

# NEWSLETTER



ARBORETA & BOTANIC GARDENS

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## RESEARCH DIVISION

Congratulations to George and Gloria Hanson; recently they became proud parents of a four-month old baby girl, ready-made and delivered. Her name is Heather Camilla Hanson.

Mr. Katsukiko Kondo, a PHD candidate of the University of North Carolina is visiting us to finish his research work on the chromosome study of camellias. He has studied samples of camellias collected from here, Descanso Gardens, Huntington Library and many other camellia-growing areas. He is also an expert on insectivorous plants. On September 29, he presented an interesting seminar on the subject with the best collection of slides we have ever seen.

## PUBLIC SERVICES DIVISION

The first training session for volunteer field trip leaders took place Monday, October 2, with 18 prospective new field leaders and 18 current field leaders in attendance. This is the best showing of new recruits to date.

In the initial session the objectives of the field trip program were reviewed, information and study sheets were distributed, and a reading list was suggested. After a brief meeting and discussion, the prospective field leaders accompanied staff and volunteer guides on school field trips to become familiar with the areas where the field trips take place and to observe the techniques of relating to students.

## DESCANSO GARDENS DIVISION

The recent bonsai show held at the gardens was well attended. There were more than 200 entries for visitors to inspect.

The Wilson Pipe Line contractors are making great progress in the installation of the new peripheral water lines at the gardens. They started the job

three weeks ago and are more than half through already.

Frances Raitt has returned to the switch board after vacationing a month across the Canadian border from Vancouver to the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Don Graf is recuperating after leading a troupe of Boy Scouts to San Simeon.

Tony Leija wrote that he started to Hawaii and his wife hijacked him to Santa Barbara and Oceanside.

Mark Anthony paid a visit to the gardens last Thursday. Mark is recuperating at home.

Fred Galle, director of Horticulture at Calloway Gardens in Georgia, was a recent visitor to the gardens.

The newest visitor to the bird sanctuary is a Canadian honker. Also seen in the lake area were a kingfish and the great blue heron. Each year the blue heron would come in by himself and the boys thought that he was a loner, but this time he appears to have a mate.

## ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION

Don't forget that open enrollment for health plans will begin this month on October 20th. All those interested in joining for the first time, changing to another plan or making coverage changes may do so by getting forms from the business office. All changes or new enrollments must be in no later than November 2nd.

Winners of tickets to the new L.A. Sharks Hockey Team's opening game are:

Chris Van Wagner	Marge Wood
Helen Accordino	Don Graf
Joyce Day	Dan'l Addis
Dennis Sheridan	Sandy Snider

Congratulations!!



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