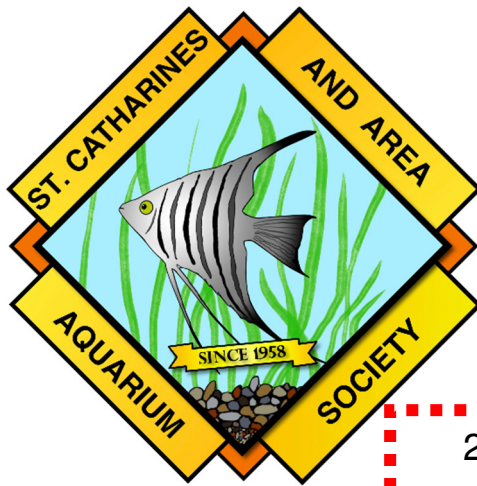
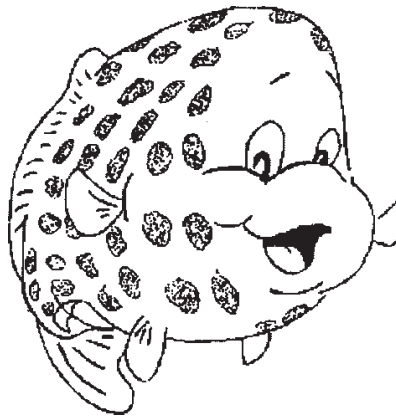


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Our Mission Statement

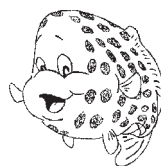
The Society, established in 1958, is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to the task of promoting interest in the breeding, raising, maintenance and study of tropical fish; both at the beginner and more advanced levels.

NEW!!! The September meeting of The St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society, (SCAAS) is going to be held on September 9, 2024 at Our Lady of Scapular Hall at 6557 Thorold Stone Road in Niagara Falls. Doors open at 7 PM with the meeting starting at 7:30 PM.

SCAAS is a charter member of the **Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs Inc.**, (CAOAC, www.caoac.ca), and a member of the **Federation of American Aquarium Societies**, (FAAS, www.faas.info).

More news and information about SCAAS can be found at our website: www.scaas1958.ca

We also have a Facebook page under **The St. Catharines Area Aquarium Society 1958** where you can ask aquarium related questions and post photographs of your aquariums and fish, plants, etc. Unfortunately, due to Facebook policies we are unable to post fish for sale ads using our club page.



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Advertising in The Scat

Full Page	\$150
Half Page	\$100
Quarter Page	\$80
Business Card	\$50

Membership Fees

Family/Couple	\$30
Adults	\$25
Junior (under 16)	\$15
Senior (60+)	\$10
Senior Couple (60+)	\$15

Jar ShowFOM

September: Goldfish

October: Danios, Barbs, Tetras

November: Cichlids

December: Open to All Types

January: Plants

February: Loaches, Sharks

March: Postponed

April: Anabantids including Gouramis and Bettas

May: Guppies

June: Corys, Catfish, Plecos

No shows for July and August

Committees

Breeder/OAA Awards: Vacant

Horticulture Awards: Vacant

CAOAC Representative: Phil Barrett

Programs: Open Position

SCAT Newsletter & Jar Show Coord.: Pat Shriner

Past President & Membership: Jon Mattatall

Webmaster: Jon Mattatall

Ways & Means: Open Position

CAOAC Corresponding Secretary & SCAAS:

Cindy Barrett

Auction Committee: Cindy Barrett

Jim's President's Message



Hello all,

Hope you had a great summer! The weather was nice and hot for any vacationing you may have been on, I was busy at home keeping the ponds at a cooler temperature to make sure the fish were ok! We have a great start up this fall with speakers booked right into the new year. Mike Majer will kick it off with at the September meeting "You just maybe a redneck" routine that he has perfected followed by Frank Aquirre CAOAC President in October. We will be having an auction on Saturday Nov.9/24 and will be looking for help from the membership to make it successful. The Executive members will hit the road to get our sponsors to donate as usual so it will be busy for a couple months. Over the summer, we donated a tank to the children's library in St Catharine's. The exec members did a great job setting it up. The employees there have kept in touch and let us know what an impact it has had on the kids! Bravo to all involved. Also, our web master, Jon, has come up with a members/new members booklet that I will let you comment on! On another note, Pat Shriner does the fish of the month/jar show and would like the members to bring a fish they think can win! Also, we are asking members to bring for a non-perishable food item to the meeting to help the church feed the needy. Looking forward to see all who can attend.

Jim Chalmers President

Editor's Note



Please I need your aquarium related articles, and photos for future editions of the SCAT. Wanted or for sale ads are welcome too.

Please send them to me by email at pshriner17@gmail.com by the 20th of the month to be included in the next SCAT edition.

Thank you

Pat

Treasurer's Report for June Meeting to End of Season

I would like to thank all that have shown such great support for this club. We have brought it back from beyond the depths of the ocean to once again riding the waves of success. We should all be immensely proud of the year we have had and what we have been able to accomplish.

We started the June meeting with a balance of \$325.00:

50/50 raffle	\$ 60.00
Fish auction	\$ 40.20
Raffle	\$ 52.00
Canteen	\$ 32.25
Memberships	\$215.00
Reimbursement to Tom	
For exec. Pizza	\$ 28.25
Reimbursement to Denise	
For broken light	\$ 52.00
Donation	\$ 25.00
Grace/Gratitude	\$ 1.00

This brought us to a balance of \$670.20. This cashbox money balance was then given to Tom to be deposited to the bank account and closing out the cash box. BALANCE ZERO

We are hoping to recoup the monies reimbursed to Denise for the light, from the person who sold it at the spring auction. This is a one-time occurrence, and new rules are now in place and the club will no longer be responsible for anything bought or sold at the auctions. The cashbox also has outstanding payments due to a club member and a seller from the spring auction who did not collect their payments. These amounts make no changes to the monies reported above.

Previous bank balance was \$2,363.27:

Cheque #1: OLOTSC June rent	\$ 100.00
Cheque #2: OLOTSC July exec meeting rent	\$ 30.00
Deposit of cashbox funds	\$ 670.20
Balance of bank account is now	\$2,903.47

We all deserve a round of applause, just look at what we have been able to accomplish. We have and always will be the best and most love fish club around. Here is to a great and even more successful year to come in our 2024-2025 season.

Kandys Mattatall
Treasurer



PRESENTS....

**THE RETURN OF
MIKE MAJER**

WELCOME BACK!!

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"YOU MIGHT BE AN AQUATIC REDNECK"



MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9TH

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LADY OF THE SCAPULAR'S FOOD DRIVE**

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Mike has been in the Hobby all his life. From being a youngster and having his parents hide his Christmas Gifts in the Aquarium stand that they had, cause he would never go in there. There is a Tip for you parents! You might recognize Mike from Big Als Hamilton. Working there for over 17 years! He is also the Past President of Hamilton & District Aquarium Society and is still much involved with Club! With his past medical issues he had which included a stroke, he is feeling better and ready to go! He has spoken before to the club on 2 Occasions in the past. Talking to us on Working in the retail of the hobby and Pandemic vs the Hobby. During his presentations, Mike likes to put humour in them. One day a member came into the store and said "Mike, we love your presentations and how you put humour inside them". Can you do a all humour one? I said sure! While visiting his dad's gravesite, he remembered how his late father was a Big Jeff Foxworthy you might be a redneck fan. Then it clicked in. You might be an Aquatic Redneck! I hope you enjoy! At this time, I would like to thank the current St Cathrines Aquarium Society Executive and board members for doing an amazing job! I would like to thank the members for continuing there support towards the club. Also, huge thank you to everyone who gave me an amazing round of applause when I had to leave the auction due to me leaving early as I had to go to work.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

JIM CHALMERS

2024

TOM HILLIER



**1ST VICE
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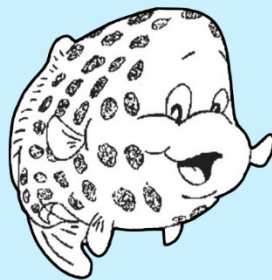
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2025

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**2ND VICE
PRESIDENT**

KANDYS MATTATALL



TREASURER

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society not only strives to serve the society and its members but to also help serve the community as well. We help many different organizations such as:

The St. Catharines Public Library

In the children's reading area, S.C.A.A.S. with the help of our sponsors and members has placed a 55 gallon aquarium with all the bells and whistles for the children to enjoy. Sponsors such as Zoo-Med, Aqueon and Northfin Fish Foods have provided everything needed to build this aquarium. Currently our members Phil & Cindy take care of all water changes and maintenance required every week to keep the tank beautiful for all the patrons at the library to enjoy.



Community Care

As we all know community care in St. Catharines helps out thousands of citizens in the region who have difficulty affording the basic necessities of life. With the rise in food costs many families are in need. S.C.A.A.S. makes a yearly cash donation to Community Care to aid them with purchasing the products they need to help their many clients.



Our Lady Of The Scapular Food Drive

The church runs a food drive for the less fortunate and as we use their Parish Hall for our monthly meetings and auctions, we are proud to say that with the help of our members we will be helping them with their cause. We ask that when you attend one of our functions to bring a canned good or two for their cause.

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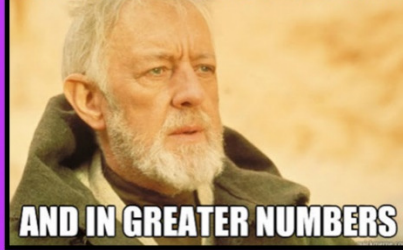
**BUT WHEN I DO, I DON'T HAVE ANY WATER
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When the universe
keeps sending you signs



When you remove some duckweed from
your aquarium

THEY'LL SOON BE BACK



AND IN GREATER NUMBERS



SEMI-ANNUAL FISH AUCTION

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9TH

**DOORS
OPEN
AT
8:00AM**

6557 THOROLD STONE RD
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**OUR LADY OF THE
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OUR FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW CLUB SEASON IS ON SEPTEMBER 9TH

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THE ST. CATHARINES AND AREA AQUARIUM SOCIETY

About Us

Welcome to the St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society. The Society was established in 1958. It is a non-profit, educational organization dedicated to the task of promoting interest in the breeding, raising, maintenance and study of tropical fish and plants both at the beginner and advanced levels. We hold our monthly meetings in the months of September to June on the first Monday off every month at 7:00 pm at OUR LADY OF THE SCAPULAR, 6557 THOROLD STONE RD, Niagara Falls Ontario. At the meetings we start off with welcoming new members and discussing club business. After that we have a presentation/speaker who will speak on a specific topic in the aquarium hobby.

Ready to Join The Club?

Becoming a member is easy. Simply sign up and start enjoying all the benefits of being a part of our community.

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- September 14 – 2024 Canadian Aquatic Expo at the International Centre, Mississauga, ON
- September 21 – Sarnia Fall Auction at the Sarnia Christian School, Sarnia, ON
- September 28, - Hamilton and District Aquarium Society Fall Auction at 79 Hamilton St. North, Hamilton

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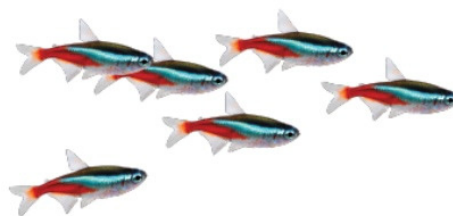


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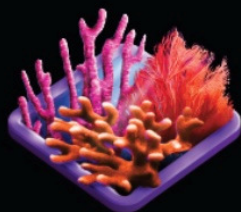
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