

# The Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island presents



## **Triple Crown Fish Auction** **Saturday, March 3, 2012**



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

**Free Admission! All are welcome!**

**Doors will be open at 9:00 AM.**  
**The auction starts promptly at 12:00 PM**

### **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 (except December) at 7:00 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.

Preregister by February 27 and get a red dot sticker to bump one bag to the start of the auction.

Lots not selling for the minimum bid of \$3 are returned to the seller.

Vendor Fee: \$2

Bidder Card: \$2 (Waived for Vendors)

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

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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## TFSRI Auction Rules

1. **Live fish and aquatic invertebrates, aquatic plants and aquarium related material only!**
2. Each participant may bring as many lots as they like. There is a limit of 3 lots per species.
3. No animals or plants restricted or deemed illegal by the Rhode Island or Federal Governments will be accepted. No deformed fish will be accepted including “Bloody Parrot Cichlids” and any “ballon” fish. No hybrids except for Flowerhorn Cichlids and domestic livebearer strains are accepted.
4. All fish lots must be properly double-bagged – **A fee of \$2.00 will be charged for lots not double-bagged, leaking or otherwise requiring rebagging.** Seller must mark each bag for species, pairs, male/females etc. Unidentifiable lots will be returned to the seller.
5. Dry goods must be in new or like-new condition. No used aquarium gravel. No light bulbs in any condition.
6. Lots not selling for the minimum bid of \$3 are returned to the seller. Seller’s proceeds may be collected after all of a seller’s lots have sold. If the seller leaves before all lots are sold, the seller’s proceeds will be mailed to the address provided by the seller.
7. The seller must pick up any lots that fail to sell. Any items left will become the property of **TFSRI.**
8. All bidders must register at the auction table for a bidder number. Bidder numbers are available for **\$2.00 each.** – Vendor registration includes a free bidder number.
9. Bidders must pay for all purchases before leaving the auction. Payment must be by cash or check with a valid driver’s license.
10. The registrar and auctioneer have the right to refuse any lot due to size, defects, sickness, inadequate bagging or any other disqualifying reason.
11. To pre-register for the auction e-mail your name, address & phone number to Al Wagonblott: **mr\_wiggles\_sr@hotmail.com**  
**Pre-registration deadline is the Monday before the auction.** Pre-registrants will receive a “red-dot” sticker to place on one bag, which will be auctioned before all other lots.
12. After the “red-dot” items are sold, the 10 table system will be used. The order of the tables will be determined by random draw. Lots may be bumped to the start of the line any time after the red-dot lots are sold for a \$2 fee.
13. All sellers must completely fill out a vendor form. Vendor forms are obtainable at our web site **www.tfsri.net**, at a meeting, by e-mail request, or at the auction.
14. All vendor forms and lots to be sold must be received at the registration table before **12 Noon on the day of the auction.**
15. TFSRI and the auctioneer will do their best to assure that all items at the auction are what they claim to be, but it is the bidder’s responsibility to assure that the item is what you intend to bid on. Unless the item was misrepresented by the auctioneer, all purchases are final.
16. Unless a reserve price is set by the seller, the opening bid amount is \$3.00. The auctioneer may open at a higher price for items expected to sell at higher prices. If a lot sells for only \$3.00, it is considered to be a donation to TFSRI.
17. The auctioneer has the **FINAL WORD** on all bids.