



NORTHERN MIDWEST ZNA NEWSLETTER

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS



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Bob Brudd has been leading efforts to collect for the Kaylee Clark scholarship fund. If you haven't donated yet, now would be a great time to do so, as the holidays approach. Please contact Bob by email at r.brudd@comcast.net, or by phone at 708-460-9202. You can also mail a check or donation directly to: The Clark Family, 494 Court Street, Crown Point Indiana. Checks can be made out "For the Benefit of Kaylee Clark." This is a worthwhile effort for the family of a long-time member.



2009 Club Elections

The results of the election for 2009 officers and "Koi Person of the Year" are in! Dick Thomas was unanimously elected President, and Mike Pfeffer was unanimously elected Treasurer of the club. Congratulations to both Dick and Mike. In a closely contested race, Chester Bailey was elected non-Illinois representative, narrowly edging out Troy Head and Tamara Skaggs. Congratulations, Chester. In the "Koi Person of the Year" contest, Brenda Thomas was our winner—a truly deserving recipient for this award!



With our new team of representatives, 2009 promises to be a good year for the club.



2008 END OF YEAR MEETING AND HOLIDAY GET -TOGETHER

Each year, we hold our end of the year meeting to wrap up the year, elect officers, and get together for a holiday luncheon. Bob Brudd offered to have the meeting at his house, and gave a talk on his experiences at the Holland Koi Club Show (pictures and story to follow). Dick Thomas gave a presentation on surgery for a tumor that was performed on one of his koi at Purdue University, and was shown on television in the Lafayette area. An article accompanies this newsletter. (Glad we didn't have fish for lunch).





News and Updates

- Bob Brudd reported that Dick Thomas is scheduled to be promoted to local certified judge at the March, 2009 ZNA meeting .
- Allan Stein reports that his wife, Lesley is doing well after surgery, and thanks the members of the NMZNA for their kind wishes
- Bob Johnson reports that “reports of his demise have been greatly exaggerated.” He and his family are doing well after their property was hit by the hurricane this past summer.
- Peter Ponzio is scheduled to become a certified judge at the February seminar and San Diego koi show to be held February, 2009. Peter has also been named Assistant Editor of KOI USA.
- Bryan Bateman has been elected to the Judging Committee for the AKCA, where he joins Galen Hansen and Charles Phelps. Bryan is also Features Editor for all koi articles in KOI USA.
- Paul and Shawna Korf won a number of prizes in the recently completed World Wide Koi and Goldfish show, the first ever Internet conducted goldfish and koi show.



Koi Club of San Diego

HOST OF THE 2009 AKCA SEMINAR

2009 AKCA SEMINAR AND 22ND ANNUAL KCSD KOI SHOW



Chairmen

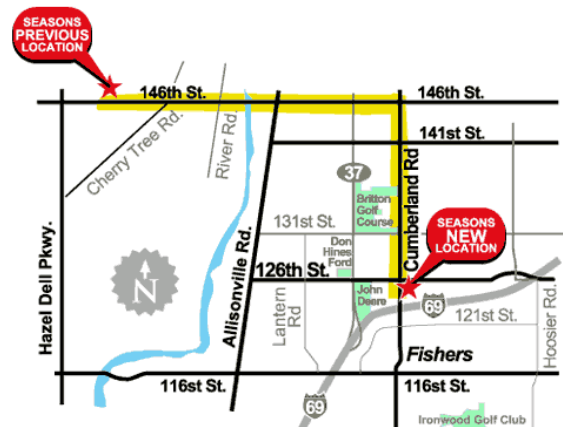
Seminar Chairman [Galen Hansen](#)
 Seminar Vice Chairman [Bill Thompson](#)
 Show Chairman [Kristine Peterson](#)

General information

The 2009 AKCA Seminar and 22nd Annual KCSD Koi Show will be Feb 12-15, 2009 at the [Marriott Mission Valley](#). The room rate is \$129, if reservations are made by 1/21/09. Call 800-228-9290 with code KOIKOIA.

Date and location set for 2009 koi & goldfish show.

The date and location have been set for the 2009 NMZNA koi & goldfish show. The show will be held from June 19, 20 & 21st in Indianapolis, IN. at Season's Garden's a nursery and garden center located in Fisher's Indiana (a suburb of Indianapolis). Shown below is a map of Season's Gardens, along with contact information.



We have arranged for room accommodations at the Indigo Hotel at club rates.

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FISHERS-INDY'S UPTOWN
[9791 NORTH BY NORTHEAST BLVD](#)
[FISHERS, IN 46037 UNITED STATES](#)

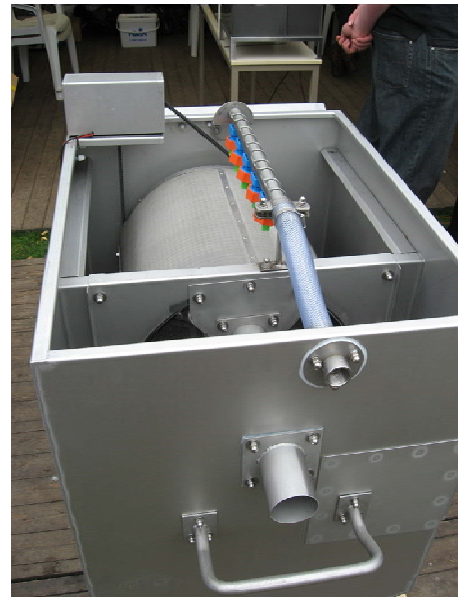
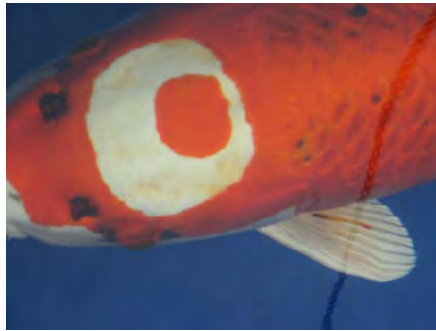


2008 Holland Koi Show

Text and Photos by Bob
Brudd



2008 Holland Koi Show



2008 Holland Koi Show

- 24,853 Visitors paid 10 Euros to enter
- There were 148 vendor booths
- Total # of Volunteers: 120
- Total # of Vats: 75
- Total # of Koi Entered: 623
- Days Spent Judging: 1 ½
- Water Used: 1,000,000 liters



2008 Holland Koi Show

- A) National B) International
- One must become a national level judge **BEFORE** entering the ZNA program.
- To enter at the national level, an applicant must bench several shows, take an exam and be pre-approved by committee
- Judging Abroad Falls into 2 Tiers:



2008 Holland Koi Show

- After judging a set # of shows at the entry level, the candidate goes through a peer review, and, if approved, takes an exam in order to progress to the next tier.
- After completing 3 tiers, there's a final exam and peer review.
- After a few years as a national judge, one can apply for entrance to ZNA judging



Presentation on Fish Surgery

Fish surgery successful

TUMOR REMOVED FROM LAFAYETTE KOI FISH

- Niccole Caan

LAFAYETTE, Ind. (WLF) - Purdue's veterinary school often performs operations on animals, but one surgery went particularly swimmingly.

Veterinarians removed stitches from Karla the koi fish. This summer her owner Dick Thomas noticed her stomach bugled at an odd angle. He took her in for an exam.

"We took some X-rays and did an ultrasound. She had a mass in her abdomen," said Veterinarian Dr. Lori Corriveau.

Dr. Lori Corriveau and her team removed the tumor during a two hour initial surgery.

"Anesthesia is always the tricky part," said Corriveau.

Vets dissolved the anesthesia in water so Karla was comfortable. A tube of water was also inserted into her mouth so her gills were kept wet and she could breathe. Her owner said even though he owns 25 koi like Karla, he's particularly fond of her.

"You don't attached to a fish like you do a dog or cat because you don't have the intimate contact with them, but you still do. All the fish have personality," said Dick Thomas.

The almost seven pound Karla returned to her Lafayette pond with a scar marking her belly. Her owner said he hopes she won't be a fish out of water again and end up back on the operating table.

"I'm hoping the prognosis is good, but Dr. Corriveau said the tumor she took out looked like cancer," he said.

Koi can live up to 25 years. Karla is young at three and half and Purdue's veterinarians hope she'll now have a chance to swim for many more.

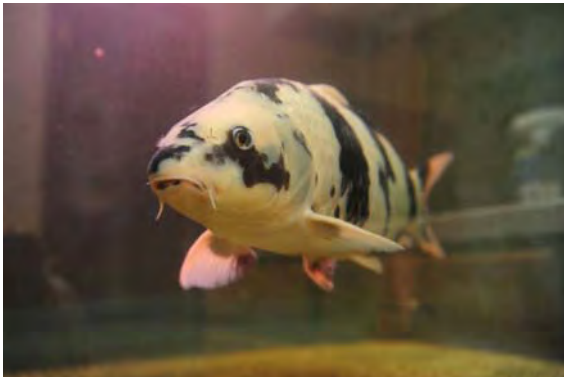
Karla's surgery cost \$600. Normally an the operation would be \$1,200, but her owner got a discount because of the rare educational opportunity Karla offered to students.



Presentation on Fish Surgery



During Surgery



25 days after Surgery



25 days after Surgery

