

MEET OUR MEMBERS

Larry Templeton & Cynthia Sun

Larry & Cynthia and their pond live in Los Altos. The pond is nearly 4 years old and is the home of 12 happy fish.

Both Larry & Cynthia are mostly retired. Cynthia still maintains a small Rosen Method Body Work practice and Larry consults on occasion for venture capital and electronics firms in Silicon Valley. His latest consulting project has to do with increasing the efficiency of solar power systems.

Their pond history is not unusual. They wanted a pond and hired a landscaper to install one. It looked great but was too small, difficult to maintain and, after losing three Koi to predators, they decided enough was enough.

A year and a half ago, they hired Ken Snarr to rebuild the pond. It's gone from 600 gals to 3,000 gals with vertical sides and a very effective, low maintenance circulation and filtration system. Filtration is accomplished by a 400 gal Lim gravel filter which does a great job of maintaining water quality. The fish seem much happier in their new home and are certainly growing faster since the rebuild.

Larry designed the landscaping and patio to complement the pond and the result is very satisfying. It's a great place to relax and enjoy the view.

In addition to ponding, Larry enjoys skiing, sailing and computers. He is also involved in the video art world. You can see examples of his work at <http://ltempleton.blip.tv/#1623087>

Cynthia is a devoted piano student and an enthusiastic portrait and fine art photographer. She has taken a number of Photoshop courses and loves the creative process.

Larry started out in the Chicago area, Cynthia in Stockton. Both came to the Bay Area for their education (electrical engineering for Larry, psychology for Cynthia), and both liked it so much that they stayed here.

Their marriage is relatively young, having tied the knot in 1999. Between them, they have 5 adult children and 5 grandchildren. Cynthia's extended family lives in Phoenix and San Jose and Larry's lives in San Jose, Burlingame and North Carolina.

Larry and Cynthia joined the club after realizing that they knew very little about ponds. Larry has since become more and more involved with the Club. He now is on the Board of Directors, publishes the monthly newsletter and is rebuilding and expanding the Club web site.

