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FRIDAY, APRIL 12 @ 7:30 PM

The BAS is Proud to Present

MARK DENARO

Owner of Anubias Design, President of the American Labyrinth Fish Assoc. & Bucks County AS
Columnist for *Tropical Fish Hobbyist* Magazine



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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Our monthly events seem to be on shaky ground. Our November meeting didn't happen because of Hurricane (tropical storm) Sandy. Our February meeting never happened because of Blizzard Nemo. This event came close to being cancelled because of the snowstorm that hit our area. The weather man predicted that the snow would stop by

noon; then by three, and then by four, before it finally slowly subsided. Our speaker, **Kevin Kohen**, Director of **LiveAquaria.com** from **Doctors Foster & Smith**, was stuck on a 4 hour delayed flight because of the storm. Whew! We finally got the event rolling and everyone enjoyed it.

Kevin's program for the evening was "*SuperStar Fishes For Reef Aquaria*"! The topic certainly lived up to its title because the fish presented in the program were quite rare and extremely valuable. There were fish for the household aquarium that cost many thousands of dollars. Not just a few fish but many of them. These were truly "Super Stars," dare I say "Divas" of the home aquarium - fish species that are truly for the rich and famous in the hobby world.

Our April event will bring Spring flowers in the form of Mark Denaro. Mark is the force behind the Yahoo group "Anubias Design." This is a great group that is dedicated to discussions on tropical fish and plant species via the internet. I have been a member for many years.

Please visit our new website where you can read the *Bulletin* and enjoy a full color *Aquatica*. The interactive forums and sponsor sections are truly enjoyable. Provided you have given us your email address, you will be getting notifications of club events via email.

I am asking for your help and support. If you want to see different speakers or try different things, please let me know. The elected officials of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society are here to serve **YOU!** Please let us know what you want and why. It would be helpful to everyone.

It is important that you visit and patronize our

sponsors. It goes full circle: by helping them, they are also helping you as hobbyists and everyone is helping the Brooklyn Aquarium Society, so help us, help you!

For more info, please call our BAS Hotline at (718) 837-4455, or visit our modern website at **WWW.BROOKLYNAQUARIUMSOCIETY.ORG.**

On a more personal note - Any member who desires to attend a Board meeting, which are held at the Education Center of the New York Aquarium on the 1st Friday of the month, please notify me at (718) 238-1792 by the Tuesday previous to the meeting.

Joe Graffagnino,
President



Everyone who received a bottle of **STARTSMART COMPLETE** for either fresh or marine aquariums, please send your product evaluation to the BAS P.O. Box or email it to me at JoeGraffagnino@yahoo.com.

DIRECTIONS TO THE NY AQUARIUM

Directions by Car: Take Belt Parkway to Ocean Parkway South (Exit 7S). Take Ocean Parkway approx. 1/2 mile. The New York Aquarium will be on your left.
Directions by Subway: Take either the Q or F trains to West 8th St., NY Aquarium Station. Follow signs to NY Aquarium.

THIS MONTHS SPEAKER



Mark Denaro has been keeping freshwater fish

since 1972 and marine fish since 1976. He has always been very interested in planted and biotope aquariums and has been keeping reef tanks since before that term was coined. Mark has bred over 200 species of freshwater fish and propagated over 150 species of aquatic plants. He has had 9 species of marine fish spawn in his tanks and has propagated over 30 species of marine invertebrates. Mark has been involved in the organized hobby since joining the Indianapolis Aquarium Society in 1984.

He has served in almost every possible elected office in aquarium societies since that time, including serving as the president of the **Indianapolis Aquarium Society** and the International Betta Congress.

Mark is one of the founders and the first president of the **American Labyrinth Fish Association**. He is also the president of the **Bucks County Aquarium Society**. He is well known as a speaker and judge, having spoken to over 40 aquarium societies in 16 states plus Canada. Mark has also presented educational programs on reefs and rainforests at numerous schools in several states. Mark has worked in the pet industry for over 25 years at all levels, including working in store management for both independent retailers and big box chain stores, sales manager and warehouse manager for a regional livestock wholesaler as well as owning a retail shop, a marine wholesale operation and several aquarium installation and maintenance companies. He is best known as the owner of **Anubias Design**, a specialty supplier of new, rare and interesting freshwater fish, invertebrates and plants. Mark has written articles for club magazines as well as *Aquarium International* and *Tropical Fish Hobbyist* magazine. He writes the column "Into the Labyrinth" for TFH along with feature articles. Mark's main interests in the hobby are anabantoids and related species and breeding marine fish.

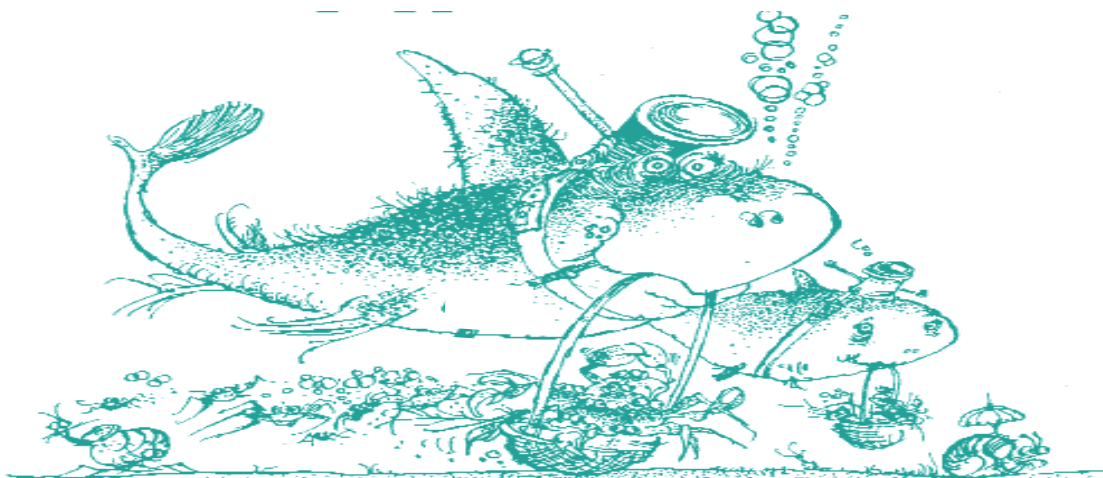


All BAS meetings begin at 7:30pm.

No members, other than those donating their help setting up or items for the auction, will be allowed in before that time.

COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

EXHIBITIONS, AUCTIONS & CONVENTIONS IN 2013



FRIDAY - SUNDAY, APRIL 5-7 NEC CONVENTION at the Crowne Plaza in Cromwell, CT. **Speakers include:** Lee Finley, Mark Denaro, Todd Gardner, Rachel O'Leary, Charles Clapsaddle, Andre Carletto, Greg Steveeves, Richard Poerce, Amanda Wanger. Convention rate is \$99 per night (plus tax) for nights of April 5 - 7. This special rate is available through March 31, 2013. Please make hotel reservations by using the link listed. https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcoming_ei_new&eventID=9602169 or call 1-860-635-2000 or 1-877 2 CROWNE (1-877-227-6963). Mention code NFQ. Contact Leslie Dick by e-mail if you have any questions or concerns.

SATURDAY - SUNDAY, APRIL 6 - 7 MARINE AQUARIUM EXPO, at the O.C. Fair & Event Center 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. The Marine Aquarium Expo ("MAX") is the largest consumer event for the hobby in North America! You'll see the latest innovative products in the hobby as well as purchase livestock and dry goods from over 70 exhibitors! **Speakers include:** Marc Levenson, Ret Talbot, Aviad Ben-Zekry, Bob Fenner, Mark Callahan & Dr. Timothy Hovanec. MAX is family-friendly. Our signature "Fin-Zone" includes an 8ft Touch Tank to introduce kids to exotic marine animals, an H.D. theater, contests, prizes, and many other activities for a day of entertainment! Admission is \$15 for Adults, \$10 for Seniors & Military, \$5 for HS Students & FREE for Children 12 & under. **More information:** www.marineaquariumexpo.com.

APRIL 12-14 MAIS SPRING FLING FISHY THING at the St. Louis Airport Crowne Plaza Hotel. Our speakers are Eric Hanneman, Mike Wickham, Rusty Wessel and Mike Hellweg. We have a talk scheduled for Fri. evening with a pizza party / hospitality room to follow. Talks all day Saturday with our annual banquet that evening. Our spring auction would be on Sunday. Once again, **Ray "Kingfish" Lucas** will be set up in our vendor room and others will be announced as they commit. There will also be a show this year. **More information:** Scott Bush at 314-486-8872.

APRIL 25- 28 AMERICAN LIVEBEARER ASSOCIATION CONVENTION held in Grand Rapids, Michigan at the Crowne Plaza Rapids hotel. The events include a 20-class livebearer show, a Friday and Saturday galleria poster session by graduate students, a Sunday auction, myriad speakers and much more. For the latest updates on the show, visit the official site at www.aola2013.com

SUNDAY - APRIL 28 -NORTH JERSEY A S, TROPICAL FISH FLEA MARKET VENDOR DISPLAY & AUCTION held at Quality Inn, 10 Polito Ave., Lyndhurst, NJ. Rooms \$99. For information, 201-933-9800 or www.njas.net.

SUNDAY - MAY 19 OTTER VALLEY A S ANNUAL TROPICAL FISH & PLANT AUCTION & PEOPLES CHOICE'S BOWL SHOW at

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the **Rutland/Killington Holiday Inn** located on US Route 7 near the junction of Rte 4.

IMPORTANT DRIVING INFO: The GPS systems will not recognize their physical address. We highly recommend you use 1 Holiday Drive, Rutland, VT 05701.

Make it a Weekend Getaway. Enjoy Beautiful Vermont, then attend the Auction on Sunday. Special room rates for the Auction weekend \$92 per night including breakfast. For reservations call 800 462-4810 or info@hivermont.com. Viewing lots 9:30am - 11:30am • Auction starts 12 noon. Free Admission • Refreshments Available.

For more information, contact Lee Scott at 802-537-2713 or Leebrianscott@yahoo.com or www.ovasociety.com.

Friday - Sunday - MAY 24-26 2013 The American Killifish Association 52nd Annual National Convention held in Portland, Oregon at the Red Lion Hotel on the River, 909 N. Hayden Island Drive, Portland OR 97217. **Speakers:** Bela Nagy Adventures Collecting Killifish, • Marc Bo-gaerts The Search for A. cameronense • Ken Normandin Panama Killifish • Jason Podrabsky Annualism in Killifish • Frans Vermeulen The Moroa Expedition 2012 - Killies on Ice-A Killie Guy on Aruba.

Hotel Info: For reservations call the hotel at 1-503-283-4466 or use this link Convention 2013 at: www.aka.org. To get the special rate of \$94 per night this rate is guaranteed up to May 2nd.

Registration info: Go to the AKA website at www.aka.org.

JUNE 20 -23 FLORIDA AQUARIUM FISH EXPO. This bi-annual event attracts aquarium enthusiasts from around the world and serves as a showcase for the hobbyist as well as suppliers. Whether you keep a single betta bowl or a fish-room there is something for everyone. For more information, visit www.flafishshow.com.

AUGUST 30th - SEPTEMBER 1st MARINE AQUARIUM CONFERENCE OF NORTH AMERICA, held at the Westin Diplomat Hotel, 3555 South Ocean Dr, Hollywood, FL 33019. Phone: (954) 602-6000. Group rates available until August 7, 2013. Subject to availability. Choose beachfront surf & sand or a more intimate stay surrounded by golf course greens and a full-service spa. **Speakers:** Tony Vargas, Morgan Moore, Matt Wittenrich, Matt Wandell, Kevin Kohen, Julian Sprung, Jake Adams, Craig Bingman, Colin Foord, Ching Chai, Sanjay Joshi, Martin Moe, Vincent Chalias. Full access Pass \$109. Vendors/Speakers Day Pass \$30, Friday Reception Pass \$20, Saturday Banquet Pass \$30. If you have a question about tickets or registering, please send your emails directly to registration@macna2013.com.



Note: The editor takes full responsibility for misspellings and punctuation errors.

BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2013 - 2014

APR 12 Mark Denaro - Where Rare Species are Common ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

MAY 10 Giant Spring Auction ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods including a 55 gal. tank & stand.

JUN 14 Laura Birenbaum - Coral & Marine Inverts' Tolerances for Dry Shipping ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

JULY/AUGUST - NO MEETINGS

SEPT 13 Joe Graffagnino ~ Knowledge of Useless S - - t I Acquired Over the Years ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

OCT 11 Giant Fall Auction ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods, including a 55 gal. tank & stand.

NOV 8 John Coppolino ~ Modern Fish Keeping in Reef Aquaria ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

DEC 13 Holiday Party ~ Members, their families and friends, all you can eat sit-down dinner • Fish Bingo & Prizes • BAS Awards presentations.

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JAN 10 Pat Donston ~ Marine/reef TBA ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

FEB 14 Chuck Davis ~ Topic TBA ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

MAR 13 Gene Ritter ~ Reef Diving in NYC ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

APR 12 Rachel Oleary ~ Freshwater topic TBA ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

MAY 9 Giant Spring Auction ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods including a 55 gal. tank & stand.

JUN 14 TBA

JULY/AUGUST - NO MEETINGS


SEPT 12 TBA FRESHWATER EVENT

OCT 10 Giant Fall Auction ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods, including a 55 gallon tank & stand.

NOV 14 James Fatherree ~ topic TBA Marine ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

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The NEC holds its Annual Convention this Month. The Sunday Auction is well worth attending.

The NEC CONVENTION will be held at the Crowne Plaza in Cromwell, CT. This is a great event for hobbyists. I have attended the convention for all three days and found it a great way to meet fellow hobbyists, hear great speakers and attend a super tropical fish auction.

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Take my word for it – you'll have a great time.
I've already booked to attend. Hope to see you there!

John T.

COLD WEATHER HELP FOR YOUR FISH FROM BAS

With cold weather setting in, transporting livestock home can be a problem. If you know you're going to buy fish or corals, you should have an insulated bag to carry them home. The BAS has developed a great insulated carrying bag for members; with a reflective aluminum foil interior. It has comfortable plastic handles and is constructed with eco-friendly P.E.T (Polyethylene terephthalate). The bag is made from post-consumer water bottles (85% from water bottles, 15% from other recycled materials). It's 22"H x 16"W x 11"D. Big enough to carry lots of livestock bags. It also folds up for flat easy

storage. The bag is black with the BAS logo in yellow on one side, and features a unique full Velcro closure to keep your fish and corals safely in and the elements out. Members cost is only \$10. You can purchase one at one of our events

They'll be going fast, so a word to the wise...get yours at the next event. Keep it in your car, so you'll always be ready to protect any fish or corals you get this winter.

They're perfect for carrying and protecting livestock home from Society auctions or store purchases.

Get one at the next event!

**A GREAT INSULATED CARRYING BAG FROM BAS!
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BAS Forum Post Contest Winners for March

The 1st place winner of last months BAS Forum contest: *WHO CAN APPLY THE MOST POSTS PER MONTH* was: **John Fox**, he received \$25 worth of BA\$ Buck\$. There was a tie between **Bernard Deren** and **Robert Price**, for 2nd place and each received \$10 in BA\$ Buck\$.

THE APRIL CONTEST IS ON NOW.

To participate in the BAS Forum contest with the chance of winning BA\$ Buck\$, go to the top of the club's website (right side corner) and click on the word **FORUM** and that will take you there, or you can use the link:

<http://forum.brooklynaquariumsociety.org/>

Good luck **Joe**

BAS ONLINE FORUM - A GREAT PLACE TO MEET OTHER AQUARISTS

Check out our new forum on our web site at www.basny.org and click on **Forum** at the top right of the page. Registration is free and easy to all, so take advantage of this opportunity to ask your fish related questions, or just discuss whatever fish related topic you want like questions on filters, lights, pumps or anything else. There is even a place to sell or trade your fish, tanks or equipment.

So help yourself and help us keep our forum going -- join today.

Steven Matassa

THE BENEFITS OF BECOMING A SPONSOR OF THE BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

As a sponsor of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society, you get the following:

- An ad in our monthly publication, the *BAS Bulletin*, both in the printed and the online versions.
- A write-up in our bi-monthly journal, *Aquatica*.
- A banner on our web site that will have a link to your website.
- A "room" on our web forum where you can advertise your product lines and have "questions and answers" with your customers and forum visitors.
- A photo of your store or its interior on our annual web calendar for one month that will advertise your business.

We also accept donations from businesses that we offer at our monthly meetings and will have a "hands on" with your products for our members and guests. We mention your products and your company at our meetings that generally have 125-200 attendees, depending on whether it's a freshwater or marine guest speaker and the speaker's topic for the evening.

If you are interested in working with us to advance your business, the hobby and to Educate Aquarists for an annual sponsorship fee of \$200, please contact me to learn more about the benefits of sponsorship. Once you become a sponsor, our Editor and Webmaster will contact you and work with you to discuss the particulars for your ad, the banner and the forum, along with creating the links.

Come and join our growing family of Brooklyn Aquarium Society supporters and sponsors.

Joe Graffagnino,
BAS President



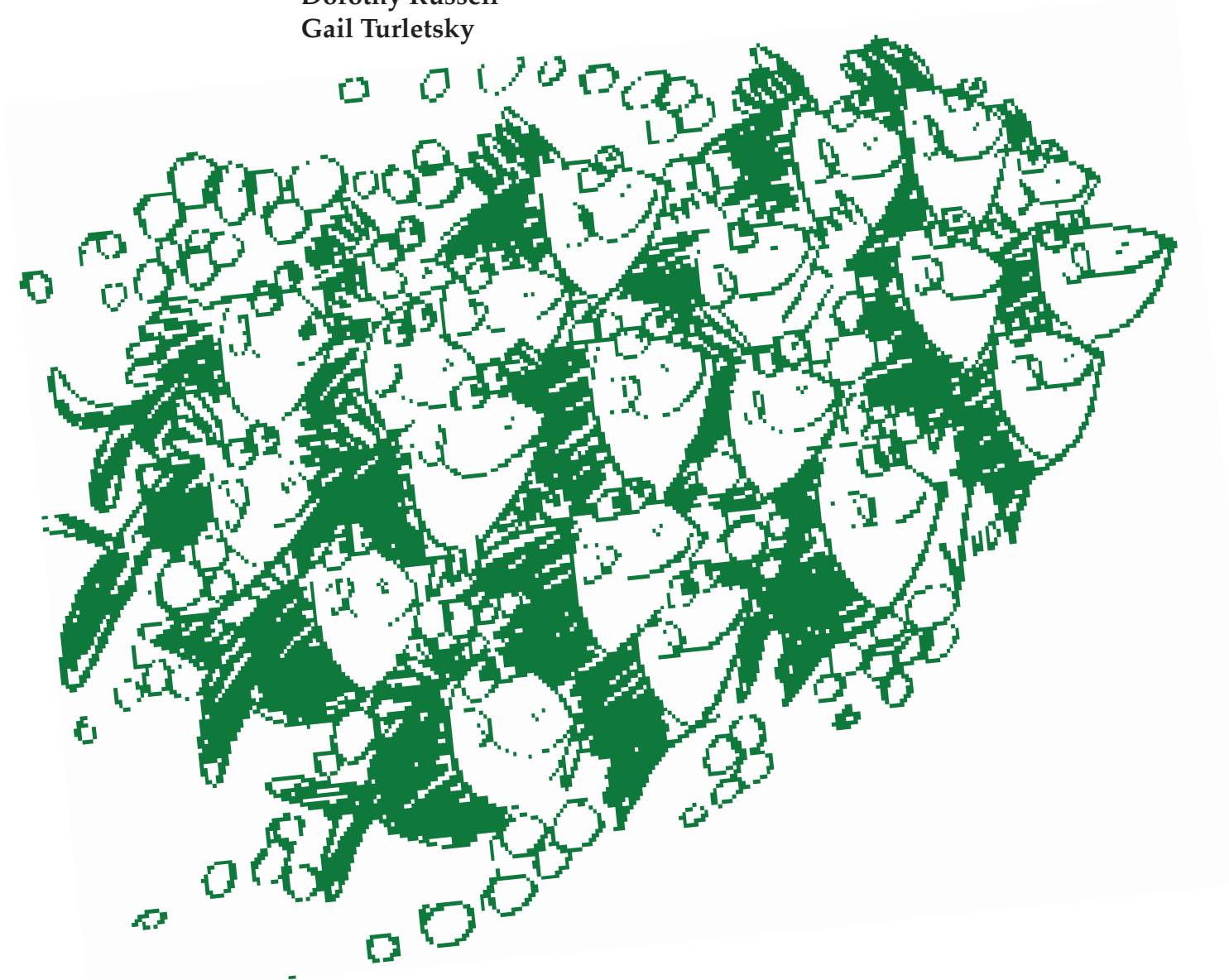
NEW MEMBERS & RENEWALS

NEW MEMBERS:

Jason Collazo
Vincent Cornman
Robert Elges
William Fong
Ric Leno
Nathan Morris
Michael Murphy
Dorothy Russell
Gail Turletsky

RENEWALS:

John Gerace
David Hinds
Paolo Patrinicola
John Poreba
Charlie Ridgway
Vito Sacchieri
Daniel Tina



THANK YOU FOR THE DONATION

March 7, 2013

Dear Samuel & Zachary,

On behalf of the Board, officers and membership of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society, I would like to thank you for the generous monetary donation your grandparents Margaret Ir and Sid Landman made to the Brooklyn Aquarium Society in your names. The Bank of America Matching Gift Receipt made in honor of you both will contribute greatly to the general events that we hold year round.

Your donation will be announced at our meeting and will be listed in our award winning publication, *BAS BULLETIN*. It will also be announced on our web site www.BrooklynAquariumSociety.org and in our handouts at the entrance/exit doors.

Generous support from people like you help us attract and educate new and advanced hobbyists, while maintaining the growing and expanding interests of the novice and veteran fish keepers as well (the BAS has grown to over 300 members, and is still growing). The Brooklyn Aquarium Society is a non-profit organization, as per the Internal Revenue Service 501(C)(3) section.

For your records, no goods or services, in whole or in part, were received in exchange for your donation. Thank you for your generous donation of \$50.00.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph Graffagnino

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- Diamonds of the Reef, Bklyn, NY
 - Marks Discus, Bklyn, NY
 - Pacific Aquarium, NY, NY

Aqua Engineering & Equipment Donates to BAS

On behalf of the Board, officers and membership of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society, I would like to thank you for the generous donation of a 100 GPD Barracuda Reverse

Osmosis System/ DI System to the Brooklyn Aquarium Society. Your donation will contribute greatly to our future events and to educate school children via our aquarium installation in New York City schools program.

Your donation of new RO System for our Spring 2013 Giant auction will be announced at our meetings and will be listed in our award winning publication, *Aquatica, The Journal of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society*, in the *BAS Bulletin* and in our handouts at the entrance/exit doors.

Thank You,

Joseph Graffagnino

The Brooklyn Aquarium Society is a federally registered 501(C)(3) nonprofit organization.

Your gift is tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

EASY MEMBERSHIP RENEW ON-LINE

You can now join or renew on line using PayPal. Simply go to the BAS site and click on Membership, then on Sign Up Online. Fill out the sign-up form and click Submit. It's that easy!

REGIONAL SOCIETY EVENTS FOR 2013

List your society events FREE in the monthly *BAS Bulletin*. E-mail a copy of your announcement to:
JTODDYBAS@AOL.COM at least 1 month in advance of your event.

TUE. APR 2 - PIONEER VALLEY AS

• TBA

Usually meets 1st Tuesday of the month at the Springfield Science Museum, 21 Edwards St., Springfield, MA at 7:00pm. Free parking in lot. Public welcome. For more information contact: **Dave & Linda Giza (413) 283-8680** or email: mike@berkshiredesign.com, or for directions go to pvas.net

WED. APR 3 - GREATER CITY AS

• TBA.

Meets 7:30pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Queens Botanical Garden, except for January and February. The public is welcome! Speakers, publication, bowl show, raffles, door prizes, refreshments, plant and fish auctions. For information, please contact **Claudia Dickinson** at: ivyrose@optonline.net or 631-668-5125, or visit www.greatercity.org

FRI. APR 5 - LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION

• **KEVIN SWIECHOWICZ WILDLIFE INSPECTOR U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICES** Generally meets 1st Friday of the month at 8pm at Dickens Inc, 75 Austin Blvd, Commack, NY 11725. For directions & info: <http://www.LongIslandReef.org>

MON. APR 8 - JERSEY SHORE AS

• TBA

Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at the Knights of Columbus, 70 E. Main St., Freehold, NJ. At 8pm. Speakers, Auction rare & exotic fish, aquatic plants, door prizes. For more details: www.jerseyshoreAS.org; 732-859-5595; mws71@yahoo.com

TUES. APR 9 - NASSAU COUNTY AS

• TBA

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at Kellenberg at Molloy College, 1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre NY 8:00pm. Check web site for directions. <http://ncasweb.org/directions.php>. General meetings open to the public. Guest speakers, fish related events, raffles, mini-auction. Info: **Mike Foran (516) 798-6766**, or at info@ncasweb.org

TUE. APR 9 - OTTER VALLEY AS

• FIELD TRIP TO DOUG PATAK'S FISHROOM

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at the Maclure Library, Pittford, VT. The public is welcome. Refreshments, plant and fish auction, free parking. For information contact: **John Todaro** at: jtoddybas@aol.com

THUR. APR 18 - NORWALK AS

• TBA

Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 8:00pm at Earthplace, The Nature Discovery Center, 10 Woodside Lane, Westport, CT. Open to public. Info: Norwalkas.org

FRI. APR 19 - LONG ISLAND AS

• TBA

Meets the 3rd Friday of the month. Meetings are now held at SUNY Stony Brook's Maritime Science area, Room 120 in Endeavor Hall on the State University at Stony Brook Campus, Stony Brook, NY 11794. Doors open @ 7:30pm meeting starts @ 8pm Speakers, auctions, refreshments, free parking. For Info go to www.liasonline.org

THUR. APR 18 - NORTH JERSEY AS

• TBA

General meetings are held 3rd Thursday of the month at 8pm; doors open at 7:30pm. This meeting will be held at the Meadowlands Environmental Center. At the Elks Club, 251 Park Ave. Lyndhurst, NJ. 07071. Open to the public. Speakers, raffles, auctions. Info: Call (732) 541-1392 or call **Kevin Carr @ 201 724-9460** or visit on line for directions www.njas.net or <http://www.meadowlandsstate.nj.us/directions.html>

SUN. APR 21- SOUTH JERSEY GUPPY CLUB

• TBA

Consists of 50 members with many years of maintaining, breeding & producing show quality / winning guppies. Meetings 3rd Sunday every month at 1 p.m. at Griggstown Volunteer Fire Co at Griggstown, NJ. See South Jersey Guppy Club website for further info: www.guppysa2z.com

TUE. APR 23 - GREATER HARTFORD AS

• TBA

Meets 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm at the Lutz Children's Museum, 247 S. Main St. Manchester, CT Call: 860 643-0949

WED. APR 24 - METROPOLITAN AREA KILLIFISH ASSOC. (MAKA)

• TBA

Meets 4th Wednesday of the month at 8 pm at the Meadowlands Environmental Center in Lyndhurst, NJ. Speaker and auction of fish eggs, plants and dry goods. Refreshments served. Info: SLMACK@compuserve.com

FRI. APR 26 - DANBURY AREA AS

• TBA

Meets 4th Friday of the month at the Carmel Ambulance Corps Vink Dr., Carmel, NY. For more info: **Rich Litsky (845) 228-0372** or **Joe Masi (845) 896-4793** or daas@notheastcouncil.org

SAT. APR 27 NORTH JERSEY AS

FLEA MARKET SWAP MEET (ALL TYPES OF STUFF INCLUDING COLLECTIBLES, MILITARY, HOUSEHOLD, FISH EQUIPMENT, ETC.) At the Quality Inn, 10 Polito Ave. at Rte 17, Lyndhurst, NJ. Starts at 9am until 5pm. \$2 ADMISSION. Kids under 6 FREE includes 10% discount at Harold's.

SUN. APR 28 - NORTH JERSEY AS

• TROPICAL FISH AUCTION

Held at the Quality Inn, 10 Polito Ave. at Rte 17, Lyndhurst, NJ. Auction starts a 12 noon registration 9 -11 am. Viewing of lots 11am to 12 Noon. Bidder cards \$5 60/40 split preregistered auction items. Info: Call 201 664-0128 or 301 724- 9460 or visit on line for directions www.njas.net

CHECK ALL TIMES AND DATES BEFORE ATTENDING

If listed TBA (to be Announced), that means the society has not gotten a speaker or has not updated their calendar of events as of the printing of this list.

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MARINE TIP OF THE MONTH

When feeding marine fish remember that they will often accept aquatic live foods that are used to feed freshwater fish, but keep in mind that these live foods may not live as long in sea water. Livebearer fry may survive longer than other freshwater fry. Also, remember that many marine fish need to have green matter in their diets. Others may be herbivorous and will only eat green matter. So keep a bright light on your tank to help encourage lush growths of algae for these fish to feed on.



FRESHWATER TIP OF THE MONTH

Freshwater tanks should be kept at a consistent level also, to make sure the filter system works properly and heaters are not exposed to the air. If there is an insufficient water level the filter will stop and possibly break and the heater coil, if exposed, could crack the glass. This could be dangerous to both you and your fish.



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PLEASE SHOP OUR SPONSORS FOR ALL YOUR AQUATIC NEEDS

Our local pet shops and aquarium sponsors are a very important part of the tropical fish hobby. They're there when you need immediate help -- medications, live foods, or a replacement part for a filter. You can check out the fish you're interested in at the store in person; often the shops will special order fish for you. Most will do free water checks for you and most all give discounts to our members. **They want you to succeed in the hobby so you remain their customer, we want them to succeed in their businesses. Whenever you can, buy local! Remember we're all in the hobby together.**

Absolutely Fish's staff is knowledgeable and can help you solve your aquatic problems. **They offer a 15% discount on select fish, marine life & supplies when you present your current BAS membership card.** A really great aquatic shop and well worth the trip. Make a day of it!

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