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SPRING BUTTERFLY EXHIBIT RETURNS TO DESERT BOTANICAL GARDEN

WHAT: The Garden's popular Spring Butterfly Exhibit in the Marshall Butterfly Pavilion returns for its ninth year during the months of March, April and May. **The Spring Butterfly Exhibit is open March – May 9, 2010. Hours are 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily.** Visitors can expect to see hundreds of butterflies housed in a spacious 36-by-80-foot flight enclosed lush garden that recreates a habitat most appealing to these fragile fliers.

The exhibit highlights the beauty and diversity of North America's butterflies. Expect to see Giant Swallowtails, Great Southern Whites, Zebra Swallowtails, Queens, Julias, Painted Ladies and Malachites among others. Friendly Garden volunteers, or "flight crews" will be on hand to answer questions and share information about the butterflies and plants. There are special display areas featuring butterfly host plants and a Discovery Station where you have the chance to see our scaly-winged friends up close. The spring butterfly exhibit in the Marshall Butterfly Pavilion is presented by Wells Fargo with additional support from The Fred Maytag Family Foundation.

WHEN: **Butterflies: March 6 – May 9, 2010. Hours: 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily**

WHERE: Desert Botanical Garden
1201 North Galvin Parkway
Phoenix, AZ 85008

COST: **Marshall Butterfly Pavilion:** Pricing to view the exhibit is \$3.50 per person, with paid Garden admission for non-members 3 years and older. Children 2 and younger and Garden members may view the exhibit for free.

Admission rates: \$15 for adults, \$13.50 for seniors (60+), \$7.50 for students (13-18 years-of-age and college with proper ID), \$5 for children 3-12 years-of-age. Children 2 and younger and Garden members are admitted free.

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