*Renewal*

**Ann & John Ver Linden**  
Brighton, CO

*Renewal/NEW!*

**Ed Glassman**  
Denver, CO

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**Stephen Winters**  
Denver, CO

*NEW!*

#### July 2017

**Terri & Tim Tymkovich**  
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*Renewal*



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## THIS YEAR

*A calendar of CWGS Activities and Events:*

**June 24: Pond Side Program  
Picnic Potluck  
Knudson Residence, Boulder, CO  
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM**

**July 15: CWGS Pond Tour & Picnic – Central Denver Area, Pond Tour 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Picnic 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**August 5: Water Blossom Festival – Monet Pond Area, Tours of Aquatic Greenhouse & DBG Gardens, DBG, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**August 26: Pond Side Program – Burkert Residence, Picnic Potluck, Northglenn, CO, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM**

**Sept. 21: Potluck, Annual Board Elections, Presentation featuring a round-robin discussion on winterizing your pond, & 2018 Planning Meeting – Plant Society Building, DBG, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

**Oct. 19: Potluck, Presentation featuring Jim Arneill on the architecture of Jules Jacques Benois Benedict, & 2018 Planning Meeting – Great Room, Waring House, DBG, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

**Dec. 14: Holiday Banquet & Volunteer Recognition, – Plant Society Building, DBG, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM**