

Fishtales, Saturday, September 28, 2013  
Working Waterfront Festival

Interviewer – Markham Starr  
Interviewee – Nia Panteleakos

MS As soon as our sound. Ok we're good to go. Ok so first question what is your name?

NP Nia

MS What's your last name?

NP Panteleakos

MS What's your favorite color?

NP Black

MS Black, see she knows the answers. So you've done some fishing. Commercial or?

NP Not commercial, no.

MS For the fun of it.

NP Just for fun, leisurely fishing. Why is he laughing at me?

MS Ok so you say you, what is your greatest fishing story?

NP My greatest fishing story? Well I have a few of them. But recently I would say when I, when we went out to Block Island with Rick's uncle and I pulled in my biggest striper ever.

MS Huh, how big was it?

NP I'm sorry?

MS How big was it?

NP How big was it Rick? 28-29 something around, 32 maybe

MS Wow! And what's the worst day you've ever had at sea fishing?

NP Well, my worst day is when I was dying to catch a flounder and all the ones I was bringing up were undersized and course you had to throw them back in and it breaks my heart. But you have to do what you gotta do. You gotta throw undersized fish back in so they can grow.

MS Yup. And what, you must have some story that if you're gonna tell a story to your friends fishing...

NP I mean they're all good stories. Every day out fishin's better than goin' out to work. You know when you catch or not catch, no matter what I catch it's a good day fishing, you know? I love, the best part of my fishin', the end of the fishin' trip and when I do have my fish, straight to my dad. You know he's 80 years old, he can't go fishin' anymore. So I bring 'em right into my dad.

MS Did he fish?

NP Absoltely. And he's got plenty of fishin' stories.

MS And did he teach you to fish or how did you get in to fishing?

NP He did teach me to fish and then my boyfriend also kind of tuned it up a little bit and we were kind of, he tells me his stories, I tell him mine and he teaches how, gives me his tips and I give him my tips, you know.

MS Good. [someone speaking in background] Why what did you want for Christmas?

NP I wanted a pen rod and I got it.

MS So it's all deep sea fishing type stuff, not beach or fresh water?

NP No. The other day, off the rocks we've gone to in Narragansett Bay, yup.

MS Great. Well thank you.

NP Oh you're welcome. I hope I helped you some.

MS Yeah, yeah.