

102 Years of Educating Aquarists

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FRIDAY, JUNE 14 @ 7:30 PM

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



May, what a beautiful month! Not only does it bring flowers, but it brings our Giant Auction. What a great array of fine aquatic creatures donated by our members and friends! There were over 200 items at the auction and everyone left with great bargains. There were freshwater fish, marine fish, corals

and plants, tanks, magazines and coupons from our sponsors. Our great auctioneers, **Dennis Alestra** and **Bill Amely**, took turns at the podium working up bag after bag and the many aquariums, to the attendees' delight. Even former president **Seth Kolker** joined in to help out and give our regular auctioneers a breather. If you missed this event, you missed a spectacular evening.

June will be our final event of the season before we take a summer hiatus. To end our sessions on a very high note, we have **Laura Birenbaum** of the **Long Island Aquarium & Exposition Center** as our guest speaker. Her topic for the evening will be *"Coral & Marine Inverts' Tolerances for Dry Shipping."* For all you marine guys, this is a not to be missed event, especially if you were thinking of mailing a frag to a friend.

June's auction is our promised **50/50 on livestock** – fish, corals and plants only! If interested, please tell **Marty** when you bring your items in.

June is also election night, the time for all members to vote for your elected officials. Anyone wanting to run for an Officer or Board position must have been a member for 6 months. Please let me know what job or function you wish to be nominated for. Doors open at 7:30 PM. As always there is free parking and free refreshments.

We plan on having a photo contest starting in June. We have started a Yahoo Group called the Brooklyn Aquarium Society. We plan on having at least 16 categories for you to enter. Each member may enter 3 pictures of 6 Megapixel

or greater in each category. Winners will be selected by our sponsors and members of the Board that have not entered the contest. This is still in the planning stages; however, the contest will run through the summer and the winners will be selected at our October event. Winners must be present to collect their prize. Stand by for more info which will be posted on our web site (www.BrooklynAquariumSociety.org).

Don't forget to enter our Forum contest. The winner of the most posts in our Forum wins \$25. worth of BAS Bucks and second place wins \$10. You must be in it to win it.

I am asking for your help and support. If you want to see different subjects offered, 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 (they 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

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 MONTH'S SPEAKER

Laura Birenbaum has been passionately working in the reef aquarium industry for over 10 years and has been a fish keeper for most of her life. In addition to her work at the Steinhart Aquarium in California, Laura has seen many sides of the trade through her work in aquarium retail, wholesale, and manufacturing. Laura co-created and owned a reef aquarium shop in Bellingham, Washington while earning her B.S. in Marine Biology at Western Washington University. Laura has conducted research on a variety of topics



ranging from a quantitative analysis of *Chaetomorpha* growth factors to her ongoing studies of mortality rates of dry shipped marine invertebrates.

Today, Laura is the proud Co-Owner and Founder of Reef Generation (Reef-Gen), a wholesale aquaculture company. Together with her business partner, **Justin Credabel**, they propagate premium coral frags, fish, and invertebrates in collaboration with the Long Island Aquarium and Exhibition Center. ReefGen now sells coral and fish to retailers across the country.



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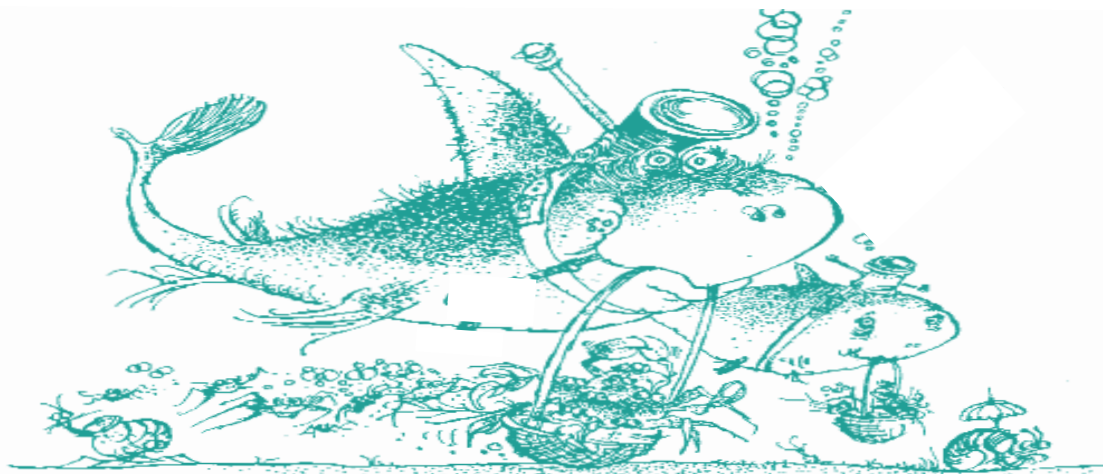


All BAS meetings begin at 7:30pm.

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



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. Held in beautiful Fort Myers, FL. Hotel reservations can be made at the **Holiday Inn Fort Myers Airport, Alico Rd, Ft. Myers, Fl, 33967. 239-210-7300.**

Special rates are \$89 per night. There will be educational based talks given by some of the top breeders and leaders in the hobby. Trips are scheduled for collecting local species, and a visit to the largest fish house in the area. A judged fish show, with cash prizes, open to all species of tropical fish except goldfish and koi.

Speakers: **Tony Silva** - TBD, **Chuck Davis** - Gadgets & Gizmos, **Ted Judy** - Dwarf Cichlids, **Brian Skidmore** - TBD, **Tony Silva** - Collecting wild discus, **Rit Forcier** - Collecting in Mexico, **Rich Serva** - What is a livebearer, **Ted Judy** - Raising fry, **Bill Shields** - Commercial fish farming, **Mike Szumigala** - African Cichlids, **Rit Forcier** - What is a goodeid, **Charlie Nunziata** - Killifish, **Kent Semmen** - Applied technologies of aquarium management, **Jack Wattley** - Discus, **Rich Serva** - Wild swordtails, **Joe Gargas** - Water and the aquarium

Craig Watson - (for banquet attendees).

THURSDAY: Vendor sales and various events.

FRIDAY: 9am Fish Show Registration opens, 10am Vendor Room Opens, 10:30am Trip to

Snookin21's Fish House, 6pm Live Jazz Band and free pasta buffet. 9pm Fish Show Registration Closes.

SATURDAY: 9am Collection trip, 6pm Banquet dinner & awards, 10pm "Kingfish" equipment and dry goods auction.

SUNDAY: 11:30am Live Fish Auction - Until last lot is sold. For more information, visit www.flafishshow.com.

JULY 18- 21 - AMERICAN CICHLID ASSOCIATION NATIONAL CONVENTION, The Rocky Mountain Cichlid Association proudly welcomes back the American Cichlid Association National Convention. The convention will take place at the Red Lion Hotel Denver Southeast, 3200 S. Parker Rd, Aurora, CO 800014. For reservations visit: (<http://www.denversedlion.com/>) Be sure to use the group rate code AMER0071. Registration opened January 1, 2013. Event registration, bowl show registration, vendor tables, rental tanks, tours and awards banquet are all available to purchase via PayPal through our secure online store. **Speakers:** **Ad Konings**, **Greg Steeves**, **Mike Wise**, **Alan Rollings**, **Felipe Cantera**, **Heinz Buscher**, **Joe Middleton**, **Jeff Greenspan**.

Many more to be confirmed soon!

For more information by e-mail contact ivy-rose@optonline.net

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AUGUST 30th - SEPTEMBER 1st MARINE AQUARIUM CONFERENCE OF NORTH AMERICA, held at the **Westin Diplomat Hotel**, 3555 South Ocean Dr, Hollywood, FL 33019. Ph: (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.

SEPTEMBER 20 - 22 - THE EAST COAST MONSTER FISH

KONVENTION Presented by the Monster Fish Keepers and East Coast Cichlids to be held at the Sheraton Parsippany Hotel, 199 Smith Road, Parsippany, NJ 07054. Ph: (973) 515-2000. Group rate available until Sept. 3, 2013. Subject to Availability

Speakers: RENÉ KRÜTER - Lake Tanganyika Cichlids

INGO SEIDEL - L-Number-Plecos

RICHARD ROSS - Freshwater stingrays,

SOLOMON DAVID - Primitive Fishes

SPENCER JACK - Lake Malawi Cichlids & Uruguayan Fishes

RACHEL O'LEARY - Freshwater Invertebrates

Register: Full Event Registration is only \$55 and includes:

EIGHT Talks from SIX World Class Speakers - Friday Evening Talks, Vendors and Social - Saturday Morning Full Buffet Breakfast - Saturday Morning, Afternoon and Evening Talks - Saturday Vendors.

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Supporting the Newest and Biggest Event...The East Coast Monster Fish Konvention! Contact:

Bill Barbito, fischfan13@gmail.com



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

BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2013 - 2014

JUN 14 Laura Birenbaum ~ Dry Shipping Corals and Other Inverts ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction. BAS elections.

JULY/AUGUST - NO MEETINGS

SEPT 13 Joe Graffagnino ~ Knowledge of Useless Stuff 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.

2014

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

FEB 14 Kathy Cardineau ~ Setting up a Pond ~ 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 11 Rachel O'Leary ~ 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 13 Chuck Davis ~ Gizmos, gadgets and other good ideas ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction. BAS elections.

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JUNE 14
LAURA BIRENBAUM
Speaking on
Dry Shipping Corals and Other Inverts

JUNE 14
Event Auction
50/50

SPLIT ON ALL LIVESTOCK
Freshwater Fish
Marine Fish & Frags

SUMMERTIME... AND THE FISH ARE TOO HOT! NOT IF YOU HAVE THE BAS INSULATED CARRYING BAG!

With summer just around the corner and you know you're going to buy fish or corals, you should have a safe insulated bag to carry them home.

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THE COST IS ONLY \$10.

YOU CAN PURCHASE ONE AT 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 in any season. They're perfect for carrying and protecting livestock home from Society auctions or store purchases.

KEEP YOUR FISH SAFE IN TRANSIT! GET YOURS AT THE NEXT EVENT!



BAS Forum Post Contest Winners for MAY

The 1st place winner of last months BAS Forum contest: *WHO CAN APPLY THE MOST POSTS PER MONTH* was: **STEVE MATASSA**. He received \$25 worth of BA\$ Buck\$. The second place winner was **JOHN FOX** and he received \$10 in BA\$ Buck\$.

THE MAY 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

BAS ELECTIONS



All members in good standing who have been in the Society for 6 months are eligible to run for any office on the Board. As you know, we are always looking for members to help run this great Society. If you have the time and want to help the Society in its second century of operation, please run for a position.

At the June Event, you can still be nominated by a fellow member or nominate yourself. Just because you have been nominated does not mean you have to run, but we wish you would. New people bring new ideas and enthusiasm to the Society. The positions and members who are running are listed below.

Call **Joe G.** for information on the duties of the position you're interested in running for.
John Todaro, Editor

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS & BOARD FOR 2013 - 2014

President: **Joe Graffagnino**

1st Vice President: **Steve Matassa**

2nd Vice President: **Marie Licciardello**

Recording Secretary: **Kay Martin**

Treasurer: **Denise Hershkowitz**

Membership Chairperson: **Christina Cingari**

Corresponding Secretary: **Open**

Sgt. At Arms: **Lita Goldberg**

Exchange Editor: **Stuart Hershkowitz**

*Board Members:

Bill Amely

John Fox

Marty Karfinkel

Gennady (Gene) Kogan

Tomas Lis

Dr. Robert Price

Charles Stein

Alfred Turrisi

Web Master: **Bernard Deren

Editor: **John Todaro

* Up to 5 Board members are elected by the membership. Five more can be selected by the President and approved by the Board.

**Webmaster & Editor are selected by the President & approved by the Board.

THESE ARE THE MEMBERS RUNNING FOR OFFICE. YOU CAN STILL BE NOMINATED AND RUN AT THE JUNE EVENT.

NEW MEMBERS & RENEWALS

NEW MEMBERS:

Calogero Candela

Jason Gold

Frank Matassa

RENEWALS:

Marlon Baptiste

Gennady Blanket

Mark Borow

Mike Boscia

Clemson Brown

Adam Engero

Ed Hayes

Ben Rabinovich

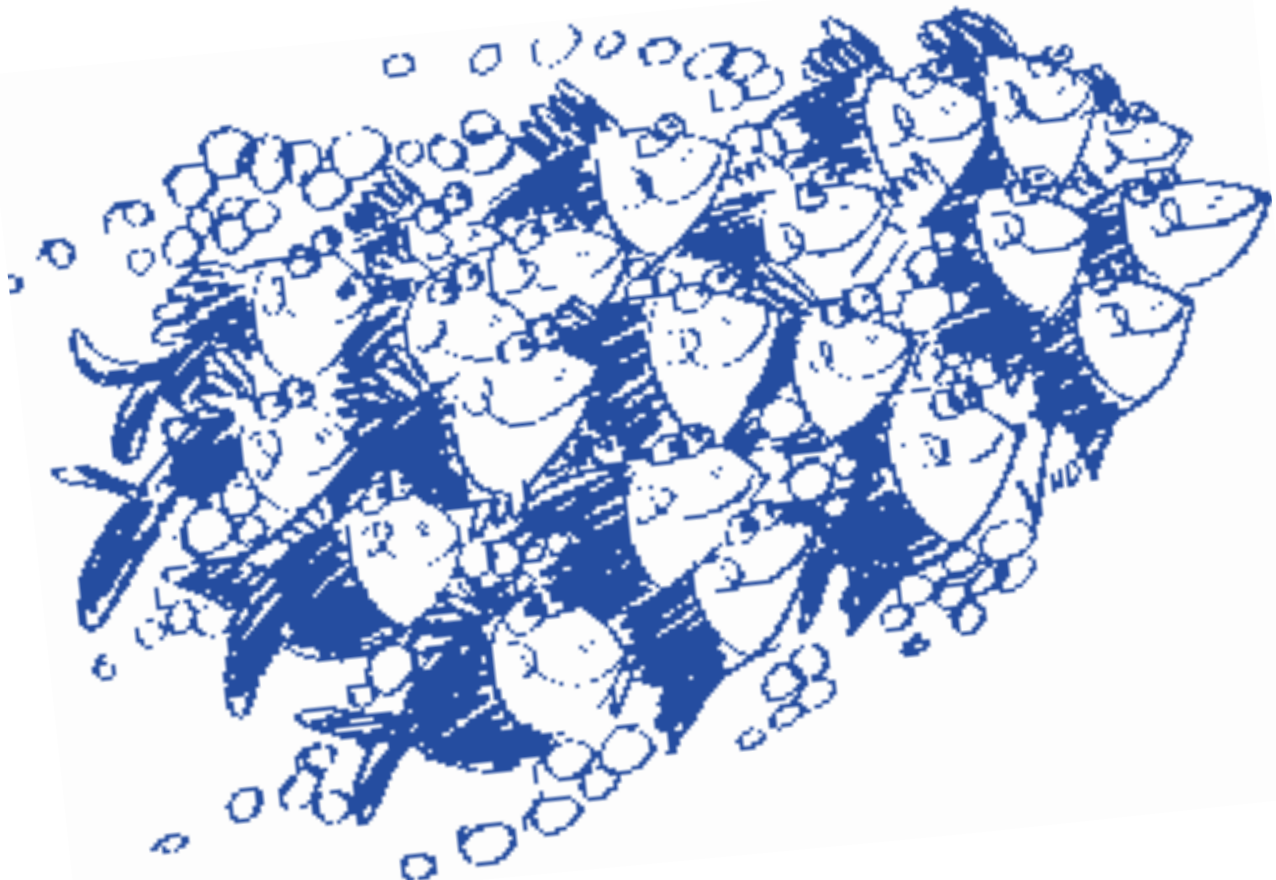
Salvatore Saravo

Adam Schneider

Charles & Ruth Stein

Omar Sutherland

Peter Tannis



THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS TO THE MAY AUCTION



The BAS wishes to thank the following members for their very generous tax-exempt donations to the Society.

James Hanna, Mark Reily and Peter Mollica.

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.

PEOPLE:

Bill Amely
Mark Borow
Walter Chow
Al DiSpigna
John Fox
Jim Hanna
Lita Goldberg
Joe Graffagnino
Stanley Kantonist
Kay Martin

Steve Matassa
Peter Mollica
Joe Morra
North Jersey A.S.
Dan Puleo
Lisa Quilty
Mark Riely
Mike Roman
Mark Rubanow
Dan Smith
Michael Weiner

STORES/MFG.:

- Absolutely Fish, Clifton, NJ
- Brooklyn Zoo & Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY
- FAUNA, NYC, NY
- House of Fins, Greenwich, CT
- Marks Discus, Brooklyn, NY
- Mushkan Tropical Fish, Queens, NY
- Nassau Discus, Hicksville, NY
- New Era [Fish Tank Kings], LI, NY
- New Island Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY
- Pacific Aquarium, New York, NY
- Pet Shanty, Scotch Plains, NJ
- Petland Discounts HDQ., Brentwood, NY
- Pop Corals.com
- That Fish Place, Lancaster, PA
- Tri-County Tropicals, Queens, NY

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:
TODDYBAS@AOL.COM at least 1 month in advance of your event.

TUE. JUN 4 - 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. JUN 5 - GREATER CITY AS

• **LESLIE DICK - TOPIC: LIVEBEARERS** 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. JUN 7 - LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION

• **MURRAY CAMP - OFFBEAT CORALS** 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**

TUES. JUN 11 - 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. JUN 11 - OTTER VALLEY AS

• JOE FERDENZI - AQUARIUM HOBBY HISTORY

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

THUR JUN 13 - TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF BURLINGTON

• JOE FERDENZI - AQUARIUM HOBBY HISTORY

Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month at the VFW Hall in Essex Junction starting at 6:30. Free door prizes, bowl show (warmer months), monthly auction, fish discussions and a good time! New members are always welcome! For more information contact **David Banks** at **dbanks@together.net**

MON. JUN 10 - JERSEY SHORE AS

• TAB

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**; or (732)-859-5595; **mws71@yahoo.com**

THUR. JUN 20 - NORWALK AS

• AMANDA WENGER - EXOTIC PLANT BORNEAN AROIDS

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**

THUR. JUN 20 - 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**

FRI. JUN 21 - LONG ISLAND AS

• CHARLES FLAGG - THE BREACH AT OLD INLET

Meets the 3rd Friday of the month. Meetings are now held at SUNY Stony Brook's Maritime Science area, Room 120 in Endeavor Hall (After you enter building, take hallway on the right. Room 120 is first room on the left) 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**

FRI. JUN 21 - 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**.

TUE. JUN 25 - 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. JUN 26 - 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**

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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BAS NEWS & NOTES

The Society is planning a bus trip to Long Island Aquarium & Expo in August. Members interested in going on the trip should see me at the next meeting or contact me by email at JoeGraffagnino@yahoo.com so we can pick a Saturday that will be most convenient to the most members.

Members of our sister Societies are welcome to join us. We supply breakfast; coffee, juice, bagels, donuts, etc. Everyone always has a fun time and it is a great aquarium to visit. The director, and BAS member, **Joe Yaiullo** gives us a personal behind the scenes tour. You can have lunch in their cafeteria or in town. We meet early in the morning. Time and place to be announce. If you have never been to LIA & E there is no better time. Sit back with friends and let someone else do the driving.

We are seeking helpers for the **Lower Manhattan Community Center** in Sept. Some positions are paid positions. They are looking for guides around the building, for aquarium fish, terrariums, reptiles, etc. They also need people to build stands, aquascaping, fish and plant maintenance. See **Joe Graffagnino** at the June meeting.

The **BAS Board of directors** is actively searching for a Corresponding Secretary since **Mike Roman** is moving in January of 2014. If you're interested, please run for this office. The work is not hard and you'll be with an interesting and exciting group of fish people.



TIP OF THE MONTH

Avoid wide temperature changes when introducing fishes to the tank. Float their transport bags in the aquarium for a few minutes to equalize the water temperature.

(Note: Never float Breather bags in the tank; you could suffocate the fish in the bag since you will be blocking the atmospheric oxygen from entering the bag and carbon dioxide from escaping. Remove fish from these bags and place in a small holding container and float that in the tank.)

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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!

Absolutely Fish 1080 Route 46 West
Clifton, NJ 07013
Ph: 1 (973) 365-0200
Open 7 days a week:
Mon-Fri 12-9 Sat 12-8 Sun 12-5

Manhattan Aquarium has one of the largest selections of Marine Fish & Corals on the East Coast. Conveniently located at 522 West 37th Street in Manhattan. You should check them out for your Marine Fish & Coral needs.

Manhattan Aquarium
522 West 37th Street, NYC, NY 10018
Ph: 212 594-2271 • Fax: 212 594-2271
www.ManhattanAquarium.Com
www.UniqueCorals.Com

Brooklyn Zoo & Aquarium Inc. is a classic pet shop. They have a full line of aquarium supplies, freshwater, marine fish and corals and offer a **10% discount to BAS members with presentation of a current membership card.** Some restrictions apply.

Brooklyn Zoo & Aquarium Inc.
2377 Ralph, Ave., Bklyn, NY 11234
Ph: 1 (718) 251-7389
Hrs: Sat - Sun 10 - 6 & Mon - Fri 10am - 8pm

"C" The Jungle Pet Store in the heart of Brooklyn carries a full line of pet supplies, tropical fish, birds, and small animals. **They also offer a 10% discount to BAS members with a current membership card.**

Stop in and see what new livestock has arrived.
"C" The Jungle Pet Store
247 New Lots Ave., Bklyn NY 11207
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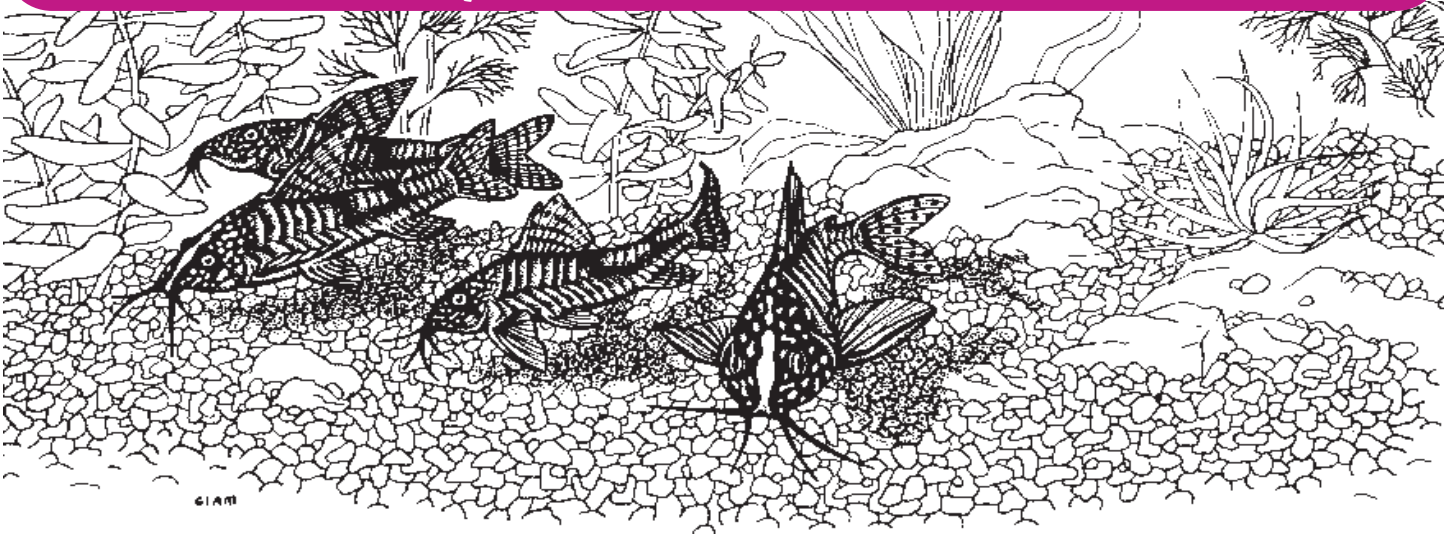
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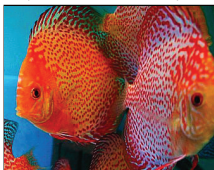
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