



# wetwork News

A Publication of the Niagara Frontier Koi and Pond Club

**AUGUST 2011**

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662-9429

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### **NEWSLETTER**

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### **POND SQUAD**

Chris & Dennis Wilkolaski  
662-9429

### **RAFFLES & PROMOTIONS**

Carol Krajewski 937-9810

Quote: **Gardens are a form of autobiography.**

~Sydney Eddison, Horticulture magazine, August/September 1993

### **Salutations fellow ponders:**

Well, as the saying goes I am back in the saddle again, or at least for a little while. We have had the resignation of two members Tracy and Loren, because of family commitments. So I am moving up and acting as President until we can find a new member that will help fill the void, I have included the job descriptions for the role of Board and Officers. You will find them later in the newsletter. I hope each of you would consider the chance to help make this club bigger and better than ever. Please volunteer and fill a void until the regular elections in January. If you like the position consider staying on for the next year. We have so many great members please consider giving a little of your time and become an officer or board member. When we all work together, it really is not a hard job. It really is enjoyable.

Our year will start to slow down. We had our major fundraiser at the June meeting. Our Koi Show was a great success at Mastersons. The North towns Pond Tour was well attended. The Fair is starting shortly. Our August meeting will be a social. Please come and bring your photos and stories. We would like it to be a great sharing time. A chance to talk, this will allow the board and officers a chance to mingle and see what the general body is looking for in the club.

The autobiographies of our club members were seen in their gardens and ponds. I would like to thank the following people for opening their homes and ponds: Connie & Grant Weber, Ed & Mary McKee, Tom Hewells, Ron & Sandy Baty, Ann Marshall & Rob Smith, Jim Daniels, Rick and Jan Dunning, and Phil Grefrath and especially our club members for attending the pond tour 2011.

One upcoming event that the club will be involved with Reinstein Woods on September 17<sup>th</sup> for their Fall Festival. Consider donating an hour of your time for our both. We will have a display up of photos and various coloring sheets for the kids. Come bring the children and grandchildren to this family/nature event.

Yours in Pondering,

Chris

## Fair Pond

I would like to thank all that came out and helped weed and thin the land plants around the fair pond. Angie, Phil, Sandy, Loren, Tracy, Roy, Dennis, Ann, Rob, Connie, Nate, Bev, and Nancy, with all of us working we were able to finish in about two hours. Plants were growing into other plants so we thinned out and moved several around. The Pond Squad has been out making sure things are watered. Rock was donated and the back of the Bio falls has been covered to look even more natural. A few plants were also donated and put into the Biofalls.

Please honor your day and time to work the fair this year. If you have a problem please call Chris (662-9429) or Roy (675-1648). Remember the parking passes are dated and we only use a certain lot off Clark Street. We have a plastic mailbox with club flyers and yellow signs that will be already there. We also had two chairs donated and are currently at the pond inside the rope. I hope they do not walk away so feel free to use them. Many of the trees were trimmed or removed so bring some sunscreen. The 4H are now in the building. The Creative Arts have moved up the hill. So look for the big 4H's in the lawn near our Pond.

Thank you all again for helping maintain this club asset. We built this pond 17years ago. Lets keep it up and running for many more years.

I will be calling on your help to close the pond this fall and of course to open it in the spring.

Regards,

The Pond Squad



The following text is taken from the NFKPC Constitution. Please take the time and read the job descriptions. Please consider holding a position. It really is only to January J

## President

He/she shall preside at all regular and special meetings of the Association. He/she shall enforce observance of the constitution and by-laws, and decide all questions of order, sign all official documents, and perform other customary duties pertaining to the office of President. He/she shall be, by virtue of his/her office, Chairman of the Board of Directors and shall likewise preside at all Board meetings. He/she shall appoint all committee Chairpersons with approval of the Board of Directors, and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. The committee Chairperson may in turn, appoint committee members he/she may need to operate his/her committee properly, and may include non-Association members on said committee, based on potential contributions to the projects at hand, subject to the approval of the President. The President shall have such powers as may be reasonably construed to belong to the chief executive of any organization and, in addition shall have such additional special powers as the Board of Directors may designate.

## Vice-President

He/she shall, in the event of absence or inability of the President to exercise his/her official duty, become acting President of the Association with all rights and powers that the President possesses. He/she shall be responsible for the physical assets of the Association (show equipment, projector, etc.), and shall keep an accurate inventory including whereabouts of all said physical assets.

## Secretary

He/she shall record and keep the minutes of all meetings and maintain all correspondence and records of the Association in appropriate books, and at each general membership meeting shall read the minutes of the last Board meeting. He/she shall cause to be mailed all required notices to members of the Association. He/she shall present to the Board of Directors and then to the general membership all correspondence of the NFKPC. He/she shall keep the constitution and by-laws of this Association, and have the same in his/her possession at every regular and special meeting of the general membership and the Board of Directors.

## Treasurer

He/she shall keep all Association financial records and accounts, including all receipts and disbursements. He/she shall give a treasurer's report at each general membership and Board meeting. Upon approval by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, he/she shall make payment for operational expenses. He/she shall prepare an annual budget for submission at the February Board of Director's meeting, followed by the March general membership meeting for approval by the general membership.

## Composition

The Board of Directors shall consist of all the Officers, and five (5) Directors. These positions, like the Officers, are elected by the Association at its annual general membership election meeting.

## Meetings


Meetings of the Board of Directors will be held on a monthly basis during at least each month in which a regular meeting is held. A majority of the members (5) shall constitute a quorum and the Board may make such rules covering its meetings, as it deems necessary. These meetings are chaired by the President. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall serve as chair in accordance with Article 6, Paragraph B.

## Powers

The Board of Directors shall control and manage the affairs and business of the Association. The Board shall act in the name of the Association at any regularly scheduled Board meeting, or whenever it has been convened by the President after due notice to all Directors. However, any action of the Board may be nullified at the first general membership meeting after the membership has been notified of such action, by a vote of either 3/4 of the voting members in good standing present at such meeting or a majority of all voting members of the Association in good standing, whichever shall be greater.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to call any present officer or board member to get an answer.

Thank you

The club is selling car decals for a fund raiser. One reads "Got Koi?" and the other reads "I  koi". The are selling for \$3.00 each. Please see Chris Wilkolaski if you are interested.

**There will be a mini auction at the August meeting.**

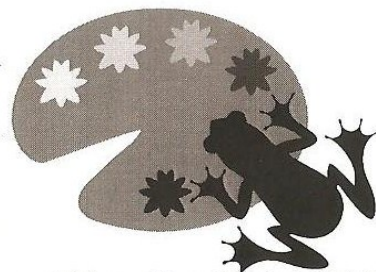
## Sunshine

**Greg Gordon is recovering from a broken wrist. He broke his wrist in the process of caring for his pond.**

**Chris Wilkolaski's son Terrence made Staff Sargent and is currently serving as an EOD Army in Afghanistan.**

**If you are aware of a member experiencing a "Life Event" in their family such as weddings, birth announcements, illness, surgery or death, please contact Lorri Porter at 694-6652**

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**Next Board of Directors Meeting—Wednesday August 24th at 7:30 PM**

**At the home of Carol Krajewski**

**3232 Wende Road, Alden, NY**

**All members are welcome to attend**

**RSVP to Carol at 937-9810**

## Refreshments for 2011

If you would like to bring refreshments to a meeting, you will be reimbursed for expenses for up to \$45.00 (receipts must be turned into Nancy)

General info:

8-9 bottles of pop, some diet

Any refreshments or snacks of your choice: Cheese & Crackers, veggies, fruit, chips, dip, pepperoni, salad, jello, cookies, cake, brownies, etc.

We do not have use of any kitchen supplies, so you may need to bring serving utensils, trays, bowls, baskets, knives, or whatever is needed to serve your type of refreshments

The club will provide:

Coffee, hot cups, creamer, sugar, small plates, paper cups, plastic silverware, napkins

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer:

please contact Barbara Weber 688-7924

AUG. Jane Dunning

SEPT. Mary O'Connor

OCT. Carol Filipski, Elaine Sitarek  
Annette short

NOV. Tracy Prucnal, Sandy Crawford

**Dec. Annual Party**

NIAGARA FRONTIER KOI & POND CLUB  
404 Elmwood Ave.  
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

TO:

THE NIAGARA FRONTIER KOI & POND CLUB MEETS THE SECOND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH AT  
THE ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 15 KOENIG CIRCLE, TONANANDA, NY 14150  
ALSO VISIT US ONLINE AT [www.nfkpc.org](http://www.nfkpc.org)

## NIAGARA FRONTIER KOI & POND CLUB UP-COMING EVENTS IN WESTERN NEW YORK

**AUGUST 6TH** GVPKPC POND TOUR  
**AUGUST 10TH- 21ST** ERIE COUNY FAIR  
**AUGUST 12TH** NFKPC MEETING  
**SEPTEMBER 17TH** REINSTEIN FALL FESTIVAL