

THE GREATER AKRON AQUARIUM SOCIETY

And The
**CANADIAN ASSOCIATION
OF AQUARIUM CLUBS**

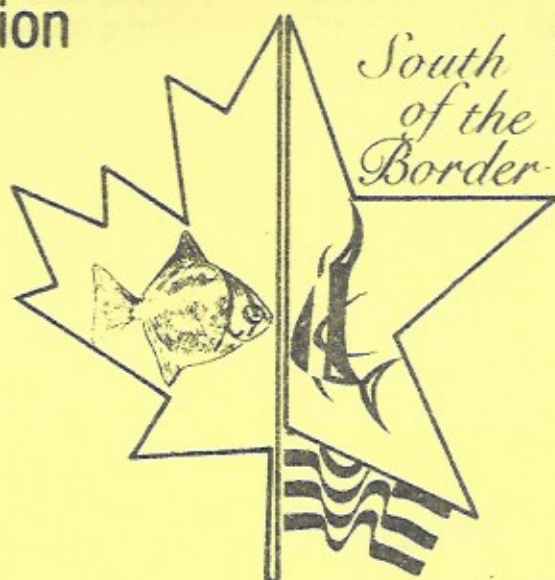
Present

ULTRA-AQUA '91 **1991 CAOAC CONVENTION**

21st Annual 94 Class All-Species Show

F.A.A.S. Sanction
Auctions

A.L.A. Sanction
Speakers



North American Goldfish Championship
Great Lakes Catfish and Loach Championship

Holiday Inn, Boston Heights, Ohio
Ohio Turnpike Exit 12 (Rt. 8)

Greater Akron Aquarium Society
21st Annual Show (ULTRA AQUA '91)
Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs Convention

Holiday Inn - Hudson
Hudson, Ohio

August 2 thru August 4, 1991

NOTE: Throughout these rules the word EXHIBITOR is used to designate the person(s) entering the show. The word EXHIBIT is used to designate an entry in a class.

A. EXHIBITORS' AND ENTRIES' QUALIFICATIONS

1. Exhibitors in the Junior Classes must not have reached his or her 16th birthday by August 3, 1991.
2. Exhibitors in Commercial Class must be either dealers and/or wholesalers of fishes or aquarium products. Proof of Commercial status will be required.
3. All other classes are open to any aquarist.
4. No limit to the number of entries per exhibitor.
5. No entry will be entered in more than one class.
6. Only ONE entry permitted in each tank unless using a divider, providing the entries are in the same class.
7. The club affiliation that is listed first on the entry form will be used to determine points for the Challenge Trophy.

B. ENTRY DEADLINE

1. All entry forms and fees must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. August 3, 1991.
2. All exhibits must be set up either on Friday August 2, between 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. or on Saturday August 3, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (The fish room will be closed promptly at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday.)
3. Tampering with any exhibit other than that which belongs to oneself is strictly forbidden. If an entry needs to be moved for any reason the Show Committee will do so.
4. No extensions or early tear-downs without prior permission of the Show Governing Board (Show Chairman, Convention Chairpersons, and the President).

C. DURATION OF SHOW

1. All exhibits will be under the full control of the Show Committee while in the show. They must remain there for the duration of the show.
2. All exhibits can be removed from the show between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 4th or at the end of the auction, whichever comes first.
3. Items not claimed by 7 p.m. August 4th will become the property of G.A.A.S.
4. Neither the Holiday Inn - Hudson, CAOAC nor the Greater Akron Aquarium Society will be held responsible for any loss or damage incurred during the show. Exhibitors do have a responsibility to be careful with water.

D. ENTRY FEES

1. Commercial show tank entries will be \$10.00 per exhibit.
2. All other classes will be \$1.25 per exhibit.
3. All checks and money orders are to be made payable to the Greater Akron Aquarium Society in U.S. funds. Entry fees are not refundable.

E. JUDGING

1. Judging will take place on Sunday morning August 4, 1991. No unauthorized people will be permitted in the fish room during the judging. The show site will be open to the public by noon.

2. Decisions for the awards will be final and are not subject to appeal.
3. Points for all accumulative point award trophies will be awarded as follows:
 - Third place - 1 point
 - Second place - 2 points
 - First place - 4 points
4. Classification and sizes of fishes to be determined by Sterba's Freshwater Fishes of the World, Volume 1 and 2 and by references chosen by the Show Committee.

F. EQUIPMENT

1. **Containers:** All species' entries will be displayed in flat-sided containers. All entries except where noted should be bare and have a solid background. (Plants or decorations are not recommended). G.A.A.S. will have a limited supply of background material available. Only ONE entry will be permitted in each tank unless a divider is used providing the entries are in the same class.
2. **Electricity:** G.A.A.S. will supply electrical outlets where necessary to within four feet of Tank Classes.
3. **Air:** G.A.A.S. will provide air to within four feet of all exhibits. Exhibitors are to supply their own valves, tubing, and airstones. Sponges and box filters are optional. Tank classes may use filtration of the exhibitor's choice. There will be no open air lines. Valves should be used.
4. **Stands:** Tables and racks will be provided for all exhibits where tank size of 20 gallons and under are used. Exhibitor(s) must provide their own stand for any tank over 20 gallons.
5. **Lighting:** No lights or reflectors are required, except for the Tank Classes.
6. **Covers:** All exhibits are to have full covers of the exhibitor's choice for the protection of the specimen(s) being displayed. These covers are NOT provided by G.A.A.S.
7. **Heaters:** The show area is normally maintained at a minimum of 70 degrees. Heaters are not permitted.
8. **Water:** A limited amount of de-chlorinated Akron city water will be available at room temperature and a pH of 7.6 (approx.).
9. **Sprays:** NO SPRAY TYPE WINDOW CLEANERS PERMITTED IN THE SHOW AREA.

G. AUCTION

1. See auction form for completed rules for the Friday night dry-goods auction and the Sunday show entries, fish, live foods and plants auction.
2. Exhibitors may choose to have their exhibits auctioned. This must be indicated on the entry form in the space provided.
3. Proceeds of the auction may be donated entirely to G.A.A.S. or will be split on a 70/30 basis, with G.A.A.S. remitting 70% to the exhibitor within two weeks from the closing date of the show. A breakdown sales list will be included.
4. Once registered for the auction, items cannot be withdrawn.

H. AWARDS

1. Trophies will be awarded for first, second, and third place in each class.
2. Winners of all Tank Classes except Commercial Class will compete for **BEST OF SHOW TANK**.
3. Commercial Class entries will be judged by all the judges and will be awarded a trophy for first, second, and third place.
4. The **President's Trophy** will be awarded to the exhibitor(s) who receive(s) the most points (with only 15 points from the Photography Classes being eligible toward this award).
5. Trophies will also be presented for: **BEST OF SHOW CICHLID, BEST OF SHOW EGGLAYER** (excluding Goldfish and Cichlids), **BEST OF SHOW GOLDFISH, BEST OF SHOW LIVEBEARER & BEST OF SHOW SALTWATER ANIMAL**.
7. The **Challenge Trophy** will be awarded to the visiting club accumulating the most points.
8. The special **KOBAYASHI** trophy will be awarded to the person(s) accumulating the most points in the Goldfish Classes.
9. The **S.W.A.C.O.L. Cup** will be awarded to the person(s) accumulating the most points in the Saltwater Classes. You must also enter a Saltwater Tank to qualify for this award.

10. The **GREAT LAKES CATFISH AND LOACH CHAMPIONSHIP** trophy will be awarded to the person(s) accumulating the most points in the Catfish/Loach Classes.
11. **BEST OF SHOW LIVEBEARER, BEST OF SHOW EGGLAYER, BEST OF SHOW FISH and CAOAC CLUB CHALLENGE Revolving Trophies** will be presented by CAOAC at the show.

NOTE: It is unlawful in the State of Ohio to transport (and in some cases to own) the following species:

Walking Catfish/*Clarius batrachus*
 Grass Carp/*Ctenopharyngodon idella*
 Water Hyacinth/*Eichhornia crassipes*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SHOW CHAIRMAN

Ken McGill
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 Norwalk, Ohio 44857
 (419) 668-7452

CONVENTION CHAIRPERSONS

Rich Serva/Gina Tash
 5407 South Celeste View Drive
 Stow, Ohio 44224
 (216) 650-4613

CONVENTION REGISTRATION: If you would like to attend the Saturday night dinner or the Convention speakers, please fill out the Convention Registration Form in the back of this flyer and send the filled out form along with the Convention fees (US FUNDS ONLY) to: Rich Serva/Gina Tash at the above address. **The dinner choices will be Broiled Halibut Steak, Chicken Venezia, and Roast Sirloin of Beef.** Please remember to check off your dinner choice on the Convention Registration Form.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: There is a block of rooms being held at the Holiday Inn - Hudson at Routes 8, just north of the Ohio Turnpike exit 12. Room rates are listed on the **ROOM RESERVATION CARD** in the back of this book. In order to get this rate please mention the **GAAS Show & Convention** when reserving a room (phone- 216/653-9191). **You must call before July 12th to get this rate.** To insure that you get a room at any motel, make arrangements early. Other motels in the same area are Regency Inn (216/650-1100), Knights Inn (216/467-1981), and Bostonian Motel (216/650-4341).

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday

2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Registration (Convention & Show)
8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	1st Speaker - Jaap-Jan de Greef
9:00 p.m. - ?	Dry goods auction

Saturday

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration (Convention)
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration (Show)
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	2nd Speaker - Mike Trzonkowski
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	3rd Speaker - Rosario LaCorte
11:00 a.m. - noon	4th Speaker - Lee Finley
Noon - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch break
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	CAOAC judging seminar
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	5th Speaker - Jaap-Jan de Greef
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	6th Speaker - Wayne Leibel
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	CAOAC Talk
6:30 p.m.	Cocktails
7:30 p.m.	Dinner & Dance

Sunday

Noon - 5:00 p.m.	Open to Public
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Auction Registration
Noon	Awards Presentation
1:00 p.m. - ?	Fish, plants & live foods auction

NOTE: If a specific class exists for a genus name, all fish with that genus name must be entered in that class (e.g. *Synodontis*).

1. Guppy (Male - Solid Color Tail)
2. Guppy (Male - Bi & Multi Color Tail)
3. Guppy (Female)
4. Swordtails - Common Finnage (*X. helleri*)
5. Swordtails - Fancy Finnage (*X. helleri*)
6. Variatus & Platies - Common Finnage (*X. variatus* & *X. maculatus*)
7. Variatus & Platies - Fancy Finnage (*X. variatus* & *X. maculatus*)
8. All other *Xiphophorus* species
9. Mollies
10. Goodeids
11. All Other Livebearers
12. Jr. - Livebearers
13. Family Class (Livebearers - parents and 10 or more fry under three months old). The fishes must have been bred by the exhibitor(s).
14. Angels (Common Finnage)
15. Angels (Fancy Finnage)
16. Discus
17. New World Cichlids 5" & under (mature size)
18. New World Cichlids over 5" to 9" (mature size)
19. New World Cichlids over 9" (mature size)
20. *Pseudotropheus*, *Melanochromis*, & *Labeotropheus*
21. *Haplochromis* & *Aulonocara*
22. *Julidochromis*, *Chalinochromis*, & *Telmatochromis*
23. *Lamprologus*
24. All other Rift Lake Cichlids
25. All other Old World Cichlids
26. Barbs 3 1/2" & under (mature size)
27. Barbs over 3 1/2" (mature size)
28. Characidae 2" & under (mature size)
29. Characidae over 2" to 6" (mature size)
30. Characidae over 6" (mature size)
31. *Brachydanios*
32. Minnows, Rasboras, & AOV Danios
33. Aquatic Plants
34. **Freshwater Aquarium Beautiful:** A display of fish as they would be seen in an aesthetically pleasing environment, using live or artificial plants. A 20 gallon or under, regular or odd shaped tank of your choice with a reflector.
35. **Jr. Decorated Tank:** A display of fish with live or artificial plants using a background, gravel and a reflector. The display must have been done by the child. A 20 gallon and under, regular or odd-shaped tank of your choice.
36. **Novelty Aquarium:** A display of fish to express some main theme. Total display must be confined to an area 36 inches long by 18 inches wide (front to back). No other restrictions. Use your imagination!
37. **Bowl Beautiful:** A standard, flat sided 1/2 gallon drum bowl must be used. Bowls must contain at least one fish. The purpose of this class is to show that tanks need not be large to be beautiful.
38. **Marine Aquarium:** A display of fish and/or invertebrates as they would be seen in their natural marine environment. Natural or artificial objects may be used provided they give a marine appearance and are non-toxic to the tank inhabitants. A 20 gallon and under, regular or odd-shaped tank of your choice.
39. **Commercial Aquarium:** To create competition among dealers and give them a chance to show their ability to exhibit a decorated tank. Aquarium size is open. Each must supply their own stand. Dealers may display their shop name on the exhibit provided it may be removed during judging. Dealers will be given a 4'X8' space for their exhibit.
40. Brackish Water Fish
41. Marine Shrimps, Crabs, and Lobsters
42. All other Marine Invertebrates
43. Marine Clowns & Damsels
44. AOV Marine Fish
45. Freshwater Invertebrates (crabs, etc.).
46. Amphibians

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| 47. Jr. - Egglayers | 67. All Other Catfish - over 6" (mature size) |
| 48. Family Class (Egglayers - Parents and 10 or more fry under three months old.) The fishes must have been bred by the exhibitor. | 68. Corydoras, Aspidoras & Brochis - spotted & blotched |
| 49. Pairs Class (Male and Female must be visibly sexable by the Judge.) | 69. Corydoras, Aspidoras & Brochis -all other colors |
| 50. Group of Six (Any six fish of the same species and size. They will be judged on how closely they are matched.) | 70. Betta splendens (Female) |
| 51. Breeders' Class (Eight fish of the same species and size). The fishes must have been bred and raised by the exhibitor. They should be over 40 days old. | 71. Betta splendens (Male - Solid Color) |
| 52. Rainbow Fish | 72. Betta splendens (Male - Bi & Multi Colors) |
| 53. Labyrinth Fish (No Betta splendens) 4" & under (mature size) | 73. Lionheads - 3" & under |
| 54. Labyrinth Fish (No Betta splendens) over 4" (mature size) | 74. Lionheads - over 3" |
| 55. Sharks/Labeo & Cyprinids (no catfish types) | 75. Orandas - 3" & under |
| 56. Native Fish 4" & under (mature size) | 76. Orandas - over 3" |
| 57. Native Fish over 4" (mature size) | 77. Pearl Scales - 3" & under |
| 58. Eels & Knifefish | 78. Pearl Scales - over 3" |
| 59. All other species 6" & under (mature size) example: flying foxes, butterfly fish, etc. | 79. Ryukins & Ribbontails - 3" & under |
| 60. All other species over 6" (mature size) example: Polypterus, gobies, etc. | 80. Ryukins & Ribbontails - over 3" |
| 61. Loaches - Botia | 81. Bubbleeyes & Frogheads - 3" & under |
| 62. Loaches - All other types | 82. Bubbleeyes & Frogheads - over 3" |
| 63. Synodontis | 83. All Other Eye Types (including Dragon Eye) - 3" & under |
| 64. Suckermouth Catfish - Pleco types | 84. All Other Eye Types (including Dragon Eye) - over 3" |
| 65. Suckermouth Catfish - All other types example: Whiptails, Otocinclus, & Fariowella | 85. Single Caudal & Koi Types |
| 66. All Other Catfish - 6" & under (mature size) | 86. Goldfish - All Other Types |
| | 87. Killifish (New World) |
| | 88. Killifish (Old World) |
| | 89. Arts & Crafts (The entry must have been made by the entrant and it must be an inanimate object.) |

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES

Rules:

- Judging will be based on art, technical skill, and the ability of the Judge to identify the subject(s).
- No single exposure may be entered in more than one class.
- No picture of pictures.
- All prints and slides must be of a living animal.
- All entries must have been taken by the exhibitor.
- Those wishing to enter the Beginners' Class are not eligible to enter prints or slides in any other classes.

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| 90. Freshwater Fish Slide (identification) | 93. Prints |
| 91. Marine Fish Slide (identification) | 94. Beginner Slide/Print (An exhibitor who has not placed in any GAAS Photography Class previously.) |
| 92. Any other Slide | |

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SPEAKERS

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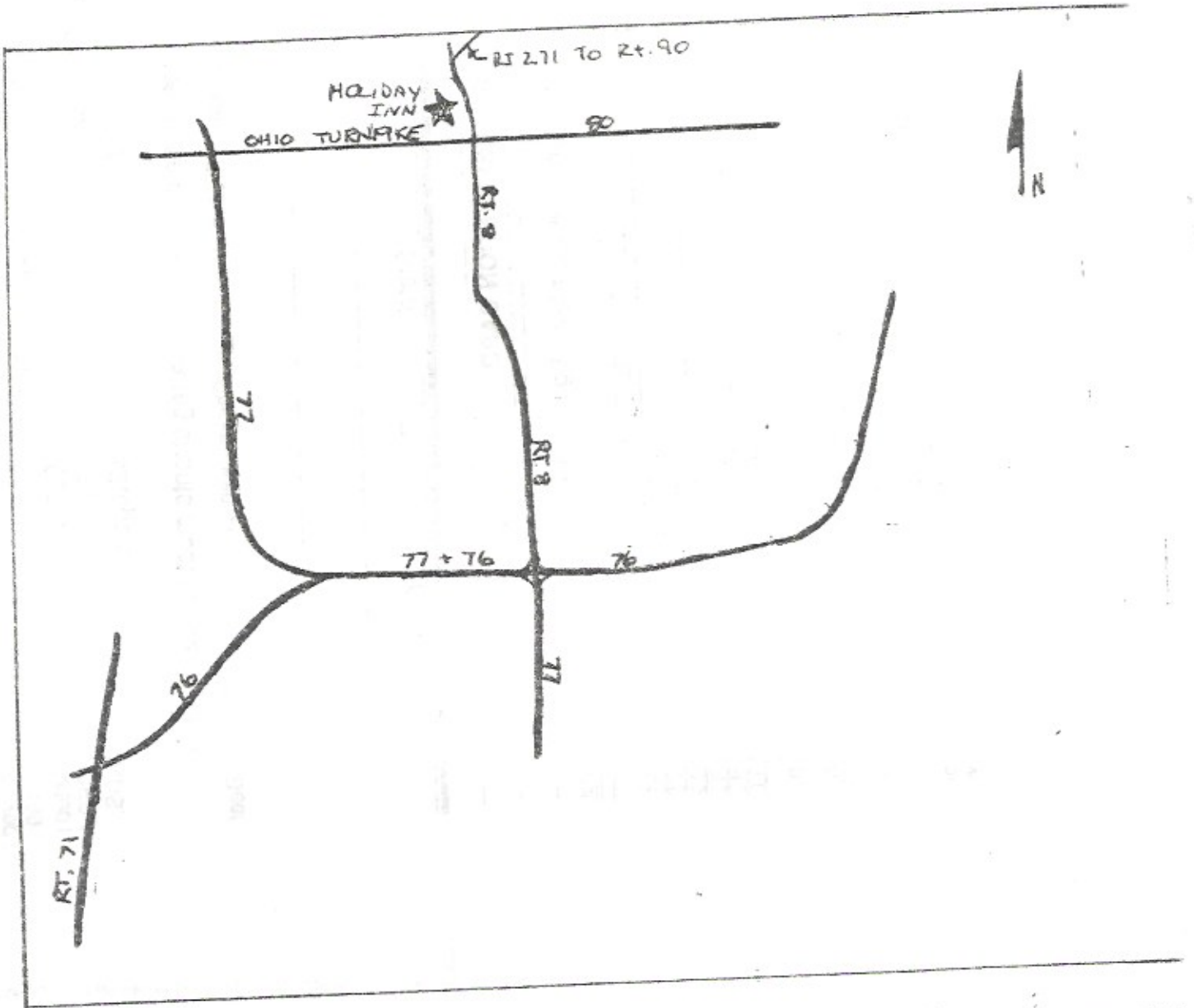
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Lee Finley has been an aquarist for over 25 years and has written articles in **Aquarium Fish Magazine** and **Freshwater and Marine Aquarium**. Lee also does a Book Review Column in **Aquarium Fish Magazine**. He is a past president of the American Catfish and Loach Association. Lee is an internationally recognized authority on the aquarium husbandry of catfishes. This competence results partially from his observations of catfish living in nature in Peru and Brazil. In fact he will be going back to the Rio Negro in Brazil to collect catfishes and cichlids in October. He is also a founder and the current head of the Northeast Aquarium Societies' judging school. Lee is brought to us as part of the Tetra Speaking Program. Lee will be presenting his talk "Giant Predatory Catfish".

Rosario LaCorte has been a hobbyist for 48 years. He presently maintains 150 aquaria and up to 180 species of fish, many of which are stocks he collected in South America. In 1979 he collected *Cynolebias constanciae* which was long thought extinct. The Rainbow tetra, *Nematobrycon lacortei*, was named after him. There are also a number of species of killies and another tetra which will be named after him. He was given a grant by the National Geographic Society to collect fishes in conjunction with scientists from the Smithsonian Institute and with Brazilian ichthyologists. He has written articles in several publications and has authored several booklets in the HOW TO BREED series. Rosario is an entertaining and knowledgeable speaker and an excellent photographer.

Wayne Leibel is primarily interested in Neotropical fishes, especially the cichlids. Through his 34 years of fish keeping he has kept all kinds of fish, even the killies, but he has resisted being caught in the "African craze". He has been editor of **Buntbarsche Bulletin**, the Journal of the American Cichlid Association, for six years and is currently on the Board of Trustees for ACA. He is a Professor of Biology at Lafayette College. Wayne has collected fish in Peru and Costa Rica. He will be sharing his insights on South American & Central American cichlids in "Goin' South - The Cichlids of the Americas".

Mike Trzonkowski operates Delaware Aquatics, a mail order aquatic plant business. He is a knowledgeable speaker on aquatic plants and has earned the nickname, "The Plant Baron". Mike and his plants are a welcome addition to any Convention. His talks are very insightful and will be sure to bring out the "green thumbs" in all the attendees.



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