

Valley of the Sun Koi Club, Inc.

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March 21st – 2:00 pm meeting
Corey and Cathy Garrett's Home

President's Message By Bryan McCleney

First of all I want to thank all of you for pitching in and supporting the Koi Auction at the Chinese New Year's Celebration. It was great to see everyone helping make it a success. We hope you can attend the meeting in March and participate in the show in April. Participating in the show is where you will really learn about koi, air and water quality. You will also realize how much you really know about koi when people ask you questions. Burt Ballou is our head judge and he is retiring as a judge soon. We are one of his last shows. As a pioneer and leader of AKCA and the judging program it is a honor to have him participate in Phoenix. Please make a point to at least take one tank at the show. I will have bags to assist you in transporting your koi to the show available at the March meeting. We also need your support in making the show one of the best shows we can. It is a children festival in conjunction with the Japanese Friendship Garden. The theme of this year's festival is koi, so it would be great if we have a strong showing.

Business Note:

If you want an item placed on the meeting or board agenda please contact Bryan McCleney at 602-989-3966 or bmccleney@pvesd.org prior to the meeting on Mar 21st.

This will be your last Newsletter, if you have not renewed your dues!

We are changing the aliase e-mail for Derek, please read below.

When contacting Koi USA magazine to renew your subscription or AKCA, please use the full name of the club "Valley of the Sun Koi Club, Inc." and not the abbreviation VSKC.

For all regardless of World Wide Web access.

Koi Trouble? Pond Trouble? Sick Fish?

Contact our VSKC Koi Health advisors:

Megan Yee: kha1@vskc.net or **Nikki Pritchard:** kha2@vskc.net

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By Dennis Beard, Webmaster

Have you fed the fish on the Koi.htm web page? They will chase your mouse pointer in or on the page. If you click your mouse a food pellet will drop. You cannot over feed these fish. It is at the bottom of the page.

Questions? Contact webmaster@vskc.net

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ASK BRYAN

<http://www.vskc.net/askbryan.htm>

Question: I just put in a pond a week ago, the water is cloudy, and now my koi are dying what am I doing wrong?

Answer: First of all I am sorry for your loss, but don't give up on your koi pond. There could be multiple things going on that can cause problems. I would check the water quality to make sure that the water is within the right parameters for the koi, I would also check oxygen level in the pond, koi use a lot of oxygen. Usually if these chemical problem in your pond you will lose you small koi then your bigger koi. If you have an oxygen problem you will lose your big koi to small koi. Based on what your describing I would check the water,

Response: Last night I put a chlorine tab in the water fall to help clear the water and I woke up today with dead koi and they are still dying.

Answer: Chlorine is a chemical that is toxic to koi. You need to remove the koi quickly, and change the water. Your remaining koi may not make it. It will take awhile for your pond to create a good biological system for clear water.

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ON SALE APRIL 18T

Membership **Information**



It is March, so time to renew memberships? Contact Derek at:

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Phone Derek at (480) 699-7586

Email derekmtang@hotmail.com or treasurerVSKC@vskc.net

Membership dues \$20 are calendar year basis.

Future Events!

April 2-4 Open Koi Show at Margaret T Hance Park.

http://www.vskc.net/annual_koi_show2010.htm

April 18 meeting will be at Arne and Liz Grant's home.

May 1-2 SAKA Pond Tour, Tucson AZ – See National and Local Events on our web site for details.

The Stackhouse's will host May 16th meeting.

The 2010 AKCA Seminar May 19-23, 2010 - Millenium Maxwell House Hotel, Nashville, TN. The room rate is \$129, if reservation are made by 4/28/10. Call 800-457-4460

<http://www.vskc.net/2007-2008%20monthly%20meetings.htm>

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Open Koi Show

April 2 - Volunteers needed to help set up – fill tanks. Vendor area opens at 12:00 noon till 5 PM

April 3 - Monitors to answer questions 9:00 am to 5 pm. Benching and registering fish 7:00 am – 9:00 am. Judging starts at 9:00 am. VSKC Booth open 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. Childrens Day and Kite Festival 10:00 til 5:00 pm.

April 3 – Awards Banquet: Cash Bar 6:00 pm, Dinner 7:00 pm, Awards 8:00 pm, Raffle 9:00 pm

April 4 - Volunteers needed to help tear down and empty tanks. Contact Arne Grant or Ed LaBounty.

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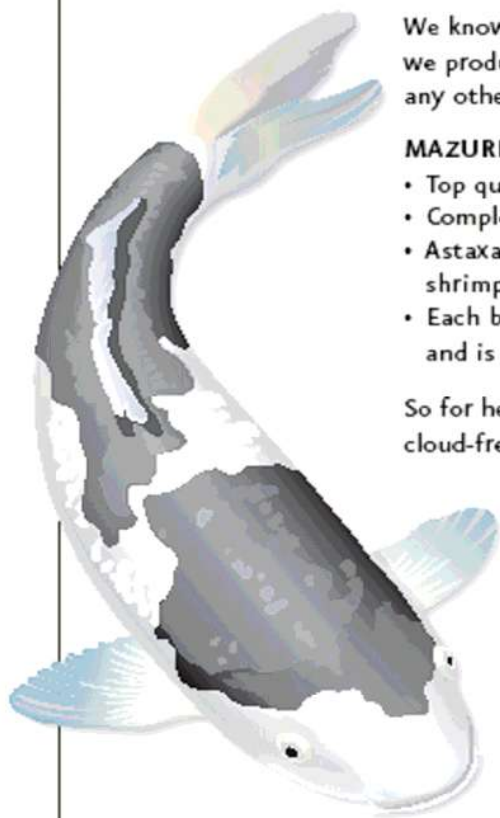


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