

The logo for the Utah Water Garden & Koi Club. It features the word "Utah" in blue with a red and white graphic of a mountain peak and a river. Below it, "Water Garden & Koi" is written in blue, and "Club" is written in a large, light green font. Underneath, "June 2017 Issue" is written in green.

Utah Water Garden & Koi Club

June 2017 Issue



The Utah Water Garden & Koi Club held our May meeting at the Flint home. Due to the recent snow and cold weather, we were comfortably seated inside to enjoy our meeting. Ty Rosser of Landscape Lighting Pro was our guest speaker and he spoke about the variety of lighting options their company installs for ponds and gardens. He explained the various types of lighting – down lights, submersible lights, wash lights and path lights, among others and he showed us several beautiful examples of their work. We had a nice dinner of chicken tenders and salad, but the strawberry shortcake for dessert was the crowning glory.

Message from the President



We have an amazing pond tour this year! In the past, we have missed out on some wonderful ponds because they were standalones in their community. This year we are proud to bring to you three areas of pond's that are no longer standalones! We have 15+ ponds!

We are talking cream of the crop, beautiful gardens, an indoor pond, championship koi, dedicated koi pond with amazing sieves, water polishers, foam fractionators (what are these things you ask? Come on the pond tour and see!), gian waterfalls, an aviary, jumbo koi and a mini dock and boat! But, there is too much more to list! Each pond is a must see this year! Pace yourself and you can hit them all. Of course, a Pendleton pond is on the tour, need I say more? One home is a Saturday only, a feast for the eyes, so plan accordingly. I promise you this pond tour will be the talked about tour for a long time!

Our September Club meeting will include a contest. Members will vote for winners of different categories. Please make sure you attend the September meeting on September 21 so you can cast your votes.

First Annual Utah Water Garden & Koi Club "Go For the Gold" Contest

We all love to brag about our ponds, fish, plants, amphibians, bugs and bogs. But wouldn't it be nice to have legitimate bragging rights? The best way is to enter the First Annual Utah Water Garden & Koi Club Photo Contest.

Categories

Non Koi Category:

- Goldfish
- Trout
- Shubunkin
- Turtles
- Frogs

Koi Category:

- Biggest
- Smallest
- Mutts
- Show Quality

Flower Category:

- Lotus
- Lilly
- Other

Submit your photos by September 1 to Brett Reynolds at brett@reynoldsgraphics.com



June

June 15, 2017, 7:00 pm
Larsen Home, 1925 Spring Lane, Holladay
(Wheelchair accessible)
Annual BBQ – please bring a side dish,
salad or dessert to share
Reminder: Bring your own chairs

July

July 20, 2017, 7:00 pm
Wagstaff Home, 2414 Granite Hills Cir,
Sandy
Topic: Bogs
Speaker: Marvin Potter

August 5-6, 2017

2017 Pond Tour

Various Locations, see Pond Tour book for locations

August

August 17, 2017

Cole Home, 8445 South 1205 East, Sandy
Topic: TBD
Speaker: TBD



June 3, 2017 8:00 am – 2:00 pm Weber Basin's Water Conservation Learning Garden Spring Garden Fair 2837 E. Highway 193 Layton. Check out their whole list of classes and activities by visiting their web site at www.weberbasin.com/conservation

June 10, 2017, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Tooele County Master Gardener's Spring Garden Tour. Hosted by the USU Extension (Tooele) and the Tooele County Master Gardeners Association. Tour and event proceeds are used to promote annual Arbor Day activities and programs. **We will have a booth at the Summer Blast at Benson Grist Mill on Hwy 138 in Stansbury Park to promote our pond tour! It will be on Friday, June 9 from 5:00 pm to 9:30 pm. Stop by and see us.**

June 17-18, 2017, Reno Nevada Water and Rails Pond Tour. This is a unique tour that incorporates ponds and garden model railroads.

June 24-25, 2017, The 11th Annual Purely Ponds Parade of Ponds, Colorado Springs, Colorado and the surrounding area. Self-guided charity pond and waterfall tour with tour stops throughout. Tickets are \$5 and benefit the local Boys & Girls Club.

July 29-30, 2017, Pikes Peak Water Garden Society Pond Tour in the Colorado Springs, Colorado area.



Down in the Garden with Rosie

By Rosie Cobbley



A Hydrangea that loves to grow in Utah

Do you long to grow some of those hydrangeas with the big puffy white flowers, but don't have any moist, shady areas in your garden? Well, the garden fairy is on your side- try planting the Oakleaf Hydrangea- it thrives in full sun to part shade, and is happy with moderate amounts of water.

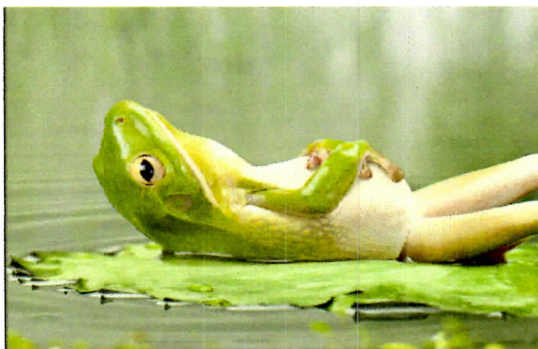
Hydrangea quercifolia - Oakleaf Hydrangea

This is a multi stemmed deciduous shrub, 5-6 ft tall and wide, with a fabulous cinnamon, peeling bark, which gives good winter interest. The leaves are large, oakleaf shaped (hence the name!), and the flowers are a large, pyramidal panicle, blooming from

mid Summer through the fall, starting out white, and fading to a pinkish beige. They dry well on the plant, so are great for dried flower arrangements. The real bonus though is in the leaves- they turn a vibrant shade of dark red in fall- they really light up the landscape!

Pruning- little pruning is needed, and only recommended after bloom is over- they bloom next year on old wood, so don't cut off all your chances for flowers next year!

This can be a specimen plant, a foundation planting, or used as a screen with a more open aspect. The cultivar 'Snow Queen' has a good, rounded shape, and if you need something smaller, there are dwarf cultivars too- 'PeeWee' and 'Munchkin' are a couple of them.



Install nesting boxes to provide owls with a secure location to set up home. Owls never make their own nests, they take over existing nests or find structures to move into. Most owls seek hollow cavities in trees to nest, but some, like the screech owl, are attracted to manufactured boxes. Place boxes in trees 10-12 feet from the ground on property perimeter where leavings will not be a problem.

Don't prune large branches from trees. Horizontal perches give owls a prime location on which to perch.

Put outdoor flood lights on timers. A well-lit yard does not appeal to these night-stalkers. Once you've gone to bed, turn out the lights so these pest controllers can get to work.

Provide bird baths. Like other birds, owls may be attracted by a large bird bath from which to drink and bathe.

Mow the lawn less often to give owls a more appealing hunting ground. Mice and other small rodents are likelier to traffic spans of grass left a little longer.



IHop the Ponder Frog

Ponders, Don't call me, Owl call you

Tips for attracting Owls to your Garden

The Pond Trading Post



The Pond Trading Post is a forum to trade or adopt plants, fish, amphibians, single socks or small children. Please email Sherry and Gil Avellar at trout42@hotmail.com with a short description of what you would like to adopt out or what you might be seeking for your pond.

Available for adoption: Red Eared Slider Turtle. Beautiful addition to any pond, loves pina coladas and getting caught in the rain, likes to listen to the Bee Gees.



Free to a good pond. Will deliver and provide some turtle food as an added bonus. Contact Sherry or Gil Avellar at trout42@hotmail.com.



Have a good fishy recipe? Submit it for our newsletter to trout42@hotmail.com

Snapper with Fennel, Onion and Tomato

Yield: Makes 4 servings

Ingredients

- Four 4-ounce fish snapper fillets (or other mild white fish)
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 small yellow onions, sliced with the grain
- 1 bulb fennel, cored and cut into very thin wedges
- 2 tomatoes, cut into small wedges
- 1 teaspoon herbes de Provence
- 1/2 cup white wine
- 1/2 cup chicken stock
- 1 lemon, juiced
- 4 small pats butter
- Lemon wedges, for squeezing

Preparation

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F.

Pat the fish dry and sprinkle with salt and pepper. In a large oven-safe saute pan, heat the olive oil over medium heat and cook the onions and fennel until tender and golden, 8 to 10 minutes. Add the tomatoes and herbes de Provence and cook until the tomatoes begin to soften, another 5 minutes. Increase the heat to high and deglaze the pan with the wine, chicken stock and lemon juice and let bubble for 1 minute.

Nestle the fish fillets into the pan, sprinkle with salt and pepper and top each with a pat of butter. Place into the oven and cook until the fish is cooked through, 8 to 10 minutes.

Broil just until a bit crusty, about 1 more minute. Squeeze lemon juice on the fish and serve.

Pairs well with a crisp Pinot Grigio and your favorite significant other. Tastes best when eaten by your favorite pond.

THIS YEAR'S POND TOUR SPONSORS

Please visit our merchants who have been so generous in sponsoring this pond tour. Without their help we would not be able to provide the quality tour books and and put on as great a tour as people in the community have come to appreciate. Keep this book for future reference. If you are planning on building a pond, the sponsors listed here will be glad to offer help and advice along with the best prices in town. The pond tour book is also a handy phone book to many of the pond suppliers in Utah, as well as an address guide of your future friends, should you join our club!

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Special thanks to our other club sponsors:

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Last but not least, thank-you to all of our members and pond tour homes. Without all of your help we would not be able to put on such nice tours.

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