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Making the *Advocate*, in isolation

Welcome to another world. The one we're living in now bears little resemblance the one we once knew. The ongoing coronavirus pandemic and the self-isolation protocols we've undertaken for the past few weeks have simply changed everything – for everyone. And it doesn't matter if you're still working in the field or from your dining room table, like I have since March 13 (or not working at all). We'll be featuring stories about aquaculture producers' response to this global situation in the coming weeks.

If you're new to this mailing, normally sent only to GAA members at the end of each month, I take this opportunity and this space to highlight the work that *Advocate* contributors around the world have delivered in the past 30 days. You can still see some highlights below, in case you missed anything.

Instead, I'd like to praise the heroic health care workers all over the world who have put themselves in harm's way. I'd like to thank the brave people who work long hours at my local grocery store to make sure the shelves are stocked with food, medicine and other essentials. Talk about essential workers! And I want to thank everyone who's taking their individual roles in this surreal challenge seriously. I offer no slogans, hashtags or catchphrases at this time. Just gratitude.

Focusing on our work, especially from makeshift office spaces, is difficult and new for many of us – but it's what we must do. Isolate yourself, but not your world. Stay connected to each other and to the work you all do to make responsible aquaculture the way we will feed our planet. Your stories will be told. We're all crying out for good ones, and for hope. Know that your work, and commitment to excellence in whatever you do, is that hope.

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In good health,



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