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2019 CWGS Pond Tour & Picnic

Pond Tour & Picnic

Saturday, July 20th

Pond Tour, 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM Lone Tree, Centennial, & Littleton Area

Picnic, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM The Overlook at The Hudson Gardens & Event Center Littleton, CO

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Susie & Mike Hawes' Pond, (photo courtesy of Susie Hawes)

Colorado Water Garden Society 2019 Annual Pond Tour & Picnic

by Rebecca Nash & Dorothy Martinez

Our Annual Pond Tour & Picnic is coming up on Saturday, July 20^{th} from 10:00 am -4:30 pm for the Tour and from 5:00 pm -7:00 pm for the Picnic.

A suggested route of the Pond Tour sites is included with this Newsletter. The route and a basic map will be posted to the website under "2019 Pond Tour" & "2019 Pond Tour Map". The Tour should take about 2 hours to drive, this does not include the time you spend at each pond, only the time it takes to drive the entire route. The route is approximately 40 miles in length. The suggested route starts with the southeastern most pond and works its way north and west, and ends at the final destination, Hudson Gardens where the Picnic will take place.

The Picnic starts at 5:00 pm. If you finish the Pond Tour early, please come after 4:00 pm, as we will still be putting the finishing touches on setting up for the Picnic. The Tour will operate from 10:00 am through 4:30 pm and is self-guided. The Tour is free to all CWGS members and their guests. Along with the provided route, you will need a good Denver Metro area map and/or a GPS.

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Jim & Tudi Arneill Pond, (photo courtesy of Jim Arneill)

The Pond Tour map published on the website should help you orient where each pond is. You can zoom in for more detail. To assist you in driving, the directions are also posted on the website as well as a map of Hudson Gardens. The Pond Tour map is located at:

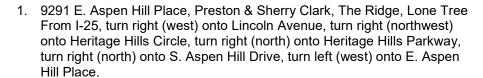
http://www.colowatergardensociety.org/Category.cfm?CategoryID=69
The directions and map of Hudson Gardens are located at:
http://www.colowatergardensociety.org/Category.cfm?CategoryID=94

You'll also want to bring sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat. Please remember, only the ponds and gardens are open, the houses and restroom facilities are not. If you need a bathroom break, take time to stop along the way. The picnic will be held at stop #11, The Hudson Gardens & Event Center, located in Littleton.

The club will provide the main dish, side dishes, drinks, and dessert – all for only \$5 per plate for adults, children under 12 are free. Your plate charge also buys you a ticket for door prizes, which will include a range of aquatic plants and maybe a few other items.

Pond Tour Directions & Descriptions (numbers refer to locations and directions on the map published on the website)

From I-25 & Lincoln Avenue



Our water feature is three-tiered and has three waterfalls. Its volume is approximately 2,250 gallons. We have a variety of water plants including water lilies. There are six Koi of various sizes and about a dozen goldfish. We "inherited" our water feature when we purchased our home approximately 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ years ago. We look forward to your visit!

2. 7689 S. Olive Circle, Jim & Tudi Arneill, Centennial From #1, take E. Aspen Hill Place back to S. Aspen Hill Drive, turn right (south) onto S. Aspen Hill Drive, turn right (west) onto E. Heritage Hills Parkway, turn right (north) onto S. Yosemite Street, turn left (west) onto Park Meadows Drive, turn right (north) onto S. Quebec Street, turn left (west) onto E. Mineral Avenue, turn right (north) onto S. Oneida Way, turn right (east) onto S. Olive Circle.

Please use the open gate on the south (left) side of our house. On our deck, which we constructed in 1992 right after we moved in, there are several containers with various aquatic plants. Then comes the kidney-shaped pond, approximately 2,700 gallons, which we dug and created shortly after finishing the deck. We used the dirt from the hole to construct the waterfall. We incorporated a couple pallets of stones that were delivered to our driveway into the waterfall and around the perimeter of the pond. The personality of the pond changes every year due to experimenting with various types of aquatic plants. Currently we have several goldfish that range quite a bit in size.



Karen Lee Pond, (photo courtesy of Karen Lee)



Susie & Mike Hawes'
Pond, (photo courtesy of
Susie Hawes)

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3. 7680 S. Olive Circle, Terry & Kathy Rice, Centennial From #2, continue northeast on S. Olive Circle.

Please be sure to keep the gate closed at all times, as the dog will try to escape at any chance.

There are two water features here, one in the front and the other in the back yard. The front one, a meandering stream, features a peaceful current of crystal-clear water winding down a natural looking rocky path. It is enhanced by a variety of colorful groundcovers and perennials.

To the right of the house is the gate leading to the back yard, where the nicely landscaped yard with a flagstone patio and path leads to a fish pond with a small waterfall that adds sounds and charm to the nearby seating area. The yard backs up to the local open space.

4. 8080 S. Holly Street, Highlands Garden Center, Centennial From #3, continue on S. Olive Circle to S. Oneida Way, turn left (southeast) onto S. Oneida Way, turn right (west) onto E. Mineral Avenue, turn left (south) onto S. Monaco Street, turn right (west) onto S. Otero Avenue, turn right (north) onto S. Holly Street.

The water features are located outside the back doors of the greenhouse in the amphitheater.

Highlands Garden Center has a pond-less feature that holds 6,000 gallons. The water feature is run with two 20,000 gph pressure filters with UV lights and two large pumps. It has 3 spillways which makes for a great visual and sound. There are about 20 resident large Koi in the pond which are very friendly, making it fun for our regular customers that come to visit. The outside of the feature has 1 ½" mountain cobble.

To the right of the water feature is a stream with natural looking Colorado moss rock. The basin holds 300 gallons and is run on a large pump as well. These features offer an enjoyable focal point for store events and to just enjoy!

5. 7141 S. Elm Court, Ericka & Jay Ezell, Centennial From #4, turn right (north) onto S. Holly Street, turn left (west) onto E. Easter Avenue, turn left (south) onto S. Elm Court, turn right (west) to stay on S. Elm Court.

This pond is home to Floaters Exquisite Water Plants, a premier Denver pond care business since 1998. With stunning simplicity, this backyard oasis provides a home to waterlilies, lotus, Koi, dragonflies, tropical plants, and much more. Multiple depths in the 11' by 24' main pond provide the perfect environment for various aquatic plants. The first 6' provides the perfect 10" depth for marginals. The next 10' at 24" deep is perfect for lilies and lotus. Finally, the last 8' is 30" deep and is the perfect home for plants during the winter months. The 10' by 20' greenhouse creates the perfect environment for tropical plants year-round. Just wait until you see the cannas!

Floater's signature solution for water care, "Magic Juice", aids in the creation of a completely natural ecosystem that keeps the pond looking phenomenal. At nearly 3,000 gallons, this pond is a must see.

6. 7432 S. Clermont Drive, Karen Lee, Centennial From #5, head northeast to S. Elm Court, turn left to stay on S. Elm Court, turn left (west) onto E. Easter Avenue, turn left (south) onto S. Clermont Drive.

Please enter the backyard from the walking path nearest the large spruce tree on the north/left side of the house (the rock garden path south of the driveway does NOT access the backyard).

A river leads to the pond where you'll find waterlilies and Koi. The pond is built into the side of a hill and is 3' deep throughout.

Karen Lee Pond, (photo courtesy of Karen Lee)



True Pump & Equipment Pond, (photo courtesy of Michael Weber)



True Pump & Equipment Pond, (photo courtesy of Michael Weber)

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7. 6053 S. Bellaire Way, Lisa Mullineaux, The Village on The Meadow, Centennial From #6, turn left (south) onto S. Clermont Drive, turn right (west) onto E. Hinsdale Place, turn right (north) onto S. Albion Street, turn left (west) onto E. Geddes Avenue, turn right (north) onto S. Colorado Blvd., stay right on Colorado at vee, turn left (west) onto S. Bellaire Way, take immediate left (southwest) & continue on S. Bellaire Way.

This pond is built for perfection, it meanders through most of the backyard. An Aquascapes filter keeps the waterfall flowing into its 3 basins and down into the 1,900 gallon main pond.

Water lilies, bull rush, floating heart, iris, and lotus grace the pond. Be sure to catch a glimpse of the perfect Koi family!

8. 1429 S. Broadway, True Pump & Equipment, Denver This stop closes at 3:00 pm, make sure you complete this stop by 3:00 pm

From #7, turn left (northeast) onto S. Bellaire Way, continue on S. Bellaire Way, turn left (west) onto E. Orchard Road, turn right (north) onto S. Jackson Street, turn left (west) onto E. Long Road, turn left (south) onto S. Long Lane, turn right (west) onto E. Orchard Road, turn right (north) onto S. University Blvd., turn left (west) onto E. Yale Avenue, turn right (north) onto S. Logan Street, turn left (west) onto E. Arkansas Avenue, turn left (south) onto S. Broadway.

This is a beautiful pond setting with all different kinds of water features. If you want ideas on pond size or different features, this is where to see them.

There are 2 main ponds and 1 pond less pool, plus other various water features. The main 3,000 gallon pond is about 25 years old and features a waterfall and a stream that flows into it. It is home to many plants including water lilies, iris, and lotus. Various Koi will great you as you approach. The crystal-clear water is the result of a bio-filter. The plastic swan you see in the picture is to keep the Heron away.

These water features showcase the top-notch pond supplies True Pump & Equipment provides to its customers in the greater Denver area.

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4164 S. Dahlia Street, Susie & Mike Hawes, Cherry Hills Village
 From #8, turn right (south) onto S. Broadway, turn left (east) onto E. Hampden Avenue, turn right
 (south) onto S. Colorado Blvd., turn left (east) onto Mansfield Avenue, turn right (south) onto S.
 Dahlia Street.

Our ponds were established after 2001. My daughter and I started by creating a small pond with a pick axe. With the strength of my husband, we added a waterfall that flows into the 6' by 8' pond. We put a Buddha on the top of the waterfall with lilies, iris, and grasses around it. It is more of a shade pond. We liked that one so much, we hired Rose and Paul, who used to be in CWGS, to build us a bigger pond. They created 3 waterfalls that flow down into a bigger 10' by 16' pond. We have many Koi, frogs, tadpoles, lilies, and other plants that surround the larger pond. Our garden is made up of many perennials, succulents, cactus, iris, and herbs. We also have a big red container water feature on our deck.

10. 5160 S. Logan Street, Mario Bertelmann, Littleton From #9, turn left (south) onto Dahlia Street, turn right (west) onto E. Quincy Avenue, turn left (south) onto S. Clarkson Street., turn right (west) onto E. Belleview Avenue, turn left (south) onto S. Logan Street.

Please enter through the side gate located on the South end of the house. It will be open to enter and exit. Please close the gate behind you when you are coming and going. Parking can be found along Logan street.

This pond was created in June of 2012 and was hand dug by me. After creating several other pond features in previous years, I wanted to build a pond for my home garden to attract pollinators and wildlife as well as to have Koi fish. After 6 years of naturalizing and establishing, this pond has become a hub of activity with daily visits from native bees, dragonflies, hummingbirds, songbirds, and many other creatures including my backyard ducks and chickens. This pond runs year-round and provides the garden with the tranquil sounds of running water, creating an inviting and relaxing atmosphere to escape the busy city life and enjoy all that nature has to offer.

11. 6115 S. Sante Fe Drive, Hudson Gardens, Littleton From #10, continue southeast on S. Logan Street, turn right (south) onto S. Clarkson Street, turn right (west) onto E. Littleton Blvd. which become W. Main Street, continue on W. Main Street to S. Sante Fe Drive, turn left (south) onto S. Sante Fe Drive, turn right at Hudson Gardens' main entrance (look for large LED, triangular sign). Park in the main lot and enter through the Welcome Center/Gift Shop, from there follow the signs to The Overlook area located between the Conifer Grove and the Concert Amphitheater.

Thank You Volunteers! by Dorothy Martinez

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who helped set up and work during the 2019 Colorado Water Garden Society Plant Sale held at The Hudson Gardens & Event Center on Saturday, June 1st and Sunday June 2nd.

Without your vital help, the Sale would not be possible.

Also, a big thank you to those who came out to purchase plants. Our turnout was phenomenal this year.

Alpine Koi & Reef, (photo courtesy of Tamara Kilbane)



Alpine Koi & Reef, (photo courtesy of Tamara Kilbane)

June Pond-Side Meeting at Alpine Koi and Reef in Ft. Collins by Tamara Kilbane

On Saturday, June 15th, club members gathered at Alpine Koi and Reef in Fort Collins. Attendees enjoyed time spent perusing the large selection of pond supplies, Koi, goldfish, and aquatic plants, in addition to an impressive array of saltwater aquariums and supplies. A potluck lunch was then enjoyed in a shady lawn beside a beautiful Koi pond.

Owners Hanna and Casey Sparks also took time to talk to our group about how they started their business and how it grew into what it is today. We would like to extend our thanks to them and their wonderful staff for their kind hospitality and for the plants and fish that many members found to purchase and bring home!

If you are interested in visiting Alpine Koi and Reef, their address is 2715 East Mulberry Street in Fort Collins. Their website is www.alpinekoi.com.

Come on Down...

The Pikes Peak Water Garden Society, your sister pond club to the south, is having its 30th Annual Pond Tour on July 27th and 28th. This Tour is free and open to the public. So, head south to see some of our club members' beautiful ponds and yards. The Tour will be from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm both days.

Additional information and map packages can be obtained after July 21st at http://www.ppwgs.org/index.php

Come on down and enjoy the day in Colorado Springs.

Bob Oatman PPWGS President

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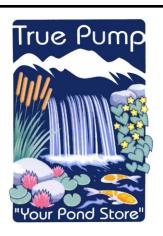
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THIS YEAR

A calendar of CWGS Activities and Events:

July 20 – CWGS Pond Tour & Picnic Pond Tour in Lone Tree, Centennial, & Littleton Area Picnic at The Overlook at Hudson Gardens in Littleton, CO

10:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Pond Tour 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM, Picnic

August 3: Water Blossom Festival – Monet Pond Area, Docent Tours of DBG Gardens, Demonstrations, Information, & Free Carnivorous Pitcher Plants, DBG, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

August 24: Pond Side Program – Leinster Residence, Picnic Potluck, Westminster, CO, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Sept. 19: Potluck, Annual Board Elections, Presentation on the Cairns Botanic Gardens in Australia – Plant Society Building, DBG, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Oct. 17: Potluck, Program with Slideshow "2019 Season Wrap-up – What Plants Did Well or Didn't Do Well" & 2020 Planning Meeting – Plant Society Building, DBG, 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Dec. 12: Holiday Banquet & Volunteer Recognition, – Plant Society Building, DBG, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM



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