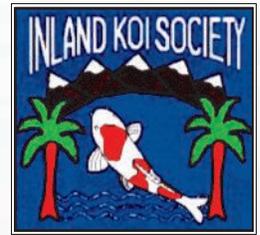


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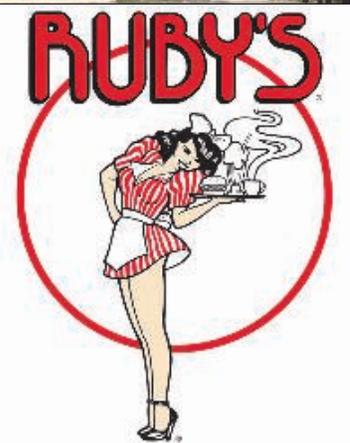
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Annual Club Field Trip
Saturday, October 27
8:00 am - 6:00 pm
Reservations Required
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and Call Today!



In 1953, the Sisters of Precious Blood created a Koi Pond next to the chapel. Their goal was twofold: to celebrate St. Francis' love of creation, and to create a quiet place where folks could come to pray and reflect on God's goodness and the beauty of nature. Over 50 years later, the Koi pond continues to thrive, thanks to generous donations of time, talent and treasure from our parish family. Two of the Koi are survivors from the era of the Sisters -- brown "Perry Mason" is 55 years old. His friend, "Goldie", is about 45 years of age. Most of the Koi have been donated to the pond by Koi Keepers sharing their treasures with us. In October of 2010, 6 new koi were introduced to the pond as a result of donations. The students of Old Mission Montessori and the parishioners of MSLPR are looking forward to watching them grow.





Fifty-five members attended our September meeting hosted by Rey and Joy Quirong at their home in Moreno Valley. It was a warm day and the meeting was made more enjoyable with an Hawaiian theme, including leis and the Hawaiian foods furnished by the hosts and many of the members.

I offer my thanks to Spike Cover for the valuable information about "Quarantine" that he provided for our members. It is such an important part of koi keeping that we need reminders from time to time of how to do it right.

I want to remind members that the final day to sign up for the October 27 bus trip is Friday, October 12. The value of the bus trip is almost 300% percent of the \$15.00 cost.

Here are some new thoughts on what real food requirements are for your koi:

How much koi food should I feed my fish?

The answer to this one isn't an exact science as it depends upon several factors. One thing is for sure, though: there is a 99% chance you are overfeeding.

Unless you are specifically breeding koi or preparing them for competition, then feeding them every four to five days is adequate. They won't starve due to their digestive systems being different from the human system.

It takes approximately four days for fish food to work through the digestive tract. If you are a fisherman, you understand this; it explains why you can go days before the wild fish will finally start biting.

This, in addition to their foraging behavior, will keep up their strength. In fact, feeding the koi once a week won't do them harm. It will, however, spoil the fun of watching these beautiful creatures feed.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you on the bus trip, which I guarantee will be entertaining and lots of fun.

Dennis Lynaugh

Dennis Lynaugh - IKS President

ELECTIONS ~ AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING

While there's not much politics in our club, November still brings with it the election process. It's a privilege to help direct the club, and anyone may volunteer. The nominating committee is searching for members who would like to get a little more involved at the Board level. Directors serve staggered two-year terms; Secretary, Treasurer and Editor also serve for two years, while the President and VP have one-year terms. Seriously consider saying YES if you are approached, or let Mac or Nick know of your interest.

We are especially in need of a Newsletter Editor; if you have some computer skills, feel creative, and would like to give it a try, call Debby and ask what her job entails. You can continue her format or start from scratch, but after so many years, she needs a break. If you like writing and taking notes, consider Secretary; Director is a good way to get your feet wet. Members are always welcome at Board meetings; come and get to know us.

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Our annual Field Trip — for members only — has been scheduled for Saturday, October 27. We will be visiting two koi ponds and have lunch in between. The field trip is a chance to kick back and relax, forget our chairs, potluck dishes, and all the paraphernalia a meeting requires, and let someone else do it all for us. While we have visited each of these sites before, the trip will not be simply a repeat....

As in years past, we will meet the bus in Jack Marrin's parking lot and have a light continental breakfast. Do note: we will not serve coffee as so few have taken it in the past, but you are welcome to bring your own favorite brew. Also, Jack will be out of town, so we may not be able to get inside to use the restrooms before we leave; the coach does have a john on board.

Our first stop will be **Mission San Luis Rey** in Oceanside to see their koi pond. Since our visit in August 2009, Pete Miles, who has maintained the mission pond for years, has overseen the redesign and rebuilding of the koi pond and is anxious to share it with us. We will have time to explore the grounds of the last and largest mission in the south, the one which became the richest, the "King of the Missions."

Our lunch stop will be at **Ruby's Diner** at the end of the Oceanside Pier, the longest wooden pier on the California coast. At 1,954 feet, it will be over a quarter-mile walk to the end, time to work up an appetite! Ruby's is a 40's-style diner that makes a mean burger and a pretty stellar shake to go with it. Lunch will be a choice from eight items and includes a fountain drink, a small sundae, the tax and tip for your \$15. (Our price will be \$16.53 each, so you're getting a deal — and the bus for free!) If you want one of their famous shakes, they are \$5.38 with tax, and you might want to order it downstairs; they want us to pay upstairs, all on one check, for the set price, and don't want to play with milkshakes. When we came here the last time, we stayed on the beach for a couple of hours after lunch to watch the World Bodysurfing Competition, to wander the strand, and Mark Krakower had time to do some practice swims for a competition the next week. (*Did you know he competes in surf-swimming?!*)

In the afternoon we will head for Escondido to visit Meadowbrook Village and an enormous koi pond wrapped around a full-scale traditional Dutch windmill. We added this to our outing in 2010, at the end of the KCSD Pond Tour. The windmill and pond weren't finished yet, but we were able to visit the "pump room" underneath the pond and be amazed at the size of it all. Meadowbrook, a Christian retirement and assisted-living facility, is owned by a Dutch friend of Theo Zoetemelk, who has arranged this part of the trip for us. Now the pond is finished, filled (100,000 gallons?!) and stocked, and we'll get a personal tour of the facility.

The coach seats only 49; so far we have 35 people signed up and most have paid. So, if you want to ride with us, we need to know by October 12. RSVP to the Milfelds at milfeld@msn.com or 951-780-7395; payment may be made the day of, with checks payable to IKS. Members may also drive on their own, but they will still be asked to pay the \$15 per person to cover their lunch. (Let us know if you need maps.)

The Field Trip is always a fun day of camaraderie and nonsense, so sign up *asap* to join us.

SET MENU: Choice of one entrée, beverage and dessert

1. Ruby burger with cheese or no cheese, w/fries
2. Ruby Club Sandwich w/fries
3. Albacore Tuna Melt w/fries
4. Double Deluxe Cheese burger w/fries
5. BBQ Ranch Chicken Salad



6. Chicken Finger Salad
7. Skinny Lunch w/choice of beef, turkey or veggie patty
8. Deluxe B.L.T.A w/fries

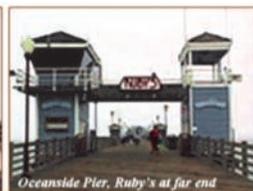
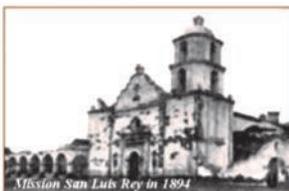
This includes refillable fries, a soda, coffee, iced or hot tea, and a small sundae (chocolate, strawberry or hot fudge), but excludes flavored sodas, juices, milk, milkshakes, strawberry lemonade, hot chocolate, beer and wine.

Here is a tentative schedule for our Bus Outing. All times are approximate. Start at Scott-Marrin Business to catch the bus...	
Scott-Marrin Inc. 6531 Box Springs Blvd. Riverside 92507	8:00 am - Continental Breakfast 9:00 am - Depart for Mission
Mission San Luis Rey 4050 Mission Ave. Oceanside 92057 (760-757-3651)	10:30 am - Arrive at Mission 12:10 pm - Depart for Ruby's
Ruby's Diner / 1 Oceanside Pier / Oceanside 92054 (760-433-7829)	12:30 to 2:00 pm
Meadowbrook Village 2155 N Broadway Escondido 92026 (760) 746-2500	2:45 pm - Arrive at Windmill. 5:00 pm - Depart Escondido
Scott-Marrin Inc.	Return to Riverside by 7:00 pm
The charge is \$15 per person. RSVP by October 12 with payment or, if necessary, pay as you board the bus. Peggy will report the reservation count to Ruby's on October 13.	

Directions to Scott-Marrin: From the 215 Freeway, exit on Eastridge/Eucalyptus off ramp and head West on Eastridge Ave. Go to first stop sign (Box Springs Blvd) and turn right (north) to second building on the left.

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Quite a party we had at **Rey & Joy Quirong's** home in Moreno Valley last month, and I don't think many members realized that it was a subtle, day-before-the-day celebration of their 35th anniversary. Congratulations! The festive theme, island dress and foods, Hawaiian background music, and leis for all, made this a great end-of-summer meeting! But we didn't want for serious content: **Spike Cover** came up from Mission Viejo to teach us the fine points of quarantining. Speaking of anniversaries, would you believe **Spike and his bride Ginger** will celebrate a golden 50 in January?! Thirty-five or fifty, so many years together is an amazing accomplishment that took commitment, patience and understanding to reach!

Usually we take a lot of time to chat before lunch, but with a 3 pm start, lunch began by 3:15. Extra thanks go to **Mariano & Cathy Palpalatoc** for helping Rey & Joy with the set up; it was nice to have the tables for dining, and they came in handy for the half-dozen laptops that were employed later for a PowerPoint presentation. Rey has done so much in his yard, adding extra counter space and lots more shade. The big screen would have worked well this time, unlike in August when we discovered that our white E-Z Ups provide shade relief from the sun, but don't give the dark shade needed by a projector. But we gathered around the tables and, with **Orville Hanson's** tech support and Spike being prepared with CDs of his presentation, all could be on the same page at the same time.

Announcements and introductions followed with Dennis reminding us that there are still seats available for the October 27 Field Trip and that the openings on the Board of Directors will be on the ballot in November. Some of our newer members were introduced: this was the first meeting attended by **Elizabeth Prince** and **Randall Grommet** of Riverside, and **Michael & Diana Neuendorff** of Redlands, and Rey spoke briefly about working at the Neuendorffs' during the Pond Tour as he welcomed all of them to the club.

Reviewing purposes and principles of quarantine was then addressed by one of our favorite speakers, **Spike Cover**. Looking at the process as part of biosecurity was a new take on an often-ignored step in koi keeping, but it is, in truth, a plan to keep disease out of your pond and protect your fish. Spike has a dry sense of humor made evident in his cartoon illustrations and subtle insertions of absurdity, which kept a heavy topic lighthearted. To set the stage for discussion, he pictured the common trip to the koi store to get food, coming home with a stunning new fish, dumping it directly into the pond, and a week later watching a catastrophe wipe out the pond.... What happened? Why?

Appropriate for all new introductions, quarantine means *forced isolation*. At a zoo, putting a new arrival into an already occupied enclosure is grounds for dismissal. Around the pond, we must be our own police to protect our koi. Our first line of defense is choosing a reputable dealer (there used to be a *Best Health Practices* certification program for dealers, but in recent years it has fallen by the wayside), but even their isolation should be followed by an at-home quarantine, for no dealer's system is under your control; yours will be. . Again we ask, "Why?"

New fish can bring in the Ugliers," which Spike defines as parasites, bacterial and viral infections, and water fungi or molds. While we accept that a dealer's quarantine was successful for his fish, it didn't involve our fish, so the lack of Ugliers in his tank simply says his new koi didn't show signs or symptoms of infection or disease. Once his "clean" fish are introduced to our koi population, there is no guarantee that our fish won't react and catch something. Most ponds are in equilibrium, coexisting peacefully — *immunely* — with the ever-present "established" bacteria, much as we live more-or-less with an immunity to a spouse. Sudden exposure to foreign parasites or bacteria is sure to cause an outbreak. We had a good look at many of the culprits:

Fish lice: as large as a pencil eraser and moving around on the fish.

Anchor worm: long enough to be seen with the naked eye, like a twig hanging off the fish; the forked end of a female holds egg sacs.

Costia: microscopic, external parasite; easily eradicated if spotted early.

Flukes: like microscopic inchworms; easy to diagnose, harder to treat. One of most common and dangerous parasites, carry *Aeromonas* and *Pseudomonas* bacteria, which cause incurable ulcers. Gill flukes eat away healthy gills until

fish cannot breathe; Skin flukes 'hook' onto rear of koi body, live on mucus, skin and blood, but can survive up to five days without host. Flukes reproduce asexually, producing up to 12-20 eggs an hour.

Trichodina: live on skin, gills; damage tissue with rotating denticular (toothed) ring; affected fish produce excessive mucus, develop a grey film over the skin.

Water fungus: infection affects damaged tissue; rarely will the fish survive (If it does, it's usually one you don't care about!)

Viral infections: like parasites, these don't replicate by themselves; they have to put their DNA into fish cells. This includes KHV, a whole discussion of which could take a full page another time....

Taking action with a knowledgeable plan in mind is vital to success. Read up on the process and be prepared long before you actually need the quarantine tank (QT). [*We keep the QT filter pads in our pond's biological filter tank; when the QT is needed, the pads are biologically ready to go back into the QT filter. After use, they are sanitized and put back in the pond filter.*] Have equipment, test kits, chemicals and treatments on hand. Your quarantine should be a closed system: all fish that go into the tank will come out together, and the whole system should be sanitized before it is used again. While you start with some of your pond water, the QT is totally separate from the pond so there is no cross contamination. Maintain separate dedicated and sanitized equipment (or clean well after each use), a separate filtration system, physical barriers or distance to provide 'splash protection', and then restrict access to carefully washed hands — yours! As for disinfecting, you can use bleach, but it is hard on nets; Virkon is a high-end product used commercially and comes in handy single-use packets; Benzalkonium Chloride (BC) is used in koi show tanks at 200ppm (fill tank with water first, then add 1.5 ml per gallon of 50% BC to yield the 200ppm). You don't need to rinse with BC; its effectiveness is a function of concentration and time, so you can dip and drip dry.

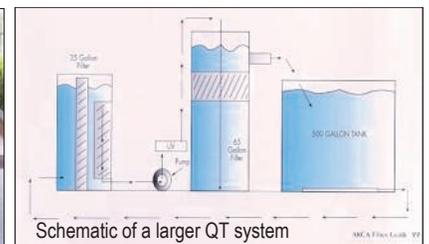
In the QT there must also be a *control*, an "SPF" or *specific pathogen-free* koi from your pond, a *sacrificial punk fish*, if you will; this is not to be a goldfish because they don't get KHV! If there is going to be an infestation of one of the Ugliers from the new koi, the SPF will get it. Almost biblical...you sacrifice one to save all the rest! Adding a heating system to your QT allows you to raise the water temp to 70 - 80°F for two to four weeks, purposely creating an environment where bacteria, parasites, fungi and even viruses can or will break out. Spring Viremia of Carp (SVC), in contrast, appears in colder water, from 40 - 65°F, and is a disease reportable to the government; but when they hear of it, they'll destroy all your fish, drain the pond and disinfect it.

Numerous illustrations of small QT designs were shown for use at home, ranging in size from a small 55-gallon trash can, used singly or in multiples (and remember, separate filtration), to slightly larger systems using rigid- or soft-sided 500-gallon show tanks, to the impressive above-ground QT pond built by Burt Ballou, with PVC-framed netting over it. Any system should be able to be covered. The last recommendation was to buy and learn to use a microscope for more accurate diagnoses before any treatment is begun. You can see most common parasites under the lens and even differentiate some bacteria. To confirm effectiveness after treatment, re-scrape and re-scope; if necessary, retreat and check again. Also, get to know your local Koi Health Advisor (KHA) or Certified Koi Keeper (CKK), and a fish vet if possible. Too much? The bottom line is, "**A bad quarantine is worse than none at all.**"

Every meeting ends with a raffle, but this month there was also an auction of a donated 150-gallon quarantine system, for which Aiko Howo was the high bidder. When she's ready, Guys, she may need help getting it set up!



Burt Ballou's quarantine pond



Schematic of a larger QT system

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We ask ourselves, "Why are we here?" The answer is simple: we are all koi kichies (crazies) who love koi, promote the hobby, share the joy of koi and make friends of those who share the common goals of Nishikigoi keeping.

We never imagined that koi can be so addictive, which helps to keep us all humble. We watch them day in and day out, feed and care for them, clean and maintain their "homes."

All this joy brings us together, regardless of what size pond one has or what quality koi we keep. We are all bonded together as koi kichies.

Take time out to thank the entrants for sharing their koi with us and thank the vendors who do so much to support the club and, above all, the hobby.

When the 2013 show is over and the last tank is drained and dried, we will take our charges home and re-live the memories of what each of us learned. Each day we continue to experience the pleasure of koi keeping.

Join us and experience our koi show and renew and create new friendships.

Yours in Koi
Larry Gill
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SELECTING A YOUNG KOHAKU
 by Dr. Arthur Lembke

Many people have asked me to help choose fish for them that I think will become show winners. For this reason, I am writing some articles on what I think people should look for in small koi if they plan to show them someday. I wanted to write about the Kohaku first because I believe that is the most important fish if you are looking for a future grand



grows up and the white comes up, there is still adequate red on the body. The red on the body can be in a zigzag pattern (inazuma), a three- or four-step pattern, or anything else that looks eye-catching. If the red is straight with no signs of breaking, the pattern may be uninteresting as the koi grows.

I also look for koi that are broad at the shoulders, have a large skull, and have relatively large pectoral fins. This generally means the koi will grow larger to compete in shows. **When buying** young kohaku, don't worry too much about the color. The white should preferably be snow white but may also be pink if it was color fed before shipping. Avoid kohaku with a dirty grayish white. As for the red, it may be either bright red or orange red. Many orange red young kohaku turn a pretty red as they grow.

champion and it is the basis for other varieties.

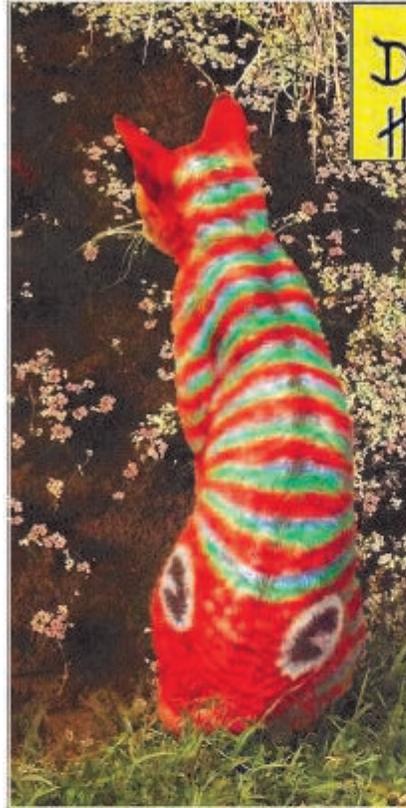
When looking at a large number of kohaku, perhaps hundreds at a time, the first thing I look for is a white tip at the front and back of the fish. It is preferable to have the red on the head of a kohaku go down only about as far as the nostrils. Also, the head must have red on it; don't pick a Kohaku with an all-white head. Red over the eyes of the koi used to be looked down on, but in modern times it may come down over the eye. However, I think it is better if the red only comes down over one eye, not both eyes at the same time. The head is generally one of the most important parts in an early koi.

Now that you have several koi with acceptable head patterns, look at the rest of the body. As I said earlier, I also look to see if there is a white patch right before the tail. If at all possible, I would like one there, but if all the rest of a koi has positive characteristics, this is not as important as the head.

For the body, I look for red that is balanced side to side and covers 70% of the body. This is so that, as the koi

Next, make sure there are no red or black marks on any of the fins. A small red patch at the base of the pectorals may be okay. Also, make sure there are no black marks on the body. All red on the body should also be in sizeable patches, not in single scale areas (i.e. small red spots).

Last, but not least, take the koi out in a show tub and check for any body defects or any signs of disease. If these exist, do not buy the fish no matter how nice it looks. I hope this information can give you some help in selecting kohaku. Who knows? In seven years you may have a grand champion.



DON'T BE SCARED ON HALLOW-E'EN

THINGS ARE SELDOM WHAT THEY SEEM



I am informing the Inland Koi Society that I will complete this year, 2012, as the Newsletter Editor, but will **no longer** be able to create or edit the Inland Koi Connection. I've proudly created the design and continued to publish my ideas for thirteen to fourteen years. I humbly say, it is time for me to hand this job over to someone else. I sincerely hope there is another member who likes to dabble with different fonts, colors, pictures, and information.

I am not quitting the club (I am so fond of so many of you), I am just letting go of the monthly

newsletter responsibility. If you would be interested in taking over, or trying to create the monthly IKS news, please call me at (951) 781-3887 or call our current president, Dennis Lynaugh, at (951) 780-0123.

I have been greatly honored to do this job and thank those who gave me so much confidence and praise. I'll still be around - but it is time for fresh blood using a different prospective and new ideas starting in January 2013. Thank you all for allowing me to use **my** creative nature and ideas. I'll still be around...



Debbly Leverett "There is flattery in friendship" -William Shakespeare

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May luck be
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Halloween.
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THERE'S A NEW NATIONAL KOI ORGANIZATION!

The Inland Koi Society recently joined a new nation-wide koi organization, the *Koi Society*. We now belong to two national groups. By belonging to the *Associated Koi Clubs of America (AKCA)* and the new *Koi Society*, your Board of Directors hopes to bring you twice the koi information for your enjoyment.

Many of you are familiar with the AKCA which, over the years, has provided invaluable information to the koi keeping hobby. The new organization has a different format: it will be fully web-based. Their magazine will be published and then displayed on their website. The first issue is currently displayed at www.koisociety.org. Because this is a new organization, it is currently available to anyone who wishes to view it. In the future, a password will be required so that only member clubs or individuals will have access.

In joining *Koi Society* as a charter member club (instead of as an individual), we are asked to submit a list of our members' names and email addresses; that is the only personal info requested or required. While we have submitted the application and paid the \$100 fee to be a member, we have not as yet given any member names beyond two key "contacts." Because we respect your privacy, we will ask our members to opt-in to participate.

You will be receiving an e-mail from your IKS Vice-President, Mac McClain, asking if you wish to have your e-mail address provided to *Koi Society*. If you wish to participate, just answer "YES" and send the reply back to Mac. If you don't wish to participate, take no action.

IKS strongly supports both national koi organizations; you can never get enough koi keeping information.

Respectfully,

Sandy Hanson, IKS Treasurer

NEWS FROM KOI ORGANISATION INTERNATIONAL

A few months back, Spike Cover introduced us to a new international organization begun by advanced hobbyists and some select professionals, whose aim is to improve the hobby by making better koi keepers of all of us. K.O.I offers courses and eBooks that focus primarily on koi health and husbandry. The courses range from entry-level to advanced, are mostly internet based, and are structured so people can study and learn at their own pace. There is also an on-line store and free downloads of many K.O.I. documents.

Another benefit of membership is the new waterproof **K.O.I. Guide** which puts vital info at you fingertips in one handy place as you work around you pond. Drop it and it's safe: just retrieve it and let it dry. New supplements are being created for future distribution.

Check out their website and consider investing in yourself and your koi!

www.KoiOrganisationInternational.org

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10"					0.1
12"					0.1
14"					0.1
16"					0.1
18"					0.1
20"					0.1
22"					0.1
24"					0.1
26"					0.1
28"					0.1
30"					0.1
32"					0.1
34"					0.1
36"					0.1

Microscopic Parasites (unless otherwise noted)

Chlorocephalus (small)

Colpoda "23 x 5 um (very small & fast)"

Amoebae

Trichostema (small to medium)

Anchor worm - Lernaeus (visible by eye)

Join here: www.KoiOrganisationInternational.org

INLAND KOI SOCIETY MONTHLY PLANNING CALENDAR 2012

REGULAR MTG 4th Sunday	HOSTS & City	PROPOSED PROGRAM Speakers	BOARD Wed. after Mtg
October 27 Call the Milfelds 951-780-7395	Bus Trip - \$15 pp for lunch. Reservations needed ASAP	Mission San Luis Rey & Pond, Ruby's Diner, Meadowbrook Village Windmill & Koi Pond	Tues., Oct. 30 7 pm at Rob Fales' home in Corona
November 18	Jerry and Pat Mall - Temecula	Elections / Holiday Feast	Nov. 28 7 pm
December 2012	NO MEETING THIS MONTH	Enjoy your family, friends and the holidays.	None
January 27, 2013	Hosts Pending	First meeting of 2013 = 4th Sunday of each month	Jan. 30, 2013

13TH ANNUAL GOLDEN EMPIRE KOI SHOW

October 19, 20 and 21, 2012

Held in conjunction with the Fall Harvest Home and Garden Show at the Kern County Fairgrounds, the show is an open invitational. Any Koi hobbyist interested in showing at our event is cordially invited. To reserve a show tank or for more information, please call Show Chairman Ron Unruh at (661) 619-6353. Or email secretary@bkwgs.com The Kern County Fairgrounds are located at 1142 P Street, Bakersfield, CA www.bakersfieldkoiclub.com



33RD ANNUAL SOUTHERN ARIZONA KOI SHOW, AUCTION & VENDOR FAIR

November 9 - 11, 2012

Kino Veterans Memorial Community Center
2805 East Ajo Way
Tucson, AZ 85713

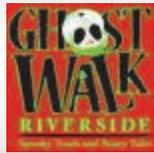
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**Ghost Walk Riverside ~ Friday, Oct 26, 2012 ~ 6 - 11pm
Downtown Riverside**

Experience the age old art of storytelling this Halloween in downtown Riverside as some of the community's most noted speakers delight young and old with original tales of ghouls and ghosts. Ghost Walk Riverside is an adventure through some of Riverside's oldest and most historic buildings, often with one-night-only special access to areas deep within the city. <http://crballet.com/site/2011/05/ghost-walk/>



Every October, carved pumpkins peer out from porches and doorsteps in the United States and other parts of the world. Gourd-like orange fruits inscribed with ghoulish faces and illuminated by candles are a sure sign of the Halloween season. The practice of decorating "jack-o'-lanterns"—the name comes from an



Irish folktale about a man named Stingy Jack—originated in Ireland, where large turnips and potatoes served as an early canvas. Irish immigrants brought the tradition to America, home of the pumpkin, and it became an integral part of Halloween festivities.

One quarter of all the candy sold annually in the U.S. is purchased for Halloween.

Coming Events

2012
OCTOBER
NOVEMBER

01-27	PUMPKIN FESTIVAL, TEMECULA ~ Corn maze, pumpkins, gourds, train rides. See web site for more information = Peltzer Farms (951) 695-1115 www.peltzerfarms.com
Oct. 01 - Nov 11	RED ROBIN RESTAURANT CELEBRATION ~ Beer, known as the signature drink of Oktoberfest, just got a sweet twist. Serving the Samuel Adams Oktoberfest Milkshake.
07	SAND CASTLE AND SCULPTURE CONTEST ~ 11 am - Corona del Mar State Beach, Ocean Boulevard and Breakers Drive, Newport Beach 92625 (949) 729-4400 www.newportbeach.com
08	COLUMBUS DAY ~ Christopher Columbus arrived in the Americas on October 12, 1492
12-14	NATIVE AMERICAN POW WOW ~ Cal State San Bernardino. Traditional phrase for tribal peace gathering. Admission free, parking at university is \$5/complimentary parking available in Lots EFGH only. (909) 452-3450
Sept 15- Oct 27	BIG BEAR OCTOBERFEST ~ German food, beer, music, dancing, contests. Big Bear Convention Center. 42900 Big Bear Blvd, Big Bear Lake - (909) 585-3000 - www.bigbear.com
27	ANNUAL IKS BUS TRIP ~ 8am-6pm / \$15 provides continental breakfast, drinks, transportation, guides, lunch and tour. Limited space, so get your reservation in before the 12 th of this month. Call the Milfelds at (951) 780-7395 for information or to reserve your seat. This takes the place of our October General Meeting.
30	IKS BUSINESS MEETING ~ 7pm Tuesday / All IKS members welcome! — 6531 Box Springs Blvd, Riverside / Dennis Lynaugh (951) 780-0123
31	HALLOWEEN ~ Activities in the Inland Empire = http://www.inlandempire.us/halloween-in-the-inland-empire/

04	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS ~2 am Fall back / The fresh, crisp air, the comfort of hoodies and sweat pants, the leaves changing colors, apple cider and pumpkin pie! One beef with the season is the lack of daylight. 
11	A SALUTE TO AMERICA'S VETERANS ~ 10 am Montecito Memorial Park and Mortuary FD 958 / 3520 E. Washington St., Colton CA. Service will be held at the Veteran's Memorial, Presentation of Colors, Nat. Anthem, Pledge of Allegiance, 21 Gun Salute, Taps and Laying of the Wreath (909) 793-7788
Sept 15 - Nov 11	RED ROBIN RESTAURANT CELEBRATION ~ Samuel Adams Oktoberfest Milkshake. Made with Samuel Adams Oktoberfest draft, vanilla soft serve and caramel, the adults-only drink is a fun take on your average brew...
18	LAST 2012 "INLAND KOI SOCIETY MEETING" WITH HOLIDAY POTLUCK SIDE DISHES ~ 2:00 -5:00 pm. Host=Jerry and Pat Mall in Temecula. More Info = (909) 225-2346
22	THANKSGIVING DAY ~ Think about all you have to be thankful for! 
28	IKS BUSINESS MEETING ~ 7pm / All members of IKS welcome! — 6531 Box Springs Blvd, Riverside / Dennis Lynaugh (951) 780-0123



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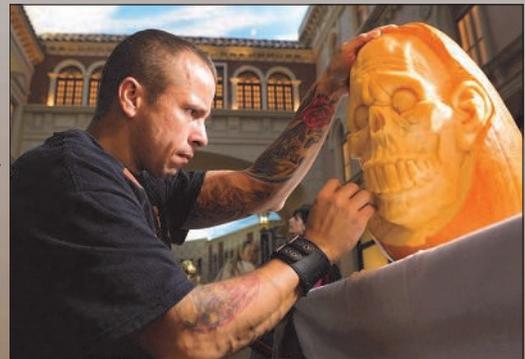
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Michigan-based sculptor Ray Villafane is known for his wildly creative pumpkin carvings. Here he works on a pumpkin sculpture during an exhibition in the Grand Canal Shoppes at The Venetian hotel-casino in Las Vegas. A former teacher, Villafane now sculpts full-time and takes about eight hours to carve a single, regular-size pumpkin. His day job consists of sculpting action figures. He's also an amazing sand sculptor



See a couple more pumpkin carvings on page 7



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