



# NOV/DEC 2010 NEWSLETTER

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Nov. 11- Meeting**  
**Nunnlea House**  
**1940 S. Hurstbourne Pkwy.**  
**7:00pm Refreshments**  
**7:30pm Meeting**

**Dec. 3rd- Christmas Party**  
**Jumbo Buffet & Grill**  
**7:00pm**

## NOVEMBER MEETING



Our next meeting is Nov. 11th. On this month's agenda, we are honored to have Associate Professor of the Aquaculture Research Center at Kentucky State University, Boris Gomelsky Ph.D. Dr. Gomelsky will speak about Color Inheritance in koi and koi genetics that are being studied at his University. And finally we'll have a photo program of the Mud Pond Harvest from last month and answer questions from members. Also, we will hold elections for officers for 2011.

## DECEMBER OUTING



Our Christmas party will be Dec. 3rd at 7:00 pm. We will once again hold our Party at the Jumbo Buffet & Grill at 2731 S. Hurstbourne Pkwy. (next to the Stonybrook Cinemas). The buffet costs \$11.99 plus drink and has over 150 items featuring American, Chinese, Seafood and a Mongolian Grill & Sushi Bar. The club has reserved a private room for our party. We plan to have many prizes for those that attend. Come & enjoy the party!

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It finally looks like Summer has gone, just a couple weeks ago we were still enjoying the 80's. I hope the monthly newsletter and experience of our senior members have been helpful in preparing your ponds for the winter to come. I love seeing how active some of the new members are and hope to see old & new members at our last two functions of the year.

In November, we have a great meeting lined up. I'm looking forward to hearing Dr. Gomelsky talk about color inheritance of koi and he has promised to keep it at a hobbyist level. Also, it's important to have a heavily attended meeting because of the election of officers.

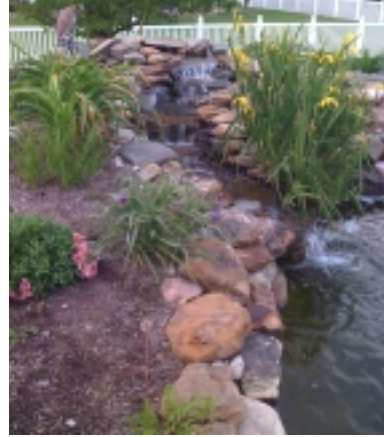
In December, we hold our annual Christmas Party. It was so nice to just show up and enjoy the evening without prep work or cleanup last year, so we have decided to do the same this year.

Happy Holidays to all and hope to see all of you at one or both of our last get togethers for the year.

*Happy Pond Keeping!*  
*Troy*

# Share Your Passion :

by Marc & Tamara Skaggs and family  
(Logan , Ryne & Isaac)



Made in 2003 for the 3rd time in 1.5 years. 1st pond was a watergarden of 2500 gallons, the 2nd was 5000 gallons and the 3rd was a true koi pond of 12,000 gallons. It is a 19x25 with a center depth of 5.5' 2 Nexus fed by 4" spenddrifter bottom drains which then go to a bead filter and are returned via 2 return jets. Some water is diverted through a small bioreactor. We have a skimmer that feeds a biofalls of which some water is diverted into a DIY trickle tower. Most of the filtering system is gravity fed to the filters located in the basement of our home.



It has been featured on an Internet video: [www.bluezootv.com](http://www.bluezootv.com)  
(go to video playlist on right side and look for Koi Pond and Filtration in Indianapolis, IN)

## The Plant Corner



Hardy Lily

The Hardy Lily comes in many colors (white, yellow, pink, etc.). Normally the span of leaves at the surface of the water is between 3 to 5 feet around. The shape of the leaves are smooth and circular in shape. The preferred depth for Hardy Lilies is 18 inches, although a little less or more can be tolerated. Most Hardy Lilies bloom mid-morning through mid-afternoon once the water temp. is in the 60 deg. range. Before winter trim back any growth and place lily in the deeper area of the pond.

## The Goldfish Corner

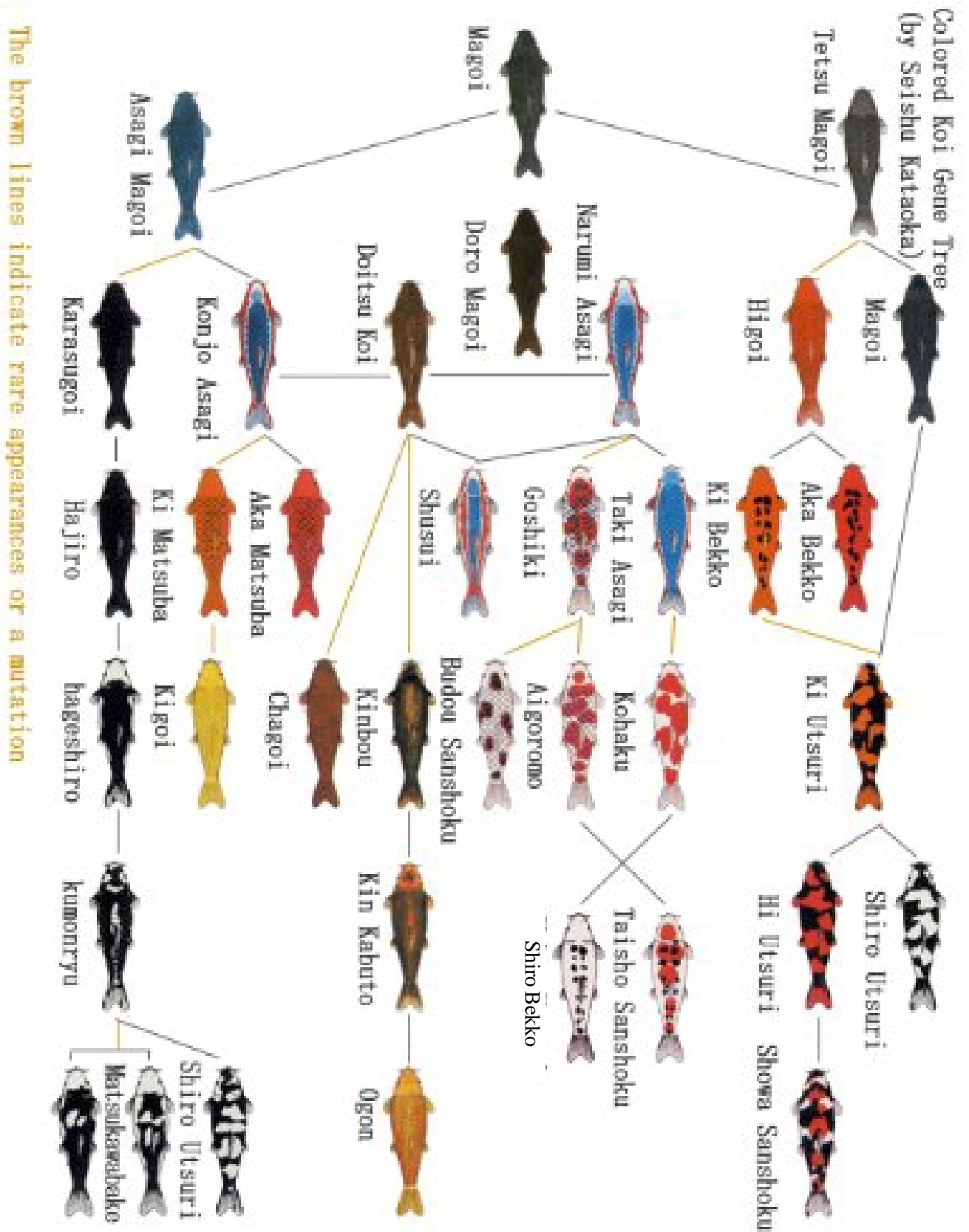


"Common Goldfish"

The "Common Goldfish" is the most inexpensive and hardiest of the goldfish varieties. They are very active and thrive well in most pond conditions. Most grow only to a size of 8 to 10 inches, if given room and time. Most will survive winter temps as long as the water stays above freezing. Although, they mostly are seen in the orange/red color, they do come in other colors. Many ponds have started with just a handful of these goldfish to have hundreds after just a couple years.

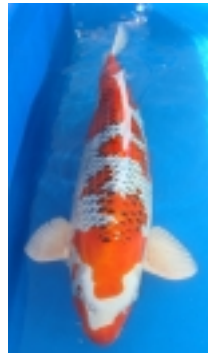
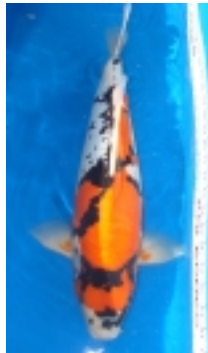
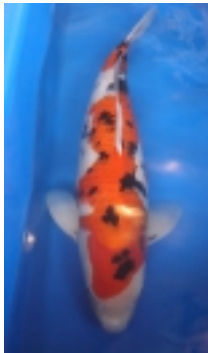
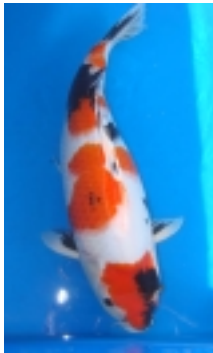
# KOI VARIETIES

Below is a chart that shows how the Japanese Breeders breed different varieties of koi to get new varieties.



## Mud Pond Harvest Results

This was the third year for the harvest of the mud pond. After experiencing very cold weather conditions at the first two harvests, it was great to have such a wonderful day for our 2010 harvest. Approximately 35 club members joined in on the fun, with a couple members coming from as far as St. Louis, Mo. We got to meet some new members. Things couldn't have gone better. Of the 18 koi that were placed in the mud pond to grow, all 18 were harvested. After the harvest, most of the members headed back to Troy & Sherrie Head's house to release the koi in holding tanks and (as normal with club functions) EAT! Several members took advantage of great deals on koi that were auctioned off at the end of the day.



### PhD - Pond Health Directors

This program gives all club members a list of contacts for pond or fish related issues.

Cindy Badder - 502-296-5016

Mike Pfeffer - 502-254-7432

Carrie Albert - 502-637-7957

Troy Head - 502-243-6152

*Please place calls between 9 am - 9 pm*

**POND 101 - Nov./Dec. Lesson :** Take advantage of the senior members knowledge. It not only can save you money, but also possibly the life of your fish.

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### First 2011 Newsletter & Meeting

The next newsletter will be a Jan./Feb. issue. You should receive it mid-Jan. Our next club meeting will be in Feb. Look in your next newsletter for date, time and location.