## My Fellow MASI Members and Friends of MASI,

The Annual Show Committee is very pleased and excited to present our 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Weekend. We're sending this packet as a special invitation to everyone. Come and join us the weekend of April 18-20 at the Stratford Inn and participate in our 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Weekend. We will be featuring an All-Species Show, a Workshop with fantastic speakers, and our Annual Gigantic Spring Auction.

In addition we will have two amazing raffles – one for a 125 gallon tank combo given to MASI at an unbelievably discounted price by Chuck Dyn and the guys over at Tropical World Pets; and the other featuring a behind-the-scenes tour at the world famous St. Louis Zoo Penguin House, donated by the St. Louis Zoo and our own Rick Smith, including an opportunity to see the penguins up close and personal.

We can use some help on Friday morning to set up the show racks, etc. The more hands the quicker we can get them up and running. As soon as they are up, you can begin placing your entries. Check the rules, things have changed and we've made entering the show easier than ever before.

Saturday will feature our great lineup of internationally acclaimed speakers as outlined on the included timeline. You don't want to miss them! In addition, you can view all of the show entries. We will have a huge aquarium product display along with Ray "Kingfish" Lucas to entertain and explain them all to you. There will be other vendors including a huge aquatic book display put on by the Fish Factory.

Saturday evening, our Annual Awards Banquet, a bargain at only \$20 per person, will be followed by both the show awards and our club annual awards. After dinner, stick around for a special treat, the comedy and musings of world-renowned aquarist Charley Grimes. If you've never seen Charley in action before, you're in for a treat. If you have, you know that you want to be there!

Sunday will see our Annual Gigantic Spring Auction beginning an hour earlier than usual, at 11:00 am, with donated items from many major manufacturers, immediately followed by our regular auction. Expect filters, foods, equipment and supplies of all kinds from the donations, along with our regular selection of fish, plants, foods, used equipment and tanks, and more!

We wrap up Sunday with the drawing for the two fantastic raffles. Tickets will be on sale all weekend long, and, if for some reason you can't make it over the weekend, please contact Gary McIlvaine at the email or phone number on the bottom of the entry form and get your tickets early.

We encourage you to set aside some time and join your fellow Society members for a fun filled fishy weekend. This is part of what your dues pay for – and attendance is FREE.

I hope to see you all there!

Mike Hellweg, President

## 49<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SHOW ENTRY FORM, April 18 - 20, 2008 MISSOURI AQUARIUM SOCIETY, INC.

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\*\*\* ENTRY FEE: The entry fee for the above entries is \$4.00 for the first entry, thereafter \$1.00 per entry maximum fee \$14 with no limit on the number of entries.

Entrant agrees to abide by all show rules and the decisions of the judges. All exhibits are placed in the Show at the entrant's risk. Entrant agrees to release the Missouri Aquarium Society, Inc. and the Stratford Inn, Fenton, MO of any liability.

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DEADLINE FOR SHOW ENTRIES IS THURSDAY, April 20, 2008.

Mail form and fees to: Missouri Aquarium Society, Inc.

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