

# CFFCM's Castabout

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## Fly Tyers 1 - 4 PM

July 5 Floyd Franke  
July 12 John Collins  
July 13 John Drew  
July 26 George Cherundolo  
July 27 John Roetman  
August 9 Ralph Schloss  
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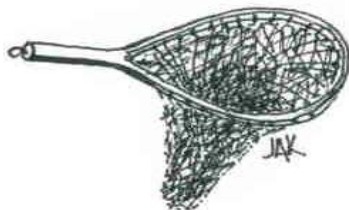
## New Members

Richard Berry  
Douglas Grella  
Gary Moleon  
William M. Raynor  
Alexander Garden Reeves  
Tom Tripi

## June's Membership Winner

### G. Wolland

Each month we award a prize in our monthly CFFCM membership drawing. All members in good standing are eligible. So if your dues are paid and up-to-date, the next winner could be you!



**SUPER SUNDAY, August 10.** There is simply no reason why you should not be here. You can bring your family, friends, and neighbors, even if they do not fish. While you peruse the lower field hunting for the tackle, treasure and collectibles, they can enjoy crafts, kids games and an old fashioned picnic atmosphere. It is a win-win situation. We will have the lower field packed with tables filled with fishing and tackle treasures, books, rods, reels, flies, and whatever. On the museum side there will be fresh farm products, local displays, barbeque, games for kids, pony rides, and even a petting zoo. The fun begins at 8:30AM with Summerfest and Anglers Market opening, games and delights will start around 10:00AM and a special BBQ lunch at 11:30AM. It is open to all and all are invited. This will be one heck of a day and you can be the hero (and maybe find something nice for yourself). Tell us if you are celebrating a special birthday or anniversary, we are going to start baking the cakes. Mike Hogue will be 50 this year and Agnes 92. Be there to share in the fun.

**Rodmakers Gather in September.** The 13th annual Catskill Rodmakers Gathering will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 6 & 7. (Due to limited space in seminars and programs, a two day advanced registration is required for those participating; the weekend fee is \$80 for early registration, after August 1<sup>st</sup>, \$90. This includes seminars, programs and meals) On Sunday, September 7, visitors are welcome at 10 AM to observe the finals in the Harold Demarest Rodmaker and Rod Casting Challenges. You can also examine some of the finest cane rods in the world, visit with rodmakers and see casting demonstrations. Lunch will be available for guests at \$15 per person in the Pavilion.

**Rodmakers Warm Up** is open to everyone and will be held on Friday September 5. The NYS DEC will return to complete the Pond Sampling program at noon. Jonathan Busse will hold a seminar on hand making a silk fly line in the museum at 2:00 PM. Competition Rods and Rodcasting competition-qualifying rounds begin at noon. A Spey and Double Handed Casting Clinic with Philip Krista will be held at the Pond around 3:00 PM.

**Hall of Fame Class of 2008** The 2008 Hall of Fame Chairman, Terry Shultz, proudly announces the individuals to be recognized for the 2008 Hall of Fame. Induction will take place on Saturday October 18 at 3:00 PM in the Museum. A Gala dinner will follow that evening at King's Catering honoring past and new members of the Fly Fishing Hall of Fame. Mary Dette will offer a personal biography of the Dette Family. Presentation of The Lee Wulff Conservation Award and The Poul Jorgensen Golden Hook Award will take place at the dinner as well. This will truly be an historical night in fly fishing history.

## The 2008 Class of the Fly Fishing Hall of Fame:

**Ed Van Put** for his unending protection of fishing waters for fly fishermen in New York State. Ed, has secured more public access and special regulation water for fly fishers than any other individual. Over 70 years old and still working for the NYSDEC, Ed remains a champion for fishermen not only in the Catskills but in the entire state. Ed is an authority on Catskill rivers, a historian and author.

**Francis Better** for his many years as an Adirondacks fly fishing advocate, conservationist, instructor, innovative and infamous fly tyer. Since the 1940's Fran has been, and continues to be, the ambassador for the Adirondack waters through his many books and personal articles. He has kept the Adirondack waters very much alive. Working with Bill Phillips, he developed maps and information almost 40 years ago that still remain in active use in the Adirondacks.

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## Streamside Notes

I forgot to mention last month that there were two major bank reinforcement plantings conducted on the Willowemoc in May. Doc Fried, with the assistance of Bob Hayes' Sullivan County BOCES Natural Resource classes, planted over 1,500 seedlings. BEAMOC Trout Unlimited and local volunteers, under the direction of Manny Zanger, put in another 1,000. It is amazing that all of these plantings were completed in three days. Just goes to show you what planning and preparation are all about.

I am pleased to report that we have been awarded a financial grant from the Norcross Wildlife Foundation. The Foundation was established to protect land and water precious to our natural wildlife habitat, preserve our natural recreational wildlife areas, provide the public with educational programs, to support activities of like non-profit organizations and enable them to provide activities of a national importance. Our grant request was for the installation of an underwater camera in the Willowemoc. The camera will be placed under our bridge to provide a live feed video to a monitor in our museum as well as a web cam. This camera would be a first for underwater stream viewing camera and monitor. A live-feed and constant viewing will be available through our website allowing visitors all over the world to view fish and aquatic activity. Discussions with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation on installation requirements have been in works and we are moving forward with the installation through the assistance of BEAMOC Trout Unlimited and member volunteers. Unfortunately, we did not receive the total funds requested due to Norcross' ceiling limitations. At this time, we can only afford the camera, wiring installation, and a small monitor in the museum. Additional funds would be required to provide a web feed, a large flat panel TV in the Museum, and additional wiring to the Paul Dahlie Ed. Bldg. If you would like to assist in this project in either providing a large TV monitor or assist fi-

nancially in the web cam feed to our website, please contact the office. These are just a couple of ways you specifically can help our Center and Museum.

There are so many projects we would like to accomplish, however, due to lack of funds and support, they remain on the back burner. If you would like to learn more about these projects, take on a project or assist in the future development of projects, drop me a note.

Speaking of volunteer help, if you can help a couple of hours either setting up or tearing down during Super Sunday, we welcome all. We are also looking for assistance for our November Arts of the Angler Show in Danbury, November 15 & 16th. We are always looking for local volunteers for the museum and property projects.

We started June with a wonderful catered dinner for over 70 members of the Anglers Club of NY. It was an elegant affair with a most wonderful atmosphere as it was held in the museum. We ended June with a wedding in the pond field under the Darbee/Vinciguerra Pavilion. Ed and Judy Van Put's son (and Agnes' grandson) Lee, married Natasha Pasricha from California. Congratulations to the newly weds. If your company would like to reserve the museum for a special dinner or group meeting, please have them contact our office for further information.

David Van Burgel and Kathy Scott came down from Maine and instructed at our Bamboo Rod Making School which is always a success. One of the students was one our soldiers from Iraq. He was taking this course for rehab. Of course, he accomplished his goals here and is ready to make another rod. Good for him!

In between the dinner and the wedding, we experienced great traffic through the museum as June's first two weeks saw great fishing and great hatches. The NY Chapter of the Brotherhood of the Jungle Cock had

over 100 students locally sampling our waters for insects, attending fly fishing classes and programs, and of course, getting in some fishing. It was reported that this year, the students in the BJOC program caught more fish than ever before. That too, was the report from many of the anglers who stopped in the gift shop during June.

All of a sudden mid-month, it turned to summer without advance warnings and the fish were down. The fishing has remained good during early morning and late evenings. My end of day is usually running down in front of the museum and fishing the Willow the last hour before dark. I was skunked only one night and that was due to me getting there late. Almost every inch of my favorite spots were taken by others. As a matter of fact, there was someone in my spot, with one of my fish on. Although, a little disappointed, I enjoyed watching this guy land a (my) 19-20" healthy brown in the middle of June. Hopefully, he believed me that it was the only fish in the area and you would have to rest the water for another week or two before trying him again. A few days later, we had a fisher from Rochester come into the gift shop to tell us that in the past 18 years he has never caught so many large fish in the Willowemoc. He was using wet flies exclusively and had averaged over 10 fish each morning and evening for the week he was here. I can't tell you where, as I haven't proven it for myself. The nights have been on the cooler side and the passing storms give us some relief. Be gentle to your fish when releasing during the summer heat.

Come up for Super Sunday, Anglers Market, Summerfest, and Jubilee Day...you might catch me on the bridge.

It's still all about fly fishing.

Jim Krul

**Recent Acquisitions:** From **Bob Rock** two authentic Pinky Gillum Rod tube labels, **From the Tiadaghton TU Chapter** a copy of Lee Wulff's Freshwater Handbook. **More Treasures From Hoagy Carmichael** Everett Garrison's personal fly fishing jacket made from the same material as his rod bags, Bessie Bailey's (Leonard rod wrapper) work box containing guides, silks, and templates for rod finishing and a cigar box full of Pinky Gillum's silk thread from his wife Winnie. An original pencil drawing of Ed Hewitt by John (Jack) Atherton and framed by Poul Jorgensen. The original photo of Everett Garrison taken by Luis Marden and used on the cover of Masters Guide to Building a Bamboo Rod, Hoagy's original bound manuscript with edits, comments and notations prior to publishing, along with Hoagy's first bamboo rod constructed during the writing of this same book. **From Mike Hogue** Six (6) museum and display light fixtures for our museum. **From Author Gaylord Schanilec** Number 200/300 limited edition of his MAYFLIES of the Driftless Region. An exquisite specialized book on the art and science of Mayflies, in an elegant 1800's style and finish. **From Judie (Darbee) Smith**, a framed set of letters to and from Ernie Schwiebert and Harry Darbee discussing insects and entomologies in 1962, including two pages of Schwiebert nymph illustrations. **From Joan Wulff** several international flyfishing magazines, books, and a Georgia Women's Fly Fisher hat for our Women's Exhibit. **From author Toshio Kamitani**, Paper Flies with a selection of hand cut paper flies that cast shadows of real flies. They are now hanging over the Made in Japan Exhibit. In addition to the actual paper flies, Toshiro submitted flies and a copy of his book for this exhibit and permanent collection.

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**Art Neuman** was a shop owner, rod maker and conservationist in Michigan. He was a co founder, with George Griffith, of Trout Unlimited and the first TU vice president. Art continues to support conservation efforts and has become a resource for fly fishers all over the world.

**George Griffith** organized the first Trout Unlimited on his property in 1959. A small group of dedicated Michigan trout anglers with strong concerns relating to our fisheries and fish joined together to form TU. George and Art Neuman expanded this group to a national level, encouraging other similar groups concerned about the future of good fishing and protecting our cold waters. With this momentum gained, Trout Unlimited became a national organization and ultimately, a household word in the fishing community.

**Dave Whitlock** is an artist, author, conservationist, fly tyer, photographer, cold and warm water fly fisherman and professional lecturer. There are many more descriptions and you can fill in your own blanks. Most importantly, Dick was responsible for the success of instream nurseries with his Whitlock-Vibert Box System. Dave is an award winner from many national fly fishing organization.

**Ed Zern** is probably best remembered for his "Exit Laughing" column in Field & Stream and his most humorous hunting and fishing books. However, Ed was a respected major contributor to the Outdoors Writer Association of America. Ed was a founder and first president of Theodore Gordon Flyfishers. He was a major supporter for hunting and fishing through his many conservation writings.

Full bio profiles will be presented in October at Hall of Fame and on our website

The HOF committee would like to thank all of you who sent in nominations and support statements of accomplishments on behalf of your choices. Yes, we do realize there are many more individual out there deserving of this special award. Selecting a class each year and meeting the criteria with support documentation is a major undertaking. We appreciate the background, accomplishments, and advice from so many of you. Please continue to do so.

**The Lee Wulff Conservation Award** was established by Joan Wulff in 2003 to recognize an individual who has made a significant contribution to the preservation of wild gamefish and their habitat through protection of the waters, catch and release, and/or education programs for youngsters. Previous recipients are Philip Chase, Gardner Grant, Stephen Sloan, and Craig Findley.

**The Poul Jorgensen Golden Hook Award** recognizes fly tyers who have clearly made a major contribution to fly tying through: tying innovation, a new technique that will continue to aid future fly tyers, new materials, publication, instruction, or a tool. Considerations are for those of the present, not historic. As per Poul's wishes, this will not be a fly tying competition, but a recognition to an individual for a current major contribution for the continuance of the art and craft of fly tying. David Klausmeyer was awarded the first Golden Hook Award in 2006.

**Worlds Biggest Fly Tying Contest** David Klausmeyer will be present to announce the winners of Fly Tyer Magazines 30th Anniversary World's Biggest Fly Tying Contest. Visitors to the Museum will vote on finalists Friday and Saturday, October 17 & 18, with the winner announced at the Hall of Fame Dinner.

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## CFFCM Emergence Chart

### 2008 Calendar of Events

#### July

- 12-13:** Env. Ed. Program ages 8-11  
**19-20:** Env. Ed. Program ages 12-14  
**26-27:** Env. Ed. Program-advanced

#### August

- 10:** Super Sunday: Jubilee Day, Anglers Market  
And Summerfest

#### September

- 5-7:** 13th Annual Rodmakers Gathering  
**13:** Casting for Recovery

*Illustrations provided by member Jack Pangburn.*

#### October

- 18:** Semi Annual Meeting  
**18:** Hall of Fame Induction and Dinner

#### November

- 15-16:** CFFCM Art of the Angler Show, Danbury, CT

#### December

- 2:** A Night in NY-Winter Fund Raising Dinner  
**6:** Holiday Open House

**NOTE:** Beamoc TU meets the first Thursday of each month  
April-December at 6:30 pm in the Paul Dahlie Education  
Building

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