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**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 @ 7:30 PM**

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President of BAS and fish keeper extraordinaire

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# 102 Years of Educating Aquarists

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



June has come and gone. June marks the end of our fiscal year and we plan on having a much needed rest over July and August. June was also club officer and Board member elections and we basically have the same crew as last year with one exception. **Mike Roman** must leave his position of

Corresponding Secretary at the end of the calendar year because he is moving to Wisconsin. We will miss him dearly. Mike was always very dedicated and hard working no matter what task was before him. People, we need a Corresponding Secretary! This position sends the official letters from BAS. If anyone is interested, please let me know.

Our guest speaker for June was **Laura Birenbaum** of the **Long Island Aquarium & Exposition Center**. Laura provided a very interesting talk on dry shipping corals and invertebrates. She demonstrated her experiments in a Power Point display, provided the results and showed how she had improved mortality results in various shipping methods. Laura and **Joe Yaiullo** brought in many coral 'frags' and donated them to BAS, for which we are very grateful!

We had a 50/50 on livestock – fish, corals and plants only! It was quite successful as members and attendees will see a nice reward for their effort in donations at the September event.

**We are having a photo contest** which began at the conclusion of our June event. All contestants are to put their pictures on our Yahoo Group called the Brooklyn Aquarium Society. We have 17 categories for you to enter. Each member may enter 3 pictures of 6 Megapixels or greater in each category. Winners will be selected by our sponsors and members of the Board that have not entered the contest. The contest will run through the summer and the winners will be selected at our October event. Winners must be present to collect their prizes. Stand by for more info which

will be posted on our web site ([www.BrooklynAquariumSociety.org](http://www.BrooklynAquariumSociety.org)).

The September event will have me as the guest speaker. Hobbyists tell me all the time that I know all this crazy stuff for keeping aquarium maintenance easy and helping fish and fry, spawning different types of fish, etc., so why not put all this useless stuff (for non-aquarists) into a presentation. Ok, you want it, so I will try to put something together for you. No promises of anything mind blowing though. Doors open at 7:30 PM. As always, there's free parking and free refreshments.

I am asking for your help and support. If you want to see different subjects offered, please let me know.

As examples, some members asked when we were having another bus trip to the **Long Island Aquarium & Exposition Center**, another asked if we would be willing to do a bus trip to the Baltimore Aquarium, take in a ballgame at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, do an overnight and then hit several huge aquarium stores on the way home. I said sure why not, **IF** you can get enough people to fill a bus. So, those who are interested get back to me with what you want to do! 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](http://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

## THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

**J**oe Graffagnino has been a hobbyist of freshwater fish for over 35 years. He enjoys breeding all species of tropical fish and sharing them with fellow hobbyists. Joe has written extensively on breeding and raising fish. He has been published in *Tropical Fish Hobbyist* magazine, *Aquarium Fish* magazine and *Freshwater and Marine Aquarium* magazine (FAMA). Joe has also been published in the American Cichlid Association publication *Buntbarshe Bulletin* and in many local aquarium society publications throughout the United States and England. His



new found passion is fish photography.

Joe lives in Brooklyn, NY with his wife and currently maintains aquariums of various sizes containing killifish, anabantoids, characins, cyprinids, livebearers, cichlids and catfish both Old and New World. Joe has been President of the **Brooklyn Aquarium Society** since 2007, prior to being President Joe was the Society's Corresponding Secretary from 1997 to 2007.



**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.



# 1st annual PHOTO CONTEST



## FRESH WATER categories

- Best Aquascape
- Best Nano Aquarium (2½ – 10 gallons)
- Best Med-sized aquarium (15 – 40 gallons)
- Best Large aquarium (50 + gallons)
- Spectacular Freshwater Fish
- Most Fabulous Plant
- Most Amazing Freshwater Invert
- Best Freshwater Photo (any category)
- Spectacular Cichlid

## SALTWATER categories

- Best Aquascape
- Best Nano Aquarium (2 ½ – 10 gallons)
- Best Med-sized aquarium (15 – 40 gallons)
- Best Large aquarium (50 + gallons)
- Spectacular Saltwater Fish
- Most Breathtaking Corals Reefs
- Most Amazing Saltwater Invert
- Best Saltwater Photo (any category)

## 👉 OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES 👉

*No purchase or payment necessary to enter or win.*

### How to Enter:

The 1st Brooklyn Aquarium Photo Contest will be announced June 14th, 2013 at the monthly Society's meeting; all entries will be accepted until September 30th, 2013. The results of the Contest as well as the award ceremony will take place on October 11th at the Society's monthly meeting. Digital photos must be submitted to BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY YAHOO GROUP in JPEG format. Photos submitted must be 6 MP (mega pixel) or greater. As a condition of registration, you will be required to click where indicated to signify that you accept and agree to be bound by these Official Rules.

With each submission, participants must include the following: **1)** Name of Photographer, **2)** Address of Photographer, **3)** Phone Number, **4)** Email, **5)** Category of Freshwater or Saltwater photo is to be entered, **6)** Scientific and Common Name of Subject in Photo.

# 1st annual PHOTO CONTEST

## OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES

### Photo Eligibility:

To enter, you do not have to be a member of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society or a member of the BAS Forum; contest is open to all, no age restrictions. BAS judging individuals and their immediate family are not eligible. BAS non-members taking part in the Contest and winning a prize for any of the 17 categories will receive a free 1 year membership to BAS. Entries that fail to comply with the Official Contest Rules will be disqualified.

### Image Modifications:

Minor digital enhancement is permitted, but images that have been significantly modified or appear unnatural will be disqualified.

### Number of Entries:

An individual may submit a maximum of 3 photos per category, any category.

### Photo Subject Restrictions:

Photos must be appropriate for category entered. Photos unrelated to the contest or of questionable content will not be considered. BAS retains sole discretion as to what constitutes appropriate content. Photos must not

contain people or other objects other than the subject for the category entered.

### Deadline:

Contest ends midnight September 30th, 2013. Any late entries will not be considered.

### Prizes:

Prizes for each category to be announced during the June 14th, 2013 BAS meeting, and on the BROOKLYNAQUARIUM SOCIETY YAHOO GROUP, on the BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY Facebook page and on our web site (WWW.BROOKLYN AQUARIUMSOCIETY.ORG). No substitution or transfer of prize permitted by winner. Sponsors reserve the right to substitute prize of equal or greater value.

### Judging:

Entries will be judged on the basis of photographic quality, and effectiveness in conveying the beauty and/or unique character of the object in their respective categories. A panel of judges consisting of representatives of the Contest's sponsors as well as members of the BAS Board will judge the entries and all contest decisions are final. You must be the sole owner of the

image submitted. By submitting your photo, you guarantee that you are the author and copyright holder of the photo. By submitting, the contestant waives all rights upon submission and therefore has no recourse whatsoever in the use of the photo.

### Additional Terms and Conditions:

BAS is not responsible for computer system, hardware, software, or program malfunctions or other errors, failures, or delayed computer transactions or network connections that are human or technical in nature. Furthermore, BAS is not responsible for: (i) lost, misdirected, misplaced, illegible, unintelligible, incomplete, or late entries or (ii) any act, failure to act, or delay regarding the transmitting or processing of entries. BAS reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel or suspend all or any portion of this contest without notice. BAS is entitled to interpret these rules as needed and its decisions are final. BAS reserves the right to disqualify any entrant that BAS has reason to believe is not the original work of entrant, or does not otherwise meet the contest rules.

**Deadline**  
September 30th, 2013

## COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

### EXHIBITIONS, AUCTIONS & CONVENTIONS IN 2013

#### 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. Exclusive Invite to Our Donated Rare Fish and Aquarium Dry Goods Auction with Free Beer! Complimentary Auction Bidder Card to our HUGE Sunday Auction with Free Beer! Commemorative East Coast Monster Fish Konvention 2013 T-shirt, Goody Bag with Aquarium Products and a \$20 Drs Foster and Smith GC.

Supporting the Newest and Biggest Event...

The East Coast Monster Fish Konvention! Contact:

**Bill Barbito, fischfan13@gmail.com**

#### SEPTEMBER 28 & 29 - MICHIGAN KILLIFISH ASSOCIATION - "MOTER CITY REVIEW" HELD AT THE QUALITY INN, 2537 ROCHESTER COURT, TROY, MICHIGAN

48083. All rooms have been newly redecorated and double rooms are just \$72 plus tax per night.

**FOR SPECIAL SHOW RATES BEFORE SEP-**

**TEMBER 1:** call the hotel at 248 689 7500 and mention MKA to get a low show rate of \$65 per room plus tax per night.

**THE SHOW:** This is an AKA sanctioned show. Awards will be given for first, second and third in each class along with best of show. There will be NO entry fee or registration fee for any fish entered in the show or auction. **Karl Doering** will accept mail in entries until

September 26. All mail-ins will be auctioned.

Mail to Karl at 24584 Raven, Eastpointe MI 48021.

**THE HOSPITALITY:** Saturday evening the MKA will be your host for a great dinner, it will be free for all participants at the show. Our awards celebration will follow with lots of good killie fellowship.

**THE FISH:** We are trying to have as many different species as possible available during the weekend. There will be several opportunities to obtain those hard to get killies:

**BOX SALE:** All day Saturday- All are welcome - NO fees - 100% to seller.

**RAFFLE:** Throughout the weekend - with many chances to win.

**MKA RARE SPECIES COMMITTEE:** We have secured over 30 pairs for the auction and raffles.

**SUNDAY AUCTION:** With the show fish, MKA rare, and everyone's auction-only fish, the auction should be awesome. There will be a 70/30 split in favor of the seller. The auction will start promptly at 11:00 Sunday. Proxy bidding will be available for the auction - Details will be posted on the MKA website.

**INFORMATION:** For latest details and pre-registration, check our website

<http://mka.aka.org> **CONTACTS:** Mark Hlavaty 248 961 1244, [mhlavaty2@hotmail.com](mailto:mhlavaty2@hotmail.com), Karl Doering 586 774 2245, [Kilikarl@wowway.com](mailto:Kilikarl@wowway.com).

**OCTOBER 10, 11, 12, 13 - NORTH JERSEY AQUARIUM SOCIETY 60TH ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND.** Held at Days Hotel & Conference Center, East Brunswick, NJ. Special room rate \$65 per night. For room reservations call 1 732-828-6900. Registrations for anniversary weekend is \$60 and



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includes 8 Auctions, 17 Speakers, 30 Class Fish Show. Cash & trophy awards, vendors room. Free bidder card. Friday wing party, Saturday pizza & sub party. For more information go to [www.njas.net](http://www.njas.net) or Facebook.

**OCTOBER 11 - BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY ANNUAL FALL AUCTION** - Held at the New York Aquarium, Surf Avenue and 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY. Marine fish, corals, freshwater fish, aquatic plants and dry goods. The auction starts at 8pm. Viewing of lots from 7:30pm to 8pm. For more information visit: [BrooklynAquariumSociety.net](http://BrooklynAquariumSociety.net)

**OCTOBER 18-20 - THE NORTHEAST WEEK-END (NEW)** presented by the **UPSTATE NEW YORK KILLIFISH ASSOCIATION**. This year's NEW will be held in a new location - the **BEST WESTERN, ALBANY AIRPORT**.

For more information: [www.aka.org/unyka/](http://www.aka.org/unyka/)



**The NY Aquarium is as active and vibrant now as it ever was.** It's participation in the June Mermaids Day Parade gives evidence that the Aquarium has bounced back from it's damages and is rebuilding from Hurricane Sandy. It has a strong presence in Coney Island and its participation in the annual parade proves its legacy as a shining star of the Boardwalk in the tradition of the greatest amusement park in New York City.

# BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2013 - 2014

**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.

### JULY/AUGUST - NO MEETINGS

**SEPT 12 Greg Sullivan ~ Saltwater for the squeamish ~** Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**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 ~ Reef Basics ~** Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**DEC 12 Holiday Party ~** Members, their families and friends, all you can eat sit-down dinner  
• Fish Bingo & Prizes • BAS awards presentations.

The Brooklyn Aquarium Society Inc. is a non-profit organization 501(C) (3) for people interested in the aquarium hobby and the study of aquatic life. The Society meets the 2nd Friday of each month except July and August at the Educational Hall of the N.Y. Aquarium at Coney Island, Surf Ave. at West 8th St., at 7:30 PM. Meetings are open to visitors. Membership is \$25 per year family, \$20 individual, \$15 for students under 14. Send inquires or membership checks to Brooklyn Aquarium Society, c/o Membership Chairperson, P.O. Box 290610, Brooklyn, NY 11229-0011.



## MEMBERSHIP DUES

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All members shall be issued a membership card, good for discounts at participating sponsors stores *(except where noted)*.

Members shall have free entry to all BAS general meetings *(except where noted)*.

- **Single adult** - 18 years and over: \$ 20 per year.
- **Family** - husband, wife & children under 18 or domestic partners: \$ 25 per year.
- **Student** - age 14 to 18 whose parents do not hold a family membership: \$ 15 per year.
- **Web members** - \$ 10 per year. All web members will receive email notices to all Society events and special excursions, such as aquarium visits, retail shop trips, etc. *(No web membership cards and no vote in Society affairs)*.

# THE FUTURE OF THE STYRO BOX IS THE BAS INSULATED CARRYING BAG

This is the new safe, convenient and modern way to transport fish from an auction or a store. It's not clumsy and bulky like a styro box, easy to carry and it folds up when not in use.

The BAS has developed a great insulated carrying bag 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 safe in any type of weather. Cool in the summer and warm in the winter. It's strong enough to carry several bags of fish..

**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.

[It also works for frozen groceries!]

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



# BAS Forum Post Contest Winners for June

**T**he 1st place winner of last month's BAS Forum contest: *WHO CAN APPLY THE MOST POSTS PER MONTH* was, **Steve Matassa**, who received \$25 worth of BA\$ Buck\$.

**Robert Price** took 2nd place and received \$10 in BA\$ Buck\$.

**THE FORUM CONTEST IS  
NOW OVER.**

Thanks for participating     **Joe G.**

## **BAS ONLINE FORUM - A GREAT PLACE TO MEET OTHER AQUARISTS**

**C**heck out our new forum on our web site at [www.basny.org](http://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**



## ELECTED 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.

## NEW MEMBERS & RENEWALS

### NEW MEMBERS:

**Nick Lynch**

### RENEWALS:

**Marie Licciardello**

## TIP OF THE MONTH

**Y**ou should always think safety when dealing with water and electricity. Air and water filter pumps should be situated above the water level, but we all know that most of the time this is not practical since they are often placed under the aquarium. If this is the case you

should always create an antisiphon loop in your air-line and your electric power cord. This loop in the line will prevent water from accidentally leaking from the filter or air pump and stop it from coming in contact with your electric outlet.

# **AQUATICA WINS FIRST PLACE IN THE FAAS PUBLICATION AWARDS FOR 2012**

\* Best Editor and Publication - Six Issues or Less:  
**FIRST PLACE ~ John Todaro**

\* Best Exchange Article:  
**FIRST PLACE ~ Stuart Hershkowitz**

\* Best Article on Plants - Maintenance, Cultivation or Reproduction:  
**FIRST PLACE ~ Izzy Zwerin**  
*Cryptocryne walkeri*

\* Best Changing Cover - Original Art:  
**SECOND PLACE ~ John Todaro**

\* Best How-To-Do-It-Yourself Article:  
**SECOND PLACE ~ John Todaro**  
*A Cure for the Heartbreak of Duckweed*

\* Best Continuing Column:  
**THIRD PLACE ~ Izzy Zwerin**  
*The Practical Plant*

\* Best Article - All Other Categories:  
**THIRD PLACE ~ Dan Hagan**  
*Orange Eyed Blue Tiger Shrimp*

\* Best Article - All Other Categories:  
**Honorable Mention ~ John Todaro**  
*Why Do Fish Do What They Do?*

\* Best Spawning Article - 500-1000 words:  
**Honorable Mention ~ Joe Graffagnino**  
*Breeding Anabantoids with Emphasis on Bettas*

# THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS TO THE JUNE AUCTION



THE BAS THANKS THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATIONS:

- **Peter Davis** for his generous donations of aquarium equipment to the BAS.
- **Pauline Griffin** for her generous donations.
- **Frank Matassa** for his donation of aquarium and reptile equipment.
- **Peter J. Mollica** for his generous donation of aquarium equipment.

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:

Abid Akrim  
Bill Amely  
Louis Beltran  
Nick Caputo  
Bernard Deren  
Will Fong  
John Fox

Jim Hanna  
Lita Goldberg  
Gene Kogan  
Kay Martin  
Frank Matassa  
Steve Matassa  
Lisa Quilty  
Mark Rubanow  
Scott Peters

## STORES/MFG.:

- Absolutely Fish, Clifton, NJ
- Amazonas Magazine
- Brooklyn Zoo & Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY
- Cichlid News magazine
- Doctors Fosters and Smith.com
- Long Island Aquarium & Exposition Center, Riverhead, LI
- Nassau Discus, Hicksville, NY
- New Island Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY
- Pacific Aquarium, New York, NY
- Pet Shanty, Scotch Plains, NJ
- Reef Gen

## 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.



## 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. SEPT 3 - 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. SEPT 4 - 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. SEPT 6 - LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION

#### • ANNUAL COLLECTING TRIP DATE: SEPTEMBER TBA TIME: PENDING DATE WHERE: SWAN BEACH

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. SEPT 10 - 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. SEPT 10 OTTER VALLEY AS

#### • TBA

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. SEPT 12 - TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF BURLINGTON

#### • TBA

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. SEPT 9 - 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. SEPT 19 - 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**

### THUR. SEPT 19 - NORTH JERSEY AS

#### • BRIAN PERKINS - FLOUA & FAUNA OF PERU

General meetings are held 3rd Thursday of the month at 8pm; doors open at 7:30pm. This meeting will be held at the Elks Club, 242 Chestnut St. Nuttly, NJ 07110. 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**

### FRI. SEPT 20- 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 (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**

### TUE. SEPT 24 - 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. SEPT 25 - 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. SEPT 27- DANBURY AREA AS

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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**.

### 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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Notice: FishChannel.Com 6/20/13

**W**ardley Betta Fish Food Recalled by Hartz Mountain Corp. One lot of the 1.2 oz size of Wardley Betta Fish Food is being voluntarily recalled by the Hartz Mountain Corp. due to concerns that containers of the fish food may be contaminated with Salmonella disease. The Wardley Betta Fish Food that is being recalled was shipped in the United States from May 13 to June 4, 2013. The company shipped 8,112 1.2-oz. plastic containers of Wardley Betta Fish Food with a UPC number of 0-43324-01648. The lot code on the bottom of the container is PP06331.

This food came from a single production run at the company's Pleasant Plain, Ohio facility. If you have purchased this product, check the lot code on your container. If the lot code is a match, discontinue use of the product immediately and throw it in the trash. If you cannot read the lot code on the container, discard it as well.

**To receive reimbursement, contact Hartz Consumer Affairs at 1-800-275-1414.**

**T**he 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.



## CONGRATULATIONS

**RON & FRAN KASMAN**

on the birth of their 4th grandson

**MAX**

Born 7/6/13 to their daughter Debbie and her husband Paul Beerman.

All are doing well.

The Brooklyn Aquarium Society Inc. is a non-profit organization 501(C) (3) for people interested in the aquarium hobby and the study of aquatic life. The Society meets the 2nd Friday of each month except July and August at the Educational Hall of the N.Y. Aquarium at Coney Island, Surf Ave. at West 8th St., at 7:30 PM. Meetings are open to visitors. Membership is \$25 per year family, \$20 individual, \$15 for students under 14. Send inquires or membership checks to Brooklyn Aquarium Society, c/o Membership Chairperson, P.O. Box 290610, Brooklyn, NY 11229-0011.

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**O**ur 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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**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.

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**Pacific Aquarium & Pet Inc.**  
46 Delancey St., NY, NY 10002  
Ph: 1 (212) 995-5895  
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**Pet Shanty**  
2507 U.S. Hwy 22, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076  
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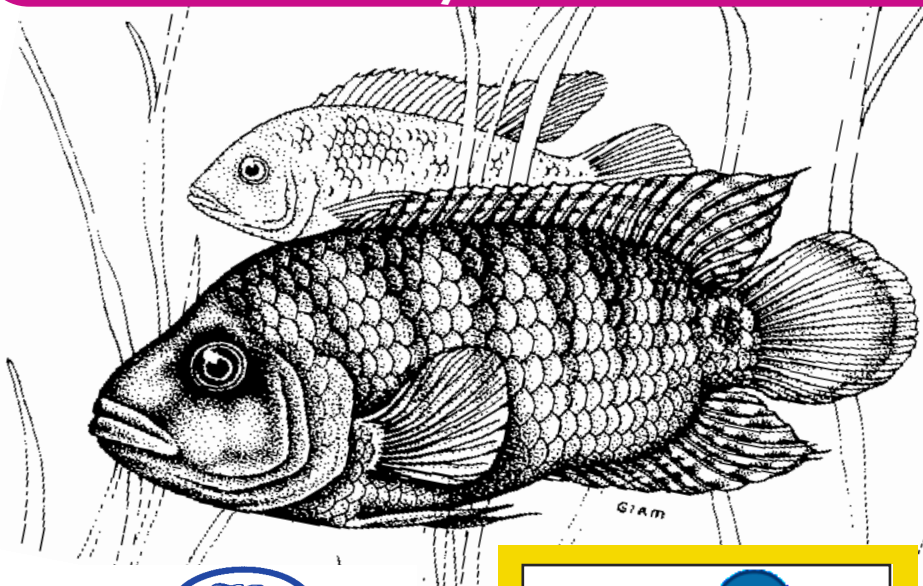
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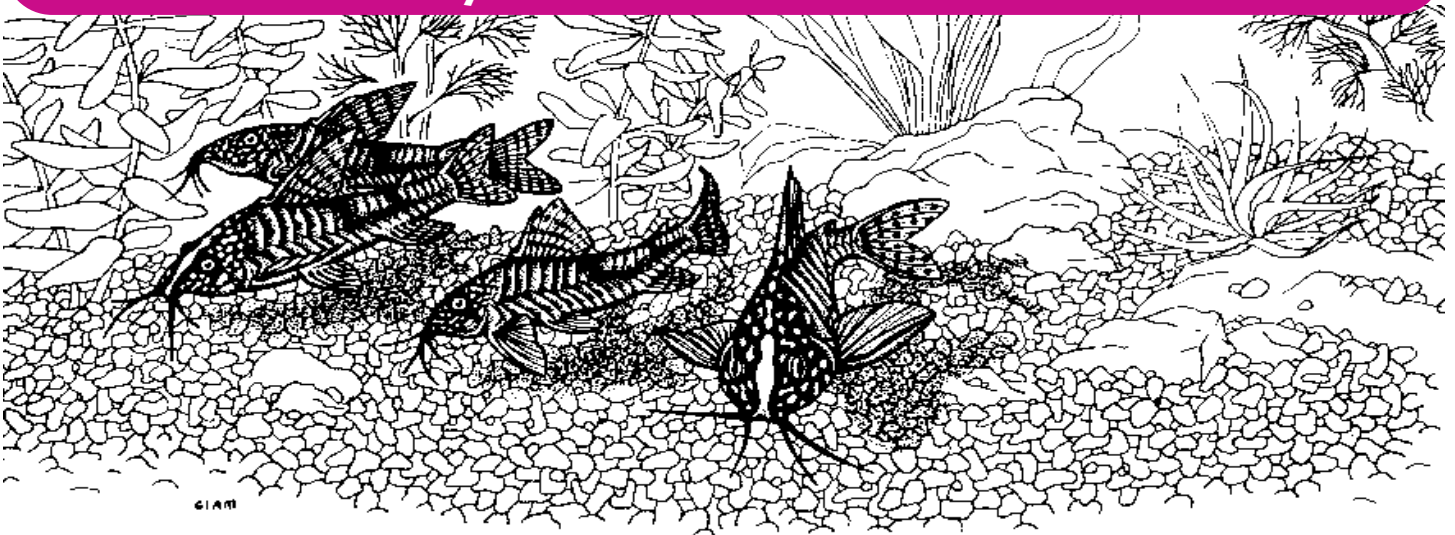
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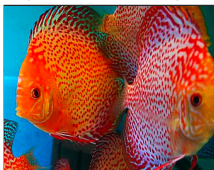
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