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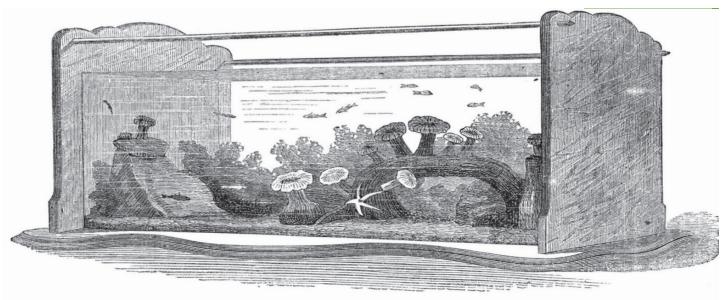
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# FRIDAY, JANUARY 10 @ 7:30 PM

WE ARE PROUD TO PRESENT

# PAT DONSTON



# STRONGER FISH HEALTHY AQUARIUMS

Marine Fish, Aqua-cultured Corals, Freshwater Fish, Plants & Dry Goods Auction

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# 102 Years of Educating Aquarists

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



he December 2013
Holiday party was
a fun time for all. I
think this is the most enjoyable event of the year
– at least for the Board
and Officers of our great
Society. This is the one
time all year that we can
relax and enjoy the
wonderful foods and
pleasant conversation
with our fellow aquarists.
We all shared the great

dishes our members and their families brought in. It was truly a feast of different tastes and aromas. **John Todaro** and his son **Andrew** ventured down from the snows of Vermont to join us in the festivities. John made some of his famous meat pies, culled from medieval recipes. Everything was delicious!

I handed out the hard earned awards for those dedicated members who worked all year to make this club what it is today – the largest, oldest and most successful aquarium society in the United States. I thank everyone from the bottom of my heart for joining us and working so diligently all year. John Todaro gave out the *Aquatica* and the FAAS awards for the best written articles submitted to John for publication in our Society's magazine *Aquatica* – one of the best aquarium society publications in the United States.

Marie Licciardello ran our "Fish Bingo" this year and we had plenty of fishy prizes to give out. It was a lot of fun.

The January event will feature **Pat Donston** as our guest speaker. Pat is the owner of **Absolutely Fish** in Clifton, NJ who has been an enthusiastic sponsor of our great Society for many years. His retail aquarium store is fantastic and has huge selections of marine fish and corals, freshwater fish and live plants. The quality of his establishment is superb. Pat travels all over the United States to give insightful presentations on marine and freshwater subjects and also how chemicals affect aquarium environments. Pat's

topic for the evening will be "Stronger Fish, Healthy Aquariums." So be there on January 10 at 7:30 PM to welcome Pat. As always, there will be free parking and free refreshments.

I want to remind our friends and members to visit our BAS Forum. The Forum is a great place to get good, solid information from experts in the hobby. Many of our sponsors have "rooms" on our Forum to talk about their latest products and to answer questions on their products and equipment, and also to field questions from concerned hobbyists. Please take a few minutes to visit our Forum. I'm sure you'll be glad that you did. To reach our Forum site, please visit our web site (www.BrooklynAquariumSociety.org) and at the top right side click on the Forum and follow the instructions for joining.

The awards for this past year were given to:
PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS:
BREEDER OF THE YEAR

Larry Jinks

RICHARD SPANVILL MEMORIAL AWARD Virginia Cahill

JOE & ANN BELLER MEMORIAL AWARD

Michael Roman

HOBBYIST OF THE YEAR

Tomasz Lis

WILLIAM F. DeFOE AWARD

Marty Karfinkel

**AUCTIONEER AWARDS** 

Went as a big thank you for our wonderful and dedicated auctioneers that for many, many years have gone above and

beyond, with very little thanks. I want to personally praise **Dennis Alestra**, **William Amely** and **Seth Kolker**.

We did have **C.A.R.E.S. awards** for those aquarists who bred and raised endangered aquatic species.

This year's awards went to:

**Frank Nell** for the *Pseudotropheus demasoni* **Larry Jinks** for *Xiphophorus meyeri*, "Puebla Platy," Tilipia

*gutterosa*, a West African cichlid from Lake Bermin, Cameroon *Pelvicachromis subocellatus*, a Kribensis type of African cichlid.



I am asking for your help and support. If you want to see different speakers or want to go on a field trip to the Baltimore Aquarium and visit huge pet shops along the way, 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 informative website at

WWW.BROOKLYNAQUARIUMSOCIETY.ORG

On a more personal note - Any member who desires to attend a Board meeting, 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 MONTHS SPEAKER

Pat Donston started in the fish hobby with his first aquarium when he was nine years old. He became fascinated with fish and developed an interest to learn as much as he could about them. Pat went on to college, majored in Zoology, and got his first job working with fish. He did an internship at the Philadelphia Zoo working with the Jersey State Aquarium design group. By then, he had kept aquariums for over ten years, but working in a public aquarium sparked his interest even more. After the completion of the internship, Pat decided to go back to school and pursue a Master of Science degree specializing in fish reproduction. Upon completion of his master's degree, he worked in a public aquarium teaching docents and volunteers about the biology of invertebrates in the inter-tidal exhibit.

Pat's love of fish and teaching others about them has led him to the retail business of selling fish and aquarium supplies. For the thousands of hours he has spent working on aquariums, he has experienced nothing but admiration for these creatures which can best be described as - freedom, joy, and love for a spellbinding wilderness that we can bring into our homes.

Pat believes aquarium keeping is one of the best educational tools for children and adults to learn more about the oceans and reefs around the world. Learning about the animals one has as pets sparks an interest to become more aware of the environment we live in. It can bring people closer to a part of the world they may never see or otherwise know.

The title of Pat's talk is "Stronger Fish, Healthy Aquariums." Pat is one of the most knowledgeable fish store owners we know...and after the talk he'll be available to answer your questions. So don't miss this event!



# BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2014

# ZAPPY NEW YEAR

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.

### 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.

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



### **COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST EXHIBITIONS, AUCTIONS & CONVENTIONS 2014**

SUN. JAN 19 - DANBURY AREA AQUARIUM SOCIETY 29th Annual Auction of fish (All Species), Aquarium equipment & related dry goods. To be held at The Melrose School, 120 Federal Hill Road, Brewster, NY 10509. Viewing 10am to 11:15am. Auction from 11:30 am to 5 pm. There will be a 50/50 raffle. Food & refreshments will be available. For more information call: RICH LITSKY (845) 228-0372, or JOE MASI (845) 896-4793 Web: www.northeastcouncil.org/daas

FEB 14 - 16 - RALEIGH AQUARIUM SOCIETY invites you to attend its 29th annual workshop at the James Martin building on the NC State Fairgrounds in Raleigh, North Carolina. Events, conferences and banquet from Friday to Saturday, and a large auction on Sunday. Nationally recognized speakers include:

- Erick Bodrock Cory Breeding Made Easy.
- Nick Klase Aquarium LED Lighting.
- Gary Lange Keeping/Breeding Australian Rainbowfish.
  Ray Lucas Fish Faces What Are You Looking At?
- Richard Pierce An Introduction to Killifish.
- Rich Rego Water Quality and the Aquarist.

Info. www.raleighaquariumsociety.com or call (919) 698-2828

FEB 15 & 16 - 2nd Annual World of Pets Expo At Hampton Roads Convention Center, Hampton, VA. The Event for the Pet Enthusiast. Hundreds of Pet Products and Services • DockDogs • Johnny Peers Muttville Comix • Interactive Pet Exhibits • Free Seminars by National Experts on Pet Care and Training • Petting Zoo • Parade of Breeds • Cat Features • Reptiles & More • Fish & Small Animals • The Bird Whisperer • Heated Facility & Great Food • Free Parking. Info: 800-882-9894; www.worldofpets.org; info@worldofpets.org

FEB. 22-23 - AMERICAN KILLIFISH ASSOCIATION'S KIL-LIFISH KARNIVAL 35TH ANNUAL SHOW & AUCTION Hosted by the Michiana Aquarium Society, Niles, MI. For more information: www.michianaaquariumsociety.org

MAR. 28-30 - NEC Aquarium Societies' 39th Annual Convention held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Cromwell, CT. The NEC Aquarium Societies' 39th Annual Convention includes judged fish show, planted tank exhibition, speakers, a silent auction and buffet dinner. Speakers: Rick Borstein, Ted Coletti, Ken McKeighen, Matt Pedersen, Roxanne Smolowitz, Mark Soberman, Kris Weinhold.

For Information: www.convention.northeastcouncil.org

MAR. 30 - OCEAN STATE REEF AQUARIUM SOCIETY Second Annual Reef Conference 2014. The conference is a great time for reef hobbyists to talk reef. Livestock booths are packed with healthy corals and fish. See exhibitors show the latest food, supplements and lighting help a reef tank grow. Our speakers are **Albert Theil**, the author of "Nano Reef Aquariums" and Sanjay Joshi. His topic is "Reef Lighting: Myths, Folklore and Science." The Crowne Plaza Hotel is a 5 star hotel, with special rates for conference.

For more info: osras1@osrasconference2014.com

APR. 5-6 - Marine Aquarium Expo held at the O.C. Fair & Event Center, Southern California, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa,

CA 92626, Building #18. The 2014 Marine Aquarium Expo (MAX) is the LARGEST consumer event for the aquarium hobby in North America! Experience the latest innovative products in the aquarium hobby as well as shop for livestock and dry goods from over 70 exhibitors! MAX is extremely family-friendly and entertaining for hobbyists of all ages. For more info: visit www.marineaquariumexpo.com

MAY 23-25 - 2014 American Killifish Association National Convention held at Sheraton Syracuse University, 801 University Avenue, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13210. The 2014 American Killifish Association National Convention is a three day show that includes 100s of killies for sale and auction, numerous speakers and a Saturday banquet with tons of other events during the course of the show. The banquet speaker for the show is **Stefano Valdesalici** from Italy.

JULY 10 - 13 - AMERICAN CICHLID ASSOCIATION (ACA) At the Crowne Plaza Hotel next to the Louisville airport. Make your reservations after Tues, July 30th 2013 by calling 888-233-9527 and asking for the American Cichlid Association room block. The ACA hosts a fabulous, not to be missed, convention, with the most spectacular collection of the finest cichlids to be found. The convention is an action-packed, non-stop weekend filled with world-renowned speakers, workshops, vendors, raffles, and specialized Study Groups, all culminating in Sunday's cichlid auction! The Louisville Tropical Fish Fanciers has been working diligently to host the most exceptional convention. Convention Chair Rusty Wessel and his dedicated committee are more than happy to help you to plan for this extraordinary event. Please be sure to register today at: http://www.ACA-Convention.com.

OCT. 25-26 - CoralCon 2014 held at the Central Florida Fairgrounds, Orlando, FL. CoralCon will be hosting the Scariest Reef Conference In The World in Orlando, Florida. 100 Vendors from around the world will be on display with the latest and greatest in reef aquarium fish, coral, foods, products, and much more. For more information: visit: www.coralcon.org



# BAS NEWS & NOTES



#### **NEC Logo Contest.**

Every year the Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies holds a contest for a logo for its annual convention. This year's

winner is Amanda Wenger. The theme for the 39th Annual NEC convention is "Fins with a Flair." **Congratulations Amanda!** 

Study: Lemon sharks return to birthplace, exhibiting 'natal homing.' Originally published: December 5, 2013 By EMILY C. DOOLEY emily.dooley@newsday.com

A study by a team of researchers, including two from Stony Brook University, shows sexually mature female lemon sharks return to their place of birth to have their own litter of pups.

The findings, published Thursday in the journal Molecular Ecology, offer the first evidence that lemon sharks exhibit "natal homing" despite having spent years away from their nursery.

Finding that sharks, widely thought to be a roaming species, have a homing ability to return to specific places could help nations and regions implement specific fishing bans or create sanctuary areas to protect the species.

The study is based on research dating to 1995, when researchers in the Bahamian island of Bimini began tagging and taking tissue samples of lemon sharks. The sharks, named for their color, tend to stay where they are born, seeking protection from predators in the local mangroves until they are about 5 years old.

The females become sexually mature between 15 and 17 years old and return to Bimini when carrying their young, on average about every two years. They can have as many as 18 pups at a time, and the brood can have between two and five fathers, said **Kevin Feldheim**, manager of Chicago's Pritzker Laboratory for Molecular Systematics and Evolution and the study's lead author.

Many returned consistently. "We're realizing these nursery areas are really vital for these populations," he said. "There's some females that have been giving birth [in the research area] the entire course of the study."

"There are a lot of conservation implications of these scientific findings," said **Ellen K. Pikitch**, a professor at Stony Brook's School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences and executive director of the Institute for Ocean Conservation Science based there.

The findings could be applicable to other species, she said.

In 2011 the Bahamas enacted anti-poaching legislation protecting more than 40 species of sharks from hunting. Shark fins are a prized delicacy, and with two dorsal fins, lemon sharks often fall prey. "I really think that there is not a species of shark on this planet that would be rejected for its fin," Pikitch said.

Palau, the Maldives and Honduras also ban shark hunting.

"National efforts to rein in the shark fishing industry by many countries are likely to benefit homing shark species, like lemon sharks," Stony Brook assistant professor **Demian Chapman**, also a study author, said in a news release.



Ye been a member for more years than I can remember... and even after I moved to Vermont, 10 years ago, I continued to pay my dues and work on *Aquatica* and the *BAS Bulletin*.

I made it a point to come down to the 2013 Christmas party, which I have not attended for quite a few years. It was a heart warming treat to see my old friends again. They made me feel that I had never left.

The evening went so fast, I just wish I had more time to sit and talk to **Vito Sacchieri** about his 2 pairs of breeding angels. Vito, good luck with raising the fry. **Dennis Alestra**, thank you for your pocket screw driver. I intend to keep it in the car; you never know when you need to screw something! :-)

Bill Amely, nice to see you! Remember what I said about visiting.

Kay Martin, it was nice to visit with you, even though we email all the time to get our publications proofed and to the members. Gene Kogan, good to finally meet you. I never got a chance to try your dumplings,;the party goers snapped them up. I'm sure they were great. Nice to see Charles and Ruth Stein. Charles, my best wishes for a healthy New Year. I had a chance to sit and have dessert with my friends Ron and Fran Kasman. I'm looking forward to seeing you this summer. I was happy to see Marie Licciardello and her charming daughter. Stuart and Denise Hershkowitz. Stu, I wish you a speedy recovery from your shoulder surgery. Denise, I've printed your recipe; the turkey was wonderful. There are just too many friends to mention here, but it was great to see you all. A quick heads up for the great job Joe Graffgnino is doing as president of our great Society.

My best to all, John Todaro

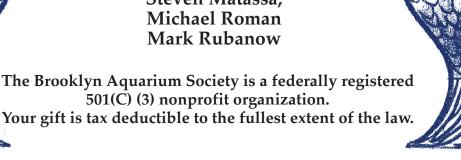


The Brooklyn Aquarium Society Inc. is a non-profit organization 501(C) (3) for people interested in the aquarium hobby and the study of aquatic life. The Society meets the 2nd Friday of each month except July and August at the Educational Hall of the N.Y. Aquarium at Coney Island, Surf Ave. at West 8th St., at 7:30 PM. Meetings are open to visitors. Membership is \$25 per year family, \$20 individual, \$15 for students under 18. Send inquires or membership checks to Brooklyn Aquarium Society, c/o Membership Chairperson, P.O. Box 290610, Brooklyn, NY 11229-0011.



**Peter Davis** Joseph Graffagnino Steven Matassa, Michael Roman

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# A NEW YEARS RESOLUTION...

esolve to read about the fish you keep. There are many great books and magazines about every Ltype of fish, we keep from freshwater, marine to inverts and plants.

The more you know about the fish you keep the more success you will have and the more rewarding the hobby will be.

Resolve to attend BAS meetings to learn from experts in fish keeping, and get great deals at our auctions. Remember we've been *Educating Aquarists* for over 100 years

Happy Fish keeping in 2014!





# OUR COLLECTIVE THANKS TO ALL THE MEMBERS ATTENDING THE ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY FOR THE DELICIOUS DISHES THEY DONATED!

Cookies and Chips Bill Amely

Norman Benjamin Sodas

Angela Blanket Clementines, Candy, Cookies, Humus **Gennady Blanket** Cakes, Clementines, Banana Bread Christina Cingari Teriyaki Veggies and Rice & Peas

Walter Chow & Dorothy Russell Chocolate Tray & Cookies

Bernard & Angelika Deren Stuffed Cabbage

John Fox

Macaroni & Cheese / \$20 Donation Joe Graffagnino Boneless Virginia Ham and Cookies Pauline Griffin Potato Salad and Chicken Salad

Stuart & Denise Hershkowitz Turkey and Baked Beans Potato Salad and Cole Slaw Fran & Ron Kasman

Gene Kogan Dumplings Rice Pudding Marie Licciardello

Cake and Chips & Dip **Tomas Liz** Chocolate Cake **David Manuel** 

**Nick Martinez** Junior's Cheesecake **Kay Martin** Apple Cake

Pulled Beef, Cole Slaw and Rolls **Steve Matassa** 

**Iackie Minassi** Cookies \$10 Donation Joseph Morra Mike Roman Cheesecake Mark Rubanow Cake, Cookies Vito Sacchieri Lasagna

Zhanna Senderkis Soda, Sausage, Cookie, Challah

**Charles & Ruth Stein** Pasta Salad

Chocolate Cake, English Sausage Meat Pie, Pizza Rustica John Todaro





# FOR ALL WHO COMPLIMENTED DENISE ON HER TURKEY... HERE IS HER RECIPE... ENJOY!

or the many people who complimented me on how moist the turkey was...here is the brine recipe. This recipe is from BonAppetit, November 2012 edition.

- 3/4 cup plus 2 Tbsp kosher salt
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 carrot, peeled and diced
- 1 large onion, peeled and diced
- 1/4 cup diced celery
- 2 large sprigs thyme
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 Tbsp black peppercorns
- 1/4 tsp crushed red pepper flakes
- .1/4 tsp fennel seeds

Bring salt, sugar, and 4 cups of water to a boil in a very large 16-qt pot, stirring until salt and sugar are dissolved. Turn off heat. Add remaining ingredients to brine base. Refrigerate, uncovered, until cold.

- Add 6 quarts cold water to pot. Add turkey. Place a plate on top of turkey to keep submerged. Cover, chill up to 72 hrs. It will be moister and more flavorful if allowed to brine a full 72 hrs.
- I transfer cold base and add 6 quarts of cold water to an Extra Extra Large ziploc bag. Place the turkey in the bag. Twist bag so that the entire turkey is covered with brine and place in refrigerator.

Denise

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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  $22''H \times 16''W \times 11''D$ , big enough to carry lots of livestock bag, and folds up for flat easy storage. The bag is black with the BAS logo in gold and features a full Velcro closure to keep 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.

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### **KEEP YOUR FISH SAFE IN TRANSIT!**





# BAS ONLINE FORUM A GREAT PLACE TO MEET OTHER AQUARISTS

heck out our new forum on our web site at <a href="www.basny.org">www.basny.org</a> 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



# TIP OF THE MONTH

hoose compatible fish. Remember that big fish may eat smaller fish; even fish that shoal in the wild may not always tolerate each other in the confines of an aquarium. Keep in mind that marine fish are very sensitive to temperature changes. Therefore, be careful in the winter when buying fish and transporting them home. Make sure to equalize the temperature in the transport bag before you release the fish into your aquarium. It is also best to lower or shut off the light if possible. This will keep the fish calm and the other fish in the aquarium from becoming aggressive to the new fish.



#### **REGIONAL SOCIETY EVENTS FOR 2013**

#### WED. JAN 1 - GREATER CITY AS • NO MEETING - WINTER BREAK

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. JAN 3 - LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION

Generally meets 1st Friday of the month at 8pm at Acan Lighting, 75 Austin Blvd, Commack, NY 11725. For directions & info: http://www.LongIslandReef.org

### TUES. JAN 7- PIONEER VALLEY AS

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

#### THUR. JAN 9 - TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF BURLINGTON • TBA

Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month at the VFW Hall in Essex Junction starting at 6:30pm. 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. JAN 13 - 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; or (732)-859-5595; mws71@yahoo.com

### TUES. JAN 14 - NASSAU COUNTY AS

Generally 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

#### THUR. JAN 16 - 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. JAN 17 - LONG ISLAND AS • FISH FLEA MARKET - SELL YOUR FISH & UNNEEDED

**AQUARIUM EQUIPMENT** Ususally 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



#### WED. JAN 22 - METROPOLITAN AREA KILLIFISH ASSOC. (MAKA)

• TBA
Meets 4th Wednesday of the month at 8pm 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. JAN 24 - 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.

#### TUES. JAN 28 - GREATER HARTFORD AS TBA

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



# CHECK ALL TIMES AND DATES BEFORE ATTENDING If listed TBA (to be Announced), that means the society has not got-

ten a speaker or has not updated their calendar of events as of the printing of this list.





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Most will do free water checks for you and all give discounts to our members.

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** Člifton, 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.

BAS members get a 10% discount with a current menbership card. 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 Ph: 1 (718) 649-2536

Hrs: Tue -Sat 10am-8pm • Sun 10am-6pm

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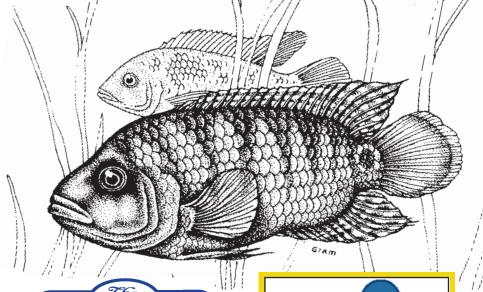
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