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## February Meeting

Dean Majorino

“How to Collect & Culture Live Foods”

Saturday, February 10th at 1:00

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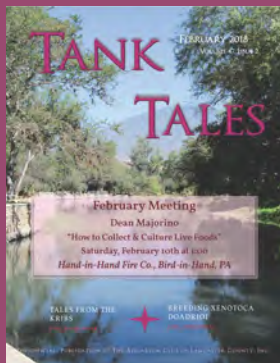


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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



*Michael Buchma*

ACLC, we have started off on the right foot (or fin?) this year. Mark Denaro brought in 2018 with us with a great presentation. If you missed Mark, you will want to try to catch one of his future talks. He is a wealth of knowledge when it comes to aquariums.

As I stated last month, the 2018 Keystone Clash committee is in search of volunteers for our event in September. It is never too early or late to lend a helping hand. We will have sign up sheet at every meeting until the clash. You may also contact Kurt or me directly. We would like to make it so that we have a large pool of volunteers to ensure those that are volunteering, have their chance to fully enjoy their weekend at the Clash. We cannot be fully successful without your help.

On February 10th at 1:00, we will meet at Bird-in-Hand Fire Company to welcome our speaker of the month, Dean Majorino. Please note that this meeting will be on the second Saturday of the month, rather than the usual third.



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# EDITOR'S NOTES

As elated as we were last month with all the articles and photos, this month saw a dropoff. Thanks to Joel Antkowiak we do have two very good articles in this issue but, Kurt had to dig into his photos from Mexico so that we had a cover photo. We are assuming that the short turnaround after last month's meeting was the reason for this. Now it is your chance to prove it! There is almost a full month before we need your photos and article for the March issue. Take some photos of your fish, write about them, tell us why you like/dislike certain fish or plants. Gone to another club meeting or auction? We want to hear about it!

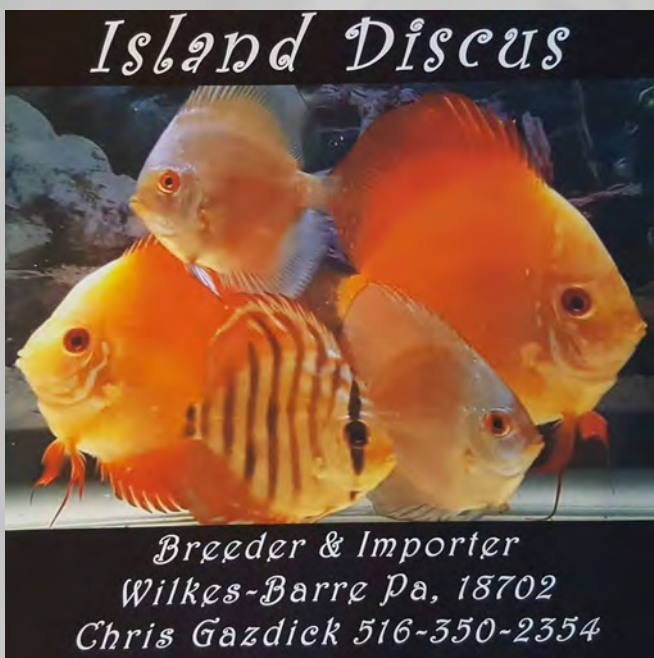
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Presented by Dean Majorino

### Time & Place

Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>  
at  
1:00 PM

Hand-in-Hand Fire Co.  
313 Enterprise Drive  
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Dean Majorino has maintained aquarium fish for over 45 years and has been active in the organized aquarium hobby for over 30 years. He is a member and life member of many clubs, both specialty and general clubs. He has spawned over 300 species of aquarium live stock and one of the only people to complete all specialist awards in multiple BAP programs. He is also a certified master judge for the NEC . Dean's program is a synopsis on how to collect and culture live foods , including some do's and don'ts and, many helpful tips on the subject.

# ACLC SPEAKER SCHEDULE

2018
March 17th—Michael Barber
“Program TBD”
April 21st—David Banks
”African Rift Lake Cichlids & Appropriate Tankmates”
May 19th—Joe Doyle
“Getting Ahead in BAP”
June 16th—TBA
August 18th—TBA
September—No meeting
See you at the Keystone Clash

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# ABOUT THE ACLC™

Established in 1972, the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County is dedicated to further the study of all forms of aquatic life, to promote interest, exchange ideas, distribute information concerning the aquarium hobby and to encourage the breeding and display of aquatic life. The ACLC is an affiliated member of the Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies, Federation of American Aquarium Societies, International Guppy Education & Exhibition Society and the C.A.R.E.S. Preservation Program. The ACLC also actively supports and encourages our members to join the American Cichlid Association, American Livebearer Association, American Killifish Association and any other International, National, Regional or Local Club and Societies. In 2015 we hosted the American Livebearer Association Convention and in 2016 established the Aquatic Life Education Fund.

The ACLC is scheduled to meet on the third Saturday of each month (except July and August) at the Hand-in-Hand Fire co., 313 Enterprise Drive, Bird-in-Hand, PA 17505. Meetings begin at 1:00 PM unless otherwise noted. Meetings usually are comprised of a program featuring a guest speaker, raffle and door prizes and a mini fish auction, with a period allowed for mingling and refreshments. The philosophy of the club is such that our activities are interesting to both the novice and advanced hobbyist alike. An effort is made to keep business to a minimum at the general meetings, with the board of directors meeting being held quarterly at a pre-established date and time.

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# AQUATIC LIFE EDUCATION FUND

In January 2016, the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County Board of Directors announced a new program, the ACLC Aquatic Life Education Fund. This program has been instituted to assist schools in our area with funding for the continued development of curriculums related to the study of aquatic life. The importance of continued education of young people in this field could not be overstated and we felt that there is no better way to show our support than to develop a means for our club to assist financially.

The program works as follows:

- Five percent (5%) of the ACLC's auction proceeds annually between September 1<sup>st</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup> will be earmarked for this fund
- The ACLC will also collect any donations offered by members and guests at all meetings and events held during the year and put 100% of those into the fund
- In 2017 the ACLC BOD decided that the moneys we collect from Amazon Smile will also be used to fund the ALEF.
- The ACLC will accept nominations from ACLC Members in good standing, for schools to be considered recipients beginning in September of each year and the decision will be made by a vote of the ACLC membership no later than at the March General meeting.
- Nominations should be accompanied by a letter from that school's representative with a description of the program the funds will be used for.
- Schools must be pre-college education facilities from neighboring counties in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey.
- No fees or other costs will be deducted from the funds collected. 100% will go to the school selected by the ACLC. A check will be awarded to that school as soon as possible after August 31<sup>st</sup> each year.

We look forward to this being and long term annual program to help educate our areas' young people in all aspects of our hobby and to promote the conservation efforts necessary for the continues existence of aquatic life.

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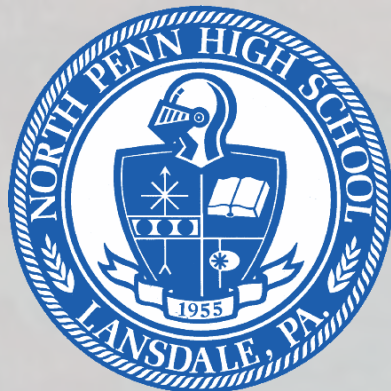
Thank you ACLC members! Your generosity has got us close to the 60% mark of our goal for 2018! We have some very deserving students at North Penn H.S. depending on us. I also have updates this month on what has been going on at the schools of our last 2 ALEF recipients on the following 2 pages. It is great to see that the funds are being well used!

If you have any questions, please contact me at [ALEF@aclcpa.org](mailto:ALEF@aclcpa.org).

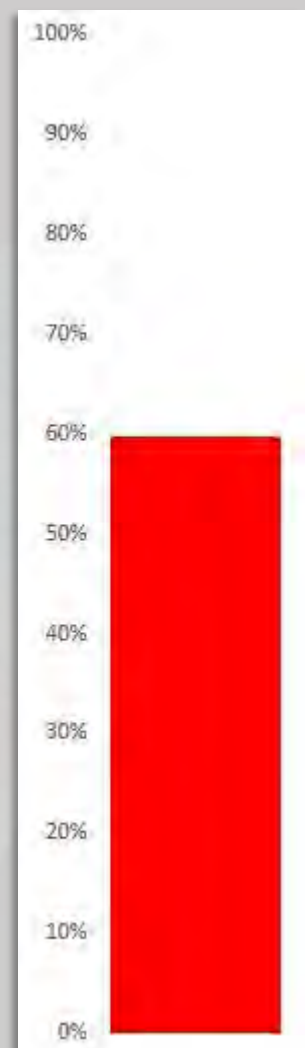
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Kurt Johnston

ALEF Chair



**2018 Goal = \$650.00**  
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# WILLIAMSPORT AREA HIGH SCHOOL

## 2017 A.L.E.F. RECIPIENT

The Aquarium Science program at Williamsport Area High School was the recipient of the 2017 Aquarium Life Education Fund. The students in that program used the funds to set up a new planted tank. Even the stand and canopy were built by the programs' students. Great job by the students in Mt. Flint's Aquarium Science program! These photo updates were sent to us by program instructor Larry Flint

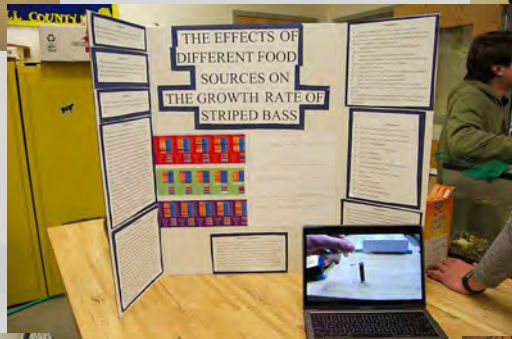
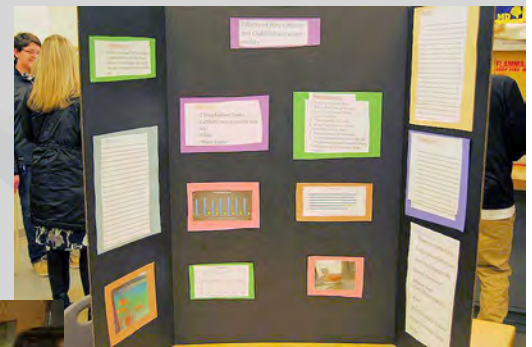
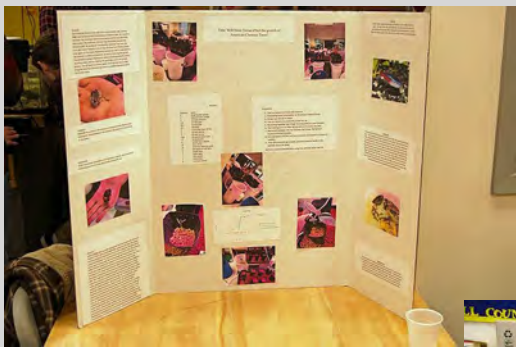




# MANCHESTER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

## 2016 A.L.E.F. RECIPIENT

On January 24th, I was fortunate enough to be able to visit our 2016 ALEF recipients at the Research Programs Open House at MVHS. It was really great to see and speak to the students who are benefitting from our clubs' generosity. One of the instructors, Mr. LaMotte was there and gave me a tour of the facility and was kind enough to talk to me about some of the future plans they have for the future of their program. Great job by the Science Mavericks!





# ACLIC Notes

## Keystone Clash

Planning for the 2018 Keystone Clash has begun and we could always use your help! If you have some ideas or just want to get involved contact Kurt at the next meeting or send him an email at :

[kurtj@keystoneclash.com](mailto:kurtj@keystoneclash.com)

Get Involved!

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The ACLIC Website ([aclcpa.org](http://aclcpa.org)) will be going through a redesign soon. I would like to include some photos and videos of our members' tanks. If you can send me a short (about 10 sec.) video of your fish and or tank, it would be appreciated.

Kurt ([webmaster@aclcpa.org](mailto:webmaster@aclcpa.org))



# BREEDING

## *XENOTOCA DOADRIOI*

### BAP Report by Joel Antkowiak

Maintaining *Xenotoca doadrioi* in captivity is not difficult. It is, however, tenuously established in the hobby. Get them now if you can and breed them. They are, unfortunately, a critically endangered species. It is one of the many species of the family Goodeidae that are on the C.A.R.E.S. preservation priority list. It is also one of the more attractive goodeids. While adult females show a general olive to brown coloration with some silvery flecks along the side of the body, the males tend to be much more beautiful.

In general, the base of the tail is orange to almost red, which gives way to iridescent blue on the posterior part of the body to about the origin of dorsal and anal fins. The portion of the body from there to the pelvic or pectoral fins can be light brown to gray or yellowish coloration, in the pre-ventral region. Orange to red coloration can extend to the lower part of the head, almost like a fire mouth cichlid but not as intense. At the pectoral base there is a black patch that is highly variable in intensity and size. There is also some blue iridescence in the area of the operculum and in some scales along the body. Definitely a pleasing fish to look at.

This fish has been known for years as simply a location variant of *Xenotoca eiseni*, but has recently (2016) been described as its own species by Omar Dominguez Dominguez et al. *X. eiseni* had been considered a widespread species throughout the Central Pacific Coastal drainages of Mexico, being established in six independent drainages. Recent molecular phylogenetic studies indicate that *X. eiseni* is a species complex consisting of at least 3 independent evolutionary lineages<sup>1</sup>. Thus, in addition to the type species for *X. eiseni*, 2 new species in the complex were described, *X. lyonsi* and the subject of this report, *X. doadrioi*.

I obtained my specimens at the 2017 spring auction of the Potomac Valley Aquarium Society. I knew they were a newly described CARES

species and I am always looking for CARES species. The bag I bought went cheap, in my opinion, and contained 8 young adult fish. I took a pair to the next ACLC meeting to try to get them established in the club. The rest I kept for my own breeding purposes.

My fish were placed in a 10 gallon tank with a large *Anubias sp.* For some light cover. I feed them a variety of dry, frozen and live foods (when available) consisting mainly of floating pellets, color 'crisps', frozen bloodworms and live blackworms. Other foods are offered sporadically as available. The temperature in the tank ranges from about 68-75F, which seems to suit them fine. My water comes out of the tap at a pH of about 7 and a general hardness of about 100 ppm. The fish grew slowly but surely, and they have reached close to 2 inches in length as of this writing. Soon the females were looking gravid.

Despite my not separating the gravid females when birth was imminent, fry were produced and have survived; so they do not seem to be at all cannibalistic towards their fry. There was no change in the feeding regimen, except to make sure that some of the food was small enough for the mouths of the baby fish. As I travel a lot, my fish do not get fed as much as they probably should, and so growth has been slow. But the young fish are healthy and maintaining these endangered fish is the most important thing.

### References

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# Piscatorial Pearls

*“Reviewing Aquarium Society Newsletters from Around the World”*

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Our journey this month begins in New York with 6 articles in the November–December 2017 issue of the [Brooklyn Aquarium Society’s Aquatica](#). The first article is titled “[Understanding Potential Hydrogen](#)” by Ryan Custis. Ryan gives a brief explanation of why pH is important to shrimpkeepers like him. The next article is titled “[A Pocketful of Pencils](#)” by Tony Kroeger. Tony describes his experience with this family of attractive little fish. Tony also wrote the next article titled “[Just Buy a Nose](#)” that gives a great description of how to care for *Gnathonemus petersii*, the odd-looking African Elephant nose. Next article is a brief, detailed description of “[White Worms](#)” by John Todaro that should make it easy to culture this live food. Part 5 of Meet the Stony Corals by Tony Kroeger is all about “[Plate Coral/Disk Coral \*Fungia\* Species](#)” and gives us the details we need to maintain this colorful species. The final article in this issue is Joe Graffagnino’s account of when “[The Society takes a day trip to Absolutely Fish](#)” that has 3 pages of great pictures taken at this fantastic New Jersey facility.

Our next stop is in Delaware for 2 stories in the November 2017 edition of the [Diamond State Aquarium Society’s Gravel Gossip](#). The first story is titled “[Firemouth Cichlid](#)” by Bob Berdoulay that describes Bob’s experience with this colorful Central

American Cichlid. Story #2 is titled “[Why Quarantine?](#)” by Ed Keene. Ed not only answers the question but describes his best methods for quarantine of new additions.

We head off to our neighbors to the north for 3 articles in the November 2017 issue of the [Kitchener Waterloo Aquarium Society’s Fins & Tales](#). The first article is a very good travelogue by Zenin Skomorowski about his visit to the “[Belle Isle Aquarium](#)”. Zenin’s descriptions and photos will inspire you to take this trip! The other 2 articles in this issue are BAP Reports by Terry Clements. The first is about “[Neolamprologus obscurus](#)”, a cichlid from Lake Tanganyika and the final article is Terry’s report on “[Tropheus moliro](#)” another Lake Tanganyikan beauty.

Coming back to the USA, we stop in New Jersey for a couple of stories in the November 2017 edition of the [North Jersey Aquarium Society’s Reporter](#). The first story is titled “[Pictus Catfish](#)” by Chuck Davis that tells us why Chuck likes this South American catfish. Dr. Paul’s Fish of the Month is “[Scriptaphyosemion guignardi](#)”. Dr. Loiselle gives an excellent description of his success in keeping and spawning this West African Killifish.

We head south to Florida for an article in the November 2017 issue of the [Tampa Bay Aquarium Society’s The Filter](#). This article is titled “[Nutrition Part 2](#)” by Joe Gargas and continues last month’s article with

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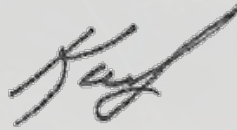
We next head out to the Northwest for a story in the December 2017 edition of the [Greater Seattle Aquarium Society's Northwest Aquaria](#). This story, titled "[How I Use Sponge Filtration In a Heavily Planted Display Tank](#)" is a good explanation of how the author, Ron Sower, accomplished just that.

Our next stop is in the State of New Hampshire for an article in the November 2017 issue of the [New Hampshire Aquarium Society's The Granite-Fisher](#). The article is titled "[Martha, there's water on the basement floor...](#)" by Martha Bonney. I am sure you can guess the general subject of this article but, Martha goes into great detail as to what we should all do and have on hand for such an event which is going to happen to everyone at one time or another.

We head out to Michigan for our last stop this month and 4 stories in the January–February 2018 edition of the [Grand Valley Aquarium Club's Tank Notes](#). The first story is titled "[Spawning Sewellia Loaches](#)" by Ken Zeedyk that gives us a great amount of detail regarding Ken's success with spawning and raising the fry of this S.E. Asian hillstream loach. The next story is titled "[Released Fish and Plants may have a RIPPLE Effect on the Environment](#)" by Paige Filice. Even though this story is geared toward problems in Michigan and a program there called RIPPLE (**R**educe **I**nvasive **P**et & **P**lant **E**scapes), it has good information for all aquarists. Kevin Hightower tells us "[Why I.C.A.R.E.S.](#)" in the next story and we can probably benefit from the opinions of a club that is new to the CARES program. The final story in this edition is Cyndi Westra's account of her

experience with "[Enantiopus melanogenys](#)" a Tanganyikan sand dwelling cichlid.

See you on the 10th!



Kurt Johnston – Exchange Editor  
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# Blasts from our Past

## Julidochromis transcriptus

-A BAP report by Jim McGoogan

This article was first published in the February 1983 Issue of Tank Tales™ and was reprinted from the Allegheny River Valley Aquarium Society

When I left the hobby way back in 1970, the African Cichlids were just being introduced to this country. At that time, I vowed that if I ever got back into fish keeping I would make the Africans one of my prime interests. Little did I know that the few species which were available then would blossom into the many which we can get now. And more are coming all the time.

One group of fish which really made an impression on me was the various Julidochromis species, or Julies. Their color patterns are bright and their torpedo-like shape is most striking. I was delighted to find out last summer that J. Transcriptus and J. Oranatus were both being raised in our club and that some were available to me. I immediately picked up a half dozen of each which were about one inch in size and set about raising them to breeding size. The rest of this discussion will be limited to J. Transcriptus, although the care and habits of most Julies are very similar.

Julies are natives of Lake Tanganyika, one of the Rift Lakes that reaches a depth of over 4,700 feet. They inhabit the relatively shallow shoreline areas however, which are strewn with rocks. Accordingly I set mine up in a 20 gallon tank at 76 deg. with plenty of rocks arranged to form caves. Julies really seem to need the privacy afforded by the caves. One of their strangest habits is that of assuming a position next to a rock and not moving for a long period of time. This position need not be horizontal either as it is not at all uncommon to find a Julie in a vertical or angular position, or even upside down.

Although I used a bare bottom tank, they do not seem to mind some sand, and they will just move it around to suit their pleasures anyway. A ten gallon tank should be adequate for them.

Julies are relatively slow moving and graceful fish, except when being chased by a net. When netting Julies, it is almost a must to remove all rocks from the tank, as they know how to use them to their best advantage.

Because they are slow-moving, they seem to use little energy and thus they do not eat very much, as opposed to their gluttonous neighbors, the Mbunas. I found that I was constantly overfeeding and cleaning up leftover frozen brine shrimp. Once you get accustomed to feeding then the right amount you will find it a pleasure to have a relatively clean tank that will stay that way.

My fish did grow quite nicely however, and soon I had to turn to the problem of sexing them. Some authors claim they know how to sex Julies, but I think that they are all telling "fish stories". I was told that the best method is to put six of them in a tank, and when you only have two left, you have a pair. This seems like a strange method, but it works.

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As the fish mature, they get very aggressive and attempt to drive any unwanted fish out of the tank. When you start finding some fish cowering in the upper corners of the tank, or on the floor, you will know that they are maturing, and going about the selection process. It is best to remove any fish that you find in the corners, as you would otherwise soon lose them. As soon as the pair is alone in the tank, everything turns peaceful again.

Once I thought I had a pair, I continued once a day feedings of frozen brine shrimp. This does not seem like much, but the fish grew to the point where the female is about 2 1/4" and the male 1 1/2". This size discrepancy is typical.

The fish try to pick a spot among the rocks for spawning which is out of sight of the aquarist. Mine were successful in doing so, and I was not aware of a spawn until the fry appeared. They are typical substrate spawners, and the size of the spawns is relatively small, generally less than forty.

When the fry were first noticed, they were about 3/16" in length. They generally pick the underside of a rock as a place to stay, apparently feeling secure there. Although they will move about, they stay under the rock except at feeding time. Then they dart out from under the rock to grab something to eat and immediately return to the rock.

The parents exercise good care, and there is no problem in leaving them in the tank with the fry. Mine have spawned three or four times since the original spawn, and apparently will continue to do so until they feel crowded. I now have about 25 fish in the tank.

I have fed the fry newly hatched brine shrimp twice a day right from when I noticed them. They grow rather slowly, but steadily. The parents also enjoy the newly hatched shrimp, and now refuse everything else.

In conclusion, this is one fish that I have really enjoyed raising. It is seldom seen in shops, probably because they are relatively expensive, not too prolific, and not suited to the community tank. But if someone would like a fish that shows all the typical Cichlid traits at their best, I strongly recommend *Julidochromis Transcriptus*.

### *~ Special Editor's Note*

In August of 2016, the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County lost its last remaining founding member when F. Wayne Calender passed away. Wayne's son David got in contact with me this summer to let me know that there were some ACLC related items in the house that he thought we might appreciate having. After, bringing these boxes home, I have found a small treasure trove of interesting ACLC history including several articles written by Wayne, other ACLC members and even some exchange articles that were sent to Wayne. I am going to reprint these articles and I will include any information I have with the article. For those of you that did not have the pleasure of knowing Wayne, he was "The Scaly Thumb"!

Kurt Johnston  
Associate Editor

# HORTICULTURAL AWARD PROGRAM MONTHLY REPORT-JANUARY 2018

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## SPECIES PROPAGATED—JANUARY 2018

NOBODY

Nothing

\* indicates that plant was donated to club auction (2x points)  
+ indicates plant was donated & article submitted to Tank Tales  
# donation points only—plant was registered earlier

Not one plant species propagated in January!?!

~Michael Buchma—HAP Chair



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## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

### **2 Star Gardener**

Gary Haas  
Bressler Family  
Wesley Bahrt

### **1 Star Gardener**

Gary Boyer  
Alan Rollings  
Scott Sommer  
Charles Vickery

### **Novice Gardener**

Clair Klinedinst  
Karen Haas  
Joel Antkowiak



# WRITER'S & ARTIST'S AWARD PROGRAM

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What a great start to 2018 ! Don Kinyon's article about *Nannostomus mortenthalleri* in our January issue was reprinted in the January/February 2018 issue of the Missouri Aquarium Society's *Darter* newsletter, and 2 articles by Karen Haas and 2 by Dan Taylor from 2017 were reviewed by 2 different club newsletters. Congrats All! Last year we ended with 11 participants for the entire year and in the first month of 2018 we have 7!

We have added a couple of newsletters to our Exchange for 2018 which we hope will lead to more reviews and reprints for those of you who are writing for *Tank Tales!*

I am still updating records and we will be catching up with all the awards earned by our members over the next few month. I appreciate your patience.

~ Kurt Johnston  
WAAP Chair

## 2018 MIGHTY FIN STANDINGS

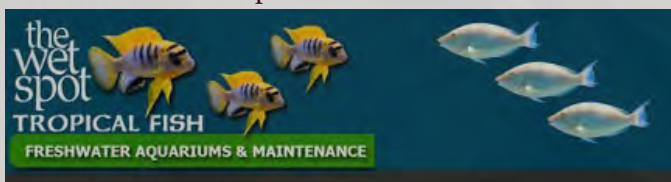
*THROUGH JANUARY 30, 2018*

Don Kinyon	60 points
Joel Antkowiak	40 points
Rich Bressler	30 points
Jim Stokes	30 points
Kurt Johnston	20 points
Karen Haas	10 points
Dan Taylor	10 points

## 2017 MIGHTY FIN FINAL STANDINGS

Don Kinyon	465 points
Kurt Johnston	370 points
Karen Haas	340 points
Joel Antkowiak	120 points
Alan Rollings	115 points
Paul Tangredi	105 points
Dan Taylor	100 points
Gary Haas	100 points
John Dickel	80 points
Michael Buchma	75 points
Joseph Pacheco	10 points

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# CLASSIC CICHLIDS

# TALES FROM THE KRIBS

By Joel Antkowiak

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The development of new fangled strains of cichlids is not the only way the hobby has changed over the years. Advances in shipping and transportation technology as well as the discoveries of a vast number of new species over the last 25 to 30 years has lent itself to a 'need to have the latest and greatest' fish attitude amongst many hobbyists. This doesn't necessarily mean the newest color morph or fin or body shape. But the newest species that are discovered are coveted by many hobbyists. This leaves behind some of the most beautiful species that have been in the hobby for a very long time. While the Oscar has maintained its popularity with various color and finnage morphs, other fish seem to be put on the back burner. One of the most beautiful species, and yet now hardly wanted at all, is the krib. In this edition, we jump continents to explore these great fish that have been known to the hobby since 1901.

You may have noticed that I keep referring to this species as beautiful. And why not? It is right

there in the name! *Pelvicachromis pulcher*. Pelvica from Latin for belly or pelvic; chromis from the Greek for fish or perch; and pulcher is Latin for pretty. And a pretty fish it is, especially in the pelvic region which features red, especially in spawning females of the species. That combined with the alternating horizontal light and dark stripes, overlaid with iridescent gold scales along with the colorful edging of the dorsal and caudal fins have captured many a budding aquarist's attention.



The kribensis was originally described by Boulenger in 1901 as *Pelmatochromis pulcher*. It has been known by several names over the years, including *Pelmatochromis kribensis*, from which the common name is derived, before the current accepted name of *Pelvicachromis pulcher* was adopted. It hails from western

Africa in the Niger Delta region. It usually inhabits areas with patches of dense vegetation. The water is warm, soft, and slightly acidic to neutral in their natural habitat. They are occasionally found closer to the delta where saltwater mixes with the river. Thus, these fish

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are very adaptable and have made for great aquarium fish for over 100 years.

In nature the fish has been known to show loose schooling tendencies, but when it comes time to mate, pairs form and retreat to their own caves under rocks or fallen leaves or other debris. Eggs are laid on the roof of the cave and hatch out in about 3 days, with the fry becoming free swimming in another 2-3 days. Once the fry are free swimming, newly hatched brine shrimp nauplii are the best first food. Other options are microworms (and their relatives), finely crushed flake or pellet food or the yolk of a hard boiled egg strained through a piece of cloth. If fed several times each day and frequent partial water changes are performed, the young will reach an inch in length by 10 weeks of age and sexual maturity in 4-5 months.

Since the initial description of *Pelvicachromis pulcher*, several other 'kribensis' type fishes have found some popularity in the hobby. The latest and greatest of the kribis include perhaps the most common krib after *P. pulcher*, *P. taeniatus*. Also in the hobby are *P. silviae*, which sports a yellow head and a more pinkish abdominal area than *P. pulcher*. The red lipped krib, *P. rubrolabiatus*, is rarely seen but has

been spotted in the hobby. And one can occasionally find the giant krib, *P. sacrimontis*, which is very similar to the original model but with more red on the underside and gets to about 6 inches in length, as compared to 2 – 3 inches for the other species.

Whether you are looking for a beautiful – remember, it is right in the name – dwarf cichlid for a community aquarium or an easy to breed fish, the kribensis is a great way to go. It is peaceful (except, as with all cichlids, during spawning), colorful and can be kept in tanks from 5 gallon size on up. The kribensis is perhaps the perfect aquarium fish.

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Speakers: Jeremy Basch \* Karen Randall \* Greg Sage \* Rusty Wessel

# BREEDER AWARD PROGRAM

## MONTHLY REPORT

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### BAP NEWS AS OF JANUARY 30TH, 2018

I thought I was going to have the first spawn registered in 2018, but Paul Bricknell beat me to it. Plus, he registered TWO spawns to my one. Paul bred a CARES goodeid and an African plant-spawning killi, while my brood came from a native killifish.

I looked at Paul's history. His first BAP points were awarded in 1982. His first killifish of record was in 1983, and it was a TARGET fish (the most difficult to find and/or breed), an endangered desert pupfish. His first points for a goodeid were in 1987.

~Gary Haas, BAP Chair

#### 2018 BREEDER OF THE YEAR

Paul Bricknell	36 points
Gary Haas	20 points

#### 2018 SPECIES BRED

Paul Bricknell	2 species
Gary Haas	1 species

#### JANUARY SPECIES BRED

Paul Bricknell

*Ataeniobius toweri*

*Aphyosemion splendopleure*

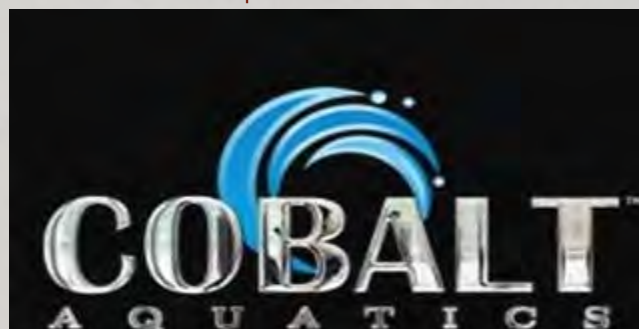
Gary Haas

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# BAP LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

CURRENTLY ACTIVE ACLC MEMBERS

## F. WAYNE CALENDER BREEDER

Bressler Family	1950 pts
Wayne Calender	1593 pts

## GRAND MASTER BREEDER

Paul Bricknell	2039 pts
David Stephon	1120 pts
Pedro Sanchez	1050 pts

## EXPERT BREEDER

Bob Kulesa*	812 pts
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## ADVANCED BREEDER

Joel Antkowiak*	1278 pts
Haas/Rollings*	935 pts
Gary Boyer	715 pts
Bob Kulesa*	812 pts

## 3 STAR BREEDER

Danny Corman*	518 pts
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## 2 STAR BREEDER

Gary Haas*	554 pts
Clair Klinedinst*	235 pts
J/N Dickel	178 pts

## 1 STAR BREEDER

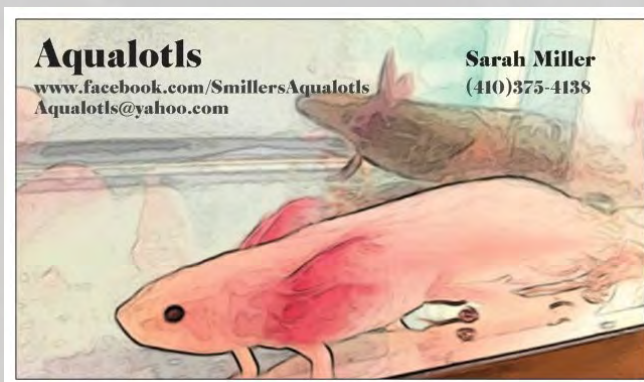
Glenn Davies*	140 pts
Dave Frehafer	90 pts
Scott Shenk	70 pts
Robin Antkowiak	57 pts
Kurt Johnston	56 pts

## OTHER PARTICIPANTS

Sam Jones	66 pts
Wesley Bahrt	47 pts
Charles Vickery	39 pts
Julie Lovell	26 pts
Ashley Antkowiak	21 pts
Mackenzie Dalton	14 pts

*\*Breeder has enough points for next higher class award but needs to complete one or more classes to achieve the award.*

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# SPECIALIST BREEDER AWARDS

CURRENTLY ACTIVE ACLC MEMBERS

## CLASS 1—LIVEBEARERS

Paul Bricknell (A)	Wayne Calender
Bob Kulesa	Pedro Sanchez
David Stephon	Joel Antkowiak (X)
Bressler Family (X)	Gary Boyer (A)
J/N Dickel	Haas/Rollings (A)
Clair Klinedinst	Danny Corman

## CLASS 2—CATFISH

Wayne Calender	Bob Kulesa
Bressler Family	

## CLASS 3—BARBS & MINNOWS

David Stephon	Paul Bricknell
Bressler Family	

## CLASS 4—CHARACINS

Wayne Calender	David Stephon
Danny Corman	Bressler Family

## CLASS 5—KILLIFISH

Bob Kulesa	Wayne Calender
Pedro Sanchez	Paul Bricknell (M)
Bressler Family	Gary Haas

## CLASS 6—ANABANTOIDS

Bressler Family

## CLASS 7—NEW WORLD CICHLIDS

Bob Kulesa	Pedro Sanchez
David Stephon	Bressler Family
Paul Bricknell	Haas/Rollings (A)
Gary Boyer	

## CLASS 8—OLD WORLD CICHLIDS

Bob Kulesa	Joel Antkowiak
Bressler Family	Paul Bricknell
Gary Boyer	Haas/Rollings



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## CLASS 9—RAINBOWS & BLUE-EYES

Bressler Family

## CLASS 11—OTHER AQUATIC ANIMALS

Bob Kulesa	Joel Antkowiak
Bressler Family	Haas/Rollings
Paul Bricknell	

## CLASS 12—U.S. NATIVE SPECIES

Wayne Calender	Paul Bricknell
Bressler Family	

## CLASS 14—ALL OTHER FW FISH

Bressler Family

## SPECIAL NOTES

(A) - Designates Advanced Breeder for that Class

(M) - Designates Master Breeder for that Class

(X) - Designates Expert Breeder for that Class



# BREEDER AWARD PROGRAM INFORMATION

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All ACLC Members in good standing are eligible to participate in the breeders Award Program.

The purpose of the ACLC Breeders Award Program is to promote the keeping and breeding of tropical and marine fish and invertebrates, to recognize and motivate achievement in the hobby, to encourage the development of the skills and knowledge necessary to spawn more difficult species ,to support the CARES program by encouraging the spawning of species endangered in the wild, to share knowledge about breeding techniques and to publish accounts of spawning techniques.

Please use the form on this page to submit spawning reports or for a full copy of the BAP rules and an electronic form submission, go to our website at <http://aclcpa.org>

The Aquarium Club of Lancaster County - Spawning Report					
Member Name:		Member No. #:		Date:	
Scientific Name:					
Common Name:					
If this is a CARES eligible species, have you registered it in the CARES Program Y/N?					
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# Norwalk Aquarium Society

## 40<sup>th</sup> Annual

### Tropical Fish & Aquarium Equipment Benefit Auction for Earthplace



**When: Sunday, February 11, 2018**

Set up and viewing

9:30AM – 11:30AM

Auction begins around Noon

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## Annual Auction

Tropical Fish    Equipment    Dry Goods  
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**Knights of Columbus Hall**

**460 Granby Road, Chicopee, MA 01013**

**Auction starts at 11:30 AM**

**Doors open at 9:00 for viewing and registration**

**Auction open to the public—free of charge**

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***"Buy It Now Table"***

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Raleigh Aquarium Society 33<sup>rd</sup>

# CAROLINA AQUARIUM

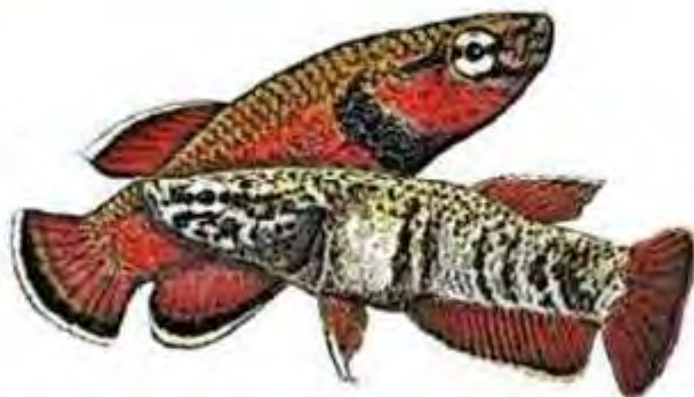
## WORKSHOP: MAR 02-04, 2018



@ **RAMADA INN** - Raleigh NC  
1520 BLUE RIDGE RD

### Friday, MARCH 02

*Native Fish Collecting Trip:* 1:00 to 6:00 pm  
*Meet & Greet with Speakers:* 7:00 to 8:00 pm  
*Wonderful Woodcats, Auchenipteridae*  
– **Jeremy Basch:** 8:00 to 9:00 pm  
*Rare Fish Mini-Auction:* 9:00 to 9:30 pm



### Saturday, MARCH 03

Registration & Displays Open: 9:00 am  
Speaker Presentations & Displays: 9:30 am to 5:00 pm

- *Selective Breeding Techniques* – **Greg Sage** (Select Aquatics)
- *Sunken Gardens: Guide to Practical Aquascaping* – **Karen Randall** (AGA)  
--- Lunch Break 12:00 - 1:30 pm --- (Ramada Inn Restaurant or Off-site)
- *Fishes of the Maya* – **Rusty Wessel** (American Cichlid Association)
- *Collecting Fish in Colombia* – **Jeremy Basch** (Columbus Area Fish Enthusiasts)
- *Livebearer Husbandry* – **Greg Sage** (Select Aquatics)

Break & Displays: 5:15 to 6:00 pm // Social Hour in Lounge: 6:00 to 7:00 pm

Dinner Banquet: 7:00 to 8:00 pm // After-Dinner Speaker: 8:00 to 9:00 pm

- *Biotopes of the World: Diversity in Aquatic Habitats* – **Karen Randall** (AGA)

### Sunday, MARCH 04 Huge AUCTION of Fish, Plants, Inverts, Supplies ...

9:00 am – Auction Registration / Set-Up (register & view items at [mygroupauctions.com](http://mygroupauctions.com))

10:00 am – Auction Begins (Runs 5 to 6 Hours -- Anyone May Buy or Sell)

#### CAW Registration Costs:

Fri Field Trip + Sat Talks: \$20 members; \$25 non-member; Kids <12 Free.

Dinner Banquet + Talk: \$15 members; \$20 non-member; \$10 kids under 12

Sunday Auction: Aquar.Soc. members Free; Non-members \$5



More RAS-CAW Info: [raleighaquariumsociety.org](http://raleighaquariumsociety.org) or [facebook.com/caw2018](https://www.facebook.com/caw2018)

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ALSO: Visit our Monthly RAS Meetings, First Thursdays @ NCSU Vet School, 7:30 – 9:30 pm

>>> Thursday MARCH 1: *Aquarium Science & Fishroom Tools* – **Greg Sage** <<<





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**SUNDAY MARCH 4, 2018**

**POLISH AMERICAN CLUB**

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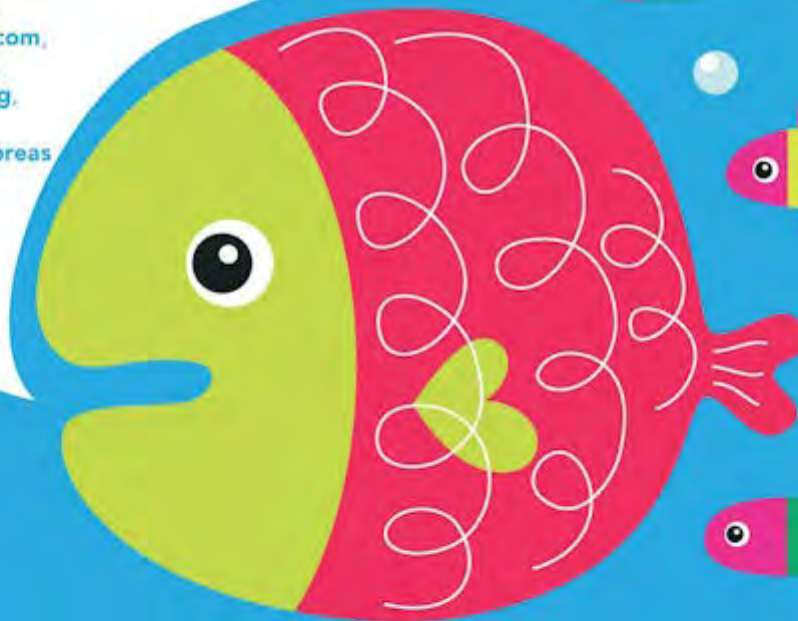
To be held

**Sunday, March 11th, 2018** at the  
**South Wall Fire Rescue Company**

2605 Atlantic Ave., Manasquan, NJ 08736

**For more info:**

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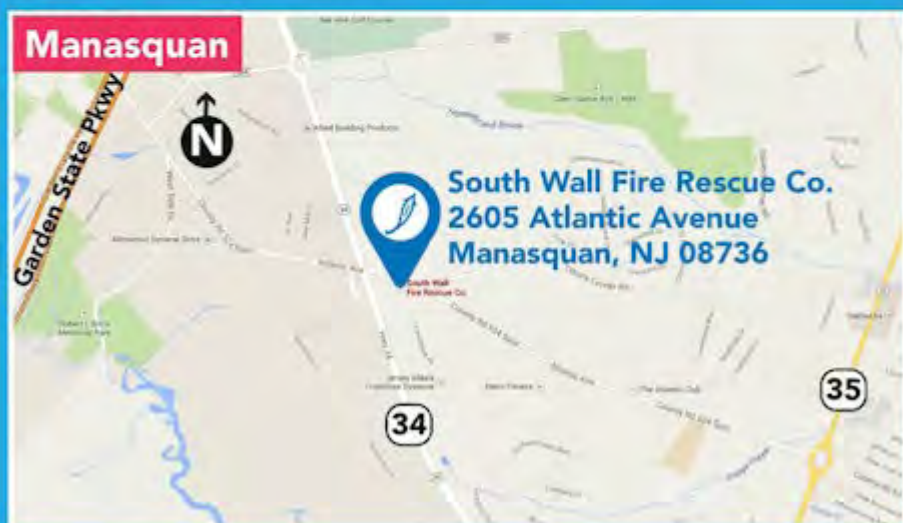
**Live goods registration:** 9 to 11 a.m.  
No guarantee that items registered after 11 a.m. will be auctioned. No used dry goods.

**Viewing of items:** 11 a.m. – 12 noon.  
There will be no viewing allowed after noon.

**Auction starts at noon sharp!**

Any person may bring quality live fish and aquatic plants to enter into auction.

- Pre-registration on our club's website (date TBA—about 1 week prior) ([jerseyshoreas.org](http://jerseyshoreas.org)).
  - Pre-registration will get a 60/40 split.
  - 50/50 split for walk-ins at the auction.
- Auction rules available upon request.







# Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island

## Triple Crown Fish Auction Saturday, March 10, 2018

**Free Admission!**  
**All are welcome!**

**St. Joseph's Parish Center**  
**1303 Mendon Road (Rte. 122)**  
**Cumberland, RI**

**Doors will be open at 9:00 AM.**  
**The auction starts promptly at Noon**

Visit [www.tfsri.net](http://www.tfsri.net) for  
complete rules and auction forms.

### **DIRECTIONS TO THE AUCTION:**

Route 295 to Route 122, (exit 10). Take a left off the ramp, proceed past the Burger King on your left and Route 116 on your right. Continue on route 122 for approximately one mile. St. Joseph's church will be on your left. Turn left into the driveway immediately before the church, and follow the driveway around the rear of the church and proceed to the top of the hill. The Parish center will be on your right.

**The Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island** meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM. Meetings are free and all are welcome to attend. Go to [www.tfsri.net](http://www.tfsri.net) for meeting location

### **BRING YOUR BEST FISH!**

For a \$1 fee you can put a reserve on any lot! **YOU** set the minimum bid, if the lot doesn't sell for your price or better, you get it back! **TFSRI's split is \$3 per bag sold, all the rest goes to the vendor!**

No limit on the number of lots submitted. All lots must be live fish, plants or aquarium-related items. See rules for complete details.

All TFSRI members get 3 free bumps. Join at the auction for 3 free bumps.

All lots open at \$3. Lots not selling for the minimum bid of \$3 are returned to the seller. Lots selling for only \$3 are considered donations to TFSRI.

Vendor Fee: \$2  
Bidder Card: \$2 (Waived for Vendors)  
Bump any lot \$2                      Rebagging fee: \$2

**Thank you to our Sponsors:**

**Aqua-life Central**  
**Ken's Fish**  
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# NorthEast Council of Aquarium Societies

# 43rd Annual Convention

## March 16-18, 2018 Rocky Hill, CT

FOR OVER 40 YEARS...  
ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S  
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DC  
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Cichlids*



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VA  
*Catfish & Plants  
Collecting in  
South America*

**17  
PROGRAMS!**  
**10  
SPEAKERS!**



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Poecillids*



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LA  
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**VENDOR & MANUFACTURER HALL!**  
*fish, plants, foods, hardscape, & equipment*

**AUCTIONS ALL WEEKEND LONG!**  
*Hundreds of fish, inverts, plants, dry goods  
buy \* sell \* donate to a non-profit*

- All-Day Sunday Super Auction
- Silent Auction for Conservation
- Speaker Program Mini Auctions
- Pond Plant Auction
- Killie Auction

**RAFFLES! PRIZES! SAMPLES!**  
**CHEF-PREPARED MEALS!**  
**HOSPITALITY SUITE!**  
**AREA ATTRACTIONS!**

- Dinosaur Tracks Park
- Mark Twain House
- Wadsworth Museum



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**A FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENT!  
ALL HOBBYISTS WELCOMED!**



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# 2018 Burlington Aquarium Fish, Frag and Reptile Swap Meet



**Saturday, April 14, 2018**

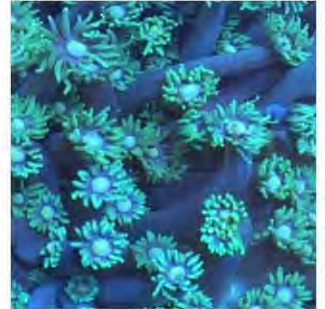
11:00AM – 3PM

Holiday Inn, Williston RD, South Burlington

Free Admission

Door Prizes and Raffle

Fun Family Event. All are Welcome.



**Come see what other hobbyist breeders have to offer!**

## What to Expect:

Local Breeders, Hobbyists and Retailers selling—

- Freshwater fish, shrimp and plants
- Saltwater coral frags
- Reptiles
- New and used equipment and aquariums.



## To Sell at the Swap:

Please register with number of tables desired and a brief description of your items **before March 26th**. Table availability is limited. If any space is still available on the day of swap, prices will increase by \$5.

**1 table for \$20**

**2 tables for \$35**

**½ table for \$10**

Note: You are completely responsible for your own items and the well-being of your livestock. TFCB holds no responsibility whatsoever for your items or for the health of your livestock .

## Setup will begin at 9AM

You may sell any item related to aquariums and reptiles, except species prohibited by the State of Vermont. Please check with TFCB for prior approval for non-aquarium or non-reptile related items.

## Questions and Registration:

David Banks - [dbanks@together.net](mailto:dbanks@together.net) 802-372-8716

Brian Candib – [bcandib@comcast.net](mailto:bcandib@comcast.net) – 802-864-0746

Sponsored by **The Tropical Fish Club of Burlington, [tfc.org](http://tfc.org)**



# SARNIA AQUARIUM SOCIETY'S SPRING AUCTION

## APRIL 21, 2018

Doors Open 9:30am, Auction Starts at 11am



### SARNIA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

1273 Exmouth St., Sarnia

### IN THE GYM

(entrance off Exmouth St. parking lot)

## CASH ONLY

For more information, please contact:

**Jack VanderAa 519-542-8282 OR**

**Wayne Cole 519-674-3192**

**Or email us:**

**sarniaaquariumsociety@hotmail.ca**

**[www.sarniaaquariumsociety.com](http://www.sarniaaquariumsociety.com)**



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# A.K.A. Convention 2017

May 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>

Crowne Plaza - Chicago Northbrook  
2875 N. Milwaukee Avenue  
Northbrook, IL 60062



**Jan Willem Hoetmer**  
The Netherlands  
Collecting and Raising Killifish



**Ron Harlan**  
Collecting Killifish in Bolivia



**Dalton Nielsen**  
Brazil  
Collecting and Maintaining  
the Killifish of Brazil



**Jack Heller**  
Rainy Season Collecting Trip  
to the Peruvian Amazon



**Richard Pierce**  
Killifish of Madagascar

## Also:

A Huge Fish Show with killifish from all over the world

Saturday Morning Killifish Sale

Saturday Evening Banquet and Awards Program

Giant Sunday Auction with hundreds of pairs of killifish  
available including many rare and seldom seen species



For more information email: [convention@aka.org](mailto:convention@aka.org),  
watch our web site or follow us on Facebook

[www.aka.org](http://www.aka.org)





# Houston Aquarium Society and Houston Cichlid Club Present the 2018 American Cichlid Association Convention! (ACA 2018)

## Featuring

- World Class Speakers
- Amazing Side Trips
- Firework Show
- Giant Auction

## Location

Hilton Nasa Clear Lake  
3001 E. Nasa Parkway  
Houston TX, 77058

## Dates

July 4th - July 8th, 2018

[www.2018acacares.com](http://www.2018acacares.com)