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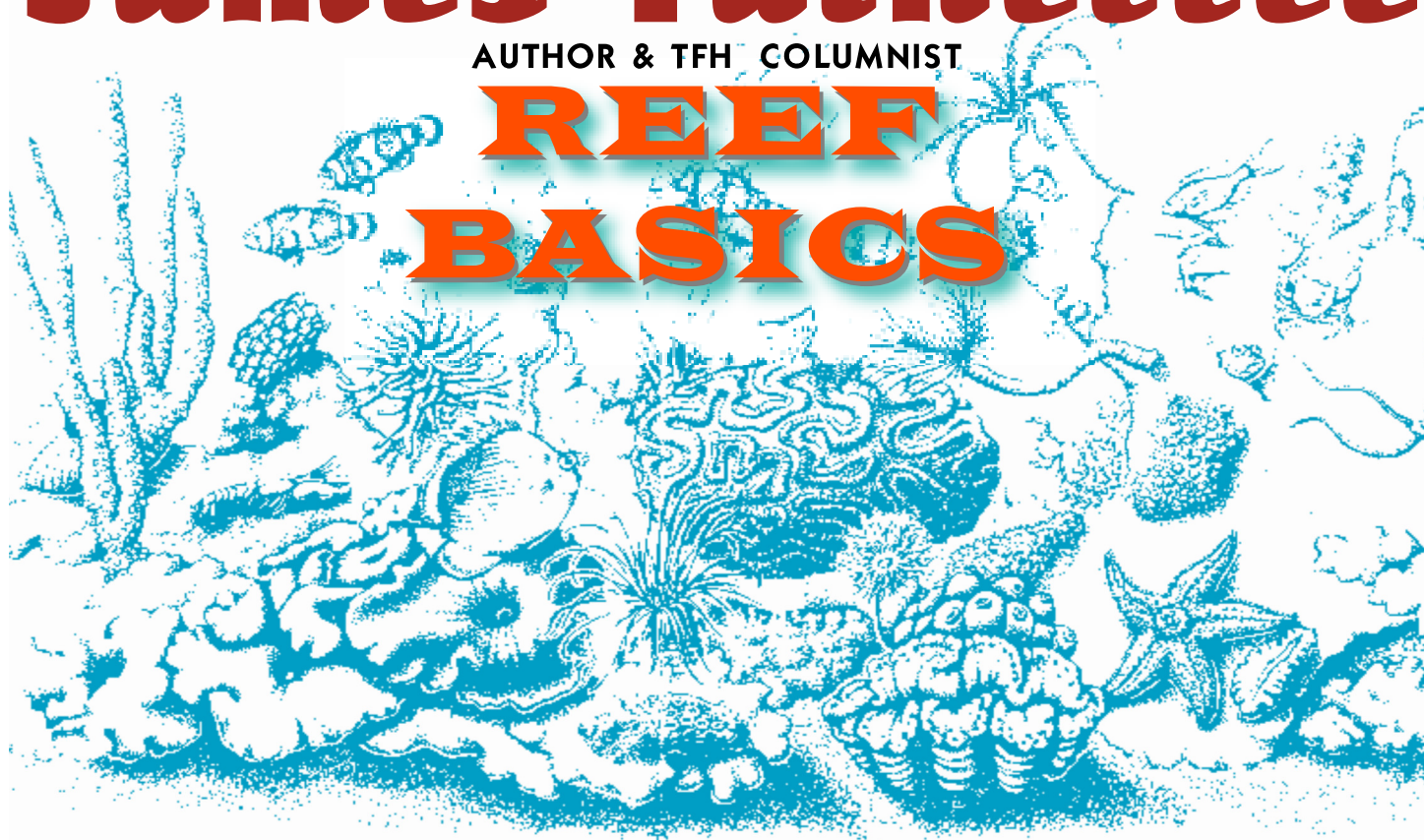
**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14 @ 7:30 PM**

BAS IS PROUD TO PRESENTS

## James Fatherree

AUTHOR & TFH COLUMNIST

### REEF BASICS



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

**Open to the Public • Free Parking • Free Refreshments**

\$5 Donation for Non-members. Good towards membership that night only.

At New York Aquarium, Education Hall, Surf Ave. & West 8th St., Bklyn, NY

Held the 2nd Friday of each month @ 7:30PM except July & August

For Information Visit [WWW.BROOKLYNAQUARIUMSOCIETY.ORG](http://WWW.BROOKLYNAQUARIUMSOCIETY.ORG).

Or Call BAS 24 Hr. Calendar of Events Hotline (718) 837-4455

# 103 Years of Educating Aquarists

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



October means that Fall is here and the goblins are coming, but so is the BAS Giant Auction! We had a fantastic auction of close to 250 items of livestock alone! We had A LOT of equipment, aquariums, lights, canopies, stands, filters, and much, much more. It was also a packed house with members and friends

coming from far and wide to partake of our auction of products, fish and plants.

Our great auctioneers, **Dennis Alestra** and **Bill Amely**, rocked and socked the audience with a barrage of hard to find items that kept them coming back for more. Dennis Alestra (a professional auctioneer) even brought his high-tech stand and auctioneer equipment. Dennis also brought us fresh cakes, cookies and many more delectable items. He even donated a coffee maker and a pressure cooker to our raffle. Everyone had a great time and we must thank our great retail stores for donating livestock and equipment to make our auction a success.

Due to miscommunication listed in our *Bulletin*, we must extend our **2014 Photo Contest** for another week. It will now officially end at Midnight, Sunday, October 19. There are 19 categories and fantastic prizes from our sponsors. Each prize has a minimum of a \$100.00 value. I hope you entered so you can win some of the wonderful prizes our great sponsors donated. The winners will be announced at our November 14 event. Please visit our web site for all information regarding this contest.

The new *Forum Questions & Answers* started in October and runs through December. This contest will have 3 different time frames. October through December, January through March, and April through June. Let's see who can ask and who can answer the most questions. Prizes are at the selection of the winners. We will have a winner for the most amount of questions and another winner for the most amount of answers.

Please see the *Bulletin* or our BAS web site for more information.

Our November event will feature **James Fatherree**. James always has an interesting and educational presentation. His topic for the evening is entitled "Reef Basics." You will also be able to purchase James Fatherree's books "*Super Simple Guide to Corals*" and "*Giant Clams in the Sea and the Aquarium*" through our BAS web site. James will be happy to autograph them both for you.

As always, the meetings will be at the NY Aquarium Education Hall. Doors open at 7:30 PM. And, as always, there is Free Parking and Free Refreshments.

**Be alert to detours to Ed Hall during construction.**

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

**Happy Thanksgiving**



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, September through June, please notify me at (718) 238-1792 by the Tuesday previous to the meeting.

*Joe*

Joe Graffagnino  
President



# THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER



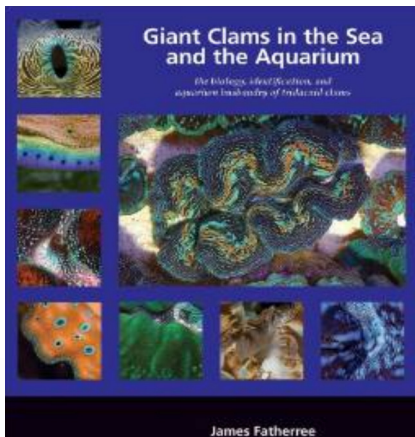
**J**ames Fatheree has been an aquarium hobbyist since childhood, keeping marine aquaria for over 15 years. He has spent many days diving in Florida, Hawaii, the Bahamas, Japan and Indonesia. Through the years, James also manages a large retail aquarium store, owned and operated an aquarium design, installation and maintenance business for several years and spent a summer working as a live--collector for an aquarium livestock wholesaler in Florida.

James has also published well over 100 articles and 1,000 photographs at larger, as well as written and illustrated several books. He also writes a featured column monthly in *Tropical Fish Hobbyist*.

In this month's presentation James will cover *Reef Basics*. No matter how long you have been keeping a marine aquarium you can't afford to miss seeing and hearing James Fatheree on this subject.

## *Giant Clams in the Sea and the Aquarium*

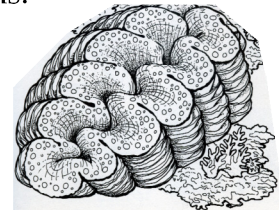
By James Fatheree



*Giant Clams in the Sea and the Aquarium* provides comprehensive coverage of the biology and aquarium care of the unique and intriguing tridacnid clams, commonly called giants by aquarists and divers around the world.

The book is an 8 x 9 hardback, printed on high-quality gloss paper, and includes over 300 color photographs and illustrations.

**\$26.52** Hardcover



There will be a  
**50/50**  
at the  
**November Event**

# BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2014 - 2015



**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.**

### 2015

**JAN 9 Mark Soberman ~ Freshwater ~** Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**FEB 13 Joe Yaiullo - Marine TBD ~** Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**MAR 13 Discus Hans - Discus ~ Raising Discus -** Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**APR 10 Todd C. LaJeunesse - The Intriguing Evolution of Palau Corals ~** Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**MAY 8 Giant Spring Auction ~** Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods including a brand new 55 gal. tank & stand.

**JUN 12 Lou Ekus (Tropic Marin USA)~ Basics of Reef Chemistry ~** Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

### JULY/AUGUST - NO MEETINGS

**SEPT 11 TBA ~** Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**OCT 9 Giant Fall Auction ~** Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods, including a brand new 55 gallon tank & stand.

**NOV 13 Bob Fenner ~ Reef Stocking ~** Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

**DEC 11 Holiday Party ~ Members, their families and friends, all you can eat sit-down dinner • Fish Bingo & Prizes • BAS awards presentations.**

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

**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.



# NEW! BAS ONLINE FEATURE - QUESTION & ANSWER FOR PRIZES.

**T**he Brooklyn Aquarium Society's **Educating Aquarists Q & A** feature is located on our Forum. Anyone may participate by registering and choosing a screen name. You may post any question related to fish, invertebrates, equipment or aquatic diseases. By posting a relevant question, you will receive 5 points. Post your question as a normal online post in the Q & A section. Anyone may post an answer and get 1 point. The answer is posted as a reply. The question remains open for a week. The author of the best answer gets an additional 3 points. If the question is not answered or is incorrect by the end of that week, the experts on our Board of Directors will choose or provide a best answer. The first round of Q & A begins at our October event and runs until December 31, 2014. The persons with the most points for answers and for questions will each win \$20 in BA\$ Bucks, or a free 1 year (individual) BAS membership or a one year subscription to an aquatic magazine. (In the event a subscription cannot be obtained, a prize of equal or greater value will be supplied at the discretion of the BAS Board of Directors.) The winners of each category will be given the option of choosing their prize. The 2nd round of Q & A's begins at our January 2015 event and runs until March 31. There are no carry-over points; all participants start with zero. The 3rd round will begin at our April 2015 event and run until June 30. Summaries and final results will appear in the *BAS Bulletin*, and *Aquatica*. The posting scores will be announced at our events.

(**Note:** All sarcastic, insulting posts or foul language will be deleted. Answers supplied by the BAS experts will not receive any points.)

## Q & A RULES -

1. Anyone may participate, Members and Non-Members.
2. Ask an aquatic question by posting a thread under the Q & A logo. You get 5 pts for just posting a question.
3. Questions may be about fish, coral, inverts or any aquatic topic. Please keep the Q & A less than 1 page.
4. Anyone answering a question gets 1 point.
5. Within a week, our expert panel will pick the best answer. The author of the best answer gets 3 extra points, plus the 1 point for answering the question
6. The persons with the most Question points and the person with the most Answer points will be announced at the next BAS event. The winners, if present, will choose their prize. If not present, they will be notified via the Forum and can respond back for their prize selection.
7. In the event that no one answers your question, an expert from our panel will post an answer. (*Expert's answers do not receive points.*)
8. You can ask or answer the same question only once for points.
9. You can edit your question or answer the same day.
10. You can ask or answer no more than 10 questions a day.
11. You cannot ask and answer your own question.
12. Current standings will be posted monthly in the *Bulletin*.
13. The winners will be posted in both the *Bulletin* and *Aquatica* and announced at our events.

## COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

### EXHIBITIONS, AUCTIONS & CONVENTIONS 2014 - 2015

**NOVEMBER 2 - JERSEY SHORE AQUARIUM SOCIETY**  
Fall 2014 Tropical Fish & Dry Goods Auction. Held at the Knights of Columbus at 70 East Maine St. in Freehold, NJ. View 10am to 11:45am Auction starts at 12 noon sharp. For more info, e-mail **Russ White** at [rwhite8@optonline.net](mailto:rwhite8@optonline.net) or call (732) 928-2838, or visit [www.jerseyshoreas.org](http://www.jerseyshoreas.org)

**NOVEMBER 2 - THE AQUARIUM CLUB of LANCASTER COUNTY GIANT FALL AUCTION** Held at **Witmer Fire Hall, 455 Mt. Sidney Rd, Witmer PA 17585** less than 2 miles off US Rt. 30. For some GPS units, you may need to use Lancaster as the city. Doors open at 9am. Auction starts at 11am. **New and rare species for auction. Free bidder cards.** Info. visit: [www.aclcpa.org](http://www.aclcpa.org). **Directions:** From US Rt 30, go north on Witmer Rd (left from Rt 30 eastbound, right from Rt 30 westbound). There is a Target and a Petsmart on the corner. Go to light at Rt 340, turn right. At the next light (about 100 ft.) turn on Mt. Sidney Rd. The Fire Hall is about 3/4 mile on the right. There is plenty of parking in the rear.

**NOVEMBER 7-9 - AQUATIC EXPERIENCE** held at the **Marriott Renaissance Hotel, Schaumburg Convention Center, Chicago, IL.**

#### CALL FOR ENTRIES:

**Inaugural Aquascaping Live! Contest at Aquatic Experience**  
**Chicago \$3,900 dollars in prize money available.**  
**Judging during Aquatic Experience.**

The Aquascaping Live! Contest is sanctioned and presented by **The Aquatic Gardeners Association (AGA)** and will include celebrity judges **Oliver Knott, Oliver Lucanus, Brandon McLane, Karen Randall** and **Bailin Shaw**. Contestants will compete in two categories (Small or Large Tank) for \$3,900 in prize money and certificates. All contestants will receive free admission to the show floor at Aquatic Experience.

Everything aquatic under one roof. 48,000 sq. ft. of exhibit space, displays, latest products, show specials, education seminars and networking. Both freshwater and saltwater.

**Speakers:** Anton Lamboj, Bob Fenner, Brandon McLane, Charles Delbeek, Chris Lukhaup, Eric Bodrock, Francis Yupangco, Heiko Bleher, Jake Adams, Jen Reynolds, Joe Olenik, Jonathan Dooley, Julian Sprung, Karen Randall, Kevin Kohen, Oliver Knott, Oliver Lucanus, Patrick Dontson, Rusty Wessel, Sandy Moore, Sanjay Joshi, Steve Lundblad and Ted Judy. Weekend pass \$89 (show floor and early access to all seminars all weekend, Saturday, Speaker Meet & Greet and Keynote Banquet) - See more at:

<http://aquaticexperience.org/tickets/#sthash.bPrkBAWw.dpuf>  
Hotel \$105 per night, plus 14% sales tax • Complimentary parking • 2 Restaurants • Bar/lounge • Free guest room internet • Complimentary fitness center • Free parking • Valet parking available for \$14 a day. Info at:  
<http://aquaticexperience.org/hotel-travel/#sthash.Fgw-PiNUq.dpuf>. Call 1-877-303-0104. More information visit [www.aquaticexperience.org](http://www.aquaticexperience.org).

**NOVEMBER 20 - 23 OHIO CICHLID ASSOCIATION SHOW & AUCTION** is the largest celebration of cichlids and catfish on the planet. This 3 day event is the weekend before Thanksgiving. Cichlid enthusiasts, make the trip to Strongsville, Ohio to enjoy a weekend of all things cichlid and catfish. Attendees will see world class speakers, manufacturer and vendors, a

fish show with 150+ entries, and fish sold throughout the hotel. Saturday features a swap meet, informal awards dinner, and an auction featuring brand new goods donated by prominent manufacturers. **Speakers:** **Ad Konings, Felipe Cantera, Barbie Fiorentino, Melanie Stiasny and Wayne Leibel.** The extravaganza is held at: **Holiday Inn, 15471 Royalton Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44136. Phone: 440-238-8800.** The hotel is located at I-71 and Route 82, just 10 minutes south of Cleveland Hopkins International Airport. Room rate (registered attendees): \$69.00 per night (up to four people per room). Book by calling the hotel directly at 1-440-238-8800 extension 283. For Info: [www.ohiocichlid.com/Extravaganza](http://www.ohiocichlid.com/Extravaganza)

**JANUARY 18, 2015 - DANBURY AREA AQUARIUM SOCIETY 30TH ANNUAL AUCTION.** Held at the Knights of Columbus Hall #6318, 10 Fair St. Carmel, NY 10512 View of lots 8:30am to 11:15am Auction starts at 11:30am to 5pm. 50/50 Raffle, Food and Refreshments available.

**MARCH 20 - 22, 2015 NORTHEAST COUNCIL OF AQUARIUM SOCIETIES 40TH ANNUAL CONVENTION** held at the Sheraton Hartford South, located at 100 Capital Blvd., Rocky Hill, CT 06067. **Speakers:** **Ariel Bornstein, Pam Chin, Mark Denaro, Mike Hellwig, Shane Linder and Brian Perkins.** **HOTEL REGISTRATION:** Room rates are just \$99 per night. You may make reservations by calling 1-888-627-8263 and mention the Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies 2015 Convention. Remember to check their website for updates at [www.northeastcouncil.org](http://www.northeastcouncil.org)

**APRIL 10 - 12, 2015 AMERICAN GARDENER'S ASSOCIATION CONVENTION.** More information to follow.

**MAY 1 - 3, 2015 AMERICAN LIVEBEARER ASSOCIATION CONVENTION HELD AT THE LANCASTER HOST RESORT.** Hosted by the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County. More info to follow.

**JULY 30 - AUGUST 2, 2015 ACA 2015 ANNUAL CONVENTION** held at the **Sheraton Hotel - Springfield Mass.** Vendors Room, Show Competition, Hospitality Suite, Kids' Tank Decorating, Boston Day Trip, Old Sturbridge Village Banquet, Giant Sunday Cichlid Auction. **Speakers:** **Wayne Leibel, Laif Demason, Oliver Lucanus, Ad Konings, Dr. Paul Loiselle, Rusty Wessel, Al Sabetta, Jaap-Jan de Greef, Charley Grimes, Dr. Hubert Kuerzing.** Register at: [ACAconvention2015.com](http://ACAconvention2015.com)





# BAS PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

## Freshwater Winners

Awesome Pond  
**Val Loh**



Spectacular freshwater fish  
**Nick Caputo**



Best aquascape  
**Roberto Morales**



Best Nano Aquarium 2 ½ - 14 gals  
**Tomasz Lis**



Best Large aquarium 50 + gals  
**Jack Matassa**







## Freshwater Winners

Best fully aquatic creature in their environment  
**Lisa Quilty**



Best freshwater photo  
**David Manuel**



Most fabulous plant  
**Steve Matassa**



Freshwater invert  
**Lisa Quilty**



Best med-sized aquarium  
**Andy Hill**







## Saltwater Winners

Most breathtaking coral reefs  
**Jess Schreier**



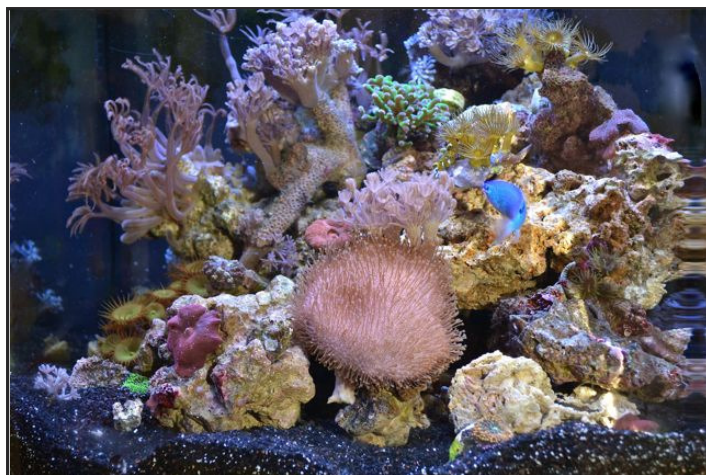
Spectacular saltwater fish  
**Steve Matassa**



Most amazing saltwater invert  
**Steve Matassa**



Nano aquarium 2 1/2 -10 gals  
**Steve Matassa**



Best fully aquatic creature in their enviroment  
**Steve Matassa**



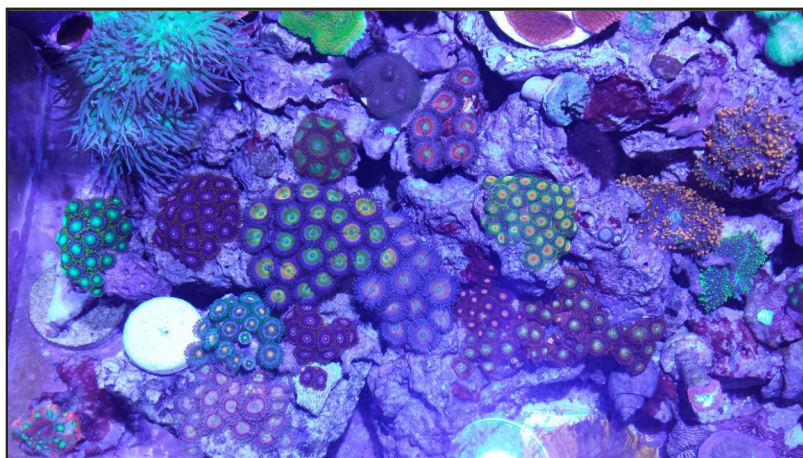


## Saltwater Winners

Best aquascaping  
**Paolo Patrinicola**



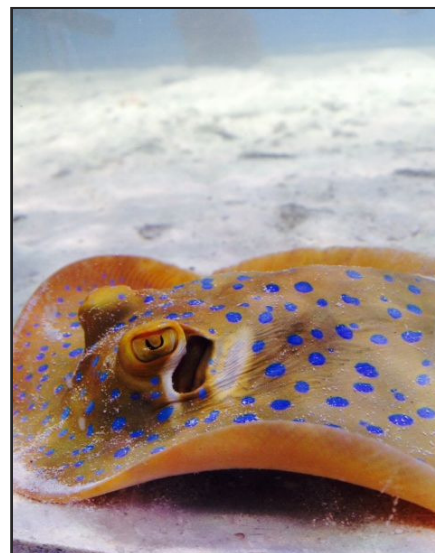
Best med-sized aquarium 12 - 40 gals  
**James DeSantis**



Best large aquarium 50 + gals  
**Jess Schreier**



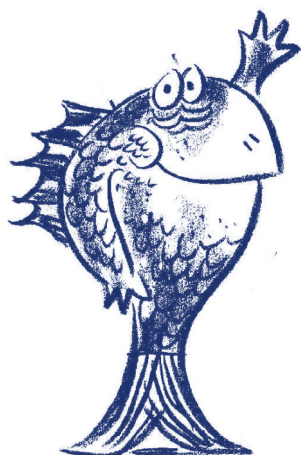
Best saltwater photo  
**Jesse Schreier**





## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SEPTEMBER DONATIONS

### WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATIONS



Bill Amely  
Gino Cusano  
Joe Graffagnino  
Gene Kogan  
Jim Kuce  
David Manuel  
Jerry O'Farrell

Paolo Patrinicola  
Manuel Popa  
Chris Potter  
Robert Price  
Dan Puleo  
Lisa Quilty  
Ben Rabinovich

Vito Sacchieri  
Adam Schneider  
Cap Streeter  
Dennis Vardaro  
Michael Weiner

### STORES

- Aquarium Village, Westbury, NY
- Brooklyn Zoo & Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY
  - Fauna, Manhattan, NY
- Pacific Aquarium & Pet, Manhattan, NY
  - Petqua, New York, NY
- World Class Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY

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

## NEW MEMBERS & RENEWALS

### NEW MEMBERS:

Dave Anderson  
Haddon Baillie  
Mike Condon  
Austin Dove  
Gwen Grossman  
Rodney Haines  
Bob Klein  
Daniel Klein  
Dylan Preston

Jerry Santangelo  
Moshe Schwartz  
Marshalee Smith  
Yuri Soverall  
Sarah Wagner  
Larry Whitfield  
Vanessa Wilde  
John A. Zapata  
Michael Zuco

### RENEWALS:

Benjamin Basile  
Walter Chow  
Lucas Graziano  
Pauline Griffin  
Chris Potter  
Dan Smith



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.

## BAS NEWS & NOTES



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**DON'T FORGET**  
**DECEMBER 12**  
**IS OUR HOLIDAY PARTY.**  
**MEMBERS, THEIR FAMILIES AND**  
**FRIENDS ARE INVITED.**  
**YOU MUST BRING A DISH OF FOOD**  
**AS YOUR ENTRY FEE.**  
**OR YOU'LL HAVE TO PAY A**  
**\$ 10 PER PERSON FEE!**



**Marquis Dual-Lamp T5  
High-Output (HO) Flores-  
cent Light Fixtures**  
Aquatic Life  
[www.aquaticlife.com](http://www.aquaticlife.com)  
Aquatic Life has debuted its  
Marquis Dual-Lamp T5

High-Output (HO) florescent light fixtures. They are available in marine and freshwater options, and they feature a programmable digital timer, internal electronic ballasts and German-made "dimpled" reflectors for optimal light balance. The Dual-Lamp T5 HO marine lighting system utilizes a combination of 10,000K and 420/460 nm Actinic lamps to promote exceptional growth and color in corals, invertebrates and fish. The Dual-Lamp T5 HO freshwater lighting system features two 6,000K-daylight lamps that create a balanced light output. Available in 24-, 30-, 36- and 48-in. lengths.



**Submersible Filters with  
Ultra Violet (UV) Bulbs**  
Aquatop [www.aquatop.com](http://www.aquatop.com)  
Aquatop has introduced sub-  
mersible filters with Ultra  
Violet (UV) bulbs. Both the  
SP5-UV and SP7-UV

combine the convenience of internal filtration with the power of UV. It is designed to help control green, cloudy water and free-floating microorganisms, and both models include reusable sponge filters. The SP5-UV has a 5W germicidal grade UV bulb, and the SP7-UV has a 7W bulb. Both have an adjustable flow rate (72-126 GPH) and a directional return nozzle. The filters do not require special plumbing, and both are ideal for fresh water and marine aquariums.

# THE BENEFITS OF BECOMING A SPONSOR OF THE BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

**A**s 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



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# THE SAFE FISH CARRIER THE INSULATED CARRYING BAG MAKES A GREAT GIFT

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

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 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.

**ONLY \$10.**

You can purchase one at our events

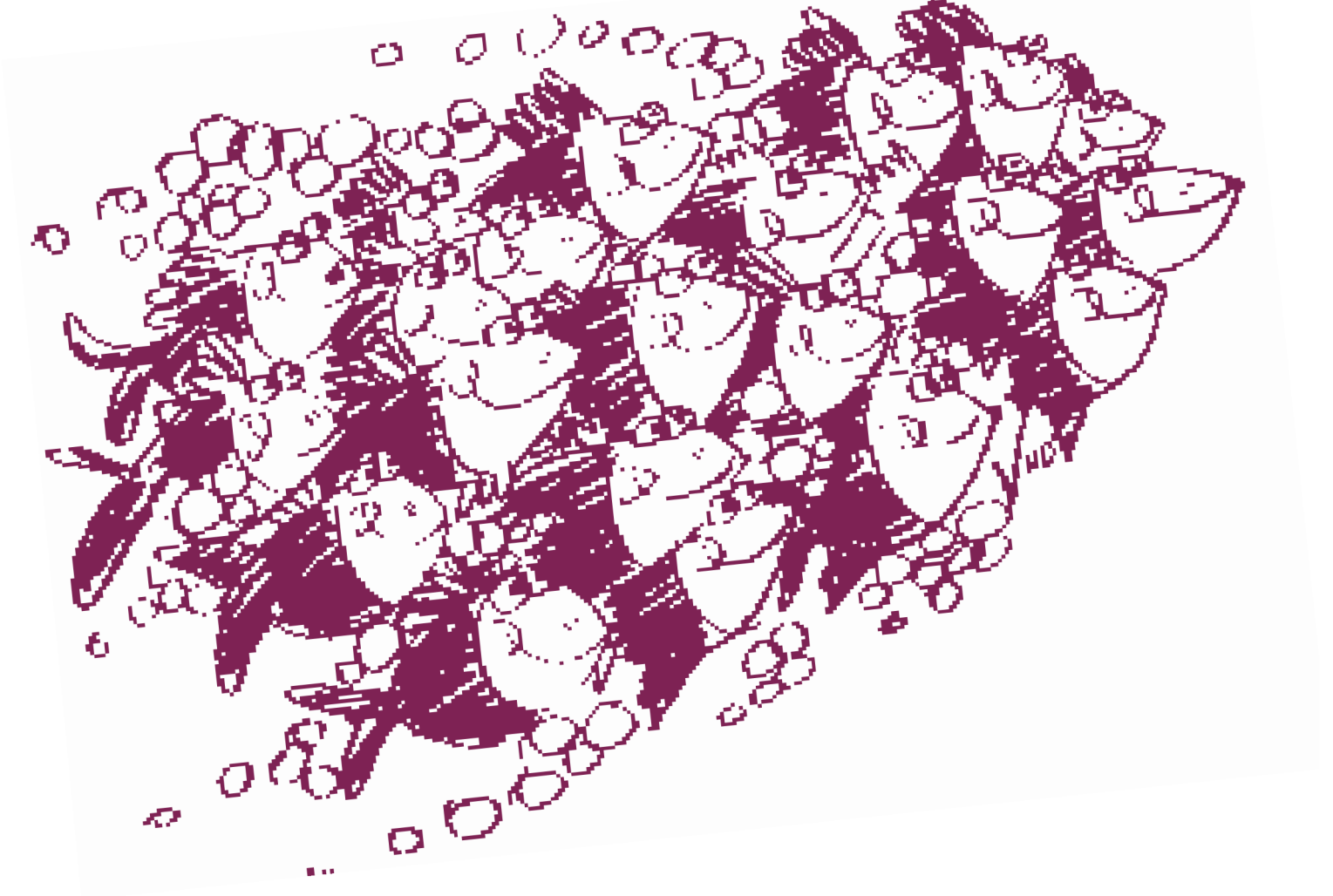
**KEEP YOUR FISH SAFE IN TRANSIT!**



# BAS ONLINE FORUM A GREAT PLACE TO MEET OTHER AQUARISTS

Check 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



## TIP OF THE MONTH

**A**quatic plants do more than just look pretty in your aquarium. Floating aquatic plants, (such as Java moss, *Vesicularia dubyana*; Milfoil, *Myriophyllum aquaticum*; Willow moss, *Fontinalis antipyretica*; Cabomba, *Cabomba caroliniana*, and Hornwort, *Ceratophyllum demersum*) are easily propagated, given enough light, and are excellent in the breeding tank, offering shelter to stressed fish, sites to lay eggs and places for fry to hide and find microscopic foods. Plants also offer herbivorous fishes something to nibble on. They are natural biological filters as well.

If you want to cut down on algae blooms, stock your aquarium with lots of plants, both rooted and floating. Floating plants do an excellent job of robbing algae of nutrients and light.

Plants also give your aquarium a natural look and they make the fish feel at ease.

*The Tetra Encyclopedia of The Marine Aquarium*, Dick Mills. 1987



## REGIONAL SOCIETY EVENTS FOR 2014

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

### TUE. NOV 4 - PIONEER VALLEY AS

#### • TBA

Usually meets 1st Tuesday of the month at the New location: The First Church UCC of West Springfield, 20 Lathrop St, at 7:00pm. Free parking in lot. Public welcome. For more information email: Jacob Guinasso, [jguinasso@pvas.net](mailto:jguinasso@pvas.net) or Martha Morris, [martha\\_morris@hotmail.com](mailto:martha_morris@hotmail.com). For directions go to [pvas.net](http://pvas.net)

### WED. NOV 5 - GREATER CITY AS

#### • GARY LANGE - RAINBOWFISH

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](mailto:ivyrose@optonline.net) or (631)-668-5125, or visit [www.greatercity.org](http://www.greatercity.org)

### FRI. NOV 7 - LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION

#### • JOE CAPARATTA - TRITON METHOD

Generally meets 1st Friday of the month at 8:00pm at Acan Lighting, 75 Austin Blvd, Commack, NY 11725. For directions & info: <http://www.LongIslandReef.org>

### MON. NOV 10 - JERSEY SHORE AS

#### • BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR OF THE JENKINSON'S AQUARIUM

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](http://www.jerseyshoreAS.org); or (732)-859-5595; [mws71@yahoo.com](mailto:mws71@yahoo.com)

### TUE. NOV 11 - NASSAU COUNTY AS

#### • MARK DENARO - A WEEK IN THE PERUVIAN AMAZON

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](mailto:info@ncasweb.org)

### THU. NOV 13 - TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF BURLINGTON

#### • PAUL LOISELLE - FISH OF MADAGASCAR

Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month at the VFW Hall, 73 Pearl St. 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](mailto:dbanks@together.net) or [www.tfcfb.org](http://www.tfcfb.org)

### THU. NOV 13 - NORTH JERSEY AS

#### • MAT KAUFMAN - KILLIFISHES

Usually meeting held at 7:45pm every 3rd Thursday of the month at the Quality Inn, 10 Polito Ave., Lyndhurst, NJ. NJAS one of the largest and most well respected aquarium clubs in North America. Since 1953, NJAS has provided a friendly outlet for the exchange of aquarium-related ideas and information, and recognizes the accomplishments of local hobbyists. For more info: [www.njas.net/](http://www.njas.net/)

### THU. NOV 20 - 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](http://Norwalkas.org)

### FRI. NOV 21 - LONG ISLAND AS

#### • RICK REGO - WATER QUALITY

Usually 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. [www.liasonline.org](http://www.liasonline.org)

### TUE. NOV 25 - 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

### WED. NOV 26 - 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](mailto:SLMACK@compuserve.com)

### FRI. NOV 28 - 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](mailto:daas@notheastcouncil).

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If listed TBA (to be Announced), the Society has not gotten a speaker or has not updated their calendar of events.



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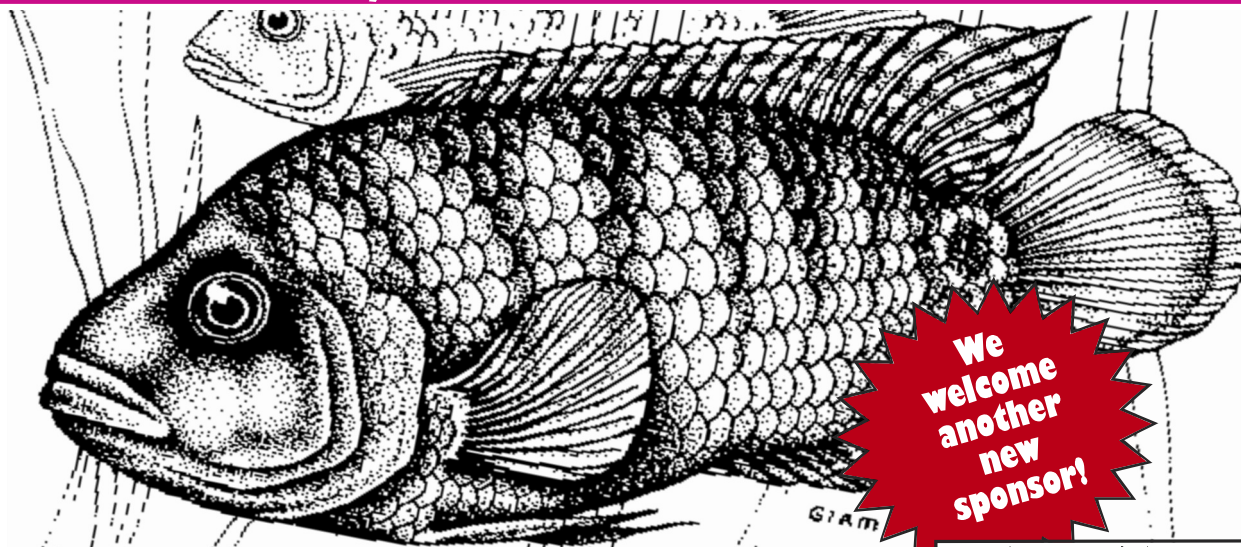
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