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FRIDAY, JUNE 10@ 7:30 PM

Carol Ross

Speaking on

COLLECTING FISH IN PERU



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

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

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

Free Parking • Free Refreshments

For Information Visit WWW.BASNY.ORG

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

Celebrating 100 Years of Advances in fish keeping

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



May brought in more than just flowers; it brought in hordes of aquaria aficionados! What a great turnout for our Giant Auction, and rightfully so! We had almost 250 items up on the block – from aquariums, lighting, filters, CO₂

tanks, protein skimmers, R/O units and the livestock! There were bags of rare and hard to find items such as *Centropoma ansorgi*, multiple types of *synodontis* catfish (some even I didn't know about), dual snout elephant fish, mudskippers, dragon fish, mouth brooding *severums*, scores of African and American [North, South & Central] cichlids, marine fish, hard and soft corals and countless bags of various plants. This was undoubtedly the greatest auction of aquatic products that I have seen in the past 10 -15 years. If you missed it, well, shame on you!

Our final event of the season will bring **Carol Ross** in from Pennsylvania. Carol's topic for the evening will be "*Collecting Fish In Peru.*" Our great cory catfish expert **Ian Fuller** must have seen Carol's presentation, because he is going on a collecting trip to Peru this summer - that speaks volumes. Doors open at 7:30 PM on June 10, so be there!

June is also elections for Officers and Board members. Without these selfless and dedicated people, you would not have a Brooklyn Aquarium Society. There will be several empty slots this year as some of our long time members will be moving. – please get actively involved in YOUR club. We need your help if we are to survive for another hundred years. As always, there is free parking and free refreshments.

Please visit our new website where you can read the *BAS Bulletin* and enjoy a full color *Aquatica*. So far, the results have been very favorable. We put a lot of effort and hard work into this new web site and we want your feedback as to how you like it. Please get back to me on this. The interactive forums and sponsor sections

are truly enjoyable. Also, you will be getting notifications of club events via email.

Our Birthday Party is set for Friday, July 8, starting at 7:00 PM at the NY Aquarium. We will have Bar B Q style food, a sea lion show, pretzel, popcorn and ice cream carts, dancing under the stars, a complete new and vastly remodeled aquarium to ourselves and don't forget the fireworks – after all we do have something to celebrate. Due to security reasons, this party is by INVITE ONLY! If you do not submit the invitation, then you will not be on the list and if you're not on the list **YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN!**

By now, your invitation should have been mailed back to us; there will be no tickets to this event – your names will be checked at the NY Aquarium entrance door, if you responded and mailed the RSVP ticket with your check or money order.

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

Joe Graffagnino
President

THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

Carol Ross first got interested in tropical fish at the age of eight when she was visiting one of her parents' friends, **Carl Gruber**, whose basement was made into a fishroom. Carl spent most of the evening with Carol, telling her all about his fish. She was hooked. After that her parents gave in to her pleading and got her a small aquarium with some guppies from the local Woolworth's.

When she was in Junior High, one of the girls in her class said her dad was opening a tropical fish store, and she invited Carol to meet him and see the store that afternoon. He was a hobbyist who brought about ten pairs of breeding angelfish. He sold the baby angels, five for a dollar which in the early fifties was exceptionally reasonable for young angels. He then added other fish to the mix in the store. Carol spent almost every afternoon there. **Martin Weintraub** was always patient and kind to Carol in spite of the fact that she says she was really a pest. Martin's Aquarium, became very successful in the Philadelphia area.

After that, Carol almost always kept aquariums, and the first fishes she bred were zebra danios and bettas, both of which she got from Martin's. Carol says that the only time she didn't have aquariums was when she attended the Univ. of Pennsylvania, but when she transferred to Penn State and got married, she had several refrigerator liners in the back yard, as well

as three 15-gal tanks inside.

When she started teaching 4th grade in the mid sixties, she had an aquarium in her classroom. Each year the kids and Carol would plan how to set up the tank. She would then take a group of about eight kids down to Martin's and they would pick out fish (with Carol's help, of course). At the end of the year she dismantled the aquarium, and the fish and plants went home with the kids.

Carol's interests really took off after she retired in 2000, and although she doesn't have a fishroom, she has about 15 tanks ranging in size from 55 gallons down and keeps some small community tanks and a couple of species tanks. Carol says she doesn't have the room or the water supply to keep large fish.

Carol has been a member of the Bucks County Aquarium Society for about 12 years, and is at present the vice president, membership chair, editor and exchange editor of their newsletter, *The Buckette*.

She's also been a member of several other local clubs, but because she doesn't drive at night any more, she can't always attend meeting. However, if she gets a ride, she tries to attend as many society meetings as she possibly can.

Carol will give a power point presentation about her collecting trip, so come spend an evening collecting fish with Carol in Peru.

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.

No sales will commence until 7:30pm

Please no sales during speaker presentations

COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST EXHIBITIONS, AUCTIONS & CONVENTIONS IN 2011

**Hunting for Great Tropical Fish
Auctions and Fishy Events?
Read On!**



• **Saturday, June 4 Danbury Area Aquarium Society Spring Auction** Carmel, NY Firehouse. Food & Refreshments will be available. **Auction hours:**

Registration - 8:30AM to 11:15AM Viewing of Goods 10AM to 11:15AM. Auction -11:30AM to 5PM. Raffle 50/50.

For more information contact: **Rich Litsky** @ 845-228-0372 or **Joe Masi** @ 845-896-4793 or daas@northeastcouncil.org

Or visit our website @

www.northeastcouncil.org/daas

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS IN THE HOBBY

• **Friday, July 8, 2011 Brooklyn Aquarium Society 100th Birthday Party.** Held at the New York Aquarium, Coney Island, Brooklyn. This gala event will run from 7:00pm to Midnight. The buffet style all you can eat dinner will feature barbecue-style ribs, chicken, assorted salads and more. Wine, beer and soda. Ice cream, popcorn and hot pretzel carts, coffee and cake. There will be music, dancing, a sea lion show and a spectacular fireworks display. Attire: Business casual. Tickets are \$50 each, a group of 5 or more 10% discount (Example \$50 X 5 people = \$250 - 10% = \$225). **BY INVITATION ONLY. To attend please , contact Joe Graffaganino at 917-922-5108.**

• **September 9-11 2011 MACNA Marine Aquarium Conference of North America** at the HyVee Hall in downtown Des Moines, Iowa. MACNA is the largest & oldest marine aquarium conference in North America. MACNA is an exciting annual event with speakers from every field related to reef keeping. There will also be over 100 vendors at the conference selling the hottest corals, displaying new cutting edge equipment, and asking you for your ideas so they may serve you and the hobby better.

• Several types of passes are available for MACNA 2011.

To register to attend, go to MACNA.COM.

• Hotel information:

• **Des Moines Marriott Downtown**, 700 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50309. The MACNA group rate is \$91 Per Night. To reserve call (800) 514-4681.

• **The Quality Inns & Suites**, 929 3rd Street, Des Moines, IA 50309 The MACNA group rate is \$99 Per Night. To reserve call (800) 903-0009. Mention MACNA. There is a free shuttle to the Event Center and the Airport.

• **October 13th - 16th, 2011. The World-Wide Guppy Conference** will be in Boston, MA. The conference is a joint effort between the IGEEES (International Guppy Education & Exhibition Society), the World Guppy Association, the

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Boston Guppy Club, and the Boston Aquarium Society. There'll be workshops and speakers, including a presentation by the famous Canadian guppy breeder **Philip Shaddock**, author of *"Theory and Practice of Guppy Breeding"* and *"The Library of Guppy Color Strains, Their History and Genetics."* The conference features a vendor room and a dedicated block of rooms for "in-room sales." The event will include the World Guppy Association's "15th World Guppy Championship" and an "IGEES Guppy Innovation Contest" featuring guppies from breeders around the world. The judging panel includes **Andrew Lim** of Malaysia and **Oemer Gulmez** of Germany. The event will feature the Boston Aquarium Society Annual Auction which will be open to the public. Further details will be released when the Guppy-Con.com event website is launched. Vendor and Sponsorship inquiries contact **Bill Gill**, Guppy-Con2011bostonbreeder@bostonguppyclub.com.

• **Connecticut Betta Club** - If you're looking for a Betta Club, there's one in Connecticut that has Bi-monthly meetings and an annual show. They're a member of the NEC and also the IBC. (International Betta Congress). If you are interested in Bettas, this may be a society for you to check out. For more details here's their web site; <http://www.ctbetta.com/>.



BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2011-2012

Celebrating 100 Years of Advances in fish keeping

JUN 10 Carol Ross ~ Collecting in Peru ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction

JULY 8 100th Anniversary Party ~ to be held at the NY aquarium. **More information on page 3.**

AUGUST ~ No meeting

SEPT 9 Joe Caparatte ~ Keeping Unique Corals ~ Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction • Discount books & sales.

OCT 14 Fall Giant Auction ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods auction including a new 55 gal. tank & stand • Discount books & sales.

NOV 11 Anthony Stissi ~ Lake Tanganyikan Tropheus Species Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction • Discount books & sales.

DEC 9 BAS Holiday Party ~ Members, their families and friends, all you can eat sit-down dinner
• Fish Bingo & Prizes • BAS Awards presentations.

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JAN 13 Joe Yaiullo ~11 Years of Feeding Atlantis Marine World's 20,000 Gallon Reef Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction

FEB 10 Peter Warny ~ Visits to Various City & State Aquaria. Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction

MAR 9 Tony Vargas ~ Successful Reef Aquariums from Around the World and How They Got There. ~Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction

APR 13 TBA (freshwater)

MAY 11 Giant Spring Auction ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods including a 55 gal. tank & stand

JUN 8 Todd Gardner ~ Getting Started in Marine Aquaculture Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction

JULY/AUGUST ~ No meetings

SEPT 14 Mike Hellwig ~ Fish Breeding Contest with Ted Judy Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction

OCT 12 Giant Fall Auction ~ Freshwater fish, plants, marine fish, aqua-cultured corals & dry goods, including a 55 gal. tank & stand

NOV 9 Gene Ritter ~ Reef Diving Marine fish, aqua-cultured corals, freshwater fish, plants & dry goods auction

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WANTED

MEMBERS TO HELP RUN THE BAS

Next year we will be losing our Treasurer, **Denise Hershkowitz**, and her husband **Stu** to Florida's sunshine. We need qualified members to step up and run for this very essential job.

We need members to run for the post of Corresponding Secretary. This extremely important position entails handling all external correspondence, soliciting donations, obtaining ads for our online publications, handling other Board and Society business and keeping a record of the Society correspondence.

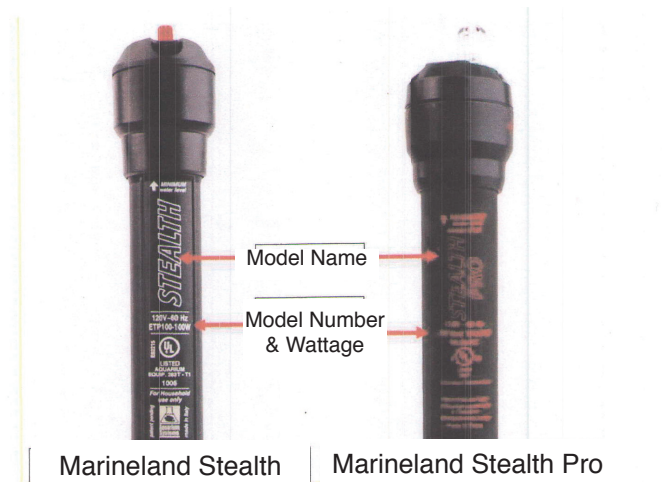
We also need members to run for Sergeant-at-Arms. The Sgt-at-Arms' job is to maintain order at all meetings. He or she is also chairperson of the Household Committee which is responsible for setup, breakdown and clean up after all meetings.

Please consider running for one of these positions.

NOTICE TO NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS

A motion was made, seconded and passed at the March 2008 board meeting that membership cards are to be made up and handed out the night a person joins the BAS. If you join or renew by mail or on line, you must come to the next general meeting to get your card. Publications will still be sent by mail. Web Memberships Only You do not get a card, and just get publications that may be on-line.

AQUARIUM HEATERS RECALLED DUE TO FIRE AND LACERATION HAZARDS



The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately.

NAME OF PRODUCT: **Marineland Stealth and Stealth Pro Aquarium Heaters.**

IMPORTER: **United Pet Group, of Cincinnati, Ohio**

HAZARD: A wiring problem can cause the aquarium heaters to over-heat or break during normal use, damaging the aquarium and posing fire and laceration hazards to consumers. Overheating can cause the heater to shatter or the aquarium glass to break.

DESCRIPTION: The recall involves the following Marineland Stealth and Stealth Pro aquarium heaters. The heaters are black plastic tubes and have a temperature adjustment knob at the top. The model name "**Stealth**" (in white letters) or "**Stealth Pro**" (in red letters) is printed on the side of the heater. The model number and the wattage rating are printed below the model name. Stealth Pro heaters were also sold as part of aquarium starter kits.

SOLD AT: Pet stores nationwide and on various websites from January 2004 through February 2011 for between \$20 and \$300.

MANUFACTURED IN: China and Italy.

REMEDY: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled aquarium heaters and contact United Pet Group for a free replacement aquarium heater or a full refund.

CONSUMER CONTACT: For additional information, contact;

THE RECALL HOTLINE: (800) 338-4896

United Pet Group between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's website at www.marineland.com.



NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS & BOARD FOR 2011 - 2012



All members in good standing who have been in the Society for 6 months are eligible to run for any office on the Board. As you know, we are always looking for members to help run this great, 100-year old Society. If you have the time and want to direct the Society in its second century, please run for a position.

At the June Event, you can still be nominated by a fellow member or nominate yourself. Just because you have been nominated does not mean you have to run, but we wish you would. New people bring new ideas and enthusiasm to the Society. Call **Joe G.** for information on the duties of the position you're interested in running for. **John Todaro** Editor

**THESE ARE THE MEMBERS RUNNING FOR OFFICE.
YOU CAN STILL BE NOMINATED AND RUN AT THE JUNE EVENT.**

**All positions are open to members.
We especially need a Sgt. At Arms, Treasurer,
Corresponding Secretary, Exchange Editor,
Editor or Assistant Editor to help manage our
publications and web site.**

President:
Joe Graffagnino

1st Vice President:
Steve Matassa

2nd Vice President:
Marie Licciardello
Recording Secretary:
Kay Martin

Treasurer:
Denise Hershkowitz

Membership Chairperson:
Christina Cingari

Corresponding Secretary:
Open

Sgt. At Arms:
Open

Exchange Editor:
Stuart Hershkowitz

*Board Members:
Bill Amely
Intakab Dawood
Robert DeBonis
Lita Goldberg
Gennady (Gene) Kogan
Mike Roman
Charles Stein

Web Master: **Bernard Deren
Editor: **John Todaro

**Help direct the Society in its second 100 years
by running for an office or a Board position.
New ideas keep us young!**

* Up to 5 Board members are elected by the membership.
5 more could be selected by the President and approved by the Board.

**Webmaster & Editor are
selected by the President & approved by the Board.

ODE TO CONEY ISLAND

A POEM BY
JOHN CALVELLI

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AT
THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Coney Island:

*Where else can you see terrifying piranhas, then walk 100 feet
and get terrified all over again on the Cyclone?*

Coney Island:

*Where else can you ride Deno's Wonder Wheel and then see the
wonders of the Amazon's flooded forest?*

Coney Island:

*Where else can you stand on the boardwalk with the Atlantic Ocean
on your right and Africa's Lake Victoria on your left?*

Coney Island:

*Where else can you have Nathan's French Fries for lunch and then
watch French angelfish swim at Glover's Reef?*

Coney Island:

*Where else can you see the Brooklyn Cyclones run around the
baseball diamond and then Run for the Wild*
on the boardwalk to help save our planet's oceans?*

And finally:

**Where else can you learn how we are saving our planet's great
oceans, rivers and lakes and how we all can do our part?*

*Right here in Coney Island at the
Wildlife Conservation Society's New York Aquarium.*

*On October 9th the Wildlife Conservation Society will host the first Brooklyn WCS Run for the Wild, a 5k fun run/walk to help save our planet. The Run will start at the New York Aquarium and continue along the famous Coney Island Boardwalk.



DONORS TO THE MAY AUCTION

Our sincere thanks to all the following members and sponsor stores for their generous donations to the May BAS Auction.

Individuals:

Denis Alestra
Bill Amely
Vinny Babushka
Bill Brissette
Nick Caputo
Walter Chow
Joe Graffagnino
Pauline Griffin
Stuart Hershkowitz
Marty Karfinkle

Gene Kogan
David Manuel
Kay Martin
Orel Munoz
Steve Matassa
Scott Peters
Alex Rivera
Mike Roman
Dan Smith
Ken Walsh
Michael Weiner

Stores/Mfg.:

- Absolutely Fish, Clifton, NJ
- Aquatic Empire, Queens, NY
- Brooklyn Zoo & Aquarium, Brooklyn, NY
- Mark's Discus, Brooklyn, NY
- Pacific Aquarium, NY, NY
- Pet Shanty, Scotch Plains, NJ
- Royal Aqua World, Brooklyn, NY

We also wish to thank the following their donations

- 1 - **Mars (API)** - 7 asst'd plant chemicals
- 2 - **Aquarium Technology** - 18 pre filters, 18 thermometers
- 3 - **Ocean Nutrition** - 19 asst'd foods
- 4 - **Perfecto** - light parts
- 5 - **Marine Enterprises Int'** - 1 - 4 bags of salt mix
- 6 - **Doctors Foster Smith** - \$25.00 Gift Certificate
- 7 - **Pet Solutions** - 2-\$25.00 Gift Certificate
- 8 - **That Pet Place** - food & cascade filter
- 9 - **air water & ice** - R/O fliter, 2 tds meters, 2 \$50.00 Gift Certificate
- 10 - **Seachem** - 13 bottles chemicals
- 11 - **CaribSea** - 84 bottles chemicals, 7 shirts
- 12 - **2 Little Fishies** 13 corafix, 2 food, 3 chemicals, 2 books
- 13 - **Modular hose** - 5 asst'd packs of fittings.
- 14 - **UV Lighting** - 6 flor lamps
- 15 - **Pet Solution** - 2 - \$25.00 Gift Certificate
- 16 - **E. G. Danner** - skilter filter
- 17 - **Ginger Products** - 6 food, 24 filter cart
- 18 - **Kordons** - 11 bottles of chemicals
- 19 - **Tropical Science** - 5 bottles chemicals
- 20 - **Marc Weiss** - 30 asst'd chem. bottles
- 21 - **Wardleys/Hartz** - 1 basket of ass'd food
- 22 - **Zoo Med** - food, timer, 4-lamps, 4-floating logs, powerhead, 1 filter
- 23 - **Aquatic Gardners** - 1 year membership, & books
- 24 - **Cichlid News** - magazines

- 25 - **United Pets** - 2 boxes of food
- 26 - **Premium Aquatics**, -3 thermometers. 1 refractor, 120 food samples, 40 pens
- 27 - **Central Aquatics** - 1- 29 gal bio cube, 1 mini t5 light, 1 uv
- 28 - **Emperor Aquatics** - 1- 25 watt uv
- 29 - **Ecological Labs** - 6- small bottles of chemicals
- 30 - **Petland Discount** - 55 gal tank and stand
- 31 - **Champion Lighting** - 3- \$25.00 Gift Certificate
- 32 - **Omega** - 6 cans of food
- 33 - **Penn Plax** - 8 asst'd ornament, 3 backgrounds
- 34 - **Eheim** - 1 Eheim can filter
- 35 - **Kens Fish Food** - box of asst;d food bags

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS TO THE SOCIETY

The BAS would like to knowledge **Charles Stein** and **Roland Montesdeoca** for their tax deductible donations to the Society. They will receive a letter of confirmation of their donations to the Society as proof for income tax write-off purposes.

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

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NEW MEMBERS & RENEWALS

New Members

Bill Brissette
Jakub Poplawski
Mario Stazzone

Membership Renewals

Clemson Brown
Bob Denton
Rich Licari
David Lund
Nicoles Martinez
Pamela Sternfels
Ronald Wiesenfeld

FISH SCALES OF JUSTICE

Daily News- May 1, 2011

An Arizona appeals court says a business owner is entitled to challenge the constitutionality of state rules barring her from using fish in her salon pedicures.

The Arizona Court of Appeals ruled Friday that Cindy Vong can sue over the Arizona Board of Cosmetology's threat to pull her license if she didn't stop offering the pedicure, which uses fish to eat dead skin off clients' feet.

The Board said the fish were unsafe because they couldn't be sterilized.

The Associated Press

EASY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL ON-LINE

You can now join or renew on line using PayPal. Simply go to the BAS site (www.basny.org) and click on **Membership**, then on **Sign Up Online**. Fill out the sign-up form and click **Submit**. It's that easy!

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

ANY NEW SIG'S WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE JUNE EVENT

Proud of your aquarium setup or fish room? Do you breed fish or have a great marine or reef tank? Show it off to other members. It's easy to hold a SIG meeting right in your own home. The BAS will cover the cost of refreshments up to \$25 per meeting. Call Charles Stein at (718) 615-1807 or contact him online at chaaaassss@aol.com for information on how you can hold a SIG meeting.

To register and get directions, please contact the SIG Chairperson.

To attend a SIG meeting you must:

A) Be a current BAS member.

B) Pre-register with SIG Chairperson.

- Due to the popularity of meetings, you should pre-register ASAP.

- After registering you will receive a letter with directions to host's home.

- Please do not call SIG host to attend.

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** in the middle 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

BAS ON FACEBOOK

BAS is on FaceBook. David Lund had volunteered to be the admin. to do things like change the group's picture, manage spam settings, solicit new members, and take care of the page in general.

At the moment, there are 56 members and we hope more of you join and it can become the "official" FaceBook page of the Brooklyn Aquarium Society.

Go to www.facebook.com and see what's happening.

REGIONAL SOCIETY EVENTS

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.

WED. JUN 1 - GREATER CITY AS

• TBA

Meets 7:30pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Queens Botanical Garden, except for January and February. The public is welcome! Speakers, publication, bowl show, raffles, door prizes, refreshments, plant and fish auctions. For information, please contact **Claudia Dickinson** at: ivyrose@optonline.net or 631-668-5125, or visit www.greatercity.org

FRI. JUN 3 LONG ISLAND REEF ASSOCIATION

• TODD GARDNER - TOPIC & BIO

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

SAT. JUN 4 DANBURY AREA AS AUCTION Joe Masi (845) 896-4793

TUE. JUN 7 - PIONEER VALLEY AS

• 1ST ANNUAL JAMES WHITE COSERVATION AUCTION

PVAS ELECTIONS Usually meets 1st Tuesday of the month at the Springfield Science Museum, 21 Edwards St., Springfield, MA at 7:00pm. Free parking in lot. Public welcome. For more information contact: **Dave & Linda Giza (413) 283-8680** or email: mike@berkshiredesign.com, or for directions go to pvas.net

SAT. JUN 11 NORTH JERSEY AS - COLLECTING WITH RAY - TENTATIVE PLEASE CALL TO CHECK. Kevin Carr @ 201 724-9460

MON. JUN 13 - JERSEY SHORE AS

• SARAH ROBERTS - PETROCHROMIS, GOBIES, SAND SIFTERS, AND THE ODD BALL CICHLIDS OF LAKE TANGANYIKA

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; 732-859-5595; mws71@yahoo.com

TUE. JUN 14 - OTTER VALLEY AS

• ERIC BODROCK - BREEDING AND RAISING TROPICAL FISH

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at the Maclure Library, Pittford, VT. The public is welcome. Refreshments, plant and fish auction, free parking. For information contact: **John Todaro** at: jtoddybas@aol.com

TUE. JUN 14 - NASSAU COUNTY AS

• JOE FERDENZI - HISTORY OF THE HOBBY

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at Kellenberg at Molloy College, 1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre NY 7:30pm. Check web site for directions. 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

WED. JUN 15 TROPICAL FISH SOCIETY OF RHODE ISLAND

• TBA

General meeting are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm at The Letter Carriers Plaza, 174 Mayfield Ave., Cranston, Rhode Island. For info: tfstri.net

THUR. JUN 16 - NORWALK AS

• TBA

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

THUR. JUN 16 NORTH JERSEY AS

• TBA

General meetings are held 3rd Thursday of the month at 8pm; doors open at 7:30pm. At the Elks Club, 251 Park Ave Lyndhurst, NJ. 07071. Open to the public. Speakers, raffles, auctions. Info: Call (732) 541-1392 or call **Kevin Carr** @ 201 724-9460 or visit on line for directions to swap meet www.njas.net or <http://www.meadowlandsstate.nj.us/directions.html>

FRI. JUN 17 LONG ISLAND AS

• SCOTT DOWD - HOW THE AQUARIUM FISH HOBBY CAN BE ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL TOOLS OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

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TUE. JUN 21 - GREATER HARTFORD AS-

• TBA

Meets 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at the Lutz Children's Museum, 247 S. Main St in Manchester CT 06040. Call 860-643-0949.

WED. JUN 22 - METROPOLITAN AREA KILLIFISH ASSOC. (MAKA)

• TBA

Meets 4th Wednesday of the month at 8 pm 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. JUN 24- DANBURY AREA AS

• TBA

Generally meets 4th Friday of the month at Carmel Ambulance Corps Vink Dr., Carmel, NY. For more info: **Rich Litsky (845) 228-0372** or **Joe Masi (845) 896-4793** or daas@northeastcouncil.org.

TUE. JUN 28 - GREATER HARTFORD AS

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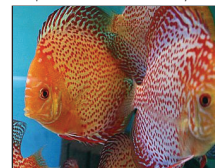
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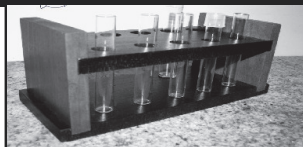
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