Photos from the 2009 AKA Convention in Portland, OR

Friday afternoon: Russ Feilzer (left) and Jay Foster (second from right) benching fish in the Show Room.

The Friday evening buffet featured a salad bar, pasta bar, and a carving station.
Darrell Romine holding up the wall while previewing the Saturday Fish Sales list.

Our three friends from Quebec (dark shirts on the left)!
Russ Feilzer (left) and Mike Mills (alias “Mongo” on the right) controlled entry into the Fish Sale room.
Bobby Ellerman talking about the history of killifish in the aquarium hobby.

Arcadio Valdes talks about the species of Mexican fishes he is trying to preserve at the Refuge Center for Endangered Freshwater Fish at the Autonomous University of Nuevo Leon in Monterrey, Mexico
Gary Kukowski writing a donation check from the Arizona Rivulin Keepers to Arcadio. Steve Hulse and Bruce Bernard from BAKA look on.

Conversation and socializing (Holger Hengstler in left background)
John Aldrich and Craig Rees from the Minnesota club

Lee Van Hyfte from Iowa
Ruud Wildekamp from the Netherlands

Sandy and Sharon Binder from the Southern California Killi Club
Darrell Romine and Vern Treat at the Saturday night banquet.

Looking west toward downtown Portland from the 12th Floor
Looking northwest

Bagging show fish Sunday morning in preparation for the auction
Emptying the show tanks

Art and Max Leuterman ran the projector listing the upcoming auction fish
Mary Jo Bazeley, Liz Hutchings, and Fritz Bazeley organized the fish to be auctioned.

Boarding the riverboat!
Relaxing topside as the riverboat leaves the dock

A view of some houseboats moored along the Willamette River
Leaving the riverboat as dusk arrives