

CFFCM Press Release

Hinchey and Gunther Gear Up for NYS Trout Season Opener

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ROSCOE, NY

Season Opener, Saturday, April 4, 2009, 7:30AM, Junction Pool It all starts again.

Ed and Judy Van Put will be ready, Maurice Hinchey will be ready, Agnes Van Put and her soups will be ready, Ted Patlen will never be ready and the museum will be ready, come heck or high water. Come up or down, but be here to officially usher in another trout season where the Willowemoc Creek and the Little Beaverkill join in Roscoe, NY at Junction Pool. We'll all gather there around 7 or so to mingle and kabbitz while Ed and Judy gear up with Congressman Maurice Hinchey. Before they deliver the first ceremonial cast, Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther will proclaim and recognize the Town of Rockland's Bicentennial Year and officially open another new trout season. The Roscoe Chamber of Commerce will be on hand providing hot coffee, fresh donuts and a warm reception to all visitors and guests.

Before dispersing to favorite fishing holes, watering holes, Mary Dette's, Catskill Flies, the Beaverkill Angler, Frank Kuttner's, Buffalo Zacks or Live Bait, JB Martin has a special treat. He will lead a party of those interested to Pop Robbins' Gravesite and toast one of the forgotten early local legends in flyfishing. (If you have not got a clue who Pop Robbins was, take a look through Mac's Catskill Rivers before you come.). By the time you are done at Pop's grave and made the necessary stops in Roscoe, most likely Ted Patlen will be ready at the Museum to show off some of his fly tying skills wearing a new shirt. Roscoe artist, Jack Yelle, will once again have a limited edition of his Season Opener 2009 prints available. This will be the third in Jack's *Season Opener series* and will be signing from 9-noon. From 10AM-Noon at the Livingston Manor High School Gym, Mike Canazon and Cane Crew will once again host a bamboo rod casting clinic. If you have never casted a bamboo fly rod, this is a perfect time to flick a few and discover the life and mystique of bamboo. So, stop in and see the new exhibits, visit with some old friends and chat up some new ones before warming up to a cup of Anges Van Put's famous soups. The more the merrier. We look forward to seeing you.

Staying that evening??? Don't miss Trout Town USA's annual Two Headed Trout Dinner and find out just which way the trout really went. For tickets please contact Miriam 607-498-4139 or Ellen at 607-498-6146