



The Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies, Inc.



[www.northeastcouncil.org](http://www.northeastcouncil.org)

**BOARD MEETING – SUNDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> @ 12:00 P.M.**

**AT THE PVAS PICNIC IN BUTTERY BROOK PARK IN SOUTH HADLEY, MA**

**IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND THE MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT JOE MASI AT  
[PRESIDENT@NORTHEASTCOUNCIL.ORG](mailto:PRESIDENT@NORTHEASTCOUNCIL.ORG) OR 845-896-4793**

## 2009 NEC CALENDAR

### August

15 PVAS Picnic/NEC Board Meeting  
29-30 TFSRI Show & Auction

### September

27 NEC General Meeting

### October

3-4 NAS Show & Auction  
11 DAAS Auction  
18 NHAS Auction  
23-25 NJAS Show & Auction

### November

8 TFCB Auction  
15 NEC BOG Meeting (conference call)

### December

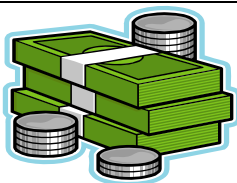
6 NEC General Meeting

## 2010 NEC CALENDAR

### February

14 PVAS Auction

The NEC does not coordinate dates for club events, but does publish a monthly calendar for your convenience. Prior to selecting a date for your club's next event, please check the NEC calendar for availability, and then notify the Editor of the new date immediately at [cpolicastro1@verizon.net](mailto:cpolicastro1@verizon.net).



**if your club has not send in their annual NEC dues, please send check for \$30.00 payable to NEC, and mail to Frank Policastro @ 1 Lynnfield Drive, East Windsor, NJ 08520.**

## President's Message

Hello Everybody,

Well the good weather is here and it's time to clean-up and air out those fish rooms and get your ponds back in shape. I know it's tough not to be outside and doing yard work, but please remember to support your sister society events.

The next NEC BOG meeting will be in August at the PVAS picnic. More information will be provided in our next newsletter. ALL members of the BOG, including committee chairman, should plan on attending and reporting on their respective committees.

In closing, please remember to send your club contact updates and calendar events to Christine Policastro at [cpolicastro1@verizon.net](mailto:cpolicastro1@verizon.net). Linda Giza is always looking for speakers to add to the NEC list, please send the information to [pvaslinda1@yahoo.com](mailto:pvaslinda1@yahoo.com).

Please feel free to contact me with questions or suggestions; it's best to contact me by email at [president@northeastcouncil.org](mailto:president@northeastcouncil.org), or call me at 1-845-896-4793. You will also notice, that I have a new email address which will be passed on to future council presidents.

Joe Masi  
NEC President

### REMINDER TO ALL CLUB EDITORS:

Please send your publication monthly or quarterly to Michael Liu, 14 Indian Hill, Florence, MA 01062 or [mike@berkshiredesign.com](mailto:mike@berkshiredesign.com) to be entered into the 2009 NEC Articles Competition - not to Christine Policastro!

### REMINDER TO ALAS Show Chairperson:

Please send your show results from your January 2009 show to the Exchange Editor Christine Policastro, 1 Lynnfield Drive, East Windsor, NJ 08520, or e-mail them to [cpolicastro1@verizon.net](mailto:cpolicastro1@verizon.net). If they are not received, the show points will not be included in the 2009 Exhibitor or the Innes Competition!



## NEC Slide and Videos Program

All video and slide presentations are available to any NEC club to use as their monthly meeting program. Any other use should be discussed with the NEC slide and video chairman prior to the request. Please make requests as far in advance as possible to allow for scheduling and regular mail delivery. The NEC club requesting the program is responsible for actual shipping charges in both directions. Failure to return the program will result in a \$50 replacement charge. Please return programs within 14 days after the scheduled meeting.

New DVDs from the 34th annual convention are now available as part of the slide and video library. Special thanks to Erik Olson from Seattle for coming to the convention this year and spending the time recording and producing these for us.

dvd 1

Bruce turner - Pupfish  
Justin Credibel - Coral Propagation  
Rusty Wessel - Thorichthys  
Stephan Tanner - Loricarid Nutrition  
Wolfgang Staeck - Characins  
Wolfgang Staeck - Thropheus

dvd2

Ghazanfar Ghori - Cryptocorynes  
Karen Randall - Collecting in Thailand  
Les Kaufman - Conservation  
Ole Pedersen - The Algae-Free Aquarium  
Ole Pedersen - Uptake of CO2 by Plants

Requests should be made to:

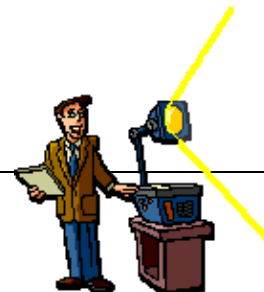
David Banks  
315 US RT 2  
Grand Isle, VT 05458  
[dbanks@together.net](mailto:dbanks@together.net) or 802-372-8716

To view the list of available programs online visit:

[http://northeastcouncil.org/video/listings.php?order\\_by=title&sortorder=ASC](http://northeastcouncil.org/video/listings.php?order_by=title&sortorder=ASC)



## NEC Speaker Program



One of the purposes of the Northeast Council is to assist member clubs in remaining a viable and successful aquarium society. I know from previous experience, that one of the hardest jobs in any club is that of the Program Chairperson - who has the responsibility of providing a succession of experienced and entertaining speakers, on a variety of topics, with little or no budget.

A revised program list whenever there are changes made, as well as information on using an ACA speaker. This is a "work-in-progress", so after you have reviewed both items, please contact Linda with any corrections or additions you have at [lindagiza@comcast.net](mailto:lindagiza@comcast.net) or call her at (413) 301-2803.



## Club Meeting Notices

### June 19, 2009

Long Island Aquarium Society  
David Boruchowitz (Editor of TFH)  
"Cichlids & Future of the Hobby"

### June 18, 2009

North Jersey Aquarium Society  
Mark Denaro (Anubius Designs)  
"Water Gardens"

### June

Greater City Aquarium Society  
Jeff Bolbach  
"A Year in the Fish Room"

### July

Greater City Aquarium Society  
Jim Breheny (Director, Bronx Zoo)  
"The Madagascar Project"

### July 16, 2009

North Jersey Aquarium Society  
"Mini Swap Meet"  
(see attached flyer for additional information)

**If you would like your club's meeting advertised, please send me the information by the tenth of each month.**



# Club Special Events



## **North Jersey Aquarium Society**

**\*Annual Fish Show & Auction\***

**Saturday, October 24 – Annual Tropical Fish Show**

**Sunday, October 25 – Tropical Fish, Plant & Dry Goods Auction**

**Lyndhurst Elks Club**

**251 Park Avenue, Lyndhurst, NJ 07071**

**Vendors, silent auction, door prizes, food**

**Visit website for additional information @ [www.njas.net](http://www.njas.net)**

**Or call NJAS hotline @ (732) 541-1392 or Kevin Carr @ (201) 724-9460**

**If you would like your club's special event advertised, please send me the information by the tenth of each month.**

**NEC MEMBER CLUBS:**

Aqua-Land Aquarium Society	ALAS
Boston Aquarium Society	BAS
Brooklyn Aquarium Society	BASNY
Danbury Area Aquarium Society	DAAS
Exotic Fish Society of Hartford	EFSOH
Greater City Aquarium Society	GCAS
Jersey Shore Aquarium Society	JSAS
Long Island Aquarium Society	LIAS
Nassau County Aquarium Society	NCAS
Norwalk Aquarium Society	NAS
New England Cichlid Association	NECA
New Hampshire Aquarium Society	NHAS
Northeast Livebearers Association	NELA
North Jersey Aquarium Society	NJAS
Otter Valley Aquarium Society	ORAS
Pioneer Valley Aquarium Society	PVAS
Pioneer Valley Water Garden & Koi	PVWG&K
Tropical Fish Club of Burlington	TFCB
Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island	TFSRI

**NEC Board of Governors 2008-2010**

President: Joe Masi (DAAS)  
[president@northeastcouncil.org](mailto:president@northeastcouncil.org)

Vice President: Dave Giza (PVAS)  
[davegiza@comcast.net](mailto:davegiza@comcast.net)

Treasurer: Frank Policastro (NJAS)  
[aquapops@verizon.net](mailto:aquapops@verizon.net)

Recording Secretary: Fran Masi (DAAS)  
[Franc21alliance@optonline.net](mailto:Franc21alliance@optonline.net)

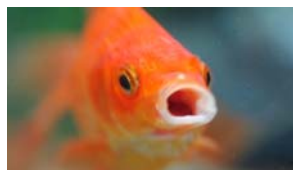
Corresponding Secretary: Christine Policastro (NJAS)  
[Cpolicastro1@verizon.net](mailto:Cpolicastro1@verizon.net)

Past President: Christine Policastro (NJAS)

Corporate Agent: Sue Bush (ALAS)

**Members At Large 2008-2010**

- Linda Giza (PVAS)
- Dan McKercher (ALAS)
- Chuck Pixley (NECA)
- Rick Rego (TFSRI)
- Nancy Villars (JSAS)
- Jim White (PVAS)



**Standing Committees:**

Constitution & By-Laws	Joe Dinho
Programs (Slides & Videos)	Dave Banks
Judging & Standards	Anne Broadmeyer
Legislation	Rick Rego
Raffles (Fund Raising)	Dave Banks
Workshop	Janine Banks

**Non-Standing Committees:**

Articles Competition	Mike Liu
Betty Mueller	Penny Faul
Breeder Participation Program	Rich Pierce
Conservation	Jim White/Bill Maier
Historian	Penny Faul
Newsletter	Christine Policastro
Sunshine	Fran Masi
Webmaster	Mark Broadmeyer
Photo Contest	Jim White
Exhibitor Competition	Christine Policastro
Innes Cup Award	Frank Policastro
Club Speakers	Linda Giza

Please bring an item or two from your clubs for our "mini" auction at our general meetings. The proceeds are used to offset the cost of the meeting, and your items can be auctioned either as a 100% donation or a 50/50 split with your club.