



Patlen to get the Hook

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Livingston Manor, NY. Before the unexpected death in November 2004, world recognized and master fly tyer Poul Jorgensen was working with award winning sculptor and artist Bud Wertheim for a new award in fly tying. It was Poul's wishes to recognize a fly tyer who has clearly made a contribution to the art of fly tying through tying flies: education, promotion, new technique, new materials, publication, instruction or tool. Considerations were to be for those of the present, specifically not from the past or historical. After Poul's death, Wertheim completed the project and used Poul's likeness on a cast medallion (very much against Poul's wishes) to create the Poul Jorgensen Golden Hook Award.

It has been determined Ted Patlen will receive this award on Saturday evening, October 9, 2010 at Kings Catering in Livingston Manor, NY. Patlen has provided a tireless effort to share his knowledge and unite fly tyers from all over the world. Now a retiree, Ted spends more of his time and money to participate in many fly tying exhibitions and seminars all over the world. He brings new life to everyone interested in fly tying, entertaining all, even non fly tyers. He freely shares his unique techniques and makes it a point to keep fly tying enjoyable always with a smile on his face. Ted has often said "...some of these guys take it too seriously; fly tying is supposed to be fun". In his travels, Ted meets both professional and amateur tyers from every skill level and often hosts them when they visit the USA. Among the fly tying community he is recognized as *The American Ambassador of Fly Tyer* and people who meet him for the first time leave with a memorable moment. His skills are equaled with unique antics that are known world wide.

Ted will be presented with the Jorgensen Golden Hook Award on Saturday, October 9, 2010 at Kings Catering in Livingston Manor, NY. This dinner will follow the induction of the 2010 class of the Fly Fishing Hall of Fame: Louis Rhead, Jack Gartside, John Randolph, and Art Lee. For more information call the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum at 845-439-4810, flyfish@catskill.net, or www.cffcm.net