

105 Years of Educating Aquarists

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FRIDAY, MAY 13 @ 7:30 PM

THE BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Spring AUCTION

Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods, including a new 55-gallon tank & stand. Rare & hard to find live stock & MUCH MORE!

View lots 7:30pm - 8:30pm

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THE PARACHUTE JUMP,
STANDING 277 FEET TALL,
IS RELOCATED FROM
THE 1939 WORLD'S FAIR
TO STEEPLECHASE PARK.

**AUCTION
STARTS
8:30PM**

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

Free Parking • Free Refreshments

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

For Information Visit WWW.BROOKLYNAQUARIUMSOCIETY.ORG.

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

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Our April event was a great way to welcome Spring -- by having a renowned speaker provide a lecture on a fascinating subject.

Richard Pierce gave an in-depth talk on mysterious and controversial marine species. His topic for the evening was

"Seahorses, Pipefish and Sea Dragons." He warned our members that these creatures are not easy to keep in captivity. Some of these guys can grow to 18 inches in length. Sea horses can have 1,800 fry in a single spawn. It would be very difficult for a hobbyist to provide a sustainable biotope for these creatures. You must plan this out before seeking to obtain these creatures.

Richard was kind enough to be our speaker for the evening, even though he had an obligation to the NEC for the same weekend. Richard is an officer in the NEC and he took time out from his duties at the convention to fulfill his commitment to BAS. We thank him profusely for that.

In our continuing endeavor to educate our members and fellow aquarists, we had a representative

from **Hydor** speak briefly on new medications for both marine and freshwater fish, so our members got a two for one deal. We hope to continue to bring product and manufacturing representatives to our meetings so our members can learn first hand about their new products and how they can improve the quality of life for aquarists.

As always, we had lots of livestock bags at the auction (we had a 50/50 with our registered members for the evening on donated plants, corals and both freshwater and marine fish), great items at the sponsor tables, and new BAS shirts, hats and club patches. We also had a large assortment of FREE refreshments to keep our members satisfied.

The weather was great; we had a packed house -- all in all a great night.

Next month we have our May Giant Auction! No guest speaker, but plenty of fish and dry goods presented for our members and guests. As always, parking and refreshments are free. Doors open at 7:30 pm.

Hope to see you there!



Steven

**Steven Matassa,
President**

THE GIANT SPRING AUCTION

Our Annual Spring Auction will be held on May 13th. This is our Spring kick-off-the-fish-season event with bags of hard to find and rare fish. There'll also be perennial favorites among the lots. Please arrive on time for viewing of items from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

The auction starts promptly at 8:30pm.

We will auction a new 55-gallon tank & stand donated by our friends at **Petland Discounts**. If you win the tank, you will be given a certificate signed by **Steve Matassa** authorizing you to pick it up at a designated **Petland Discounts store**. This way, you can make arrangements to get it directly from a local **Petland Discounts store** at your convenience.

Once the Auction starts, please stay in your seats. Runners will walk the items to you for your inspection.

There'll be aquarium books at discount, aquarium dry goods for sale, door prizes plus free refreshments, so come early and view the offering at the auction.

We accept personal checks only from members we know.

Got fish to donate?

If you have bred and raised more fry than you can handle, or fish that have outgrown their tank or no longer want, you can donate them to our auction and we will see that they get a good home. Your donations of fish and dry goods will generate funds that will continue to help BAS to educate aquarists

Call our First Vice President, **Alfred Turrisi** at (cell) **516-633-8806**. Al will tell you when and where to bring the fish for the auction.

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.**

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.

BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2016 ~ 2017

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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.

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MAR 10 SPEAKER TBA ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction.

APR 14 Micheal Barber ~ Tropical Fish Collecting & Wildlife Expeditions ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS TO THE APRIL AUCTION

INDIVIDUALS

Norman Benjamin
Ginny Cahill
Nicholas DeCillis
Frank DeLuca
John Fox
Joe Graffagnino
Stuart Hershkowitz

David Hinds
Edward Kogan
Kabeya Mbuyi
Dan Puleo
Mike Savarese
Daniel Vargas
Andrew Vega

STORES

- Brooklyn Zoo & Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY
 - Fauna, Manhattan, NY
 - Hydor (Mfr)
- Monster Aquarium, Flushing, NY
 - Pet Qua, New York, NY
- Thousand Islands Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY
 - World Class Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY

NEW BAS MEMBERS & RENEWALS APRIL 2016

NEW MEMBERS

Peter Eiselman
Hadley Eng
Alexander Espinal Sr.
Danielle Melone
Leon Perry

Derek Sacerdote
Julio Sanmartin
Piotr Smorag
Andrew Vega
Aldwyn E. Walcott

RENEWALS

Bernard Deren
Carmine Desanto
Larry Jinks
Philip & Gabreille Kiernan
Steve Matassa

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.

SOLVE THE BAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE AND WIN AN INSULATED CARRYING BAG!

MARTY KARFINKEL

Complete the BAS crossword puzzle and bring it to the May 13th BAS Auction Event. For the Online *BAS Bulletin*, bring in a filled out-print copy. For members that get a mailed copy, bring in this page.

Kay Martin will check out your answers, and the first five (5) members with the correct answers will win our great **Insulated Carrying Bag, a \$10 value**. It features a full Velcro closure to keep fish and corals safe in any type of weather.

RULES:

- You must be a BAS member to enter and win. (you can join the Society that evening and enter).
- There will be five (5) winners.
- The decision of the judge, Kay Martin, is final.



ACROSS:

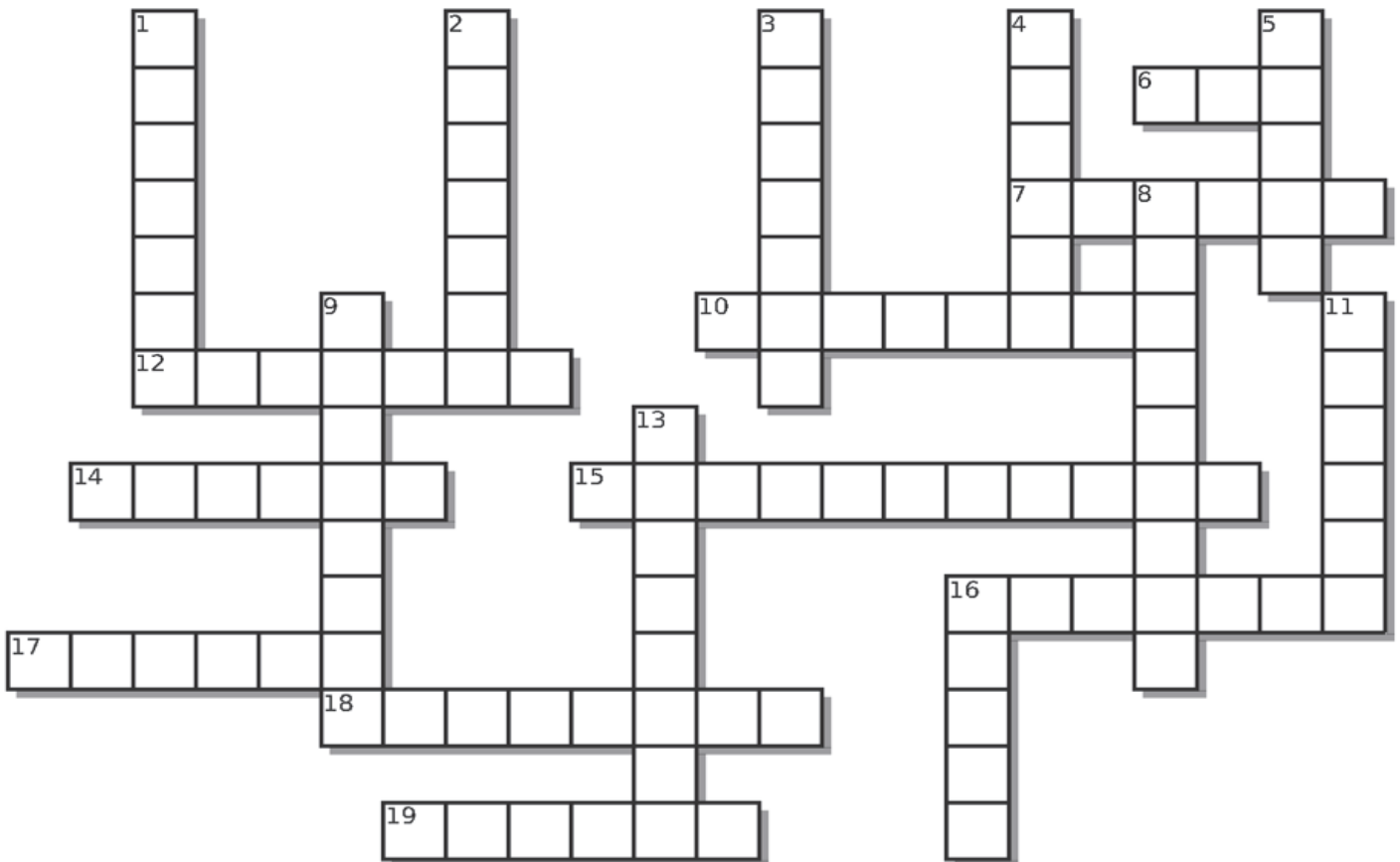
- 6 White spot disease nickname
7 Abdominal fluid problem
10 Connects tail to body
12 Brine Shrimp
14 Tail fin
15 Born female, become a male

- 16 Pesky disc-shaped louse
17 Oodinium commonly
18 pH reading over 7.0
19 Mutations

DOWN:

- 1 Nemo
2 Kisser for one
3 Betta nest
4 pH reading over 7.0
5 Air breathing pond snails
8 Gill cover

- 9 "Hole-in-the-head" causing parasite
11 External parasite problem
13 Saltier than freshwater, but not seawater
16 Too much light



COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

EXHIBITIONS, AUCTIONS & CONVENTIONS 2016

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MAY 14 - 15 SOUTH JERSEY GUPPY GROUP IFGA SHOW SHOW SCHEDULE held at the Griggstown Volunteer Fire House, 1037 Canal Rd, Griggstown, NJ 08540. Saturday May 14th. Events: Auctions, fish shows. 9:00am entries open, 1:30 pm entries close. 2:30 pm judging begins. For those interested, you are invited to observe the judging. South Jersey club will provide food & refreshments after judging is completed. Sunday May 15th Auction fish on display 9:00 am to 10:00 am Auctions begins at 10:30 am De-Benching 12 noon Sunday May 15th with an overseer of a SJGG member **For more information visit** http://ifga.org/show_rules/2016/sjgg_2016.htm

MAY 27 - 29 - AMERICAN KILLIFISH ASSOCIATION hosted by the Colorado Killie Club and held at the Marriott Denver Airport at Gateway Park, 16455 E 40th Cir, Aurora, CO. Make reservations at 1 (800) 228-9290. You must mention the AKA convention to receive the special room rate of \$95/night for AKA convention. **Convention Web Site:** www.akacnv16.com

JUNE 9 -12 - NORTH AMERICAN NATIVE FISH ASSOCIATION CONVENTION. Lodging and the convention will be at the Best Western Plus Wynnwood Hotel and Suites. 580 US Highway 1 Bypass, Portsmouth, NH. Freshwater and saltwater collecting, fish photography, lectures by native fish experts, annual NANFA auction. Cruise on the Gulf Challenger, a 50ft fisheries research vessel, tide pooling and creek seining at Odi-orne Point State Park. Much more!

Banquet menu Saturday, June 11th New England lobster bake includes New England clam chowder, Maine clams, cultivated mussels, Maine lobster with drawn butter, corn on the cob, roasted red potatoes and onions, rolls, and fresh-baked cookies and brownies. or Muddy River BBQ bonanza includes smoked award-winning pulled pork, hickory smoked chicken, smoked St. Louis ribs, corn on the cob, roasted potatoes, Muddy River cornbread, and cookie and brownies. For additional information, or **you have** questions, please contact: Josh Jarvis firstchaos_2000@yahoo.com www.nanfa.org.

JUNE 23 - 26 - INTERNATIONAL BETTA CONGRESS (IBC) Held at the Holiday Inn Express, 150 Aquarium Drive, Janks, OK. Call 918-296-7300 for reservations, room rates \$99 plus tax. Full package \$175. Meals only \$130. For more information: ibcbettas.org/2012/

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

OCTOBER 13 - 16 - ALL-AQUARIUM CATFISH CONVENTION at Hyatt Dulles, 2300 Dulles Corner Boulevard, Herndon, VA 20171 Special Convention Rate: \$119 per night plus taxes.

• The Potomac Valley AS is proud to present its 7th biennial All-Aquarium Catfish Convention. Early Admission Registration from January 1, 2016, through June 30, 2016, is \$45. After June 30, 2016, the registration fee will be \$55 per person.

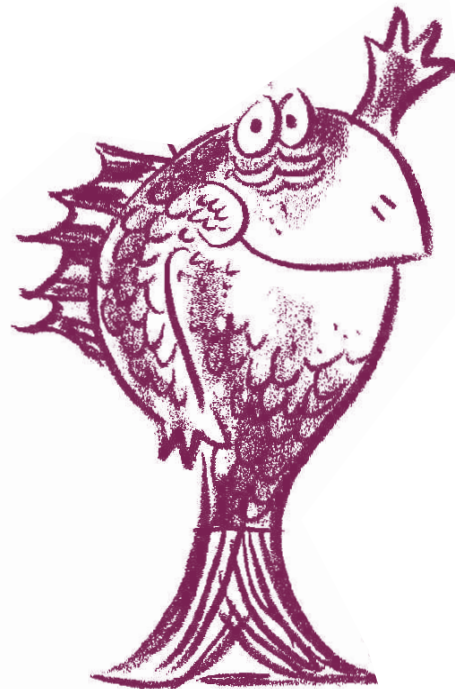
Registration Package #1 includes: Registration, Saturday Banquet, T-shirt, and 1 souvenir glass. \$110.

Registration Package #2 includes: Registration, Friday evening

Tailgate buffet, Saturday deli lunch, Saturday Banquet, T-shirt, 1 souvenir glass. \$175.

Speakers for Friday & Saturday: **Anton Lamboj, Narbie Fiorentino, Brooks Burr, Eric Bodrock, Hans Evers, Ingo Seidel, Regina Spotti, Stephan Tanner.** Sunday, an all day auction. Please visit their Facebook page at

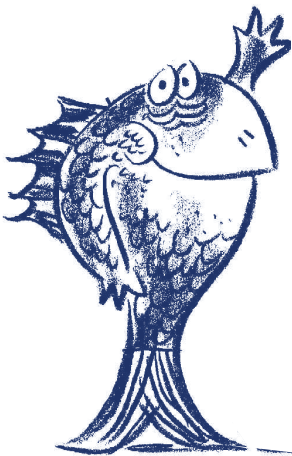
<https://www.facebook.com/catfishcon> for updates and announcements.



TIP OF THE MONTH

Cichlids like to choose their own partners and should be allowed to do so. It is best to buy a group of juveniles and let them pair off. Cichlids that “self-select” are likely to remain together for life, and make good parents.

A major contribution to breeding fish is to feed them a varied diet of high quality nutritious foods, including live, frozen, flake or pellet foods. Fish will become bored with any single type of food.



THE SAFE FISH CARRIER THE INSULATED CARRYING BAG

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

ONLY \$10

You can purchase one at our events

KEEP YOUR FISH SAFE IN TRANSIT!



NEW FROM JOE GRAFFAGNINO

FANTASY & HORROR

SHORT STORIES



In 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 soon-to-be-released works from the author.



HATS, SHIRTS & PATCHES ON SALE AT THE MEETING.



NEW!

Official caps with embroidered
BAS logo.

(Black only) One size fits all.

Only **\$10** each

NEW!

Official BAS embroidered patches that
can easily be ironed onto any shirt, hat,
jacket or article of clothing you wish.

Only **\$4** each



NEW!

Official BAS T-Shirts. (Black only)
(Small to XL) **\$12** each (XXL & XXXL) **\$14** each



FRONT

BACK



APRIL EVENT - PHOTOS



Past president Joe Graffagnino and April's speaker Richard Pierce.



Hydor representative explaining his company's products at the Event.



Just some of the Hydor products that were presented at the April Event.

RULES FOR POSTING ON BAS FACEBOOK

In 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:

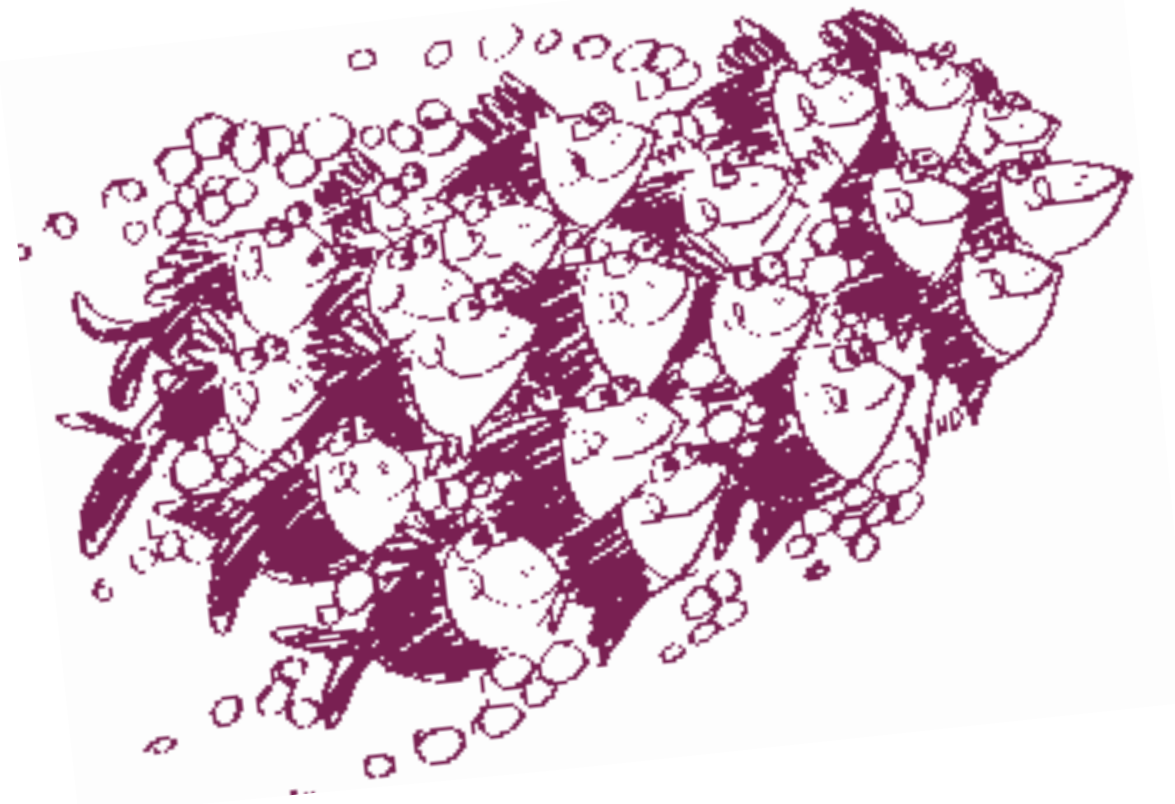
- If someone else bothers you: Block them. (Site Administrators would be the Exception; sorry, cannot allow blocking of any Administrator.) If they say something you think violates FB rules: Report them and/or block them.
- If they post spam: Report the account & report the post to Administrator.
- If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

Check out our new forum on our web site at 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



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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: JTODDYBAS@AOL.COM at least 1 month in advance of your event.

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.

TUE. MAY 3 - PIONEER VALLEY AS

• TBA

Usually meets 1st Tuesday of the month at the **The First Congregational Church, 20 Lathrop St, West Springfield, 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. MAY 4 - GREATER CITY AS

• TOM ALLISON - HISTORY OF ZOO MED & THEIR NEW PRODUCTS

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. MAY 5 - 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. MAY 6 - LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION

• RET TALBOT

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

MON. MAY 9 - JERSEY SHORE AS

• GEORGE FEAR

Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at the South Wall Fire Rescue Company, 2605 Atlantic Ave., Manasquan, NJ 08736. @ 8pm. Speakers, auction rare & exotic fish, aquatic plants, door prizes. For more details: www.jerseyshoreAS.org; or (732)-859-5595; mws71@yahoo.com

TUE. MAY 10 - 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

THU. MAY 12 - TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF BURLINGTON

• ANN WHITMAN - OUTDOOR TUBS

Meetings are held 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. MAY 19 - NORTH JERSEY AS

• ANTHONY MAZZEROLL - CAMBODIAN AQUARIUM FISH

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. MAY 19 - NORWALK AS

• TOM ALLISON ZOO MED LABS

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. MAY 20 - LONG ISLAND AS

• TBA

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

TUE. MAY 24 - 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. MAY 25 - 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. MAY 27 - DANBURY AREA AS

• TBA

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.org



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THE BENEFITS OF BECOMING A SPONSOR OF THE BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

As a sponsor of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society, you get the following:

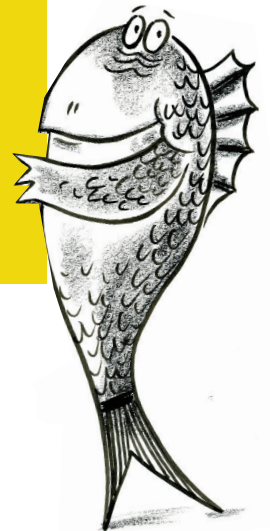
- An ad in our monthly publication, the *BAS Bulletin*, both in the printed and the online versions.
- A write-up in our bi-monthly journal, *Aquatica*.
- A banner on our web site that will have a link to your web-site.
- A "room" on our web forum where you can advertise your product lines and have "questions 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.

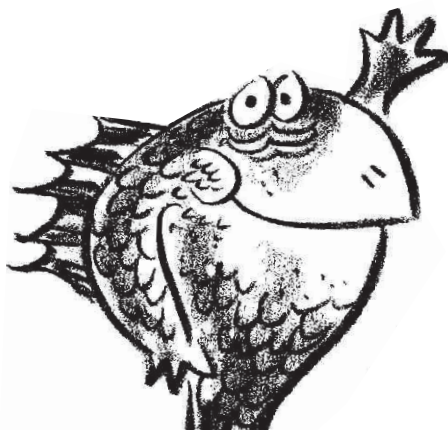
Steven Matassa,
BAS President



PLEASE SHOP OUR SPONSORS FOR ALL YOUR AQUATIC NEEDS

Our local aquarium shop sponsors are important friends of the fishkeeping hobby. They're here to serve your immediate needs - medications, live foods, or a replacement part. You can inspect fish you want to buy. Most shops will special order fish for you. **Most give BAS members discounts.**

Our sponsors want you to succeed in the hobby and we want them to succeed in their business.



THOUSAND ISLAND AQUARIUM a brand new sponsor offering saltwater fish, and corals. African cichlids, freshwater fish, freshwater plants and freshwater shrimps. They have a shop to customize tanks, sumps, refugiums. They do tank maintenance and setups. They have terrariums with dart frogs, and live fruit flies (for fish and amphibians). **They offer a 15% discount on live stock to all BAS members with acurrent membership.**

A great shop for your aquarium needs

THOUSAND ISLAND AQUARIUM

1963 Utica Ave. Bklyn, NY 11234
(b/t Ave, K & Ave, L)

(718) - 241- 6688

Mon - Fri 11am - 8pm • Sat 11am-8pm
Sun 12pm - 8pm

WORLD CLASS AQUARIUM has been serving the hobby since 1986. *New Yorker Magazine* recognized them as the "best aquarium supply store in the five boroughs." You'll be pleased to know that they:

- Offer a large selection of freshwater, marine fish, corals, plus a full line of aquarium, bird, and small animal products.
- **Give a 10% discount to BAS members with a current membership card.**
- Carry a selection of large and small tanks and cabinets.
- Have a marine biologist on staff.
- Design and install aquariums for educational institutions.
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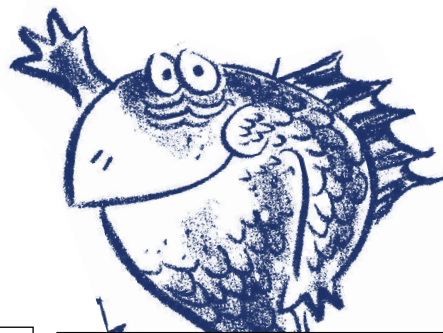
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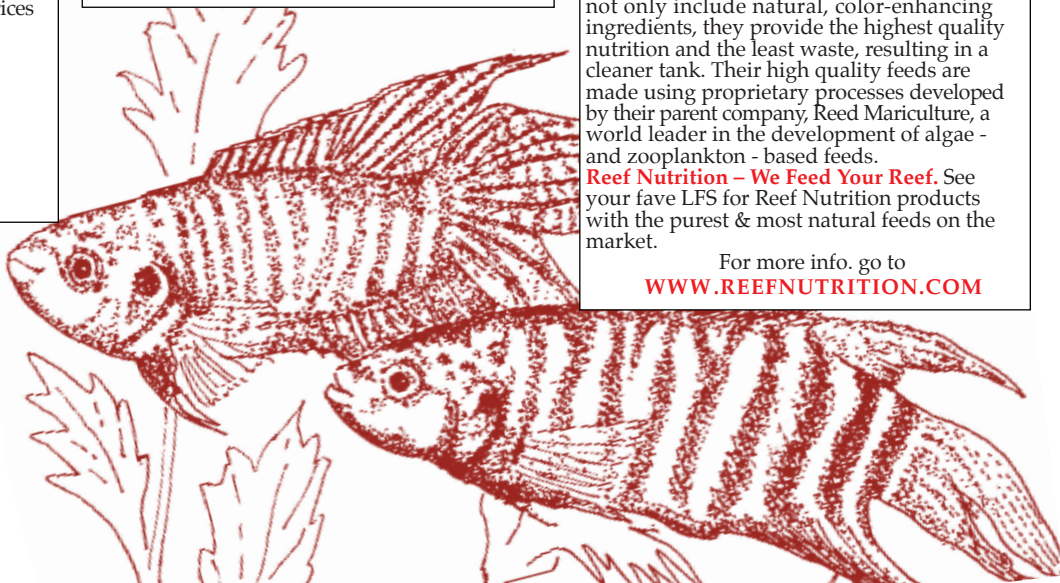
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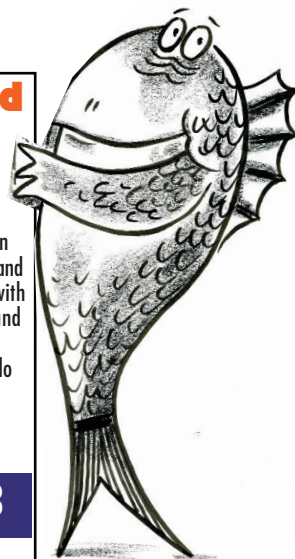
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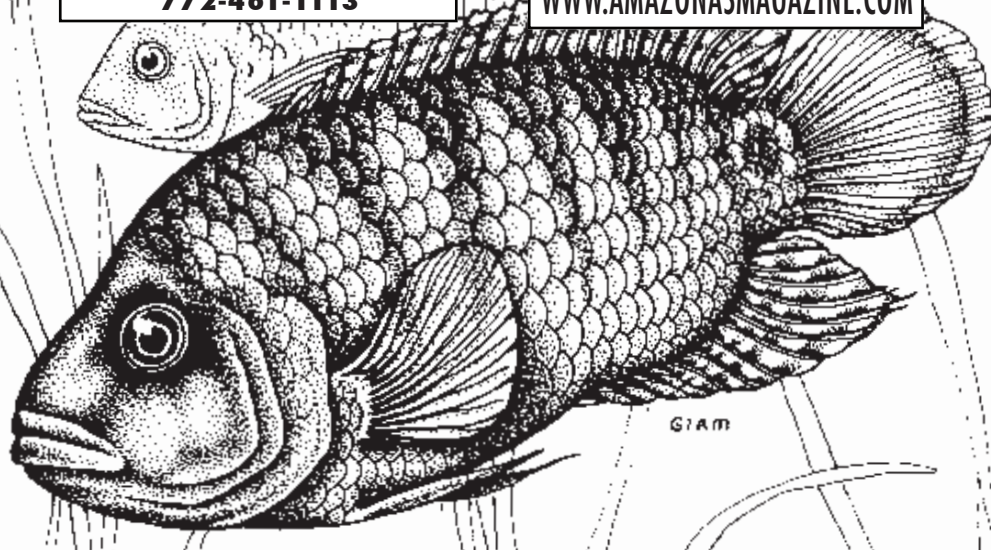
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