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Visit WWW.GPASI.ORG

General Meetings are held at the
Phipps Garden Center in Mellon
Park at the Corner of
5th and Shady Avenues.
DOORS OPEN AT 7 PM

General Meetings

Feb. 25, Mar. 11,
Apr. 22, May 20, June 24,
July 29, Aug. 26, Sep. 30,
Oct. 28, Nov. 18

Board of Directors Meetings

7 p.m. at Elmer's Aquarium in
Monroeville:

Feb 28, Apr 4,
May 2, June 6, July 11,
Aug 8, Sept 12, Oct 10, Nov 7

All members and suggestions for
discussion are welcome. Contact a board
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Upcoming GPASI Events

February Meeting

Our next meeting will be on February 25 at the Phipps Garden Center. Doors open at 7 pm, and the meeting starts at 7:30. Our speaker will be GPASI member Joe Amuso, who will speak on showing fish (to help prepare members for our Fish Extravaganza March 11-13). Joe has shown fish (especially cichlids) at our shows as well as at national and regional shows. He is the show chair this year and has been working hard at making our show at a new venue a big success. We will also see a brief presentation by Tim King of Rolf Hagen-Laguna. Please join us.

March Meeting & Show

Remember that our March meeting will be on the 11th at the **Comfort Inn East** as part of our 2005 Fish Extravaganza. Pam Chin will speak on cichlids. There will be no auction that night, since we will be getting ready for our big auction on Sunday, but you will be able to register and set up any fish that you plan to show that evening. And it's a great opportunity to get to chat with a well-known expert like Pam Chin.

Other speakers at our show will include Steve Rybicki on angelfish, Tullio Dellaquila on lighting, and our own Bill Shenefelt on killies. For more show information, visit show.gpasi.org. We will also include details about the show in our next newsletter.

President's Message

By Joe Krajcovic

I hope everyone is doing well. My name is Joe Krajcovic and I am the new president of the Greater Pittsburgh Aquarium Society for 2005. I am a Pittsburgh native and a Biology teacher at Sto-Rox High School. I have been a member of GPASI since coming to the spring show 3 years ago, and I served on the Board of Directors in 2004. I remember being amazed at both the numbers of fish and the people who kept them when I came to my first show. After looking around for a while and picking up some gorgeous killies, I bumped into Chuck Bialon. Chuck informed me about the club and the regular meetings, and the rest is history. The best thing that I have found about GPASI is how nice and helpful the members are. If you have a problem with any type of fish, there is someone who is knowledgeable and willing to help. I have kept freshwater fish all of my life, starting with a 10-gallon guppy tank. I have since dabbled in cichlids, natives, tetras, live bearers and some brackish water fish. Most of the fish that I keep now are killies, and I really enjoy breeding them (handpicking the eggs) and raising the fry.

By serving as president, I am hoping to accomplish a few goals this year:

- Increase awareness and membership of GPASI
- Start a Kid's Club that focuses on getting kid's more involved
- Recognize the knowledgeable resources (individuals) that we have in GPASI
- Increase member involvement and camaraderie

In closing, I want to say thank you to the members for electing me as president, and I am looking forward to a great year. See you at the February meeting and Spring Show.

Awards Banquet March 12

As part of our show, cash prizes and trophies will be given at the awards banquet at the Comfort Inn Saturday evening, March 12, at 7:00. The dinner will be \$25.00 per person. Dinner includes buffet, dessert, coffee & soft drinks. Please let us know if you plan to attend the awards banquet by sending your name, address, city, state, zip, and number of dinners to Jim Davidson, GPASI Treasurer. Seating is limited, so reserve your place soon.

Send check for total number of dinners ordered at \$25.00 each. Make check payable to GPASI. Mail to GPASI, c/o Jim Davidson, 1453 Woodbine Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15201.

Member Article

Why Most BAPs Are BAD by Kevin Hosmer

Good intentions often have unexpected consequences. For example, the aquarium hobby's ubiquitous Breeder Award Programs (BAPs) were never meant to reduce the genetic viability of our captive tropical fish populations. Because the program rules are typically unsophisticated and the participants' goals are short-term, inbreeding may occur with highly detrimental effects upon long-term species maintenance. The rules for aquarium clubs' Breeder Award Programs should be redesigned to sustain genetic viability and to create an incentive for hobbyists to keep species for multiple successful spawnings.

While I do not advocate converting BAPs to a strict species maintenance program due to inherent obstacles (Langton), I believe Breeder Award Programs should incorporate some species maintenance concepts. Various BAP chairs have attempted to entice me into program participation while I was a member of their respective aquarium clubs. The chairs always assured me that their programs supported species maintenance; I disagreed.

Most societies offer some form of Breeder Award Program. Published program goals vary; although all contain elements recognizing achievements in the breeding of fish, acquiring and sharing information related to and breeding of aquarium fish, and increasing member participation in club activities. Occasionally, a published description alludes to species maintenance:

The purpose of the Breeders Award Program is to recognize outstanding achievements in the breeding of aquarium fish. It is also the purpose of the BAP to encourage the distributing of tank bred aquarium fish [hopefully reducing the need to collect from wild populations], sharing the breeding techniques, and participation of club members. (Anderson)

Points, based upon species' rarity and breeding difficulty, are typically awarded to BAP participants for only the first group of juveniles brought to auction. Seldom does an organization reward a hobbyist for raising subsequent schools of young fish. There are a few exceptions such as the Boston Aquarium Society's program (Cezanne). A typical sequence of events might be the following: A BAP participant obtains a mated pair of fish that reproduce; an article documenting the process is written and submitted for publication in the club's newsletter; upon reaching the juvenile stage, four to six brother and sister fish are sold at the club auction; points are awarded by the club; the BAP participant disposes of his or her remaining fish, making the aquarium space available for a different species – and eventually more BAP points. This sequence is commonly and accurately referred to as "breed and dump" or BAD!

Maintenance of genetically healthy, captive fish populations is becoming more important if species are to be available to the aquarium hobby in the future. Legal collection of non-endangered wild specimens has become increasingly difficult due to bureaucratic obstacles (Green) since worldwide adoption of the Convention of International Trade in Endangered Species (Wijnstekers) in the mid-

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1970s. Similarly, as extinction in the wild nears for many fish, maintenance of genetically healthy, captive populations becomes more important if endangered species are to be present anywhere on Earth!

Even without a formal species maintenance program, aquarium clubs can play an important role in species maintenance via their BAP. Under current rules, most programs fail in this endeavor. Too often, a type of fish is available until all interested BAP participants have obtained their points; then the species disappears from the club's geographical area. In addition, successive pairings of related individuals rapidly reduces genetic viability and reduces the probability of successful, long-term species maintenance. These factors have likely contributed to "I haven't seen (some type of fish) for many years" being overheard at club meetings.

Although inbreeding can produce traits that are considered to be very attractive and desirable, devastating consequences are possible (Forrest). A recent personal experience provided evidence of a negative consequence of inbreeding. Four young *Apistogramma borelli* were obtained at the Greater Pittsburgh Aquarium Society's monthly auction as a submission for the club's BAP. This free-swimming cichlid fish species is frequently available due to the club's high rate of member participation in the BAP. Eventually a pair of the *borelli* mated in my home aquarium and the eggs hatched. Twenty-five of twenty-seven fry did not develop a proper swim bladder and were condemned to sliding along the bottom of the aquarium for their entire lives.

I am unaware of any BAPs that provide incentives for hobbyists to obtain genetically unrelated fish for breeding, which could be easily accomplished. Shipping viable eggs or live animals is expensive and sometimes unsuccessful. Difficulty and inconvenience are encountered when transporting live fish while traveling. Why not reward the hobbyist with significant BAP bonus points if he or she undertakes or accomplishes this difficult task? Most BAPs do not encourage or reward hobbyists for keeping species for repeat breeding. Retaining a species within a club's geographical area can be achieved by rewarding repeat spawnings. Using the Boston Aquarium Society's program as a model, awarding token BAP points would provide some incentive for keeping a species long-term and frequently bringing young fish to auction for other members.

Resistance to implementing such changes stems from the difficulty in administering a revised program and verifying claims for points. Unlike some organizations (Busch), most programs are on the honor system and do not require verification. However, if proof of fish origin were necessary, a letter from the source hobbyist could usually be obtained.

Breeder Award Programs were originally designed to provide incentives for hobbyists to breed and share their aquarium fish and the knowledge that was gained from the breeding experience. However, the programs are detrimental to the genetic quality of captive fish populations. The hobby would greatly benefit if Breeder Award Programs were redesigned to sustain genetic viability and encourage long-term breeding of any species of fish. ■

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MARCH 11, 12, 13

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From U.S. Route 22, follow I-376 Exit 11.

From Business 22 West to 791 North (Rodi Road)

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FRIDAY, MARCH 11

10 am Set up: table layout, main air lines, vendors, etc.
6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Registration of entries
7 p.m. GPASI Monthly Meeting at Comfort Inn East
Speaker: Pam Chin on Cichlids
Everyone welcome!

SATURDAY, MARCH 12

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration of Entries
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fish Room Open to Public
12:30 Speaker: Steve Rybicki on Angelfish & Genetics
2:00 Speaker: Pam Chin on Cichlids
4:00 Fish Room Closed for Judging
4:00 Speaker: Tullio Delaquilla on Lighting
5:00 Speaker: Bill Shenefelt on Killies
7:00 Awards Banquet

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

9 a.m. Buyer and Seller Auction Registration
9 a.m. Fish Room Open to Public
11 a.m. to finish Huge Auction
4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Show entries may be removed



ART BY KATHY BINTRIM

SHOW ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1. Anyone may enter in any number of classes with no limitations on the number of entries. Affiliation with GPASI or any other aquarium society is not required.
2. Entries must be placed in the most appropriate class as outlined on the "Class" sheets. An entry may be moved by the judges or show committee if it is not in the proper class. Decisions of the Show Chair are final.
3. Each entry may be entered in only one class. An entry will consist of a single fish, except where the rules state otherwise.
4. All entries of an exhibitor must be registered at one time. This includes the set-up of tanks. Empty tanks left unattended for over 2 hours will be moved aside to make room for other entries. Upon your return, we can squeeze in your entries.
5. Registration will begin on Friday at 6:00 pm and will run until 10:00 pm. Saturday registration starts at 9 am and ends at 4pm. Exceptions to the stated registration times may be made by the show chair if advance notification is given. The Show area will close at exactly 4:00 pm Saturday! No Exceptions! The Show area will remain closed until judging is complete.
6. Show Area: The show area will be closed to all entrants (except show committee members) beginning at 4:00 pm Saturday, until judging is completed.
7. Due to the number of people who walk through the show, it is advisable for local entrants to register their fish as early as possible on Friday. This will alleviate any "getting in the way" trouble for entrants and viewers. GPASI members are urged to have their fish set up before noon on Saturday.
8. The registration fee must be paid at the time of registration and will follow this schedule:

\$1.50 US per entry for 1 - 20 entries.

\$30.00 US maximum charge for 20 or more entries.

You can only register under this fee schedule once.
There is no entry fee for the Junior Class entries (under 16 years of age).

9. All entries must be on the show premises. No Exceptions.
10. No hybrids are permitted in any Classes.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. All entries must remain in place for the duration of the show, which ends at 4:00 pm on Sunday. Entries will be removed for auction by the show committee or otherwise with prior authorization of the Show Chair. The fish cannot be removed prior to the judge's evaluation of the fish.
2. The show committee reserves the right to remove or require the removal of any entry because of a dead fish, leaking tank, or other malfunctioning equipment.
3. Although show committee personnel will be stationed in the show area at all times, neither GPASI nor the Comfort Inn will be responsible for loss or damage to fish or equipment. The public is encouraged to attend the show; therefore, ALL ENTRANTS ARE REQUIRED TO COVER THEIR TANKS AND BOWLS SECURELY, to keep the fish IN and to keep others OUT.
4. Anything remaining in the show area after 8:00 pm on Sunday will be removed and become the property of GPASI. (This does not give you an excuse to abandon your trash!)

EQUIPMENT

1. Any size tank may be used as long as it is a flat-sided tank. Standard drum bowls with flat sides are also acceptable. Any kind of tank may be used in the Tank Category.
2. Any tank over 20 gallons in any class must be placed on a separate stand provided by the entrant and must have its own air supply.
3. All tank entries may have air powered filtration and any item necessary for the contentment of the fish inside the tank or bowl. However, the judges may penalize or disqualify for not being able to see the fish because of the items in the tank. The judges must be able to remove any item from the tank in order to judge the fish. Under no circumstances is gravel permitted in a tank or bowl within the fish classes. Some type of substrate is required in the tank classes.
4. ALL TANKS AND BOWLS MUST HAVE SOME TYPE OF SECURE LID.
5. We suggest that tanks and bowls entered in the species classes have some sort of solid background (e.g. paint, "Contact" paper, or something else). The sides may also be covered. The color and the kind of background chosen is your choice.
6. Air will be supplied to within 4 feet of all entries (except free standing tanks.) Entrants must supply their own valves, tubing, airstones, etc. ALL AIR LINES MUST BE CONTROLLED BY VALVES. Upon removal of the valve, please seal the hole with masking tape to prevent the loss of air pressure.
7. Heaters will only be allowed in the Discus and tank classes. It is the entrant's responsibility to supply their own heating, lighting, extension cords, bowls, tanks, and in some instances, stands. One electrical outlet will be provided for your use (free standing tanks, only.)
8. Treated tap water will be available. Bring your own conditioners! The tap water will be from the local Water Authority and may contain some chemicals.
9. A limited supply of drum bowls, valves, airstones, and tubing will be available for purchase at deliberately outrageous prices on a first-come, first-served basis. Please plan to bring your own.
10. No spray-type window cleaners of any kind (including "organic" cleaners) are permitted in the show area.

CLASSES

Killies

1. New World
2. Old World

Cichlids

3. Discus
4. Angelfish
5. New World dwarfs
6. New World 6" and under
7. New World over 6"
8. *Aulonocara*
9. Mbunas
10. Haplochromines, Lake Malawi
11. Victorians
12. *Julidochromis*, *Chalinochromis*, and *Telmatochromis*
13. *Lamprologus* and *Neolamprologus*, Tanganyikan only
14. Old World under 4"
15. Old World cichlids AOV

Livebearers

16. Guppies, Males, Solid color tails
17. Guppies, Males, All others
18. Guppies, Females, Half Black
19. Guppies, Females, All others
20. Swordtails, Platies, Mollies, Plain finage
21. Swordtails, Platies, Mollies, Fancy finage
22. Livebearers AOV

Catfish

23. *Corydoras*, *Aspidoras*, and *Brochis*
24. Suckermouth catfish, 6" and under
25. Suckermouth catfish, over 6"
26. *Synodontis*
27. Catfish AOV

Egglayers

28. Sharks and Loaches
29. Rainbowfish
30. Rasboras, Danios, and Minnows
31. Barbs
32. Characins 2" and under
33. Characins over 2"
34. Natives
35. Egglayers AOV
36. Betta, Male, Double tail
37. Betta, Male, single tail
38. Betta, Female
39. Anabantids under 4"
40. Anabantids, 4" and over

Goldfish

41. Goldfish w/head growth: Orandas, Lionhead, and Pompoms
42. Goldfish w/ eye types: Moors, Bubble eyes, Celestials
43. Fantails, Ryukins, and Pearlscales
44. Goldfish AOV

Junior Division

45. Junior Egglayer
46. Junior Livebearer

Specialty Classes

47. Sexable Pairs (1 male and 1 female)
48. Family (parents and six fry at least 3 months old)
49. Aquatic Plants
50. Saltwater fish All Varieties (will compete for Best Egglayer in Show)

51. Tank Beautiful (Fresh or Salt up to 10 gal.)
52. Arts and crafts
53. Slides and photos

MAJOR TROPHIES

1. Best Of Show
2. Reserve Best Of Show
3. President Award (Most Points In Show)
4. Jack Wilson Memorial Award (Most Points For GPASI Member)
5. Challenge Trophy (Most Points Visiting Society)

JUDGING

1. All efforts will be made to see that judging is completed and all entries are marked Saturday evening.
2. No entrant will be permitted in the show area during judging, unless by approval of the show chair.
3. ALL DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES ARE FINAL and are not subject to appeal.

AWARDS

Cash and an award card will be presented to First, Second, and Third place winners in most classes. (\$10 for first, \$7 for second, and \$3 for third.) All cash prizes will be handed out to the winners at the Awards Banquet on Saturday.

Trophies will be given out to winners of the 7 divisions and the five major award categories listed below.

1. A trophy will be awarded to the "Best of Show – Fish" and will be chosen from the seven divisional winners (Killifish, Cichlids, Livebearers, Catfish, Egglayers, Goldfish and Juniors).
2. A "Reserve Best of Show - Fish" will be chosen from all entrants.
3. The "Best of Show – Cichlid" entry will also be awarded an ACA Medallion.
4. One President's Award will be presented to the entrant who accumulates the most points. Points for this and other awards will be based on the following system:

Each Best Of Show	= 6 Points
Reserve Best of Show	= 5 points
Each Divisional	= 4 points
Each First Place	= 3 Points
Each Second Place	= 2 points
Each Third Place	= 1 point
5. The "Jack Wilson Memorial" award will be presented to the current GPASI member who accumulates the most points following the preceding system.
6. The "Challenge Trophy" will be presented to the visiting society that accumulates the most points following the preceding scoring system. The first society listed on your registration form will be the only society awarded any challenge points.
7. A FAAS Medallion will be awarded to the first place Junior Class Winner.

NO POINTS WILL BE GIVEN FOR NON-PLACING ENTRIES. Ties will be broken by the number of 1st place awards on down until a winner is determined. These procedures will be followed for all pointed awards.

AUCTION RULES

1. Registration for both buyers and sellers will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m.

2. All GPASI member BAP and AHAP items will be auctioned at the beginning of the auction. Donations will be sold during the auction at the auction chair's discretion.

3. Following the sale of the last AHAP item, the auctioneer will move on to items offered for sale by registered sellers. The proceeds from the sale will be split between the seller and GPASI at a ratio of 70% to 30% in favor of the seller.

4. The Auction will be conducted using a ten-table system. All items ending in #1 go on Table #1, all ending in #2 go on Table #2, etc. All items ending in #0 go on Table #10. All items with #1, #11, #21 etc will be auctioned first. Following tables to be sold will be picked at random.

5. There is no maximum or minimum number of bags that can be placed in the auction. However, a maximum of 5 bags of one species or color variety for one seller will be in effect. The auction chair can modify this rule at his discretion if a request is made prior to the day of the auction. Each item will be assigned a seller's code (usually the seller's initials) and a number by the seller, such as PDB - 1. Letter identifications can be pre-registered by phoning Jim Davidson at (412) 781-3938 between 5-9 p.m., ONLY. Only 1 letter identification will be assigned to a household.

6. Only fish and plants will be sold at the auction – no dry goods.

7. Anyone in attendance may purchase or sell items in the auction, but must first register with GPASI as a buyer and/or seller.

8. ALL BIDDERS must have a bidding card whether paying cash or running a tab. Buyers may pay cash at the time of purchase. All registered buyers will be given an account number and be designated as a cash or account buyer. This account number will be used to designate their purchases. The account buyer must sign a bidder's slip that shows the price, item number, and your buyer number agreeing to pay the listed price. Buyers setting up a buyer account will be required to leave identification with the registration table. This is usually a valid driver's license. All other forms of identification must be approved by the show chair. Upon paying your tab you will be returned your identification. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE! A Buyer Account must be established before making your bid. Auctioneers will only recognize those bidders with the appropriate bidder's cards.

9. Bidding will be made in increments of one dollar. While the auctioneer may suggest a price to start the bidding, a lower opening bid may be offered by anyone. The minimum bid on any item is one dollar.

10. Acceptable means of payment: GPASI will accept cash in the form of US currency, a US money order, a cashier's check in US funds, or a traveler's check in US funds with proper identification. Personal checks in US funds may be accepted with proper identification. Verification must be recognized in advance. GPASI reserves the right to refuse to accept any personal check.

11. There will be NO EARLY CHECK-OUTS PERMITTED DURING THE AUCTIONING OF THE LAST TWO TABLES. Check-outs (paying for your auction purchases) will resume at the closing of the auction.

12. To place a bid, merely raise your bidding card to gain the recognition of the auctioneer. The auctioneer can accept only one bid at each price and the decision of the auctioneer as to who made that bid is final. It is the bidder's responsibility to communicate the bid to the auctioneer. The auctioneer will not be held responsible for lost bids or inaccurate bids due to lack of communication or the inability of the buyer to get the auctioneer's attention.

13. Bags used to hold items for sale must be clear plastic and of the type used in pet stores. "Baggies," "Zip-Locs" or opaque trash bags are unacceptable and will be returned to the seller. Each bag must be sealed by a rubber band or tied shut. Twist-ties are not acceptable. The bag should generally contain 1/3

water and 2/3 air. Any item needing to be rebagged by the show committee will be charged a \$1 rebagging fee that will be deducted from the seller's proceeds. Large or spiked fish must be double-bagged.

14. The seller must have certain required information on the bag in order to properly sell the item. The minimum requirements are the Seller Code and bag number, Species scientific/common name, quantity in the bag, seller's name and phone number. The information provided must be legible, large enough to read, and unaffected by water. Items to be auctioned will be checked by a member of the auction committee prior to being placed on the auction tables. Any problems with items to be auctioned will be corrected by the seller at this time.

15. The auction chair reserves the right to refuse any fish for sale due to deformity, illness, etc. 16. If a buyer experiences problems with a seller's fish, please take up the problem with the seller. It is advisable to let GPASI know of the problem; in that way we can better control next year's auction.

17. Proceeds from the auction will be paid by check to the seller within two weeks of the show. Proceeds will not be deducted from your purchases at the show. You will be expected to pay for your purchases at the time of sale. All sellers' splits will be paid by the stated check.

MEALS

AWARDS BANQUET REGISTRATION

\$25.00 per person. Dinner includes buffet, dessert, coffee & soft drinks.

Name _____

Address _____

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| 3/11-13 | GPASI Fish Spectacular, Comfort Inn East |
| 3/18-20 | NEC Convention, Farmington, CT
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