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From the Editor:

The days are going by quickly. The Holiday season is approaching and so is the MCAS auction. I have not been able to make any of the recent local auctions, but should be able to make this one. I hope to find some new fish and plants. Now that the cooler weather is coming, I am hoping we get some new articles on those fish spawning or any hobby related story. Let's make this newsletter better for the club and share all that knowledge or little secrets. Let's keep those fish happy and spawning. See you at the next meeting or auction.

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President's Message

Your time has come. If tropical fish are your passion, chances are there's some good stuff out there for you.

We have a full agenda of items which should gain your attention.

At our November General Meeting a Mr. Donnie Cook of Lou's Pet Shop in Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan will be educating our members on "*...using the Internet and other social media to enhance your pet keeping experience...*" . To help you celebrate our (American) Thanksgiving holiday and purchase your choice of goodies for your holiday dinners, we're raffling off four (4) \$25.00 gift cards to our local grocery stores.

If out of town auctions and shows are your game, note the very popular Ohio Cichlid Association's annual Extravaganza being held in Strongsville, Ohio on November 18th through the 30th. Let me know if you're interested in attending.

Coming up in December we'll again host a dinner meeting at easy to find and get to, Juliano's of nearby Warren, Michigan. The club is again partially subsidizing its cost and offering very special raffle prizes for our guests. We'll be looking forward to you sharing your latest absolutely true fish stories with us. Get those reservations and deposits in early to ensure its usual success.

It's been some time since we launched a new edition of genuine MCAS t-shirts. So, we're preparing a new order, which should be available at our semi annual auction on December 10th.

We've been hearing some rave reviews about our auctions. We try to give hobbyists plenty of choices to make these functions the success we're currently enjoying. So, come on out for the day. Join the comradery, pitch in for a few hours to help out the crew and partake in the myriad of choices to fulfill your needs in the hobby.

Membership Renewals are due for all members by year's end. We think our dues are truly a bargain for the hobbyists. If you'll just attend a few monthly meetings or functions, there's no doubt you'll be ahead of the game. Note, email delivery of our monthly newsletter is preferred.

Our annual advertisers' fees are also due in December/January. You'll be hearing from us regarding renewing our agreements. Look for that renewal letter in the mail.

Finally, yours truly is currently holding two positions with our organization, vis-à-vis, President and Treasurer. If you're interesting in taking over either seat, please step forward.

Hope to see you at our meeting on the 10th. Enjoy your Thanksgiving and we also hope to see you and look forward to your participation at our upcoming auction in December.

Vic Bondi

Websites of Fish Interest

Grand Valley Aquarium Club

www.grandvalleyaquariumclub.org

Great Lakes Cichlid Society

www.greatlakescichlidsociety.net

Greater Cincinnati Aquarium Society

www.gcas.org

Greater Detroit Aquarium Society

www.greaterdetroitaquariumsociety.org

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www.gpasi.org

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www.miapg.com/forums

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www.missouriaquariumsociety.com

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www.swmas.org

A Few Additional Notes from MCAS

Don't forget you can win our monthly \$25.00 gift certificate by entering monthly in one of or all of the BAP, HAP, bowl show, or submit an article for the Tropiquarium. (1 ticket for each of the categories) This month's winner won a gift certificate from The Pet Suppliers. We try to get a gift certificate to a different pet shop in the area every month.

Fishin' Post

For Sale

Longfin Green Dragon Bristlenose Plecos \$7/ea.
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Gary Leung 248.677.3441 gleung_mcas@att.net

I have decided to sell my Discus hatchery business after almost twenty years of breeding and selling Discus. Arthritis is causing me problems with the every day work in the hatchery. The equipment is worth between \$15,000.00 and \$20,000.00. Currently on hand are approx. 200 Discus to be sold for \$25.00 each to fish keepers. Pet shops and distributors purchase at a discount. There are six pairs of breeding Discus:(2) Blue Diamonds, (2) Tangerines and (2) Red Turquoise at a value of \$300.00 per pair. There are another 5 male adults. One commercial freezer with sliding glass top doors, value at \$700.00. Various supplies approx. value of \$1,000.00. I would like to sell†as a total package at \$7,000.00. I will help in taking down and setting up at another location. Please, interested persons only. An equipment list can be provided. If I can't sell as a total package, I will separate the systems for sale.
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2011/2012 Bowl Show Categories

August:	No Bowl Show
September:	Goldfish, Angelfish, Killiefish
October:	Guppies, Plecos, Gouramis
November:	<u>Dwarf Cichlids, Corydoras, Tetras</u>
December:	No Bowl Show
January:	African Cichlids, Rainbows, Synodontis
February:	Danios, Swordtails, Favorite Fish
March:	Barbs, Bettas, Gobies
April:	Loaches, Livebearers (AOV), Albino Fish
May:	Aquatic Animals, Plants, North American Native Fish
June:	No Bowl Show

The Bowl Show Report By Chuck Riffenburg

October's categories were Gouramis, Guppies and Plecos. There were 6 entries for Guppies and 1 entry each for Gouramis and Plecos.

Mark Allar took 1st Place in Gouramis with a gorgeous Pearl Gourami. In Plecos, Mark also took first place with an Albino Bushynose. As far as Guppies go, Pat Piekarz had a strong showing entering 5 of the 6 in the show. Pat took 1st Place and Best In Show with a Silver Cobra, she also took 2nd place with a nice looking Cobra Guppy. Mark Allar prevented the Guppy category sweep by taking 3rd Place with an Albino White. Thank you Pat and Mark for your participation. Special thanks, to Ron Albers for being the judge.

Standings are:

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	HM	BIS	Total
Mark Allar	75		20			95
Pat Piekarz	25	15			10	50
Juergen Kasprick	25				10	35
Ron Girling		15				15

*HM denotes Honorable mention, awarded when an entry is made and the club member does not place in any category.

Categories for The Bowl Show in November are: Dwarf Cichlids, Corydoras and Tetras.

MCAS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October Minutes

The Board Meeting was held October 5th At Chris Newell's house in Sterling Heights. President Vic Bondi called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM. Members present were Chuck Riffenburg, Chris Newell, Don Combs, Ron Albers and Mike Zajac. The September Minutes were read by Mike. The motion to accept was made by Don Seconded by Ron. Motion Passed. Vic gave the Treasure's Report. The motion to accept was made by Chuck. Seconded by Don. Motion Passed.

Vic gave the President's report. All board members need to respond to the Board Members e-mail. We need to know if we are able to have a Quarm for the meeting. We are still in need of either a Treasure or a President for our Board. One of the perks of being on the board is free dues for the year. I am sure that someone would be willing to kick in a free tee shirt for the person who is willing to step up to one of these positions. Please contact a board member if you are interested. Vic is taking Reservations for the Christmas Party at Juliano's. Post Cards for our December Auction are ready to be passed out.

The Gift Cards for the October meeting will come from Pet Supplier. Thanks to Chris Benes. Ron Albers will be taking over as the electronic exchange editor in January. The Club's non-profit status paper work, has been submitted.

We are working with the MCA to bring in a spring speaker. Mike Hellweg is coming to our [May 2012 Meeting](#), to give a program. Chris Newell will be giving a presentation on Crypts for our October Meeting.

Don made a motion that the Club buy four \$25.00 gift cards for the November Meeting. Seconded by Chris. Motion Passed. Mike made a motion that the Club spent \$75.00 to buy printer ink cartridges for the Club's printer. Seconded by Don. Motion passed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Don, seconded by Chris. Meeting Adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Submitted by Mike Zajac

Motor City Aquarium Society Program Schedule

November 10 Donnie Cook of Lou's Pet Shop
December 8 Holiday Banquet - Juliano's

Upcoming Events

Nov.18-20 - Ohio Cichlid Association, Show & Auction
(www.ohiocichlid.com)



Motor City Aquarium Society

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7:30 PM

At
Saint Gertrude Education Center
28839 Jefferson (N of Martin aka 11½ Mile Rd)
Saint Clair Shores MI 48081-1339
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