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A good snapshot stops a moment from running away. ~Eudora Welty

Greetings and Salutations fellow ponders:

I want to take the time to thank the club members for electing the new Board and Officers for the 2012 year. We have many great events planned for this year.

This month will be the Photo Contest, so get out those boxes of photos (4x6) and find your Best Flora (plant), Best Fauna (animal), and Best Pond pictures you have. We will be awarding cash prizes for first (\$25) and second (\$15) place in each category for the best photos and will be displaying them on our website. Please mark the back of your photos with your name so prizes can be awarded correctly.

This is the time of year to nominate a member for Koi Person of the year. This individual or couple must demonstrate that they uphold the ideals of this club. Nominations will be taken at our meeting and the general body shall vote.

If anyone has any ideas/suggestions for future meeting topics please let any of the Board or Officers know. Our club is made up of a large range of individuals that with networking we can come up with some great programs for the year.

We are starting to collect items for the auction at the Koi Show. If you have new pond or gardening items that you are not using and would like to donate please see Chris Wilkolaski or Phil Grefrath.

If you have not renewed your membership it is now overdue. The form is available online and will also be available at the meeting.

We will be trying a new idea to raise funds for our club. We will be offering a chance to win a gift card to a local restaurant or store. For a dollar donation get a chance to win a \$25 gift card. So bring an extra buck and try your luck.

Yours in ponding,

Chris

Night Lights at the Gardens

This year, the NFKPC illuminated the Koi pond at the Botanical Gardens for this special event. This could not have been done without the help of our members. Audrey, Nate, and Phil allowed us to use their pond lights. We had a crew of Bev and Nate Jarmuz, Rob Smith, Phil Gregrath, Nancy Wojnowski, Connie Weber, Renae Johnson, along with Chris and Dennis Wilkolaski to set up the lights. The lights were used to illuminate the bubblers in the lily holes and some of the aquatic plants. The event went from February 1st to the 18th. The Pond Squad removed the lights on the 19th. If you missed it this year mark your calendar for next year 2013.



Save the date July 21st 2012

NFKPC Pond Tour 2012 in the South towns.

It may be cold outside but is time to plan the 2012 Tour. Buffalo and the south towns is our destination this year. If any one would like to show their pond please talk to Chris Wilkolaski (662-9429).

This is one of the club's most attended events. It is a great chance to see what other members have done with their ponds and yards. Gardening ideas are shared by all.

We will start the day with light refreshments at the first pond and end the day with dinner and stories at the final pond.

Don't forget the camera!!!!!!!

PONDTABS

The club has purchased fertilizer Pond Tabs in bulk. We have packages of 25 tablets for a donation of \$5.00. Please see an officer if you are interested.

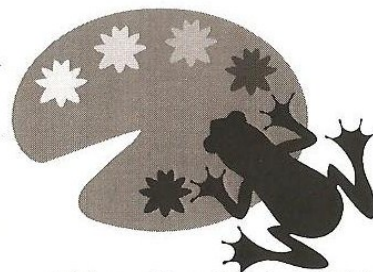
It is never too early to think about opening our ponds and getting ready for spring/summer. Remember water lilies need to be fertilized about every two weeks. Lotuses require heavier feeding. Be prepared and have your fertilizer tablets ready for the start of the pond season.



Sunshine

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— at 7:30 PM on March 22nd

At the home of Phil Grefrath

404 Elmwood Ave. N Tonawanda, NY

All members are welcome to attend

RSVP to 695-1758

Refreshments for 2012

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

Jan.: Meeting cancelled

Feb.: Diane Young & Sandy Crawford

Mar.: Nancy Wojnowski & Renae Johnson

Apr.:

May:

June: Louise Metlock & Bill Daniels

July:

Aug.: Elaine, Carol, Rose & Annette

Sep.: Porters

Oct.: Audry & Chris

Nov.: Sandy Crawford & Denise Moller

Dec.: Christmas Party

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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**

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

March 15-18: GardenScape in Rochester.

March 22-25: Plantasia Garden & Landscape Show. Hamburg Fairgrounds.

May 12-13: Buffalo Bonsai Society Show at the Botanical Gardens

May 19: Garden Fest at Windy Acres in Springville.

June 8: NFKPC Mega Auction

June 23-24: NFKPC Koi Show at Masterson's Garden Center & Aquatic Nursery in East Aurora. Saturday 10am—5pm.
Sunday 10am-3pm. Mega auction Sunday at 2pm. Cash only.

July 21st: NFKPC Pond Tour in the south towns

August 8-19: Erie County Fair Pond