



## General Meeting April 28, 2012

**Attendees:** Dick Thomas, Brenda Thomas, Steve Childers, Cheryl Childers, Bryan Bateman, Bay Bateman, Bill Doyle, Bob Kirkwood, Linda Kirkwood, Faith Cook, Joe Cook, Marc Skaggs, Tamara Skaggs, Mike Weynschenk, Chester Bailey

President Dick Thomas started the meeting at 12:12 p.m. Central Daylight Time. He welcomed and thanked all for attending. Mike Pfeffer was not in attendance and Dick stated that there was roughly \$7300.00 in the bank account. Payment for ZNA dues has been sent but has not yet cleared the account but when it does it should still leave the club on the plus side.

Dick then started to talk about the upcoming NMZNA show in June. Tamara Skaggs mentioned that five vendors have confirmed so far but several are very interested. She usually gets more confirmations within a month before the show. Booth rental prices were discussed and it was agreed upon \$185.00.

Dick stated that the show is at the Carmel City Center in Carmel, Indiana on June 16 and 17. The koi show part will be in the huge gazebo and that the club will be getting a 40x80 tent for vendors. Marc Skaggs and Bob Kirkwood will work out having a generator on hand that is required for emergencies and night lighting. The tent will be set up Thursday, June 15. With the tent there will be tables and chairs delivered as well. Dick mentioned that the meet and greet on Friday could be held under the gazebo.

Joe Cook has graciously volunteered to do the water quality for the show. Chester Bailey will assist Joe.

The show hotel is the Hilton Garden Inn in Carmel, IN. Members were encouraged to check out the hotel link on the club's website, [www.nmzna.net](http://www.nmzna.net). Just follow the link on the 2012 show and it will lead you to the hotel link. Members can make reservations online through this link. Show rate for the rooms are \$84.00/night and RSVP must be made by May 25.

Dick passed around a show brochure that was designed and provided by Mike Aiken to help promote the show. Mike was unable to attend the meeting since he was at the Orchard in Bloom fair and distributing these brochures.

Dick mentioned that the Carmel Arts Council and Japanese Arts Council are helping the club with many of our needs for this show and asked that we have a donation jar with the donations going to the Arts Councils' gardens. This donation jar can be put on the welcome/club table at the show.

Bay Bateman and Cheryl Childers gave a quick account of items they have collected for the raffle booth. They asked if anyone had any items or can ask vendors they know for donations it would be appreciated. Linda Kirkwood showed members a beautiful lap quilt she made and donated to the club. She so kindly offered to make another so that one can be used in the raffle during the show and one will be auctioned off at the banquet. Thank you Linda.

Dick announced that John Sprinkle will be coming in from Florida again to do the awards for the major winners.

Dick then announced that there will not be a goldfish show with the koi show this year. He also wants to sell the aquariums. Anyone interested please contact Dick Thomas.

Cheryl Childers will be doing the judges' welcome bags for the show.

Dick then read an email he received from Adam Stysik who is in Japan. Adam judged the All Japan Young Koi Show in Niigata the past weekend and gave a brief recap of the event. Adam stated that Goshiki really coming up in ranks with the koi and stated he would not be surprised if they become the fourth main type in upcoming years, someone just needs to work on getting them to bigger size.

Steve and Cheryl gave a brief update on what is/has been happening with the AKCA. Some discussion followed.

Dick announced the officers for NMZNA for 2012. They are as follows: President: Dick Thomas, Vice President: Chester Bailey, Secretary: Cheryl Childers, Treasurer: Mike Pfeffer, Regional ZNA Representatives: Troy Head and Bill Doyle, AKCA Representatives: Marc and Tamara Skaggs.

Dick mentioned that several members attended the Kodama Koi Academy last weekend in Chicago. Dick had a slide show of the koi judging and we all participated in a review of the selections by Kodama. Some good conversations were brought up and lots of laughter as well.

The fall meeting was discussed and Dick will let members know the location and place later. So many members are busy with many koi events in the fall.

Dick ended the meeting at 2:09 p.m. Central Daylight Time.

Respectfully,  
Cheryl Childers  
Secretary