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MEETING AT KEITH VANDER WOUDE'S HOUSE

Our spring meeting was held at Keith Vander Woude's house, on June 10, 2006. Keith's house features a brand new pond, and is situated in a lovely rural area in Crete, Illinois. In addition to the pond views, Keith developed a presentation on parasites, which he presented at the meeting. The presentation covered all aspects of parasitology, including symptoms, diagnosis and treatment.

Bob Brudd provided a slideshow of his recent trip to South Africa, which featured pictures from two shows that he judged, along with pictures from a game preserve that he visited, courtesy of one of the koi show organizers.

Our next meeting will be held at Margueritta Armistead's house on Saturday, August 5, 2006. Margueritta's address is 1050 98th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

GREATER LOISVILLE KOI & GOLDFISH SHOW HELD ON MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

As everyone knows, come Memorial Day weekend, it's time for a trip to Charles and Carolyn Phelps' house for a koi and goldfish show. The weekend weather was beautiful, with a dose of hospitality provided by Charles and Carolyn.

Our members did well at the show, with Bay and Bryan Bateman's Showa taking grand champion honors; Kevin and Sheila Karstens Kohaku winning reserve Grand Champion; Mike and Michelle Pfeffer's fish, and Bill Doyle's fish all winning major awards. Congratulations to the winners! Jim Castillo won Grand Champion on the goldfish side of the show.

We were also well represented on the vendor side of the show, with Kevin Clark and Ron and Mike Weynschenk in attendance.



PLANS CONTINUE FOR THE 2006 KOI SHOW

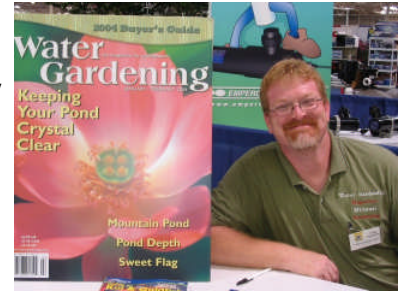
The plans for the 5th annual show are taking shape, with Bob Johnson being selected as this year's head judge, and Alan Stein once again acting as candidate judge. Bob is a ZNA district judge, who resides with his wife, Iris, in Galveston, TX. We have selected the weekend of September 8 through the 10th as the date for the show. Please see page 2 for further show details.



PLANNING CONTINUES FOR 2006 KOI SHOW

We have once again selected Rizzi's, located in Plainfield, IL. as the site for the 5th annual koi show. The show is scheduled to be held the weekend of September 8 through the 10th. Bob Brudd will act as honorary show chair, and Peter Ponzio will act as show chair. Dick Thomas will once again serve as vendor chair, and will be assisted by Kevin Clark. Kevin Karstens will once again provide the catering for the show dinner, but his able assistant, Sheila will unfortunately be away that weekend. Bob Franklin has

graciously volunteered to provide security services for the show. We have arranged a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn Express in Bolingbrook for the show, and have secured a rate of \$99 per night for the rooms. Please see the attached directions for the hotel. Space at the hotel is limited, so please book early. Please contact Lili Gonzalez at 630-679-1600 ext. 614 to confirm your reservations, or email her at: E-mail: holiday-innlili@yahoo.com



Who is this guy, and why is he smiling? He must be planning to attend the NMZNA show in September.

VOLUNTEER FOR THE NMZNA SHOW

We currently need volunteers for the following areas in the show:

- Set-up and take down, approximately 10 volunteers needed
- Refreshments—if anyone knows of a vendor who would like to provide refreshments to the public please contact Peter at (847) 726-0933
- Check-in and benching
- Assistant to Chester to learn the ins-

and-outs of water testing & chemistry

- Welcome table and raffle
- We will hold our trophy presentation ceremony on Sunday afternoon, rather than on Saturday night. This will allow a little extra time to get everything prepared, and will allow visitors to see the trophy presentation.
- Please contact Peter at (847) 726-0933 or email at ponziop@sprynet.com if you'd like to volunteer for the show

Help make the 5th annual NMZNA show special— volunteer today!

GLKGS SHOW



AKCA SEMINAR IN NIAGARA FALLS

The annual AKCA seminar will be held from June 22–25 in Buffalo New York, which is near Niagara Falls. The show will include a vendor show, seminars and koi judging, which will be open to members in good standing at a local AKCA-sponsored koi club. Please go to the AKCA site at <http://www.akca.org> for more show details.



KANE BROTHERS RECEIVE GOLD AWARD FOR POND DESIGN

Kane Brothers submitted two projects to the Illinois Landscape Contractors Association Excellence Awards in February, 2006. Both projects were selected as winners of Gold Awards for design and creativity.

The first winner was a pond built in Barrington, Illinois, featuring a 30 foot waterfall which cascades into the Fox River.

The second project was located in Inverness, Illinois and features two streams, two cascading pools, and a main pond. The pond houses a collection of Japanese koi.

The Kane Brothers also won major awards at the Chicago Flower and Garden Show, held in March, 2006. Congratulations to Frank and Chris for their well-deserved accomplishments.



HOLIDAY INN INFORMATION

Our Property was built in 1998. It is 8 years young.

Rooms: 145 rooms featuring 27 Suites, 109 Non-Smoking Rooms, 75 Double Beds, and 70 Single Beds, 4 Jacuzzi Room Suites, 5 Presidential Board Room Suites. Rooms include cable television, in room movies, alarm clock radio, coffeemaker, hair dryer, iron/ ironing board, telephone voicemail, wheelchair accessible rooms, all rooms equipped with electronic lock systems, free wireless high speed internet.



Amenities: Transportation services, executive fitness center, indoor pool, sauna, whirlpool, complimentary business center, gift shop, on site guest laundry, private patio connected to pool area.

Conference/Banquet Facilities: Conference and Banquet Facilities accommodating from 4 to 500 people, We have a 4,600 square foot ballroom that can convert into 6 meeting rooms able to accommodate your conference, wedding, convention or social function. A complete Catering/Convention Service Staff that is also on site to coordinate and customize each event.

Restaurants On Site-Remington Street Café is a Full Service Restaurant and Lounge. Restaurant Hours: 6:00am-2:00pm then at 5:00pm-10:00pm. For Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner. Room Service is Available. Denny's (*open 24 hours*), Chedders, Golden Coral and Family Square Restaurants all less than ¼ mile.

Area Attractions: *Midway and O'Hare Airports within 25 miles, All Downtown Chicago Museums and Sporting Events within 25 miles, Donald E. Stephens Convention Center within 20 miles, Chicago Premium Outlets within 15 miles, Chicagoland Speedway and Empress Casino*

within 12 miles, Morton Arboretum within 8 miles, Seven Bridges Golf Course and Ice Arena within 4 miles, IKEA and Bolingbrook Country Club within 1.5 miles

Directions/Location:

From Downtown Chicago and Midway Airport –

I-55 South, Exit Route 53 North (#267), North on Route 53, Turn Left (west) on Remington Blvd, Hotel is 1 block on the left.

From O'Hare Airport –

I-294 Tri-state South to I-55 South, Exit Route 53 North (#267), North on Route 53, Turn Left (west) on Remington Blvd, Hotel is 1 block on the left. From South Joliet, I-55 North, Exit Route 53 North (#267), North on Route 53, Turn Left (west) on Remington Blvd, Hotel is 1 block on the left.