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Koi Chatter

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Newsletter Editor's Message:

Short and to the point:

CHRISTMAS PARTY And AUCTION

December 8th. 2:00PM

Richard and Ardis Black
19410 Nehoc Lane
Humble 77346

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Wonderful ponds, fabulous fish, all in a vast parklike setting right on the water. A must see for anyone.

Best To All

Paul Moss

Message From The President: Melanie Nau

Hello a-fish-a-nados,

It is hard to believe that 2013 is almost over. Yet when I look back on our year together, I know we have been very busy koi keepers.

To review our Manvel Fall Harvest, Again, I want to thank all of you who made the day a huge success in spite of the threatening weather. Those of you who scored big time by bringing home beautiful koi from Dr. Nam's pond, please consider bringing a photo of your Manvel koi to our Christmas party. That includes you, Bruce Hill. And the rest of you who adopted a kohaku tosai, we want to hear how they are faring. The event's camaraderie couldn't have been better. One of our newest members, Lindsey Rodriguez, and volunteer, Stephanie Osborne, grilled most of the smoked sausage we enjoyed over the fire pit as others gathered round to comment on each other's bagged koi.

Tom Garrison's October hosting was as delightful as ever, what with the catered delicacies. The oohs and aahs included his pump/filter room and pond cam, of which I witnessed more than one of you taking notes and photos.

Speaking of. . .Kathryn Cheung snapped a few shots of Tom's wonderful art collection. We hope to see both Tom and y'all's photos at our holiday party. Of a serious note, Vince told of how he administered shots to treat one of his fish. And we learned of a new med for anaerobic bacteria similar to azactam.

The Purdin weekend was terrific. We all enjoyed Morels Hotel and their upscale restaurant on the water in New Roads. The town seemed like a resort, but with authentic historic venues and shops. Scott Purdin remarked that this

harvest was one of his best, and many thought their shows were awesome. You LSKC people that came home with fish might consider hosting a meeting in 2014 so we too can see what all the excitement is about. We would love to post your photos on our club's site. Hint hint.

Two reminders for Ardie and Richard Black's **December 8th party (2 pm.)** They will have smoked turkey and ham, and the club will provide wine and beer. Members should bring side dishes. Don't forget that this is also our annual auction to offset our club's expenses. So bring pond and lifestyle stuff that folks will bid on. Last year I came home with a club jacket, Japanese koi photo book, and a nifty kitchen radio.

We won't have another regular meeting until February; however, officers and interested parties will be meeting in January to plan events for 2014. Topics will include the May pond tour, June AKCA health lab, and website content.

Please feel free to contribute. Also, the member contact list has been updated and is ready to send out to members. If you have any last minute additions, please let me know ASAP. Paul Moss has been named 1st VP for 2014. Let's all thank Don Bayer for his years of service to our club.

Happy Thanksgiving,
Melanie Nau

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Month	Date	Host	Speaker/Topic
January	20th	Bush	January 1st
February	17 th	Sartorius	Gadgets and tools used to manage your pond.
March	17 th	Nau/Green	Pond transition from Winter to Spring.
April	21 st	Wall	Feeding your koi.
May	4 th & 5 th	Pond Tour	POND TOUR – NO MEETING
June	16 th	Bush	Cautionary “Tails”
July	21 st	Joiner	Oxygenation
August	18 th	Cook	To be announced.
September	15 th	Peragrin	Nomination of Officers.
October	20 th	Garrison	Winter Preparation Discussion
November			Combined with early December meeting.
December	8 th	Black	Christmas Party & Auction

Please stop by the Welcome Table at each meeting, check in and pick up a nametag if you don't have one so new members can get to know you.

LKSC Membership News

If you have anyone contact you about koi needing homes or homes needing koi, please contact Paul Moss, paulbkm@gmail.com.

Thanks to our rescue partners.

Invitations & News from Other Koi and Pond Clubs, Associations or Societies

From our good friend Ray Jordan and the Texas Koi And Fancy Goldfish Society

<http://texaskoi.org/>

Rather than cut and paste snippets to intersperse in our newsletter, I have chosen to link their website as there is much useful information including details of their upcoming show in the fall.

Comments And Observations

Here is a wonderful tool from the Koi and Water Garden Society of New York that I mentioned at a recent meeting during my talk regarding the use of potassium permanganate. It is a calculator used to figure the exact amount of salt, sodium thiosulfate etc. plus weight based on length and other applications. The caveat is that you must know your exact pond volume in order not to overdose or underdose. Just click on the link as save to your favorites. It really is a useful 'thing' just to have around as you'll never know when you'll need it.

<http://www.cnykoi.com/calculators/calcpp.asp>

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- April: Kodama Koi Food Grow-Out Contest (NJ)
- May 4-5: Koi and Pond Party (Season-Opening Event) (NJ)
- July: Anniversary Event (NJ)
- August: Kodama Koi Academy (NJ)
- Oct 11-28: Niigata Tour
- Nov: Harvest Event (NJ)



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