



BACKLASH

Capital District Fly Fishers

Conserving – Restoring – Educating
Through Fly Fishing



October 2007

President's Message

It was nice to see some of you again at the 'Welcome Back' meeting. The stories were good and interesting; mine wasn't too believable but I'm a practicing fisher person. We had new members and some guests that also participated. Hope to see more at this month's meeting.

Now, on to business. We will be finalizing the Christmas Party at our next e-board meeting, October 8th. All are invited to participate. We are looking for volunteers for the Nominating Committee to help put a slate of officers together for our November meeting. If you are interested in being on the committee or being an officer please contact John Prokorym, he is heading the committee. The fly tying class begins in January and we are looking for tiers and floorwalkers. Our librarian (the holder of the videos), Tom, is looking to be replaced as keeper of the library. Tom does numerous duties for the club and I think we are over working him. The advantage of being librarian is you get to watch all the videos if you want. Keep in mind the different events coming up and volunteer to help; we have fun.

We are looking for ideas for our meetings starting September next year. Remember it's your club so let us know what you would like to hear about. If you are interested in Rod Building, I will be starting a class in the near future so let me know. The tying guild will start after this message is written so I hope to see you there. I hope everyone remembers to get your new license, as the old one expired at the end of September.

Looking to see you at the meeting or sooner...

Paul Sinicki
President

October Meeting

New Location!

VFW Post 8692, Oct. 17th, 7:00 p.m.

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Fly Tyer's Corner (6:30) : Eric Kroth
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Fly of the Month: The best fly you discovered in

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Your help is needed...

Executive Board - It's Nominating Committee time again. The Club needs your help, both in filling seats on the Executive Board, and on the Nominating Committee who finds those people. Don't forget: it's your club, and it doesn't run without you.

Video Librarian – As Paul mentioned in the President's Message, we need a volunteer to help corral the video library. If you come to the meetings, you already meet one of the requirements for the position. Benefits for the position include access to all of our instructional media.

Got any ideas? We'd love to hear them.

For more information, contact Paul Sinicki or Rodney Priddle.



Fly Tier's Guild Is Here!!!

It's that time again. The air is cooling off, the leaves are turning, and it's time for Tuesday Night Fly Tying. Come out and join us for some coffee and good conversation.

Important Change: The information in last month's issue regarding location was incorrect. We will again be meeting at the Colonie Youth Center at 5 First Avenue in Latham (just off Route 2, east of Latham Circle). Guild meetings usually convene at 18:30 and go to (around) 20:00 every Tuesday night, through the end of March. Check the club website for more info.

For more on the Colonie Youth Center: <http://www.colonieyouthcenter.org>

Bug Dope for your Fly Tying Chest

Fly tiers have used mothballs for years. However, recent studies have indicated that both para-dichlorobenzene and naphthalene used in mothballs may be linked to illnesses, including **cancer**.

Herbal pest repellent is still available to protect all of your tying supplies and whole house from Wild Thyme Whole Food & Tea.

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About our speaker... Bob Bachman

Dr. Bachman retired from Maryland state government April 1, 1999. During his thirteen-year service with the state of Maryland he served in a number of fisheries-related positions including: Director of Fisheries (inland and marine), Director of Fish and Wildlife and Chief of Freshwater Fisheries. Throughout this thirteen-year period he supervised, among other things, Maryland's coldwater fishery and in such capacity was instrumental in establishing environmental and regulatory changes resulting in the creation of four nationally recognized trout fisheries in Maryland.

As Director of the Fisheries Service he served as Maryland's Commissioner on the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and Co-chair of the Chesapeake Bay Program's Fisheries Management Plan Work Group. As Director of Fish and Wildlife he held office as President of both the Northeastern and Southeastern Associations of Fish and Wildlife Agencies and in these capacities served for four years on the Executive Committee of the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

Dr. Bachman holds a doctorate in behavioral ecology from the Pennsylvania State University, a Bachelor of Science degree in Oceanography from the University of Washington, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Marine and Electrical Engineering from the United States Naval Academy. During his twenty-year service in the United States Navy he served on two diesel-powered and three nuclear-powered submarines, including the USS Nautilus, America's first nuclear-powered ship. His pioneering behavioral study of brown trout at the Pennsylvania State University won him the American Fisheries Society's "Best Paper Award". Dr. Bachman's work has been widely cited in professional papers, magazine articles, and national publications such as the New York Times and Newsweek. His article in the 1985 Winter Issue of Trout, "How Trout Feed" won him the C.E. Orvis award "Best published how-to fly fishing magazine story".

Bob was recently appointed as Commissioner to the board of commissioners of the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission. He is a member of Trout Unlimited, a board member of the Pennsylvania Flyfishing Museum Association, Friends of the Upper Delaware River (FUDR) and the Lehigh Coldwater Fishery Alliance. He confesses to be an obsessive fisherman with a strong predilection for flyfishing.

Presentation

Behavior of wild brown trout in a stream: the effects of food, "cover", and hatchery trout.

Bob will show how wild brown trout feed, interact with each other and adult hatchery trout, and explain how food and "cover" determine the population structure and growth rate of wild brown trout in a stream as revealed in his four-year behavioral study of wild brown trout in Spruce Creek in central Pennsylvania. Included in the presentation are rare motion pictures of wild trout fighting with introduced hatchery trout and the consequences of stocking adult hatchery trout into a wild trout stream.

Important News...

New Licenses - It's October already. We hope you've purchased your new Fishing Permits for '07-'08. (Boy, that always seems to come up fast.)

Dues are due - ...Well, not just yet. You don't want to forget them, though. Everyone's memberships are up at the end of the year. Inside this issue, you'll find a handy membership form available for you to print out, or simply write on, for those of you who receive this through the mail.

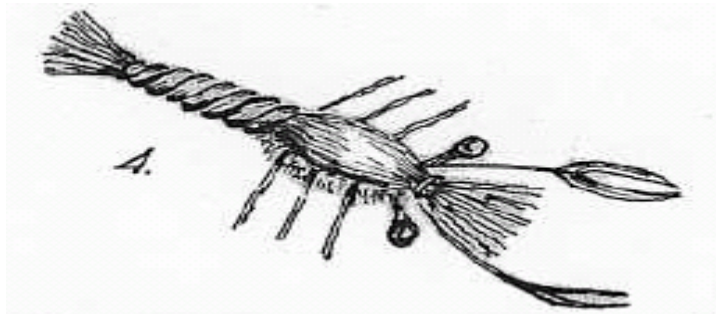
More Upcoming Stuff...

Things to think about:

Fly Tying Classes – January isn't too far away. The flies have already been selected for this year, and we need people to show others how to do it. So, if you already know how to get the fur and feathers to sit on the hook – *and stay there* – come on out and join us as a floor walker. Maybe, even sign up to be an instructor and featured tier. Nothing teaches you more about your own craft than teaching someone else how to do it.

Northeast Great Outdoors Show, Casting Clinic – These and many other events don't happen without your help. Through these events, we put ourselves out in the public, and you make us all look good.

Contact Paul or Rodney for more information...



Upcoming Events Calendar...

October 9 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham – Alert!!! Same location as last year!!! All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
October 16 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham – Alert!!! Same location as last year!!! All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
October 17 Wednesday 6:30 FTC 7:00 Meeting	VFW Post 8692, 140 VFW Drive, Colonie Bob Barkman – Behavior of wild brown trout in a stream: the effects of food, “cover”, and hatchery trout Featured Tier – Eric Kroth – “Disco Minnow” ... or something neat...
October 23 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham – Alert!!! Same location as last year!!! All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
October 30 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham – Alert!!! Same location as last year!!! All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
November 6 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
November 13 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
November 20 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
November 21 Wednesday 6:30 FTC 7:00 Meeting	VFW Post 8692, 140 VFW Drive, Colonie Care and feeding of Equipment – JP Featured Tier – John Prokorym – Streamer (Rookie)
November 27 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
December 4 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
December 11 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
December 15th Saturday 7:00 Meeting	CDFFF Annual Holiday Party, VFW Post 8692, 140 VFW Drive, Colonie Jay Fullum – John Prokorym to confirm
December 18 Tuesday 6:30	Fly Tier's Guild – Colonie Youth Center, 5 First Avenue, Latham All CDFFF members and guests are welcome to share ideas and group therapy.
January 16 Wednesday 6:30 FTC 7:00 Meeting	DEC Conservation Officer – Paul to contact soon to determine lead time. VFW Post 8692, 140 VFW Drive, Colonie Featured Tier – Paul Sinicki – Anything Cripple
February 20 Wednesday 6:30 FTC 7:00 Meeting	VFW Post 8692, 140 VFW Drive, Colonie Lou Bruno will examine and discuss styles of casting Featured Tier: Lou Bruno – Wet Flies

Capital District Fly Fishers Membership Application & Renewal

Last Name: First Name: Phone

Address: email

City: State Zip:

Membership New Individual @ \$ 15.00 Junior - Age 15 & younger Free Renewal Family @ \$ 25.00 Membership Fee

Merchandise CDFF Cloth Patch @ \$5.00 ea CDFF Window Decal - Free CDFF Lapel Pin @ \$5.00 ea CDFF Hat @ \$10.00 Merchandise Cost

Enter your Federation of Fly Fishers Membership number **Total**
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As a member, I am interested in and would be willing to help on the following: (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Development / Promotions | <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting Refreshments / Banquet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> On Stream Outings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fly Tying | <input type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising / Raffle | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment / Conservation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legislation | <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="text"/> | |

Fishing Interest and availability (check all that apply)

Trout Warm Water Salt Water

Availability

Days Mon Tue Wed Thr Fri Sat Sun

Evenings Mon Tue Wed Thr Fri Sat Sun

Transportation

Can Drive Need Ride Miles willing to travel:

Fill out the form on your computer - print it out - attach your check and send it to: OR **bring it to our next meeting.**

Walter Susko - CDFF Treasurer
40 HyDrive
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Received :

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Upcoming Events

November 21st – Meeting – John Prokorym: Care and Feeding of your Fly Rods

October Tuesdays – Fly Tying Guild, Colonie Youth Center

December 15th – CDFF Holiday Party

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