

CFFCM's Castabout

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New Members

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Fred Krowchenko
Michael & Pat McCarty
Jeffrey Metzger
Jim Slater
Eric Tomosky
Edward W. Trudo, Jr.
Ronald R. Vinson
William P. Walker
Harold Wilson

July Guest Fly Tyers

July 10— Ralph Graves
July 17— Ken Mocker
July 24— John Drew
July 31— Bob Lindquist

July

Membership Winner Paul Clayton Nomholm

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!

July Dog Days Ahead. July is education month at the Center and that means it's time for our ever popular Weekend Environmental Youth Programs. To enroll your children, please call us at your earliest convenience. These educational programs introduce youngsters to fly fishing and enhance older students' fishing skills. Under the tutelage of long time instructors Pete and Caren Jacques, there is never a moment of boredom. Weekend classes start on a Saturday morning and end after noon on Sunday. All meals, bunk house accommodations and even a bonfire are included. This is a great experience they'll remember for years to come. The cost is \$90.00 per child. Please call the Center to register.

Also this July, CFFCM will award the first John Dwyer Scholarship for the Advanced Education in Fly Fishing Program. This annual program identifies student fly fisher(s) who have shown keen passion for fly fishing. Individuals selected will have demonstrated a desire to take their skills to a higher level and would best be served with a professional one-on-one experience. Each program will be designed to benefit the individual student. Through personal interviews conducted by fly fishing educators* it was determined that Lucas Canino will be the first grantee. A complete evaluation of this year's pilot program will be conducted by both the student and the selection team. Thanks to Mr. Dwyer's generosity, this program will expand annually. If you know a student fly fisher who would both benefit and enjoy this experience, please drop us a note. We will forward it to the 2011 selection committee. This year's one-on-one instructor will be Mike Canazon.

*The selection committee is made up of educators from The NYS Brotherhood of the Jungle Cock, Regional TU Chapters and one member of the CFFCM. The CFFCM is the facilitating organization and executor of the John Dwyer Scholarship.

The Summer Heats up In August

Summerfest/Anglers Market and Jubilee Weekend. August 7 & 8. Due to an overwhelming positive response to last year's full weekend event, we will do it again.

Summerfest/Anglers Market. Two full days of fishing and sporting collectibles, treasures and tackle on over 100 tables will be found just this side of the bridge. This single event brings out the best in fishing treasures discovered over the past year from closets, attics, and basements. You never know what you will find or what you will buy. Just imagine all the stuff you never really needed but just had to have. We will be open each day from 8:30 AM until 4 PM. Come down and visit your favorite vendors including: Chesapeake Rods & Reels, Dette Trout Flies, Hank Sporting Collectibles, George Guba, One Pfoot and many more.

Jubilee Weekend. Make it a family weekend and bring them along. You can explore and support the local and regional businesses and organizations that will fill our grounds. Gathered here will be craft artisans, local and civic organizations, health centers, farmers produce markets and home goods vendors.

Saturday and Sunday from 11AM to 3PM Agnes and Tony will be serving grilled treats and one of the best sausage and pepper sandwiches you ever had. You'll want to bring some home because they won't be available again until next year. They are simply delicious.

Streamside Notes

Time continues to fly faster than it should. Summer is officially at hand, kids are on summer break, and there is just so much happening. The old expression, "make hay when the sun shines" holds true. But I am thinking of what is to come down the road - another fall and winter. The museum ceiling gave us a reminder the other day, when a 1" x 3" piece of plaster hit the floor. It's time to get serious. Phil and Fung, our pro bono architects and engineers, are busy with plans to get this corrected as soon as possible. We need your help. Donations of any size, or plans on how to get them, are being accepted.

If you remember, back a few months ago, I said if every one of us got just one new member, we would have our financial problems licked. Unfortunately we have only experienced a 10% increase. Did you send us another member? We are still offering the incentive - a limited edition print to every new member and we will also give you one for a referral. Another source might be a related Trout

Unlimited Club, Federation of Fly Fishers or other organization. Please consider reaching out for some support for the CFFCM.

On Saturday, June 19, The Beaverkill Trout Club celebrated its 100th anniversary at a special dinner for members and their guests at the Rockland House. I took great pleasure in attending, with my wife, Ginny. CFFCM President Miriam Stone and her husband Sandy were also invited as guests. It was a most relaxing evening. We were quite surprised to find out that there was to be a live auction that evening to benefit the local community, specifically: The Livingston Manor Volunteer Ambulance, The Beaverkill Fire Department, and the CFFCM. All items were donated by members including a special private casting lesson for two from Joan Wulff. At the end, it was a rousing financial accomplishment. I am happy to report that we will benefit from part of the \$20,000 raised that evening. Considering we were just talking about related organization involvement, The Beaverkill Trout Club will be the first supporting organization to be recognized with a bronze

plaque on the exterior of the museum as a *Supporting Club and Organization Honor Roll* member.

Another highlight this month was the opening of the new exhibit, *Lee Wulff: "Each fly is a dream we cast out to fool fish"* on June 25th at The Yale Beinecke Library. This exhibit will feature some of Lee Wulff's greatest writings and innovations along with his tailer, reel and vest from our collection which were donated by Joan Wulff. This exhibit runs through September 16. For hours and specific details visit: <http://www.library.yale.edu/beinecke/brblevents/brblexhibits.html> and <http://calendar.yale.edu/cal/beinecke>

Yes, I will be playing in the 4th Golf Tournament and if there are any 'ringers' out there, let me play on your team. I promise to practice once before the tourney begins.

It's all about fly fishing.
Jim Krul

Summerfest/Jubilee Weekend Activities:

Saturday, August 7:

- 8:30 AM to 4 PM Collectibles
- 10 AM to 4 PM Community, craft, exhibits and organization vendors
- 2 PM to 3PM Mike Canazon and the Bamboo Boys Casting Clinic
- 8:30 AM to 4 PM Trash or Treasure Identification. Bob Selb of the Classic Fly Fisherman will help you identify that 'fishing thing' you have always wondered about. Better yet, he will give you an honest appraisal of what it is worth.

Sunday, August 8:

- 8:30 AM to 4 PM Collectibles
- 10 AM to 4 PM Community, craft, exhibits and organization vendors
- 11:30 AM "Students Only' (16 and under) Fishing derby' at the Pond. Prizes will be awarded for first fish, most fish, largest fish and smallest fish. Kids are to bring their own tackle and favorite baits.
- Noon to 3 PM Enjoy the Kurpil Family Fiddlers under the tent
- 1:30 PM The Great Willowemoc Fish Race (50/50) Split for the winning fish
- 2 PM Jubilee Day Cake (immediately after the fish race) The CFFCM will once again celebrate birthday and anniversary milestones ending in a 0 or 5. Everyone is welcome and cake will be provided at no charge.

Would you like to help? Volunteers are needed for: bridge and traffic control; Great Willowemoc Fish Race; Cake cutting and serving; vendor set up; CFFCM booth; and, after-event clean up. Call the office (845-439-4810) and offer a couple hours of help. Remember - many hands make light work.

Fore!!! 8-15. (August 15) The Fourth Annual Ralph Graves Memorial Invitational Golf Tournament. No, Ralph has not passed on. This golf outing started by a few hackers and was named to memorialize Ralph while he is living. It was simply a day out for golf and to have a good time no matter the golfer's skill. It has become a full blown golf outing and is sponsored by: Redwood Creek Wine; Stone Realty; Catskill Flies; Live Bait; Roscoe Liquors; and, Scientific Anglers. Chairmen Cliff Albertson (clifford.albertson@verizon.net or 845-368-1381) and Ted Patlen (tedpat090@yahoo.com or 210-772-1312) have a great 5-man scramble planned with tee off at 1 PM at Roscoe's Twin Villages Golf Course. This unique 9 hole course will challenge even the most discriminating and polished golfer. You might not see Tiger here this year, but, next year who knows? Prizes will be awarded for: Low Score; Longest Drive; Straightest Drive; and Closest to the Pin. The winning team will have their names added to the 'Ralphie' trophy that hangs in the back of the museum. Join in and take the honor away from reigning champions Andy Boyar, Bob Reinert and Leonard Tobler. This might be one of the most enjoyable tournaments you'll ever participate in. Following the golf game you return to the Center for a full pound steak dinner with Ralph and his lovely wife Theresa. There will be prizes for all. Registration: CFFCM members \$65; Non Members \$75 and non golfers for dinner \$30. All proceeds benefit the CFFCM. A limited number of spaces remain so make your reservation soon. Call the Center 845-439-4810 (or email the chairmen)

Last Casts

It is with sadness we inform you of the recent loss of the following fellow members of the CFFCM.

John Hotaling of Livingston Manor, NY. After a long and fulfilling life, John left us peacefully in April 2010 at the age of 91. We are sure many of you remember John's great smiles as he was one our long time museum hosts who retired back in 2003. John took great pleasure working at the Center and enjoyed connecting with every fly fisher he met. He shared many good stories of great fish both lost and landed. Locally, John was very active during his life and was a member of the Rotary, National Audubon Society, American Legion, BeaMoc TU, Triple Hills Hunting Club, and of course the CFFCM.

John Dredger of Bloomfield, NY passed away unexpectedly on May 14, 2010 at age 64. John was a long time fly fisher who enjoyed the Catskill streams and the trout they hold.

CORRECTION to the May 2010 Castabout. It should be noted that it was Dave Plummer and his wife Mary Jane Gelder Plummer who donated the Leonard Tournament fly rod to the CFFCM permanent collection. This rod originally belonged to Dr. Robert Gelder, Mrs. Plummer's father. Our apologies to the Plummers for this error.

Three Rivers, One Artist's View A tribute to the *Grand Cascapedia, Moisie and Restigouche Rivers*, an exhibition by Peter Corbin, is now on display at the Cascapedia River Museum until September 25, 2010. If you are planning a trip north, please set aside some time to view this presentation. Peter Corbin is a long time supporter and member of the CFFCM.

Italy to follow Sweden. While *Swedish Flies* is our featured 2010 International Fly Fishing Exhibit, we have just added some Italian flies, tackle and art to our International Wall for the 2011 Italian Exhibit. These early arrivals will join the 2009 highlights from the *Made in Japan* exhibit which will give you a comparison of techniques and talents. As you look at the many international flies on display, you will certainly find some Catskill influence in all of them. When you view these international exhibits you'll come to understand the importance of CFFCM's mission of preserving and promoting the Catskill fly fishing experience.

Recent Donations and Acquisitions: From: **Bob Rock** a large quantity of flies and fly boxes for fundraising and some vintage fly tying tools; **Dr. Schimmelman** several fly rods to be used to benefit the CFFCM youth programs and general needs; **Rob O'Neill** a collection of books for our library; **Ralph Gestwicki** for a selection of books and a collection of vintage magazines that include many early issues of the *Pennsylvania Angler*; **Frank Kuttner** an original copy of the *BeaMoc Rod and Gun Club Constitution and By Laws*; **Andy Boyar** an adjustable tying vise; **Ed Marron** and **Ivan Mahoney** waders and hip boots; and **Michael Ginsburg** tackle for fundraising and the CFFCM collection. **John Golenski** for fundraising reel, line and fly box. We thank each of you for the additional support these contributions provide to the CFFCM.

Opening Day, a mystery novel by Joe Perrone Jr. Set in the town of Roscoe, this haunting mystery begins on, guess when??? Opening Day. A body is found and the author, Joe Perrone Jr, takes you on an Agatha Christie type mystery. He unwinds the tightly woven story thread by thread. Joe was once a Beaverkill fishing guide so his descriptions ring true for anyone who has fished our local waters. It is a great, fun summer read. This book will surely please every mystery lover. One of the central characters is named Frank Kuttner but we can say no more. The paperback cover price is \$14.95. Members can pick it up at the gift shop less 20% (11.95 plus tax) or have it delivered with taxes and shipping included for \$14.95; call us. If you want Frank to sign it, we can have that arranged too.

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CFFCM Emergence Chart

2010 Calendar of Events

July

10/11: Environmental Education Weekends for youth

17/18: Environmental Education Weekends for youth

24/25: Environmental Education Weekends for youth

August

7 & 8: Anglers Market, Fly Fishers Summerfest and Jubilee Weekend

15: Annual Ralph Graves Memorial Golf Tournament

September

10-12: Rodmakers Gathering

October

9: Semi-Annual Meeting and Hall of Fame

November

6 & 7: Arts of the Angler Show, Danbury CT

30: A Night in NYC-Winter Fundraiser

December

4: Holiday Open House

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