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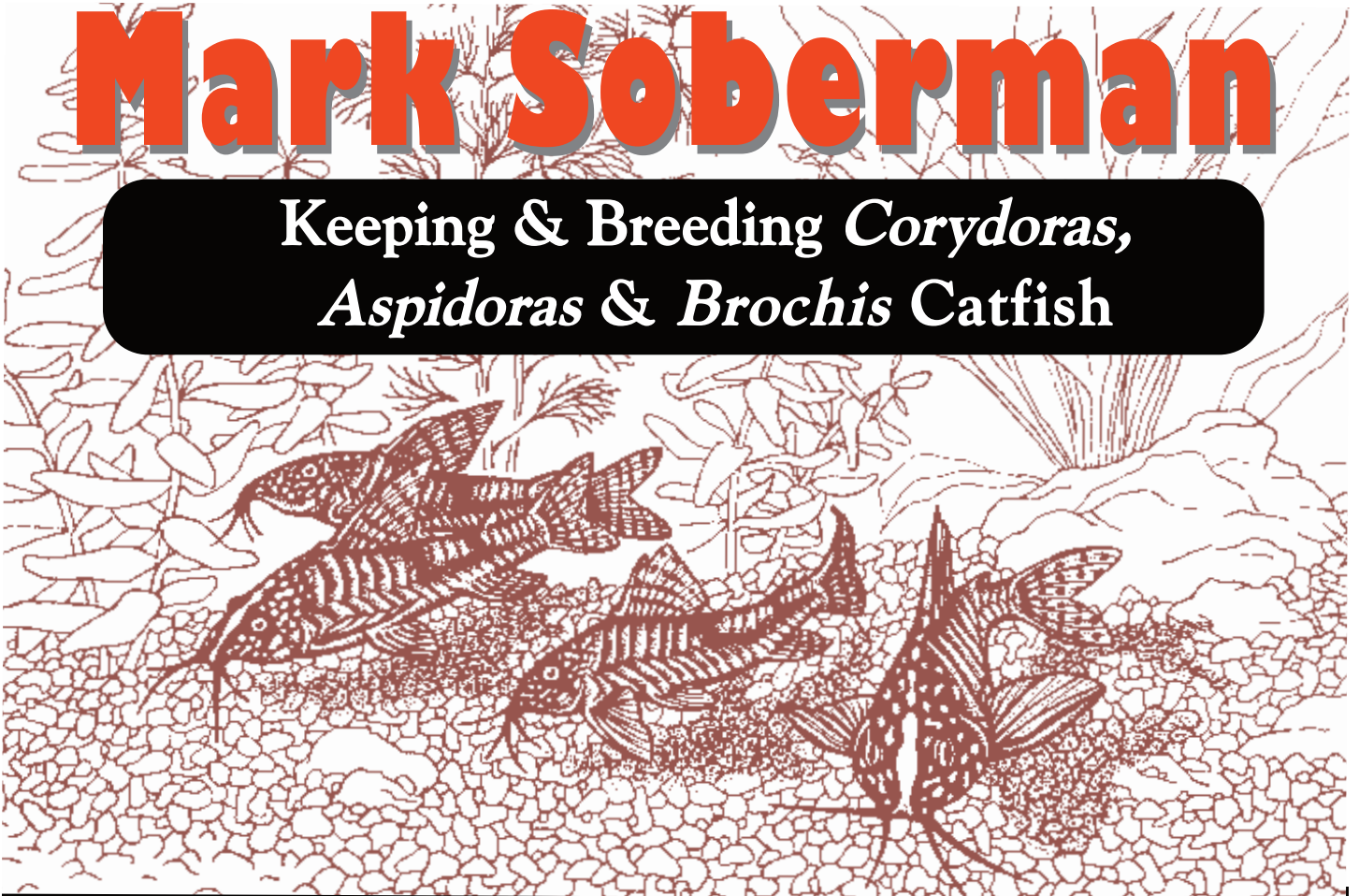
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FRIDAY, JANUARY 9 @ 7:30 PM

The Brooklyn Aquarium Society is proud to present

Mark Soberman

**Keeping & Breeding *Corydoras*,
Aspidoras & *Brochis* Catfish**



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

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

Free Parking • Free Refreshments

**\$5 Donation for Non-members. Good towards membership that night only.
Held the 2nd Friday of each month @ 7:30PM except July & August**

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

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The annual Holiday party was a great success. We had a terrific time eating and talking fish with friends and family. We had lots of delicious food, all brought in by our wonderful members, including turkey, ham, pulled pork, pastrami, pizza, salads, fried chicken and so much more. The desserts were delicious --- the variety of cakes, pies and cookies came from everywhere.

The well deserved BAS awards were given to our hard working officers, Board members and members. This year's special awards went to:

- **Larry Jinks** - Breeder of the Year
- **Lisa Quilty** - Senior Grand Master Breeder (1,000 point level)
- **David Manuel** - Richard Spanvill Memorial Award
(for non-officer/board member)
- **William Amely** - Hobbyist of the Year
- **Tomasz Lis** - William F. DeFoe Award (1st President of BAS)
- **Marty Karfinkel** - Joe & Ann Beller Memorial Award
- **Joseph DeNicola, Jr.** - Arnece Schier Memorial Award for Children.

We managed to play our wonderful Fish Bingo, administered by our wonderful 2nd Vice President **Marie Licciardello**. Many excellent fishy prizes were awarded to the lucky winners.

Our January event will feature **Mark Soberman**, a very knowledgeable and wonderful guy, as our guest. Mark is a most sought after speaker on catfish who has traveled the world giving lectures on catfish and was a moderator on Planet Catfish. His topic for the evening is "*Keeping and Breeding Corydoras, Aspidoras and Brochis Catfish.*" After Mark's talk, we will have our fish and equipment auction.

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 the *Bulletin* and enjoy a full color *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.

I am asking again 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 Education Hall 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.



May everyone have a joyous, healthy and prosperous Holiday Season and New Year from all of us at the Brooklyn Aquarium Society!

Joe

Joe Graffagnino
President

THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

Mark Soberman, who has been keeping fish for over 44 years, has been a member of the Greater City Aquarium Society since 1984 and has served on its board of directors for more than 20 years. Mark was enrolled in Greater City's Roll of Honor in 1998 and is one of the club's top lifetime breeders.

Soberman was involved with the formation of the North American Catfish Society, as well as other catfish organizations and has written articles for *Tropical Fish Hobbyist*, *Modern Aquarium*, Greater City's award winning publication, in addition to other catfish journals. Mark was a moderator on www.PlanetCatfish.com and is now retired "expert" on the site. He has traveled extensively giving his program across the country, as well as to the Bermuda Fry-Angle Aquarium Society.

He has also attended quite a few Potomac Valley Aquarium Society All Aquarium Catfish Conventions over the years and has participated as a panelist on the Corydoras Forum at the 2004 convention, gave a program on African Catfish at the NEC convention in October 2006 and an aquascaping program in 2008. Mark gave the banquet program at the 2010 NEC Convention.

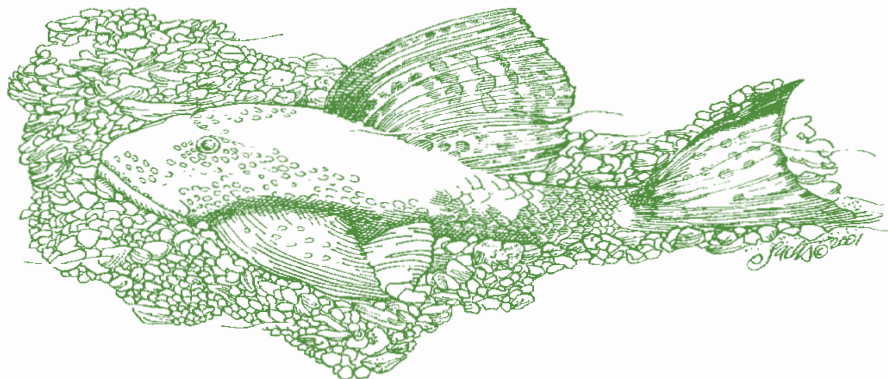
Although Mark specializes in breeding *Corydoras* and other Catfish, over the years he has also bred Cichlids, Killies, Characins and livebearers. Mark is currently involved in a variety of projects and maintains 35 tanks. He is also very interested in the history of the aquarium hobby and has an extensive collection of antiquarian aquarium literature and ephemera.

His talk and presentation at the January Event will be on **Keeping and Breeding of *Corydoras*, *Aspidoras* and *Brochis* Catfish.**

Mark is an excellent speaker and this presentation is particularly informative. I saw it when he gave it at the 39th Annual NEC Convention...and loved it!

If you're interested in catfish, don't miss this meeting.

John Todaro, Editor



BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2015 - 2016

WE WISH YOU ALL A
HAPPY & PROPEROUS
2015

JAN 9 Mark Soberman ~ Keeping & Breeding *Corydoras*, *Aspidoras* & *Brochis* Catfish ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

FEB 13 Joe Yaiullo - Reef Water Flow - How Much is Too Much? ~ 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 - Coral Physiology, Ecology, Symbiosis and Evolution ~ 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 Rick Borstein ~ 60 Tips in 60 Minutes ~ 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.

2016

JAN 15 Jeff Bollbeck ~ Getting Rich Breeding Fish ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

FEB 2 Joe Caparatte ~ Triton Method ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods

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.

WE THANK YOU ALL FOR THE DISHES YOU DONATED. YOU MADE OUR HOLIDAY PARTY A DELICIOUS SUCCESS!



Rosemarie Graffagnino helping to prep the food line before the party started.



Members and friends of the Society enjoyed camaraderie and great food.



Marie Licciardello, our bingo master, spins the bingo cage as Pauline Griffin looks on along with other members.

- **Dennis Alestra** - Pretzel trays and dip.
- **William Amely** - Dessert.
- **Gennady Blanket** - Dip, humus, crackers, candy, cookies, roast beef, rolls, croissants, pickles, sprite, panetone, cake, tea.
- **Ginny Cahill** - Salad.
- **Walter Chow** - Chinese noodles
- **Bernard & Angelika Deren** - Pinwheels.
- **John Fox** - Mac & Cheese.
- **Lita & Jerry Goldberg** - Fish.
- **Joseph & Rosemarie Graffagnino** - Virginia ham & cookies.
- **Pauline Griffin** - Cheese.
- **Denise & Stuart Hershkowitz** - 2 Turkeys, baked beans and cornbread stuffing.
- **Marion Hill** - Chicken wings.
- **Marty Karfinkel** - Pizza.
- **Ron Kasman** - Potato salad and cole slaw.
- **Marie & Marlene Licciardello** - Chicken, potatoes & onions.
- **Tomaz Lis** - Wraps, cheesecake and danishes.
- **David Manuel** - Cake.
- **Kay Martin** - Mashed sweet potatoes.
- **Nick Martinez** - Jr's. Cheesecake.
- **Maria Martinez** - Spanish rice and chili.
- **Steven & Rosanne Matassa** - Pulled pork, rolls and cole slaw.
- **Mike & Kristen Roman** - Cake and Fruit.
- **Dorothy Russell** - Jellied cranberries, corn, string beans, pickles and divider plates.
- **Vito Sacchieri** - Lasagna.
- **Ruth Stein** - Baked califlower w/ mozzarella.
- **Bob Strazzula** - Baked ziti, bread, cookies, pie and table clothes.
- **Al & Elizabeth** - Turkey, sweet potatoes, gravy & cranberries.
- **World Class** donated Betta Tanks for Fish Bingo.

BAS ONLINE FEATURE QUESTION & ANSWER FOR PRIZES.

The 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 2015

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 & Refreshments available.

FEBRUARY 21 - 22 KILLIFISH KARNIVAL 2015 36TH ANNUAL MID-WINTER SHOW & AUCTION. Held at the Niles Inn & Conference Center 930 S. 11th St. (M51) Niles MI, Ph: 269-684-3000
.www.nilesinn.com Special Show rate \$45. Hosted by the Michiana Aquarium Society. AKA sanctioned show. Speaker: **Art Leuterman.** Auction Sunday: Killifish, plants Supplies 70/30 split. For more information: **Dave Hemmerlein 269-317-6555**
Bob McDonnell 574-272-5248, Jim Reed 574-234-9986.

FEBRUARY 22, 2015 PIONEER VALLEY AQUARIUM SOCIETY ANNUAL TROPICAL FISH AUCTION. Held at Knights of Columbus Hall, 460 Granby Rd, Chicopee, MA 01013. Free admission. Giant Auction of live tropical fish, aquatica plants & dry goods. Silent auction plant table • raffles • 50/50 cash raffle • vendors tables. Food and refreshments available from Knights' Kitchen. For more information contact **Jacob Guinasso - jguinasso@pvas.net** or **Christina Guinasso - cguinasso@pvas.net** or **Martha Morris - martha_morris@hotmail.com**

MARCH 8, 2015 NORWALK AQUARIUM, SOCIETY 37th ANNUAL TROPICAL FISH & AQUARIUM EQUIPMENT BENEFIT AUCTION for EARTHPLACE. Held at 10 Woodside Lane, Westport, CT. Auction open to the public free of charge. For info visit **www.norwalkas.org** or **www.earthplace.org** or call (203) 227-7253 ext.110

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**

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, PA. More info. to follow.

MAY 22-24, 2015 AMERICAN KILLIFISH ASSOCIATION NATIONAL CONVENTION. Held at Sheraton Detroit Airport, 8000 Merriman Rd, Romulus, MI. The theme is Killifish Conservation in the Americas. Tentative Speakers: **Charlie Grimes, banquet speaker, Arcadio Valdes, Dave Koran, Frans Vermeulen, Chris Martin, Marc Bogaerts, Ken Normandin.** There will be fish room sales, fish raffle, rare fish, vendors, trips to downtown Detroit. Contact Info: **ARCH MARTIN (248) 207-8066** or **ERIC BEYER (248) 298-9576**

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**



THE BAS THANKS THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATIONS



We received donations of aquarium related items and supplies from **Frank Matassa** and from **Charles & Ruth Stein**. Thank you for your donations.

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.

NEW MEMBERS & RENEWALS

NEW MEMBERS:

Sheik Johnson
Patrick Musgrave

RENEWALS:

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 inquiries or membership checks to Brooklyn Aquarium Society, c/o Membership Chairperson, P.O. Box 290610, Brooklyn, NY 11229-0011.

NEC 40TH ANNUAL CONVENTION NOT TO BE MISSED!



Some of the BAS Photo Contest winners at the November Event



Display of photo contest prizes



Nick Caputo
(FW) Spectacular Freshwater Fish



Jack Matassa
(SW) Best Larger Aquarium 50+ Gals.



David Manual
(FW) Best Freshwater Photo



Andy Hill
(FW)

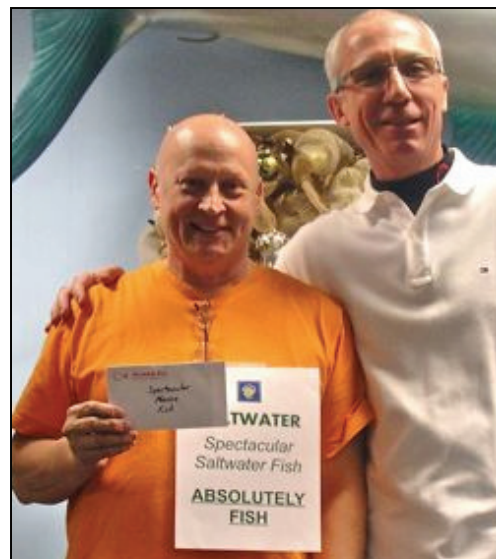


Paolo Patrinicola
(SW) Best Aquascaping



Lisa Quilty, one of our shy members, won the following categories (FW) Best fully aquatic creature in their environment (FW) Freshwater invert





Steve Matassa won the following categories
 (FW) Best Larger Aquarium 50+ Gals
 (FW) Most Fabulous Plant
 (SW) Nano Aquarium 2 1/2 -10 Gals
 (SW) Spectacular Saltwater Fish



It was a long evening and Ashley Cingari one of our younger members took a nap.

NEWS & NOTES

From 2013 to 2014 BAS donated aquariums to the following New York City Schools and Community Centers.

- November 2013 –
Fredrick Douglas Academy VII, Brooklyn - 55 gallon tank.
- December 2013 –
City As School, Greenwich Village – donated fish, plants and equipment.
- February 2014 –
Harlem Renaissance H S, Harlem, NYC - 75 gallon tank & turtle tank.
- February 2014 –
The Doe Fund (men's shelter/halfway house) – Bushwick, Brooklyn – 55 gallon tank.
- April 2014- **PS 225, Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn – 125 gallon tank**
- June 2014 -
Heartshare Carey Gardens Community Center, Coney Island, Brooklyn – 55 gal. tank.
- June 2014 -
Heartshare O'Dwyer Gardens Community Center, Coney Island, Brooklyn – 30 gal. tank.
- September 2014 -
City As School, Greenwich Village – donated fish for test study.
- October 2014 –
Academy for Social Action, Harlem, NYC – three 20 gallon tanks.
- October 2014 –
PS 127, Dyker Heights, Brooklyn – gravel, filter and miscellaneous equipment.
- November 2014 –
PS 199, Midwood section of Brooklyn – 10 gallon tank.
- November 2014 – PS 217, Midwood section of Brooklyn – 75 gallon tank.

For 2015, we will be donating 3 various size aquariums to IS 62, Brooklyn.



The students at PS 199, Midwood section of Brooklyn proudly show off their new 10 gallon tank donated by the Brooklyn Aquarium Society.

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Steven Matassa



TIP OF THE MONTH



If you are thinking of breeding cichlids, keep in mind that cichlids choose their own partners and should be allowed to do so.

Buy a juvenile group of the cichlids you are interested in breeding and raise them from juveniles and let them “self-select”. These fish are most likely to remain together for life and very often make good parents.

**WE HAVE A GREAT
CALENDER OF EVENTS FOR 2015 FEATURING
FRESHWATER AND
MARINE EXPERTS WHO WILL SHARE THEIR
KNOWLEDGE WITH US.
SO MAKE IT A POINT TO COME TO THE EVENTS OF
YOUR SOCIETY AND BECOME A BETTER AQUARIST.**

REGIONAL SOCIETY EVENTS FOR 2015

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

TUE. JAN 6 - 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 or Martha Morris, martha_morris@hotmail.com. For directions go to pvas.net

WED. JAN 7 - GREATER CITY AS • NO MEETINGS JAN. & FEB. (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 Dickin-son at: ivyrose@optonline.net or (631)-668-5125, or visit www.greater-city.org

THU. JAN 8 - TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF BURLINGTON

• TBA

Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month at the VFW Hall, 73 Pearl St. in Essex Junction, VT 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 or www.tfcfb.org

FRI. JAN 9 - LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION • MARK CALLAHAN - FISH SELECTION STRATEGY

Generally meets 2nd Friday of the month at 8:00pm at Acan Lighting, 75 Austin Blvd, Commack, NY 11725. For directions & info: <http://www.LongIslandReef.org>

MON. JAN 12 - JERSEY SHORE AS • JSAS FLEA MARKET - ASK THE EXPERT

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

TUE. JAN 13 - NASSAU COUNTY AS • SILENT AUCTION - SHHHHHH

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

THU. JAN 15 - 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

THU. JAN 15 - NORTH JERSEY AS • DR. PAUL V. LOISELLE - CONSERVATION

Usually meeting held at 7:45pm every 3rd Thursday of the month at the Nutley Elks Lodge, 242 Chestnut St., Nutly, NJ 07110. 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/

FRI. JAN 16 - LONG ISLAND AS

• LIVEBEARERS

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

FRI. JAN 23 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.com.

TUE. JAN 27 - 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. JAN 28 - 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

CHECK ALL TIMES AND DATES BEFORE ATTENDING


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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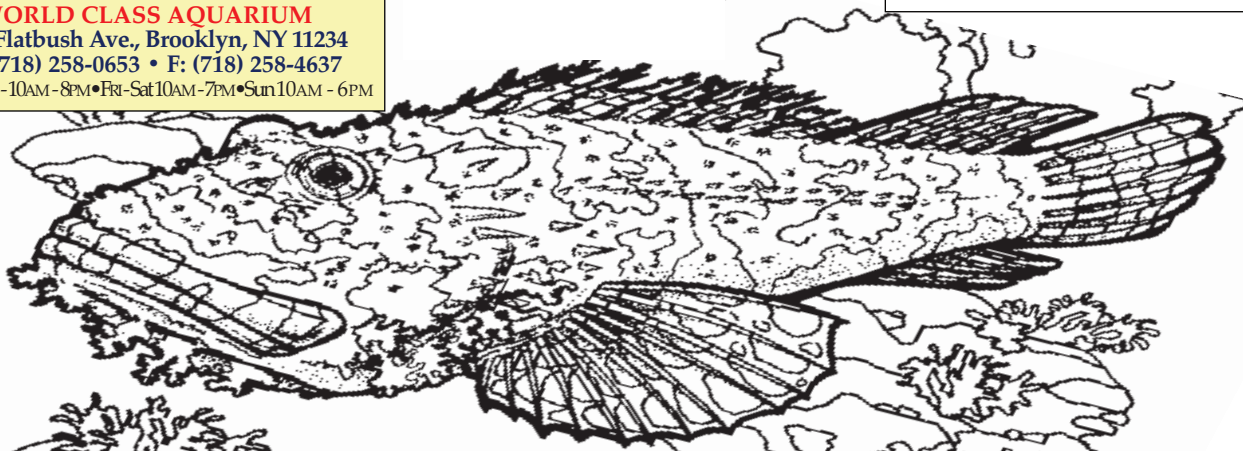
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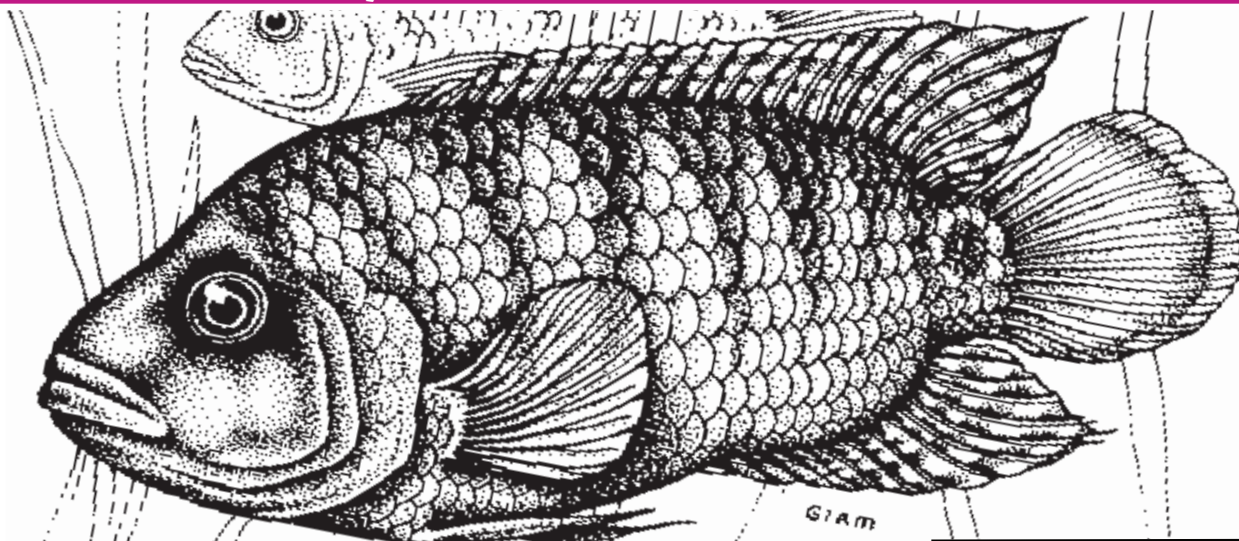
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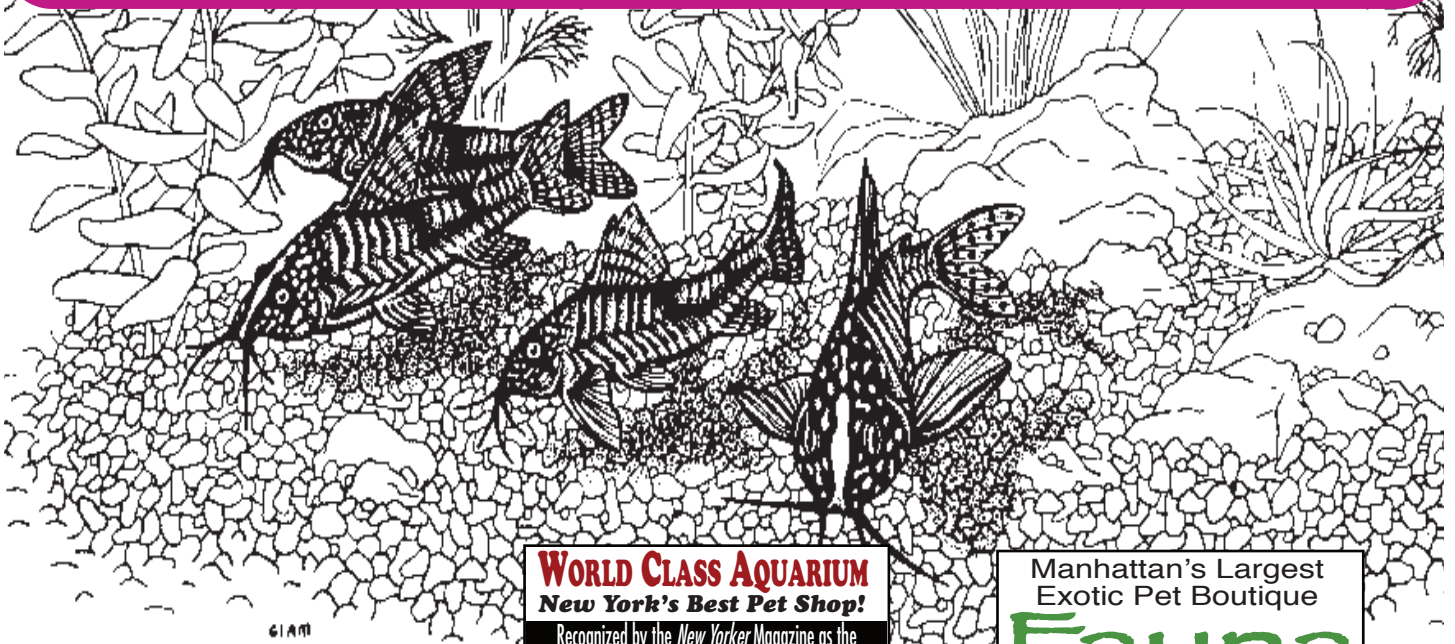
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