

It's May Magic at the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum

May is here and is simply the best month to be trout fishing in the Catskills and visiting the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum (CFFCM). The Catskills are alive with activities and events for all. Take a *Maycation* and take advantage of the discounts by local merchants.

May 7, join the Long Island Fly Rodders to give back to the area and clean the Willowemoc Creek and Beaverkill River. Co opting in the 2011 Stream Clean will be the Theodore Gordon Flyfishers, Long Island Boy Scouts, and Member of the Roscoe Chamber of Commerce. Clean up begins at 9:00AM, LIFR BBQ at 1PM and fishing immediately after. FFF Professional Casting instructors Floyd Franke and Gail and Paul Gallo will hold a free Casting Clinic from 11AM to 1PM and Classic Trout's JB Martin will demonstrate fly tying in the museum.

May 14, Mike Hogue, Badger Creek Fly Tying owner will be demonstrating his latest creations at the vise and author Joe Perrone, Jr. will be signing his great Catskill Mystery *Opening Day*.

May 21 & 22, America's premier international fishing tackle crafts event, *Woodstick* will be held. Visit the Center for a two day gathering of today's finest tackle craftsmen from Europe, Japan, and the USA as they exchange and share creations of classic tackle today. A contingent from Japan will represent their countrymen in this event. Please visit and show your support and concern. In coordination of this great event, The Hardy Cup will be unveiled and attendees will be given the opportunity to compete in the first annual bamboo casting competition from Noon – 4 PM on Saturday, May 21. FFF Professional Casting instructors Floyd Franke and Gail & Paul Gallo will hold a free Casting Clinic from 11 Am to 1PM and Scott Cesari will demonstrate his innovative realistic fly tying in the museum.

May 28, the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum will celebrate their 30th Annual Fund Raising Dinner and Auction at King's Catering at 5:30. The day is preceded by the Annual Members Meeting at 10AM; the last opportunity to cast in the Hardy Cup bamboo rod fly casting competition before the final day on August 6, and a great opportunity to see many of the long time pioneers who started the CFFCM in 1981. Call the CFFCM at 845-439-4810 to make your reservation.

Join fellow fly fishers at this dinner to support the CFFCM to continue its work to preserve, protect and promote fly fishing. The Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum is all about fly fishing, and the *Center* of it all.