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*Larry and Debby Leverett
welcome you to their home for the
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IKS General-Potluck Meeting.*

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March IKS News Letter "The Oval Pond":

The weather and the site turned out to be great for our February meeting at Edward-Dean Museum. I was concerned when I tried to (get hold of) call someone at the museum the day before and no one answered the phone. I called Patricia Hurley, who lives across the road from the museum; she went over and found the gate was locked and there were snow and ice on the parking lot. Thank goodness all the snow and ice melted away in the afternoon the day before our meeting!

Big to thank Patricia Hurley for donating two small pumps to Inland Koi Society. We will use the pumps for our rescue efforts and for crisis handling of members' fish.

Also a special thank-you goes to Spike Cover of Mission Viejo, a member of IKS and KCSD, for making the presentation to the meeting attendees.

I was thinking about the weather change this time of the year and our koi. We are coming out of winter and our fish are living in pond water that will be warming up in the next few months. The fish will become more active as the pond water temperature increases and their food requirements will change. Remember the following recommended feeding guidelines based on water temperature:

Less than 50°F - Do not feed

50 - 55°F - Low protein, high carbohydrate, laxative-type foods: wheat germ, cheerios, squash, lettuce and brown bread

55 - 59°F - Low protein (25%) pellets, and vegetables

60 - 65°F - Protein (35%) pellets, vegetables, and fruit

65 - 72°F - Bulk of diet protein (35%) pellets, fruits, vegetables, and plankton

72 - 80°F - Bulk of diet protein (40%) pellets with color enhancers, plankton, vegetables, fruits, and shrimp

Additional things to consider when the water temperature is less than 55°F: with 2 -3 year old koi, do not feed for 4-6 weeks; older koi, do not feed for 6-8 weeks or until the water warms up again. This allows the koi to reabsorb excess fat and also allows the koi to rest and develop stronger color purity.

I am looking forward to this month's meeting at the Leveretts' in Riverside and will be happy to see you there.

Dennis Lynaugh
Dennis Lynaugh, IKS President

*Editors Note: Meet **Dennis & Dorothy Lynaugh's Family:** Sunset Picture taken at Laguna Beach, CA March 5, 2011 Six sons and two daughters. Front: Kathleen and Karen Lynaugh Back: Kevin, Peter, Brian, Dennis Sr, Dorothy, Dennis Jr, Keith and Michael Lynaugh. Photo by 11 year old granddaughter.



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The Leverett's Koi Pond – A Daughter's Perspective –By Kim Crofoot, Guest Contributor



We didn't have many pets growing up. We didn't have a dog or a cat or even a hamster to call our own. We just weren't "pet" people. So when my parents, Larry and Debby Leverett, bought koi, we kids didn't think anything of it; after all, koi weren't pets. Or were they?

In my parent's case, Jock, Pearl, Blue, Raffle (named for obvious reasons), Cog (short for incognito), Kiki, and Centurion, to name but a few, became not only pets, but part of the family. These pampered koi are fed by hand and even swim en masse to the edge of the pond when they hear the patio door open. They literally will suck the food right off your hand. It is something the kids and grandkids love to do when visiting.

Most of you probably know my parents. They are longtime members of IKS, having joined in 1996 when the club had only 28 members. Larry is an Auto Technician and owns D&L Auto Repair in Corona, and Debby is a retired Hospital Lab Technician, having put in 21 years at Corona Regional Medical Center. They have four adult children and eleven grandchildren. Besides being longtime members, Larry and Debby have also been very active in IKS and AKCA: Larry was IKS President and Chairman of the Associated Koi Clubs of America for two two-year terms. Debby has been IKS newsletter editor since 2000, taking it from black-and-white to its present full-color state.

We kids thought they were crazy getting into koi; when they told us they were going to turn their never-used Jacuzzi into a pond, we thought they were certifiable. But they proceeded, converting the 400-gallon, fiberglass Jacuzzi into a below-ground koi pond with a small waterfall and natural rock border. Larry bought some koi and the pond was completed just in time for one of their daughters' bridal showers. About two years later they decided to join IKS and find out what they should have done!

That's when they discovered all the mistakes they had made. They've often remarked that they should have joined IKS *before* building the pond so they would have been able to use the vast knowledge of the club members. Even with mistakes, the pond was the focal point of the Leveretts' outside landscape. The soothing sound of the waterfall and the colorful koi attracted everyone to it as soon as they walked outside. This small but beautiful pond would last the Leveretts for 13 years until 2007.

In 2006 the Leveretts embarked on a housing renovation to extend the kitchen and family-room out into the backyard and add a computer room. This


necessitated excavating the old pond out of the ground to make room for the new addition. Family was called to help dig up the pond and move it out of the way until a new pond could be built, and I think Dad was more excited at the prospect of a new dream pond than at the idea of a bigger house.

The renovation took what seemed like forever; all the while I think my dad was dreaming about the pond. The addition was finally completed in February 2007, a couple months shy of its planned Christmas deadline. Ask my parents to tell you the story about them throwing Christmas dinner for 35 with no kitchen sink. It is an amusing story that involves a Christmas turkey and a bathtub. Ask. You won't be sorry.

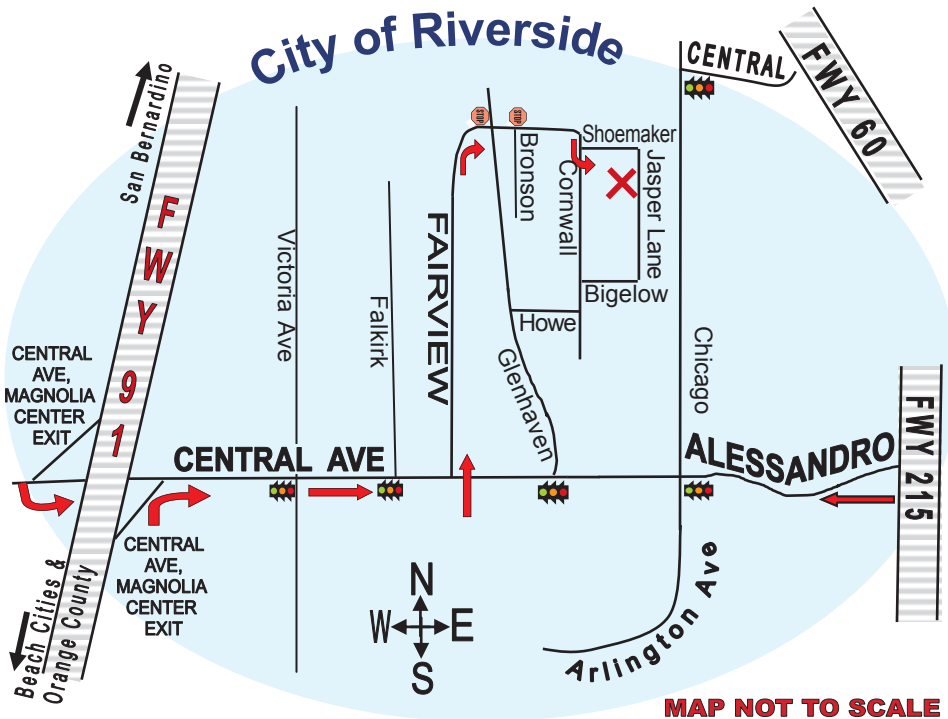
With construction finished, pond planning began. The folks wanted to be able to see their koi from indoors, so the pond is close, with views from the kitchen, dining room and computer room. Larry started digging in May while Debby was visiting a daughter in Texas, figuring once there was a hole in the ground, there would be no argument about where to place the pond. The pond was hand-dug with lots of help from family as well as IKS members. Larry used the AKCA book, *Pond Construction*, and followed it closely. He was not going to make the same mistakes with this new pond. The book was 100% accurate.

After digging the hole (which took a lot of time) it was time for the ½-ton of rebar, all of which was laid by Larry. Pouring the concrete was a big affair with family and IKS members watching and helping. Even the neighbors stopped by, wondering what was going on. Larry intended to get in there to help with the process, but ended up pacing along the sides...supervising.

The 4,000-gallon pond is state-of-the-art: two 4" bottom drains and a 3" skimmer gravity flow to a 36" vortex with a micro-strainer. Two ¼hp Wave I pumps draw water from the vortex, half to an EZR biological filter and half through an 80 watt UV to a BioReactor filter, all manufactured by W. Lim. The pond is constructed of cement and is 4' deep. Two waterfalls flow into the pond, a soothing sound that creates a relaxing atmosphere enjoyed both outside and inside the house.

We'll hope for another gorgeous day, so bring your chairs, your favorite dish for the potluck, and perhaps something for the raffle table. Think of a "question for the day," and make sure you have renewed your membership before the end of the month so you'll keep getting the newsletter. 

Larry and I will be waiting for you at our house. Hope to see you here!
Debby Leverett, IKS Editor



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- Exit off FWY 91 at Central Ave and go east.
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 - Right on Cornwall. Immediate left on Shoemaker. 5349 Jasper Lane is the second house on right
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- Exit off I-215 on Alessandro and head west.
 - Right on Fairview and continue as stated above.





◆ Spike & Ginger Cover have gotten two 6-month old Brittany Spaniel puppies with lots of energy. *Love it!*

◆ Theo & Jeannie celebrated their 46th Wedding Anniversary on February 26th. *Congratulations!*

◆ Erika Henry cut 17" off her hair and donated it to Locks of Love. *Wow!*

◆ Morris Nyquist is selling their beautiful house in Montana so he and Marie can live in this area full time. Marie can't always go with him because her job as vice principal is here. *Stressful.*

◆ Fran Krakower and Pat Mall missed February's meeting because of illness. *Well wishes!*

◆ Bob Henry and daughter, Erika are seriously thinking of taking the course in KHA or K.O.I. For certification. *Great!!*

◆ Members seen at the San Diego Koi Show: Steve & Lily Rhodes, Bob, Bonnie & Erika Henry, Tom Wright, Paul Atkiss, Wm Lim & Morine, Tom & Cindy Graham, Pam Spindola, Ben Plonski, Larry Leverett. *Wonderful!*

Dear Debby:

It was good to see everyone yesterday. I am hoping that I will be able to make more meetings this year. I am doing better with my fibromyalgia but still have to be vigilant about not overdoing things or being in the heat.



I told people yesterday who inquired about the new pond vacuum that I got it from Amazon.com. However I actually got it from e-Bay. It is called the Easy Pro Pond Monsta Pond Vacuum Cleaner and is a "buy-it-now" for \$299.88. Amazon has a pond vac listed called the Power Clean Cordless Vacuum, but that is not the one I demonstrated. If you could put this correction in the next newsletter, I would appreciate it.

Jack, do you know the name of the gentleman who tried out the vacuum before the meeting? I didn't get his name but I know he was interested in getting a vacuum. I would like to inform him directly of my error. (I buy too many things on line that I can't keep them straight!)

Thanks Debby,

Patricia Hurley, IKS Member

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IKS GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2011 CHERRY VALLEY

It was an absolutely gorgeous day for a drive to Cherry Valley on February 27, with a backdrop of snow-capped mountains and a 'big sky country' feel all the way. And to think the Edward-Dean Museum had to lock its gates the day before because of the ice encrusting the parking lot! Considering all the weather this country has seen over the last few months, Mother Nature has been very kind to the IKS.

We were a smaller than usual group at 43, explained by all the reports of illnesses. Hadn't seen Joyce and Harlan Glenn for a while, and Harlan had one arm in a sling after shoulder surgery early in the month. Our VP, Ed Kushner, was down with a severe ear infection, and Fran Krakower and Pat Mall were both sick, but sent their hubbies anyway. In fact, with the number of singles who showed up, I suspect there were several sick spouses. And then there's that dedicated duo, Theo and Jeanne Zoetemelk, who couldn't get further away to celebrate their 46th anniversary than our meeting! Still honeymooning after all these years, too, because they never went home after the ceremony; instead they left Holland for the USA that same day!

All that gossip! That's what the gathering time at meetings is all about—getting to know other people and hearing the little things about their lives. Being indoors we had regular tables and chairs again, and time to leisurely enjoy the buffet. Fried chicken in abundance, pork stew, salads and sides, and lots of desserts, including a delicious sugar-free "impossible" pumpkin pie. (Is someone going to share that recipe?)

First order of business after moving from the tables to 'audience seating' up front, was a series of announcements. Nick Milfeld spoke as chairman of the coming **Koi Auction & Used Equipment Sale**, scheduled for **Saturday, May 7** in Riverside. He explained the plan and asked for volunteers to sign up, then his committee will call to assign jobs.

President Dennis put out a **plea for members willing to host meetings this year**, emphasizing that we don't always have a crowd of 60 or 70, and we really are a congenial group willing to huddle in smaller yards as readily as we'll spread out in larger ones. We even bring our own chairs and our own food! Fourth Sunday... choose your month... call Dennis and make him happy! And, mark your calendars to **bring all your collected soda can pull-tabs to the April meeting**: it will be a week early, **on the 17th**, because Easter is on the 24th. We'll turn them all in on May 6, Ronald McDonald House's "Million Tabs Day" in Redlands.

Finally it was time to hear from our speaker, the *fish geek*, Spike Cover. Spike has been excessively into koi for the past 15 years and is one of our favorite expert. His dedication to koi led him to develop the Koi Health Advisor program for AKCA, a curriculum of mostly independent study culminating in KHA certification, which several of our IKS member have completed. Now Spike has taken training a step further: he set a goal of establishing web-based teaching and learning opportunities at the international level, then gathered current and former KHAs to accomplish it. To put current, accurate, useful information within the reach of anyone anywhere, they formed K.O.I., or *Koi Organisation International*, a free and fee resource available 24/7/365.

"Koi 101" is a 45-page primer of solid basic information downloadable in several formats by anyone who registers free online. To jump from the elementary to three higher levels of koi education, fees are required—they keep the site funded—along with a more serious investment of time.

The designers aren't embarrassed to acknowledge that the free info is "bait": any good education is going to cost something, and the courses online become a reference/resource library with free e-books and self-paced study. The novice koi-keeper may be satisfied with the free basics; a KHA can become cross-certified by taking a \$100, three-

course package, and non-KHAs can complete a nine-course program package for \$205 to become a Certified Koi Keeper, or go on to reach Master level or Koi Specialist. Tom Ross noted that he paid \$90 for a KHA course by Professor Richard Strange (on campus it would have cost him \$180), and it was worth every cent; Prof Strange is one of the K.O.I. instructors.

If you missed Spike's presentation, you can visit the K.O.I. website to research the program. Spike did suggest you earmark it or put it in your "favorites" so you don't have to type out the site address every time! Just visit www.KoiOrganisationInternational.org, download "Koi 101," and see what you think.

After a Q&A period with Spike, we hoped to have some pond queries for "Question of the Day," but everyone must have the pond under control this month.

We closed up the meeting indoors with the Raffle, called by Mary Leever and Orville Hanson, and then everyone moved outside for a demonstration of a new pump for vacuuming the museum's pond.

IKS has had a longstanding relationship with Edward-Dean Museum, acting as a resource and often as free labor to maintain their pond. Member Patricia Hurley, who lives near the museum, has adopted the pond as a pet project, working alone and with the maintenance crew to clean all the debris and mulm out of the pond and keep it 'sparkling.' It was very clean, evidence of her weekly dedication; she is trying to train the crew to maintain the pond properly over the long term. Thank you, Patricia! Beautiful job, well done.

And as the day cooled into evening, we all headed down the hill, refreshed for a new week. See you next month...

~Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Milfeld, IKS Secretary



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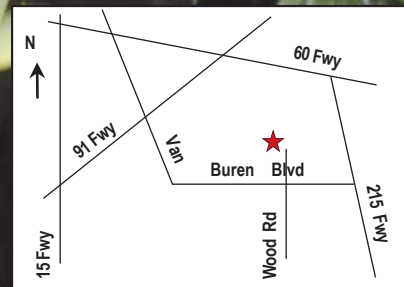
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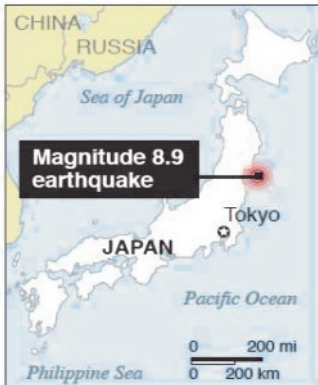
Sendai, Japan, Riverside's Sister City, is Ravaged

A powerful tsunami spawned by the largest earthquake in Japan's recorded history slammed its eastern coast on March 11, 2011.



Tsunami damage

An earthquake slammed Japan's eastern coast Friday, unleashing a tsunami that swept up buildings, cars and debris miles inland.



SOURCE: ESRI

TOKYO -- For more than two terrifying and seemingly endless minutes Friday afternoon, the most powerful earthquake ever recorded in Japan shook apart homes and buildings, cracked open highways, and unnerved even those who have learned to live with swaying skyscrapers. Then came a devastating tsunami that slammed into northeastern Japan and killed hundreds of people. Violent walls of water swept away houses, cars and ships. Fires burned out of control. Partial melt-downs were feared at two nuclear power plants, including one near the city of Sendai. A boat was caught in the vortex of a whirlpool at sea.

The death toll rose steadily throughout the day, but the true extent of the disaster was not known because roads to the worst-hit areas were washed away or blocked by debris, and airports were closed. After dawn Saturday, the scale of destruction became clearer. Meanwhile, the tsunami waves continued to pound the coast and aftershocks persisted. Japan's Meteorological Agency upgraded the quake from 8.8 to a 9.0 magnitude.

The massive earthquake and tsunami that struck Japan are reverberating in Riverside, which has long been a sister city with Sendai, the city hardest hit by the disaster. Police in the region said 200 to 300 bodies were found initially in the northeastern coastal city, which was closest to the epicenter. Television images showed waves of muddy waters flowing over farmland, carrying buildings.

Riverside and Sendai officially became sister cities in 1957, just months after President Eisenhower founded People to People International, a nonprofit organization to build community relationships between cities in the U.S. and in other countries. Local officials say the two cities' bond is one of the oldest such relationships in the U.S. and possibly in the world. In 2007, Riverside sent Sendai one of its giant sculpted oranges. A number of Inland cities have sister cities in Japan, including San Bernardino (Tachikawa) and Temecula (Daisen).



Riverside officials and residents are still figuring out how best to help in Sendai, and they expect to have firmer plans next week. The city offered to deploy its Urban Search and Rescue Team to help with rescue and recovery efforts, and a group of volunteers and officials will meet at Riverside City Hall on Monday to discuss what more they can do.

The situation right now in Sendai is dire: the power is off everywhere, people are without water. "You really can't get any access to anyone there at all," reported Ross Fisher, a pediatrician at Loma Linda University Medical Center who visited Sendai in 2005 and 2006 with other Inland residents to run in the Japanese city's annual half-marathon. His wife, Kaori, is from Minamisoma, a nearby coastal city, and has relatives in the area; she contacted her sister and brother-in-law to learn they were safe, but had not reached her father. Fisher said he thinks Kaori's father was evacuated because he lived near one of the damaged nuclear plants.

The Koi community cannot but wonder what effect this quake had on the koi breeders of Japan, so hard hit by quakes in 2004. A report seen from Andy Moo on Saturday, March 12—7 am Japan time—noted "a new epicenter hit in Niigata; all ok there [6.5] The first quake 8.9 splashed a lot of water out of Isa's holding tanks." Mark Gardner confirmed with, "No confusion; it was 6.6." From Niigata-Nishikigoi.com [http://www.niigata-nishikigoi.com]. We have this report, posted by Mark Gardner on March 11, about 7 pm, before the aftershocks and new quake hit his area:



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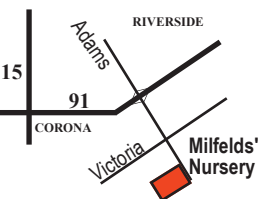


Despite being a significant distance away from the earthquake's epicenter, you can see below that we were very much aware of it. I have to say it was one of the strangest and eeriest experiences of my life. Of course, you've no idea what is happening elsewhere, or whether this is just the start of something more sinister locally.

After this we went into the family home as events evolved. May of the later pictures filmed from TV will no doubt have already been seen by many around the world by now. I have to say, some of the pictures I've seen on BBC [http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-12307698] are worse than those that have been broadcast in Japan, particularly with respect to the tsunami.

A sad day in Japan, the full facts and scale of the disaster I fear will become much worse over the coming days...

A seven-minute video of rocking koi tanks and the first broadcasts to his area accompany Mark's report. Log-on to view. We will continue to seek word of new developments in the koi-breeding area, and to pray for and with the people of Japan.



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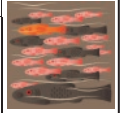
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 at the Atrium Hotel in Irvine, CA

Hosted by the Associated Koi Clubs of America

Rooms will be \$89.00 if reserved with the code "AKCA." Call for reservations, (800) 854-3012. The Atrium Hotel @ Orange County Airport, 18700 MacArthur Boulevard, Irvine, CA 92612
<http://www.atriumhotel.com>

THEME: "Back to our Roots"

ATTIRE: California Casual (Aloha/koi shirts, shorts & sandals)

DISPLAYS: Show tanks will be set up on Saturday in the area of the swimming pool, cabanas & pool-side bar, with display koi, courtesy of local dealers, to provide focal points for informal discussion groups and or judging contests.

SCHEDULE: *Cocktail Reception* (Sunset Lounge): 5:30 PM Saturday

~ *Seated Dinner* (Palmira Room): 6:30 PM Saturday

~ *Business Meeting* (Palmira Room): 7:30 PM Saturday

~ *Seating and a no-host bar will be provided for those wishing to attend the meeting only.*

BANQUET: \$40 per person. Tickets will be available online from the AKCA Bookstore. Seating will be at round tables for eight.

For a list of the menu choices and more information or specific plans, see the website www.akca.org

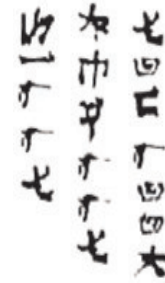
Registration and payment must be received by June 11, 2011. No banquet tickets will be available at the door.



Hawaii Ink

Bride and groom tattoo artists requested this stylized koi-and-wave tattoo cake for their 70-person wedding. Cakelava's Rick Reichart designed the Kona Toffee Crunch-flavored cake in white, black and gray to mimic ink colors of the profession shared the couple.

Ancient Japanese Proverb



If you cannot understand Japanese, tilt your head to the right.

Who provides the funding to support Ronald McDonald Houses?

The vast majority of funding needed to operate a Ronald McDonald House is provided by residents of the communities served by the House: individuals, corporations, foundations, and civic groups, to name a few. Each House raises funds in a variety of ways, including special events, grant requests, direct mail, planned giving, and pull-tab programs.

Look what our club did for the seriously ill children and their families at the Ronald McDonald House in 2008! We've still been saving tabs from our soda cans, and it is time to turn them in again. Let's try to beat the number of pull-tabs the Inland Koi Society turned in three years ago.

Bring your collected tabs to the next two meetings and give them to

Peggy Milfeld or Debby Leverett to turn in at the May 6 "Collect-A-Million" event. It is a small but worthy community cause supported by the Inland Koi Society.



"The House that Love Built"

March 2008



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

What's Happening. . .

Q & A Time:

Members:

When you check in at meetings this year, look for "Question of the Day" forms at the registration table and write down any pond- or club-related question(s) you have. We will set aside time during the meeting to answer any questions that are submitted. We found that written questions were a practical format at one of our Panel Discussion programs last year, and several Board Members have noted that conversations over lunch frequently focus on issues one member asks another about; the questions are often common to several people, and the answers would be profitable to all. Spending a few minutes answering current queries should be an interesting addition to the agenda.



2011

Coming Events



MARCH



- 13 **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS** ~ Turn clocks ahead one hour, ideally at bedtime on Saturday, the night before. ~**SPRING AHEAD**~
- 16 **KOI AUCTION MEETING** ~ 7 pm / Nick Milfeld's house - 1644 Northhampton Dr.- Riverside, 92506 (951) 780-7395 - Guidelines and Committee discussions. Nick Milfeld (951) 780-7395
- 17 **HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY**
- 19 **ZNA SO CAL CHAPTER KOI SHOW** ~ Gardena Civic Center. 9am-3pm 1700 West 162nd Street, Gardena, CA 90247 / Don Kobashigawa at (818) 207-3238 www.znasocal.org
- 20
- 26 **JAPAN FAMILY DAY** ~ The spring matsuri (traditional-style festival) features tea ceremonies, flower arranging, calligraphy, origami, drumming, music, dancing, food, martial arts, kids' activities, and Japan tourism information. *Santa Anita Park, Arcadia. 1-805-449-8726.*
- 27 **IKS GENERAL MEETING AND POTLUCK** ~ Hosts will be Larry & Debby Leverett in Riverside. Info: Dennis Lynaugh (951)780-0123
- 30 **IKS BUSINESS MEETING** ~ 7 pm / *All members of IKS welcome!* — 6531 Box Springs Blvd, Riverside / Dennis Lynaugh (951) 780-0123.

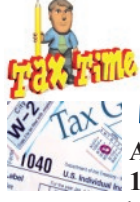
37th Annual
Open Koi Show
March 19-20, 2011

Open to the Public
No Admission fee
Gardena Civic Center
Complex
Saturday 9 AM to 5 PM
Sunday 9 AM to 3 PM



THE FLOWER FIELDS

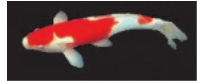
March 1–May 8 ~ For more than 60 years, spring has given rise to rainbow carpets of ranunculus on the coastal hillsides of Carlsbad. While Ranunculus might sound like a spell cast by Harry Potter, it's actually a brilliantly colored flower that looks like it's made of crepe paper. The vibrant floral ranch offers tours, as well as special events, such as Kids' Day and the Arts & Crafts Fair. Bring your camera for stunning family pictures.
The Flower Fields at Carlsbad Ranch, Carlsbad. (760)431-0352



Oh No!

April 15th.

Taxes are due. Go hug your Kohaku!



2011 Cherry Blossom Festival
Southern California
 Little Tokyo district of Downtown Los Angeles
 April 2nd and 3rd, 2011
 (RAIN OR SHINE EVENT)




Riverside Flower Show
 & Garden Tours



FLORAL JUBILEE

Sat April 9 2011
 Gardens 10a - 4p
 Show 1p - 6p
 Sun April 10
 Gardens & Show
 10a - 4p

Elks Lodge
 6166 Brockton Avenue, Riverside
 and 6 private gardens
 951-643-8890
grow@riversideflowershow.org



APRIL

- 01 **APRIL FOOL'S DAY** is a "for-fun-only" observance. Nobody is expected to buy gifts or to take their "significant other" out to eat in a fancy restaurant. Nobody gets off work or school. It's simply a fun little holiday, but a holiday on which one must remain forever vigilant, for he may be the next April Fool!

- 02-03 **CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL** ~Little Tokyo in LA, CA cherryblossomfestivalsocal.org
- 08 **AKCA BOARD MEETING** ~ 6 pm / 529 W. Blue-ridge Ave., Orange, CA 92865 / Call Larry Leverett at (915) 781-3887 for more information
- 09-10 **RIVERSIDE FLOWER SHOW AND GARDEN TOUR** ~ Show and tour of six private gardens. Elks Lodge, 6166 Brockton Ave., Riverside / Apr. 9, 10am-6pm / Apr. 10, 10am-4pm. Info: (951) 643-8890
- 13 **KOI AUCTION MEETING** ~ 7 pm / Nick Milfeld's house - 1644 Northhampton Dr.- Riverside, 92506 (951) 780-7395 - Volunteers Needed! Come for planning and information.
- 17 **IKS GENERAL MEETING AND POTLUCK** ~ Location: Pending / Info: D. Lynaugh (951) 780-0123
- 20 **IKS BUSINESS MEETING** ~ 7 pm / *All members of IKS welcome!* — 6531 Box Springs Blvd, Riverside / Dennis Lynaugh (951) 780-0123.
- 22 **EARTH DAY** ~ Did you know that half of the oxygen in the air is produced by plants in the sea, and that oceans absorb about one-third of human-caused carbon dioxide emissions?
- 24 **EASTER** ~




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Did you send in your renewal membership to the Inland Koi Society? This is your **LAST** club newsletter if you did not! You'll miss the acquaintances, opportunities, sharing, trips, learning, tips, chance to see other ponds/koi and more. We will miss you!



**THIS WILL BE YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER
IF YOU HAVEN'T SENT IN YOUR RENEWAL!**



This was the IKS elected Koi of the Year 2010. It is a 4 year old Toncho Showa owned by Jerry and Pat Mall. As ponds warm and fish get active, practice taking pictures of your koi for the AKCA May 2011 Koi of the Year. Then bring your picture to the IKS General Meeting!



Portion of the Leverett's back yard...

March 7, 2011

Visit our website: www.inlandkoisociety.org