

105 Years of Educating Aquarists THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



February was cold, but a warm month for BAS, since we had a great speaker, **Joe Caparatta** of **Manhattan Aquarium**, who packed the house. Joe spoke on a new marine system for reef tanks called the *Triton Method*. This was not Joe's first talk at our club and, as always, he

was informative.

We also had a great auction, clothing and equipment tables, free refreshments and free parking; a very good deal for all. We at BAS always try to do our best at our events, but if you think we are missing something, we want to hear from you, our members, so please let us know.

Next month we will have **Sal Silvestri** speaking on *"Breeding and Maintaining Apistogramma Genus and other South American Dwarf Cichlids."* Doors will open at 7:30 pm on March 11. For all future events, please check our web site - **www.basny.org**

Remember, if not for our local pet store sponsors, BAS would not be able to survive, so please patronize our loyal sponsor stores because they keep us up and running.

If any of our members have a topic they want to hear speakers talk on or have ideas about our events, we want to know about them. We need your feedback to keep our club going strong. Don't be shy – let us hear from you! Members can contact us at our hotline (718) 837-4455 or visit our web site **www.brooklynaquariumsociety.org**, where you can find our upcoming events or join our BAS Forum.

The BAS Forum is a great place for your questions and answers, and to buy or sell aquarium items. Members can also bring up new ideas at our Board meeting on the first Friday of the month in the NY Aquarium Education Hall. If you want to attend a Board meeting to help out or just to express your thoughts, you are always welcome.

Please call me at **(347) 277-4793**. You must call by the Tuesday previous to the meeting. The next Board meeting is March 4, 2016.

Hope to see you there.

Steven Matassa, President

THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

S al Silvestri has been an active hobbyist for over 40 years. It all started with one goldfish won at a carnival. This one bowl eventually grew to a 55-gallon tank which housed two 14" Oscars. Even though he has kept and bred a variety of fish, Cichlids are still his favorite.

Sal's tanks grew along with his breeding skills, and 40 years later he currently has sixteen running tanks, which range from 10 to 75-gallons. Two of the tanks are devoted to communities of Lake Tanganyikan Cichlids, and four house several varieties of Apistogramma species, another of Sal's favorites. The remaining tanks contain a variety of cichlids from West African to tetras, loaches, catfish and a new found love, bettas.

Sal joined and became very active in the Norwalk Aquarium Society in 1975, where he has held every position in the club and presently serves as vice-president and program chairperson. He traveled the show circuit extensively, his fish winning many awards. He then went on to become a certified NEC judge, for which he is high in demand during the show season. Sal's notoriety has spread far and wide, as he has generously shared his knowledge and wisdom during many speaking engagements throughout the Northeast and Europe. He has also written many articles and honored with reprints in ACA's *Buntbarche Bulletin* and society magazines across the country and abroad.



BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY CALENDAR OF EVENTS ~ 2016

MAR 11 Sal Silvestri ~ Breeding & Maintaining *Apistogramma* Genus and Other S. America Dwarf Cichlids ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

APR 8 Richard Pierce ~ Seahorses, Pipefish & Sea Dragons ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

MAY 13 Giant Spring Auction ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods, including a brand new 55 gallon tank & stand.

JUN 10 Rit Forcier - Goodeid Livebearers ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auctions. BAS Elections.

JULY/AUGUST - NO MEETINGS

SEPT 9 Joe Graffagnino ~ Joe's New Fish Room ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

OCT 14 Giant Fall Auction ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods, including a brand new 55-gallon tank & stand.

NOV 11 Daniel Kopulos ~ How Collecting Practices Affect the Marine Hobby ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

DEC 9 Holiday Party ~ Members, their families and friends dinner • Fish Bingo & Prizes • BAS awards presentations.

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**.

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.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS TO THE FEBRUARY AUCTION

INDIVIDUALS

Bernard Deren Joe Graffagnino Gene Kogan David Manual Steve Matassa Scott Peters Dan Puleo Sam Pult Michael Savarese Bob Strazzulla

STORES

Aquarium Village, Westbury, NY
Brooklyn Zoo & Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY

Fauna, Manhattan, NY
Monster Aquarium, Flushing, NY

Pacific Aquarium & Pet, Manhattan, NY
Thousand Islands Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY
World Class Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY

NEW BAS MEMBERS & RENEWALS FEBRUARY 2016

NEW MEMBERS

Anton Bhagwangen Mario Rodriguez Victoria Silverstein Peter Padmore Bruce D. Galashaw Navin Manoo Yves Bernard August Gelfo Kabeya Mbuyi Anthony Ali Richard White Dillion Alibocas

RENEWALS

Roger Brewster Anthony P. Kroeger Pauline M. Griffin Dennie Sargeant

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NEWS AND NOTES

• LIFEGARD AQUATICS (LIFEGARDAQUATICS.COM)



Has introduced the new high-flow-rate, affordably priced Lifegard PG 9000 pump. The energy efficient pump has a small footprint and is designed for submersible or external applications such as freshwater ponds, fountains, waterfall, hydroponic systems, irrigation systems and water features. The PG 9000 features wet rotor/wet bearing technology that enables cooler running, while the included pre-filter screen handles large particles for less maintenance.

• Aquatic Life - www.aquaticlife.com



A quatic Life has introduced the PULSE LED, a light fixture that uses a built-in controller to produce high PAR for reef aquariums. It features a programmable computer and timer to control the unit's color LEDs, white LEDs, moonlight and storm functions. The fixture has multiple program modes, including daylight and auto-timer, that allow for custom programming of the light and color intensity, start and stop times and moonlight functionality. The fixtures thermostatically controlled fans keep the unit and power supply cool, and its adjustable aquarium frame mounts fit aquariums between 46.75 in. and 55.75 in. long.

• Aquatic Life HALO LED Freshwater Lighting



Aquatic Life's HALO LED lighting system is now available in a freshwater model. The HALO LED is designed to adequately support the growth of live plants while still maintaining soft light for viewing fish. Like the marine version, it is available in basic and deluxe models that feature six spectrum LEDs, a sunrise/sunset setting and a built-in timer with battery back-up. Each pendant fixture is designed to illuminate a 24-in. by 26-in. aquarium.

• Ocean Nutrition Debuts 3 New Frozen Fish Foods



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• Piscine Energetics Introduces PE Calanus Frozen Zooplankton



PE Calanus are a decapod zooplankton sustainably harvested in pristine arctic waters at a unique stage of their life cycle using a patented, environmentally friendly method. During this active phytoplankton feeding stage, PE Calanus are naturally bio-encapsulated with essential fatty acids resulting in a highly nutritious diet.

PE Calanus are great for freshwater and saltwater fish in addition to being an excellent food for corals and other filter feeding organisms. PE Calanus are instantly recognizable by their brilliant orange coloration stemming from the high levels of astaxanthin and other carotenoid pigments. For more information, visit Piscine Energetics at www.Mysis.com

• Aquatop Nanoponic Aquarium



Nanoponic Aquariums are a great educational introduction into aquaponics. With these aquariums, aquarists are able to watch plants and fish grow as they coexist in small,

sustainable ecosystems. The all-in-one complete eco-tank is ideal for beginner or advanced aquarists, and it comes in 3- or 5-gal. sizes. It includes a built-in filtration system, waterproof LED light, top-mounted plant tray, terracotta pot, rock, artificial plant décor and gravel substrate. The small, self-cleaning ecosystem is suitable for homes, offices or classrooms, and the curved corner glass aquarium creates the perfect environment for betta, small fish and inverts.



NEW FROM JOE GRAFFAGNINO FANTASY & HORROR SHORT STORIES

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n addition to his fantasy/adventure novel *"The Journey of Mary/Ma Li"*. His latest book has 13 short stories under the title of *"Fantasy & Horror Short Stories"*. These 13 stories draw readers into a compelling web of intrigue and suspense. Some are funny, others sad, and still others capture the inner conflicts that torment us yet hint at hope for a brighter tomorrow. Readers immediately identify with the bigger-than-life fictional characters that make us ponder our inner selves, fantasies, dreams and passions, and question how far we're willing to go to get what we want.

"Fantasy & Horror Short Stories" is available at all book retailers and is available in hardcover, softcover and electronic editions. Amazon has it in Kindle and Barnes and Noble has it in Nook versions for \$3.99.

Please visit Joe's web site **www.JAGraffagnino.com** to purchase either book, in any of the listed formats. Also visit his web site for contests, FREE giveaways and information about other soonto-be-released works from the author.

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J. A. GRAFFAGNINO

COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST EXHIBITIONS, AUCTIONS & CONVENTIONS 2016

MARCH 18 - 20 THE RALEIGH AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Presents Carolina Aquarium Workshop XXXI at the Ramada Inn and North Carolina State Fairgrounds. Friday, March 18, 1:00 pm: Native fish and plant collecting field trip to a local stream/pond within an hour's drive of Raleigh (carpools meet at Ramada Inn). RAS will provide nets, seines, buckets, and permits (fishing license not required), but bring personal items such as waders, towels, and dry clothes. To sign up, email raleighfish@yahoo.com. 7:00 pm: "Meet & Greet" with the speakers (at the Ramada Hospitality Suite).

Saturday, March 19, 9:00am: Workshop Registration, Introductions, and Setup 10:00am: Small Central American Cichlids - **Sam Borstein.** 11:00am: Tropical Aquatic Plant

Nursery Tour - Ghanzafar Ghori.

12:00pm: Lunch (at the Ramada Restaurant, offering hot & cold sandwich platters for \$9).

1:00pm: 30 Years of Fish Keeping in a Big Public Aquarium - Scott Dowd.

2:00pm: Carolina Native Fishes for Aquariums - Gerald Pottern.

3:00pm: Break (snacks at the Ramada desk).

3:30pm: Lake Victoria Cichlid Extinction - **Sam Borstein**. 4:30pm: Cryptocoryne: Emergent and Submersed - **Ghanzafar Ghori**. 5:30pm: Break (snacks at the Ramada desk). 6:00pm: Social Hour (at the Ramada Lounge).

7:00pm: Dinner (at the Ramada Restaurant) followed by the banquet talk, Buy Fish and Save Forests - Project Piaba - **Scott Dowd**.

Sunday, March 20, • Giant Live Auction • IGEES Guppy Show

For info. Chris Smith (919-698-2828), Michael Maieli (919-624-3053), visit the RAS website at www.raleighaquariumsociety.org. Send questions via email to raleighaquariumsociety@yahoo.com.

MARCH 20 JERSEY SHORE AS presents its Spring Tropical Fish & Dry Goods Auction. At South Wall Fire Rescue Company, 2605 Atlantic Ave, Manasquan, NJ 08736. Rare and exotic tropical fish, a wide selection of aquatic plants, door prizes all day long. Snacks and refreshments are avaliable. Open to public, free admission. More Info. email Russ White at rwhite8@optonline.net. Call (732)928-2838 or wwwjerseyshoreas.org.

APRIL 1 - 3, MOTOR CITY KILLIFISH REVIEW at the Quality Inn, 2537 Rochester Court, Troy, Michigan 48083. Save the date, plan now to be there. Watch for details here or on their web page. **http://www.aka.org/mka**/.

APRIL 2 - 3, 9TH MARINE AQUARIUM EXPO at OC Fair & Event Center, 88 Fair Drivw, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. For more info.**www.marineaquariumexop.com**

APRIL 8 - 10 NEC 41st ANNUAL CONVENTION at the Sheraton Hartford South Hotel in Rocky Hill, CT. The NEC will be celebrating their 60th Birthday at the 41st Annual

Convention. Formed in 1956, the Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies has been providing a source of support for clubs of all sizes and hobbyists throughout the Northeast. Speakers: **Paul Loiselle. John Lyons, Steve Lunblad, Lawrence Kent, Joe Ferdenzi, Stephan Tannerand, Ian Harrison** more TBA!

• Full-Course Gourmet Buffet Meals • Large Silent Auction for Conservation •Giant Live Auction • IGEES Guppy Show

• Centrally located Room Sales • Specialty Club Meetings & Auctions: New England Cichlid Assoc., NorthEast Livebearer Assoc., NorthEast Fish Tubbers & Water Gardeners, Southern New England Killifish Assoc. • Spacious Vendor & Exhibit Hall • Our legendary 2-night Hospitality Room • Modern recently -renovated hotel with several amenities and exquisite guest rooms • Freebies, Raffles, & Prizes all weekend long. Check their website for updates – www.northeastcouncil.org.

APRIL 29 -MAY 1 AMERICAN LIVEBEARER ASSOCIA-TION at the Waterford Estates Lodge, South Bend,IN room rate is \$85 when you say you're going tot the ALA Convention. Speakers, Room sales, 20 class fish show, Banquet & Hospitaliy, Vendors room. For more info.: **www.livebearers.org**

MAY 15 GREATER HARTFORD AQUARIUM SOCIETY Tropical Fish & Aquarium Equipment Auction. Held at the Polish-American Club 9 1st St., Windsor Locks, Connecticut 06096. Open to the public free of charge. Set up and viewing 10:00 am 11:30am Auction begins around Noon. For more information and vendor forms visit www.ghasct.org

JUNE 9 -12 NORTH AMERICAN NATIVE FISH ASSO-CIATION CONVENTION. For more info, check their web site www.nanfa.org.

JULY 28 - 31 AMERICAN CICHLID ASSOCIATION CON-VENTION Held at the Red Lion Hotel, 11320 Chester Rd, Cincinnati, Ohio Speakers: Jeff Cardwell, Ad Konings, Wayne Leibel, Steve Lundbald, Greg Steeves, Rusty Wessel. More information to come, Check their web site cichlid.org.

OCTOBER 13 - 16 ALL-AQUARIUM CATFISH CON-VENTION at Hyatt Dulles, 2300 Dulles Corner Boulevard, Herndon, VA 20171 • The Potomac Valley Aquarium Society is proud to present its 7th biennial All-Aquarium Catfish Convention. Please visit their Facebook page at **https://www.facebook.com/catfishcon** for updates and announcements while this website is under construction.

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TIP OF THE MONTH

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When you get home, float each plastic bag in the aquarium for a few minutes to equalize the water temperature between the bag and the aquarium water. Acclimate your new fish by putting some of your water into the bag a little at a time. Use a net to transfer the new guys into your tank; don't dump the bag water into your aquarium.

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RULES FOR POSTING ON BAS FACEBOOK

n an effort to control the posts that David Lund and I have noticed hitting the various groups advertising other items and merchandise, these rules basically address what members and followers can and cannot post on our pages such as spam, fraudulent products and direct mail to our member lists. • We strive to keep this group as spam and drama free as possible. You can help by reporting spam and offensive content.

• Trolling & Spam will not be tolerated. Any post that an Administrator suspects is posted for the purpose of creating conflict may be deleted and the poster may be removed from the group. The same goes for offensive content.

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES FOR GROUP INTERACTIONS:

• If someone else bothers you: Block them. (Site Administrators would be the Exception; sorry, cannot allow blocking of any Administrator.) If they say something you think violates FB rules: Report them and/or block them.

- If they post spam: Report the account & report the post to Administrator.
- If someone is being inappropriate: Report the post to the Administrator and / or to FB.

• Trolling: Directed emails soliciting site members may be blocked. If you received excessive requests to follow another site, please report to us via private message to the Administrator. Thanks!

• Also: Buyer beware. If you are buying/trading with members in the group, take time to research what you are buying to make sure it is what you really want; if using PayPal or similar, make sure the method of payment you are using is typical. The group will not be

responsible for inter-member transactions. You can bring any items for exchange to one of our monthly club events in person.

• We strive to promote the exchange of information and trade of aquatic equipment, but fraudulent solicitations or spamming will not be tolerated and will result in immediate ejection from the group.

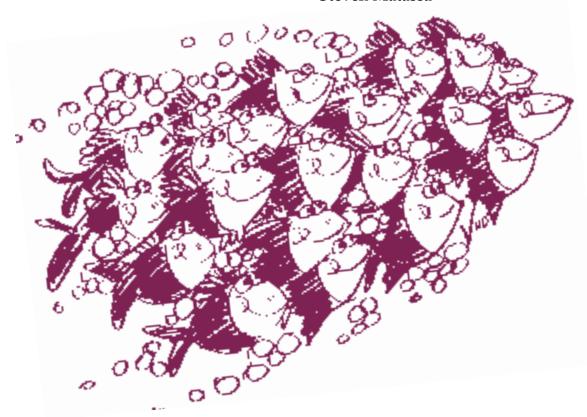
• Thank you for helping us foster a warm and fruitful environment for you and all the members.



BAS ONLINE FORUM A GREAT PLACE TO MEET OTHER AQUARISTS

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heck out our new forum on our web site at <u>www.basny.org</u> 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**



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REGIONAL SOCIETY EVENTS FOR 2016

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



TUE. MAR 1 - PIONEER VALLEY AS

• TBA

Usually meets 1st Tuesday of the month at the The First Congegational Church, 20 Lathrop St, West Sprinfield, MA @ 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. MAR. 2 - GREATER CITY AS • MATTHEW WICKEY (TETRA/SPECTRUM BRANDS)-FISH NUTRITION 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

THU. MAR 3 - BUCKS COUNTY AQUARIUM SOCIETY. • TBA

Meetings begin @ 7:30 pm & doors open @ 7:00 pm on the 1st Thursday of every month except August, at The Churchville Nature Center, 501 Churchville Lane, Churchville, PA. Annual membership is \$20 for single membership, and \$10 for each additional family member who wishes to have voting privileges and the ability to participate in the BAP program. For directions, visit our web site: bcasonline.com

FRI. MAR 4 - LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION • HUNTER HAMMOND - WRASSES

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

TUE. MAR 8 - NASSAU COUNTY AS • TBA

Molloy College. 1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre NY @ 8:00pm. Meets 2nd Tue. of the month. 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

SAT. MAR 12- TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF BURLINGTON JUSTIN CREDABEL – MARINE & REEF HOT TOPICS & FRAG SWAP

Usually meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at the VFW Hall, 73 Pearl St. in Essex Junction, VT starting @ 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.tfcb.org

THU. MAR 17 - NORTH JERSEY AS

• TBA

Usually meeting held @ 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/

THU. MAR 17 - NORWALK AS TBA

Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month @ 8:00pm at Earthplace, The Nature Discovery Center, 10 Woodside Lane, Westport, CT. Open to public. Info: Norwalkas.org

FRI. MAR 18 - LONG ISLAND AS

• TBA

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. www.liasonline.org

SUN. MAR 20 - JERSEY SHORE AS

• SPRING 2016 TROPICAL FISH & DRY GOODS AUCTION Usually meets the 2nd Monday of the month at the Knights of Columbus, 70 E. Main St., Freehold, NJ. @ 8pm. Speakers, auction rare & exotic fish, aquatic plants, door prizes. For more details: www.jerseyshoreAS.org; or (732)-859-5595; mws71@yahoo.com

TUE. MAR 22 - GREATER HARTFORD AS

TBA

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

WED. MAR 23 METROPOLITAN AREA KILLIFISH ASSOC. • TBA

Meets 4th Wednesday of the month @ 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. MAR 25 - DANBURY AREA AS

 JOE GRAFFAGNINO - COMPARING NEW & OLD WORLD CATFISH Meets 4th Friday of the month at 7:30pm at Laura Sprain Memorial Cornerstone park, 1 Fair St. Carmel, NY 10512 For more info: Rich Litsky (845) 228-0372 or Joe Masi (845)-896-4793 or daas@notheastcouncil.



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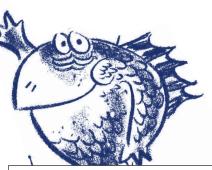
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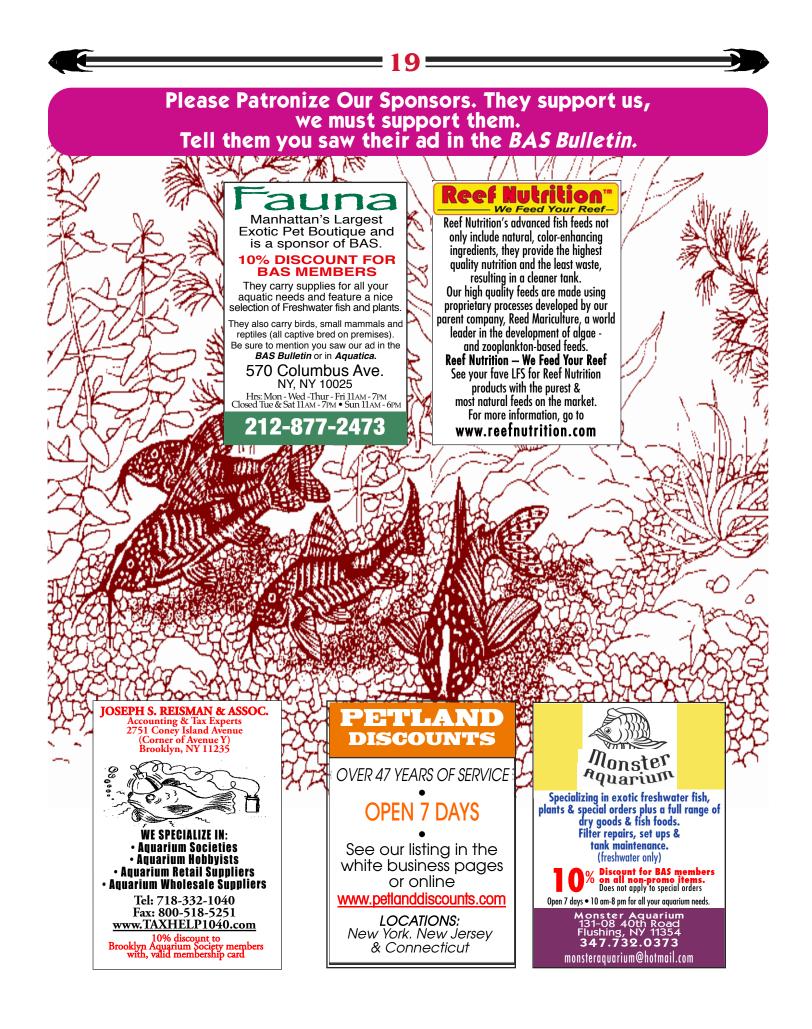
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