

2009 FAAS Publication Awards Reprint Policies

The Federation of American Aquarium Societies encourages you to reprint the best articles from our 2009 Publication Awards. Please follow the Reprint Policies dictated by each society.

Society	Reprint Policy	Where to Send Reprints
Aquarium Club of Lancaster County	Anyone using original material from any "Tank Tales" must return two (2) copies of the original article to our exchange editor.	Joel Antkowiak 36 Dawkins Drive East Earl, PA 17519
Atlanta Aquarium Association	Allowed and Appreciated, provided notice given to AAAA.	Atlanta Aquarium Association 3405 Avocet Court Norcross, GA 30092
Greater City Aquarium Society	Not-for-profit aquarium societies are hereby granted permission to reproduce articles and illustrations from this publication, unless the article indicates that the copyrights have been retained by the author, and provided reprints indicate source, and two copies of the publication are sent to the Exchange Editor of this magazine. Any other reproduction or commercial use of the material in this publication is prohibited without express written prior permission.	Stephen Sica Exchange Editor Modern Aquarium 80-40 223 Street Hollis Hills, NY 11427-1223
Hill Country Cichlid Club	Reprints are permitted providing proper citation is included as well as a copy of the publication sent to HCCC librarian.	Hill Country Cichlid Club 1302 Greenhill Dr. Canyon Lake, TX 78133
Kitchener-Waterloo Aquarium Society	Articles from this publication may be printed in a not for profit publication provided credit is given to both the author and KWAS. Copies of the reprint must be sent to both the author and KWAS. Any other use is prohibited without the written consent of KWAS.	Kitchener-Waterloo Aquarium Society Box 38037 256 King Street North, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada N2J 4T9
Long Island Society	Permission to reprint original articles is hereby granted to other non-profit organizations, provided proper credit is given to both the author and the Long Island Aquarium Society and two (2) copies of the reprint are sent to the editor.	Long Island Aquarium Society P.O. Box 873 Nesconset, NY 11767
Milwaukee Aquarium Society	Reprints of original articles published in the Splash are permitted. When reprinting an article from the Splash, please: credit the author, the Splash and the Milwaukee Aquarium Society. Send two copies of the issue containing the reprint to the address below, one for the club and the other for the author.	Milwaukee Aquarium Society PO Box 250824 Milwaukee, WI 53225
Nassau County Aquarium Society	Permission to reprint original articles is hereby granted to other non-profit organizations, provided proper credit is given to both the author and NCAS and two (2) copies of the reprint are sent to the editor. Any original artwork remains the property of the artist and may not be reproduced. NCAS prohibits distribution of any articles contained in the Pisces Press on any online electronic service, unless written permission is granted from both the editor and the author.	Nassau County Aquarium Society P.O. Box 358 Glenwood Landing, NY 11547
Pacific Coast Cichlid Association	Material in Cichlidae Communiqué may be reprinted by non-profit organizations, provided that proper credit is given to the Cichlidae Communiqué and the author, and that two copies of the publication containing the reprinted material (one for the author, the other for the PCCA library) be sent to the PCCA. Reprints must also be accompanied by the following: "Reprinted from Cichlidae Communiqué, publication of the Pacific Coast Cichlid Association"	PCCA P.O. Box 28145 San Jose, CA 95159-814

“Finding Hidden Treasures” in A View ...From the Other Side of the Tank

by Margaret Peterson

On October 4th, a few adventurous souls from the Long Island Aquarium Society ventured out on a beautiful Sunday afternoon for our second annual seining trip. This trip was led by two excellent guides, our very own Tracy Marcus, a marine biologist, and Steve Abrams, a professor of marine sciences from Stony Brook University and a true friend to our club. The trip was originally scheduled for Saturday but due to weather conditions; it was recommended that we reschedule for the next day. It was an excellent decision as the weather conditions were “picture perfect” to do what we came to do. Some of the folks who attended this trip attended last year’s trip so they had an idea as to what to expect regarding the type of “work” involved. It never ceases to amaze me when those seining nets are hauled



ashore, what tropical delights are waiting for us within those nets. I feel that this year’s catch was even better than last year’s in that the variety was more extensive. A large number of fish were released back into the waters because they were either endangered or would not survive if we were to bring them home to put into a tank. I am so very grateful that we had Tracy and

Steve with us because many of the fish caught in their juvenile forms do not look anything like their adult forms. They were able to tell us what we had and if it would survive if taken from the waters at this point in time. I was happy to see that some of the creatures were taken by Tracy to be housed at the Sport Fishing Education Center as part of the marine education program used by many of the elementary schools.

We have always had marine tanks in our home. They have changed sizes and shapes throughout the years but there has always been a “quarantine tank” set up ready to go *just in case* because according to my husband, “You never know when a good deal will come along...” I have to say that through the years this preparedness has served us well. Whenever he comes across a bargain, so to speak, he is prepared to receive this marine species. As many of you know, marine fish should be quarantined for at least 21 days to be certain they are free of diseases and parasites before introduced into any other existing or larger tank. The motto here is, “Better to be safe than sorry.” We ended up taking home seven assorted sizes of tropical butterflies, two sea horses, one light in color and one dark, and our favorite fish, a little big eye.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with that particular fish, it is a bright red fish, small in size and it seems as though his eye takes up almost his whole body. Hence his name... little big eye. Although this little guy is small, don’t let this fool you. He is one tough little fish. He eats like a piranha, and can fight for what he wants and he’ll win every time. He has fought off all the fish for whatever piece of food he’s decided he wants to eat. He has been known to lie quite still within the branches of a tree-like plant we took from the bay and not move until feeding time. Then, it’s all up for grabs! He eyes what he wants and makes certain he gets it. He is so fast I can not sure how Jim caught him. I do know that Steve Abrams directed Jim over to a certain area of the bay, a corner area so to speak and sure enough, one seine yielded this little fish and a very happy husband. Steve was kind enough to tell everyone ahead of time that if this particular fish was caught, it belonged to Jim because he remembered from last year that it was Jim’s favorite. Thank you Steve for your expertise and guidance in helping to procure our little big eye.

My mom joined us for this event and she so enjoyed listening to Tracy and Steve as they educated all of us about each of the nets brought into the shore. She commented how lucky we are to have such nice people as members of our club. It was a very enjoyable afternoon and I am so sorry so many missed out on such a great opportunity! Maybe next year...