

CFFCM's Castabout

Catskill Fly Fishing
Center & Museum

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New Members

Gil Boyd
John W. Knoop
James Scott Moran
Bill Morse
Michael W. Santimauro
Philip Sawyer
Mark Wilde

June Membership Winner Lynn West

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!

June Guest Fly Tyers

June 6th Ken Mead
June 13th Harold Williams
June 20th Brad Wilson
June 27th Lee Hartman

July Guest Fly Tyers

July 4th Greg Belcamino
July 11th John Klem
July 18th Ralph Graves
July 25th John Drew

AMAZING! From start to finish this May was by far our busiest summer beginning. We started with Hendricksons all over the water and finished with March Browns, Sulphurs, and Isonychias. In between there was something for everyone. The Mid Hudson TU were our first guests for a fly fishing weekend. The weather was hot, hot, hot but a frost followed by a cold rain made it all better again. We had visitors from all over the USA, Canada, Japan, England, Brazil, and France, that signed in at the museum.

Our Annual Day and Dinner. The Paul Dahlie Education Building was almost to capacity on Saturday morning for our Annual Members Meeting. President Miriam Stone reported on some of the highlights over the past year including the fact we have gained in membership. Nominating Committee Chairwoman, Ross Francis, presented a slate of new candidates for the Board of Trustees that included: Greg Belcamino, David Goodman, Skip Rood, Mike Valla, and John Tulley. All were voted in unanimously.

The 2009-2010 CFFCM Board of Trustees now consists of:

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At 11:00 AM our special guest Dr. Hisao Ishigaki and *Made in Japan* Coordinator Misako Ishimura tied Tenkara Flies in the Museum until Noon. From Noon until 1:00 PM, Hall of Fame member and author, Keith Fulsher had a special book signing. At 1 PM, Dr. Ishigaki provided one of the most educational and interesting presentations ever. (Interpreting for Dr. Ishigaki was Misako). This power point presentation described the history, flies, and techniques of Tenkara fishing. A group of about 75 were mesmerized with the ancient culture, dynamics, and unique equipment used. Questions from the floor were cut short to allow everyone to examine the equipment before the on stream demonstration. Dr. Ishigaki needed no interpreter on stream and allowed all interested to take a swing at teasing a fish to his flies. One hit and mostly misses ended this very delightful day. The team from Tenkara USA (based in San Francisco) video taped the entire program and a viewing link will soon be provided on our website.

At 5:30 PM, over 140 attendees gathered at King's Catering for our Annual Fundraising Dinner. Master of Ceremonies, Andy Boyar welcomed the guests and set the stage for a very enjoyable evening. After dinner, the winners of our annual raffle were announced pulled from all of the raffle tickets you returned. Thank You.

Following our door prizes and raffles, Guest Auctioneer, Hoagy Carmichael, convinced the crowd to dig deep into their wallets and hearts and bid on the many unique items on our live auction list. It was entertaining, fun, and memorable. At the end of the auction the day was done. Many thanks to everyone who make it a success.

Streamside Notes

I can officially say that May is over. We are a week behind in getting this Castabout out due to our Annual Day, Memorial Day and a little fishing in between rains.

This past month was what the CFFCM is all about. We had TU chapters meetings and outings, The Anglers' Club of NY, Casting Classes and Clinics, a group from France, the Catskill Fly Tyers Guild (CFTG) meeting, and the Florida NY Trout in the Classroom Release. All are programs that take advantage of our facilities. Plus we had a slew of visitors in our museum.

The Florida School TIC student program is something we can all be proud of. About 75 students and a dozen adults came in on May 22 to release their trout at the DEC parking lot up stream from our bridge. After releasing their trout, the students were divided up into three groups. All groups would participate in the three programs we provided: In Stream Insects and Identification with Mike Canazon and Erin Phelan, Tying a Peeking Caddis with myself, and a Nature and Bird Walk with Jeff Phelan. What a wonderful group of well behaved students; no whines, complaints, or disruptions. After completing all

three of our programs, the students were encouraged to fish our pond. Using feathered jigs, lures, and weighted flies, students caught many yellow perch, several over 12", and the largest fish was a 3 lb, 23"+ Pickerel. I was glad that there was a Dad present to show the students how to release the pickerel. It was a great learning experience and an exciting day for everyone.

In setting up the fly tying stations the night before with the CFTG, it became evident that many of our tools need replacing. These tools are over 25 years old. Maybe you can help us out with this?.

Our annual dinner brought in many old and new friends. After a long winter, many returned to the Catskills for the summer like Clem and Barbara Fullerton, those coming down for the day like my mentor Bob Rock and our pal Al Himmel and Dan and Ibby Hertz. All are long time supporters and 'seasoned anglers'. It is always good to see members who remain active and continue to make a difference in the angling community. Speaking of *seasoned anglers*, Gardner Grant shared the driving with Keith Fulsher that afternoon. However, they could not stay for dinner. Gardner made the comment that *seasoned anglers* is more appropriate than other

terms for elder fly fishers! It was great to see so many that extend support of our mission and faithfully attend our gatherings.

On the opposite side of the age scale, The NY Chapter of the Brotherhood of Jungle Cock closed the month. Between the energy and excitement of the youth who were here, hopefully some will stick and start another generation of fly fishers.

I also heard from another seasoned angler, Milt Sabol. Unfortunately Milt could not attend our dinner but wanted to be remembered. Milt sent in a check for \$250 to have his name on the railing of the gift shop porch. Milt suggested that those who want to remember a family member, friend or themselves this is a great way to do so and also support the Center; and, I should mention it in the next Castabout. Milt, here it is and thank you.

And finally, thanks to all of you who provide the support and encouragement that keep this place alive.

It's all about fly fishing.
Jim Krul

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The 2009 Annual Dinner Raffle Winners were:

DeFeo Reflections (A/P) Print
Vintage 5 Framed Flies & Print by Charles Ports
STH Cayuga Fly Reel
12 Dozen Trout Flies
March Brown 7 PC Travel Rod
S2 No Snag Net
Domed Leiser Black Angus
Turned Pen By Robert Williams
Lee Wulff DVD Collection
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John Rafferty
Phil Chase
Keith Fulsher
Bruce Pollack
Matt Forelli
Jorie Andrews
Luis Rameriz
John Golenski
Frank Fox
Joan Wulff



TU's 50th Exhibit Grows. This exhibit continues to grow with hats, patches, decals and pins from TU Chapters from all over the USA. This past month we received items from Guadalupe River, Hawaii, Arkansas White River and Naugatuck/Pomperaug chapters. There is time left, be part of it.

Catskill Alternative Fishing Opportunities Clinic, June 27, Noon. Find out what summer fishing you are missing in the Catskills. Hidden spots, secret techniques, and flies that work will be exposed. Don't miss this 2 hour session in the Ed. Building. Donation \$10.

Casting Tune Up with Dave Brandt, June 20. The perfect Father's Day present for everyone, dad or not. Break bad habits and learn some simple techniques to increase distance and improve accuracy. Two sessions on Saturday, June 20, 9 AM-Noon and 1-4 PM.. Donation \$25 per session. Dave has over 25 years experience as an instructor at the Wulff School of Flyfishing. Reservations suggested, call the office.

Summerfest and Anglers Market is now Two Days. Due to suggestions and requests by our vendors, our longest running and popular event, The Anglers Market and Summerfest has been expanded to two days, Saturday and Sunday, August 8 and 9. We will be adding a tent and expanding the area to encourage more vendors to participate. Now with two days there is no excuse to say "I wish I would have bought that yesterday", you can attend on Saturday and return on Sunday. If you have a TU chapter, maybe the group could bring used items and materials to generate some funds for the Chapter. Call us for more information. (Sunday, August 9, is Jubilee Day) Table space is still available should you wish to downsize.

Jubilee Day. August 9 will be a great way to join in the Sullivan County and Town of Rockland's Bicentennial and Elmer Hopper's 75th birthday. We will have food, music, fun, activities, a kid's fishing derby, and the great Willowemoc Fish Race. If you have a birthday or anniversary ending in a 0 or 5, let us know and we will make sure you have a piece of cake. Let's join together and have a great family day. **WANTED:** Volunteers to help with Summerfest and Jubilee Day Weekend. One or both days would be greatly appreciated. Please call Erin or Sue to get involved.

The 3rd Annual CFFCM Ralph Graves Open Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, August 16th, at the Twin Villages Golf Course in Rockland (Roscoe). You must register to be in it and/or to win it. \$55 per golfer, \$30 for those who just want to enjoy the one pound steak dinner that follows. Door Prizes, Redwood Creek Wine, Prizes and a guaranteed good time. Rain or Shine. For more information contact Ted Patlen (tedpat090@yahoo.com, Cliff Albertson, clifford.albertson@verizon.net, or Joe Fox at joe@dettetroufflies.com) Only a few spots remain, join us for the fun!

The VHS and DVD Drive was success. Now, it is tool time. Thank you for responding to our needs for VHS and DVD players, we are now equipped for all our AV needs. Now we have a new request, fly tying tools. If you have any used but functional fly tying tools, we could use them, especially vises and hackle pliers.

Recent Donations: from **Marilyn Ptalis** a large run of several magazines to complete our magazine library, fly tying materials, **Tom Toomey** a No-Float Stix wading staff, from **our pal Al Himmel**, vise bases, vise light, copies of his books for our Education Classes, **John Robbins**, a limited edition hand colored print and a large quantity of books for our library and fundraising. **Dr. Ishigaki** gave a custom bamboo Tenkara Rod made by Aichi Professor, Takeo Suzuki (taking two years to complete), a custom bamboo Tenkara Rod made by Dr. Ichashi, a custom graphite Tenkara zoom (telescopic) rod designed by Dr. Hisao Ishigaki and made by Shimano, a custom box of Tenkara flies by Schoichi Saito, A Nezu Custom wood framed and silk net with deer antler handle embedded with abalone, DVD of tenkara fishing featuring Dr. Ishigaki and Kazunari Kimura, and a level line, **John Golenski** a DVD recorder and a first generation and from **Louise Herman** a Graphtec Leonard fly rod.

Deserving Recognition: Our Annual Day and Dinner would not have been a success without donations and hard work from our volunteers and supporters. Below is a list of all those who donated to our fund raising efforts:

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In addition to donations, the following volunteers contributed many hours in preparation and assistance during this month of May. Ross J. Francis, Jorie Andrews, Jim Andrews, Justin Krul, Luciana Araujo, Mike Canazon, Hoagy Carmichael, Ted Patlen, Jim Krupp, Joe Fox, Mike Santimauro, Misako Ishimura, David Brandt, Mary Fried, and Doc Fried, and the CFFCM staff members Agnes Van Put, Sue Krupp, Jaime Pawlak and Erin Phelan.

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CFFCM Emergence Chart

2009 Calendar of Events

June

5/7: East Jersey TU Weekend
18: CFTG Meeting 7PM Education Bldg
19/24: Cane Rodmaking School
27: Alternative Summer Fishing in the Catskills

July

11/12: Environmental Education Program
18/19: Environmental Education Program
25/26: Environmental Education Program

Illustrations provided by member Jack Pangburn.

August

8/9: Summerfest and Anglers Market
9: Jubilee Day/Super Sunday
Sullivan County Bicentennial
16: Ralph Graves 3rd Annual Gold Tournament

September

11/13: 14th Annual Rodmakers Gathering

October

17: Semi-Annual Meeting and Hall of Fame

November

14/15: Art of the Angler Show, Danbury CT

December

1: A Night in NYC-Winter Fundraiser
5: Holiday Open House

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