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Connecticut Fly Fishermen's Association

## Meeting Notice

Program: Seasons of Connecticut Fly Fishing.

Place: Veterans' Memorial Clubhouse, Sunset Ridge Rd., East Hartford, Connecticut. (See map inside for directions to meeting place.)

When: Wednesday, December 10, 1986

Time: Fly Tying--7:00 P.M.  
Program --7:30 P.M.

This month CFFA member Mark Philippe will present a slide program entitled "Seasons of Connecticut Fly Fishing." Mark's presentation will include fly fishing for trout and shad plus fly fishing in salt water. He will also include a few shots from a recent trip to the Salmon River in Pulaski, NY.

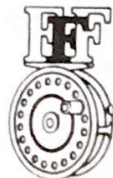
There's more fishing around Connecticut than most of us imagine. This program will give you an opportunity to learn more about something you have already tried, or a chance to get started in a new area you've thought about but never quite gotten around to.

### Coming Attractions

Your Board of Directors and Program Chairman George Degen have quite an agenda of programs lined up. Our January program will feature Jack Gartside, noted fly tyer. The speaker at our February Banquet (see notice inside) will be Jim Bashline.



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# THE CORNER POOL

Ed Fidrych

Larry Johnson

## UNEXPECTED STOCKING OF THE WILLI

Due to an unfortunate combination of low water in the New Britain water system and "micro" leaks in our trout rearing pool, we were not able to hold our 13 in. Bitterroot trout until Spring. The pump was started to aerate the water when the inflow rate dropped, but then the level of the rearing pool itself began to drop and the fish were moved to the Burlington Hatchery. The fish were placed in the upper part of the Trout Management Area in early November.

## MATERIAL NEEDED FOR NEWSLETTER

As per usual, we are in need of new material for "Lines and Leaders." Fly patterns, trip reports, stories, comments, cartoons, etc. are welcome and needed. Although we obtain some material from other clubs' newsletters and our own back issues, we rely on YOU to provide fresh material of interest to our members. Don't worry about style or presentation, we will type and edit your material if needed. Send your articles to Larry Johnson, 60 Willard St., Hartford, CT 06105. Also remember that all authors are eligible for a drawing for gift certificates to our advertisers which is held at our Annual Banquet.

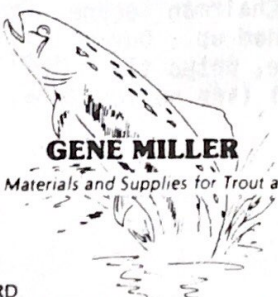
## RANDOM CASTS

The first notices for our 1987 Fly Tying School and Annual Banquet appear in this issue. Mark these dates on your calendar, and please give some thought to helping out with our banquet or schools or donating an item for the conservation drawing which is a feature of our Annual Banquet. Our fly tying school and fly fishing school (which we will advertise next month) make nice presents for someone who is just getting started.

Program Chairman George Degen is looking for a few good members to tie flies before the meetings and at special events such as the Civic Center Fishing Show in March. There is a list of volunteers, but it cannot represent anything but a small portion of CFFA members who actually tie flies. Remember, even if you are not an "expert" tyer, other members and the public are interested in how you do things and the patterns you like to tie.

Finally, on behalf of all of your Board of Directors, we want to wish all of you and your families the happiest of holiday seasons!

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## FLY PATTERN OF THE MONTH

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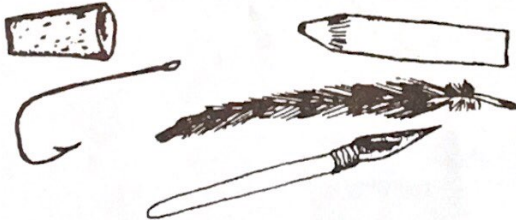
# CORK POPPER CONSTRUCTION

By Joe Aufderheide  
Indianapolis, IN

Editor's Note: Joe's poppers are meticulously made and he takes much pride in the finished product. Those that he sent for samples were very well done and caught several chunky largemouths at local lakes. Here are Joe's directions for his cork poppers.

### MATERIALS:

Mustad 33903 in sizes #2, 4, 8, 10  
or Mustad 387187 wide gap in #2, 6, 10  
Monocord thread 000 in assorted colors  
Assorted Sized Corks  
Duco Cement  
Fine Tooth Saw or #25GK Exacto Knife  
Flexible Lacquers { Tackle Craft  
Fluorescent Lacquers { P.O. Box 280  
Top Coat Lacquer { Chippena Falls, WI  
1/4" Dowel Rod 54729-0280  
Pencil Sharpener  
Sandpaper or Emery Boards (easier to use)  
Assorted Paint Brushes



### CONSTRUCTION STEPS:

1. Select proper size cork to fit hook size.
2. Make slot for hook exactly perpendicular to cork with exacto saw.
3. Place hook shank into the slot with cement. Make sure cement is into slot and the shank of the hook is well covered with cement.
4. When hook is properly positioned, let dry overnight.
5. Inspect to see that proper amount of cement fills the slot. If not, fill the open slot with cement and let stand overnight again.
6. Smooth cork and cement with emery board.
7. Using white flexible lacquer diluted 1:3 paint a light coat onto the cork.
8. Repeat #7 until a smooth finish is obtained. Let dry thoroughly between each coat. Usually takes 3 to 4 coats.

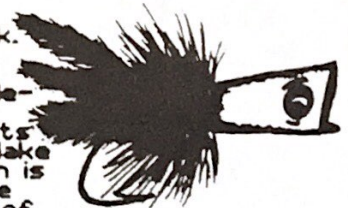
9. Apply color lacquer with brush as thin as you can. Let dry thoroughly. Usually takes three coats.
10. Using a pencil sharpener sharpen a dowel rod so the point will make an eye size dot that will fit the popper.
11. Paint an eye dot on either side of the head. Allow to dry.
12. Apply a second dot of paint over the first with a smaller sharpened dowel rod.
13. After drying, apply a thin coat of top coat. The top coat of Tackle Craft is excellent. You could also use Hard-As-Nails, clear nail polish, or clear polyurethane. Let dry 24 hours.

### TO TIE TAIL:

1. Tie foundation of thread over hook. Cement.
2. Select hackle of type and color desired.
3. Tie in hackle points to form a "U". Make sure their length is approximately the length of shank of hook. Cement.
4. Tie in hackle feather, wind around the hook bringing the finish wind next to butt of cork.
5. Tie off with several single and double half hitches.
6. Cement well. Keep cement off popper lacquer.

### THE FOLLOWING COLORS WORK WELL:

Black  
Brown  
Chartreuse  
White with black spots (Dalmation type)  
White with red head  
White with black head  
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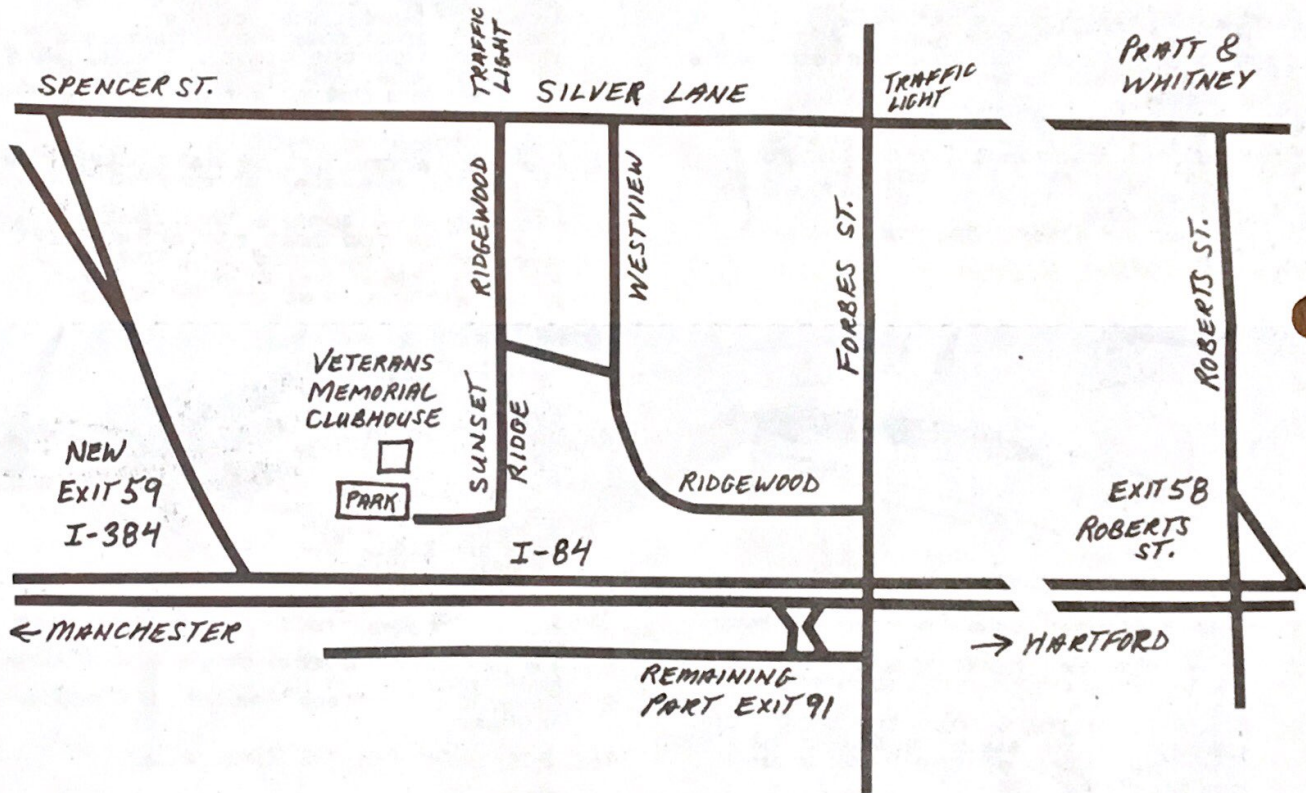
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CFFA 17th ANNUAL BANQUET

On Saturday, February 7, 1987, CFFA will hold it's 17th Annual Banquet. Our guest speaker this year will be Jim Bashline, Associate Editor of "Field & Stream" magazine. Details of his program will be in the January newsletter.

The banquet will be held at the Sphinx Temple (next to the Grant Moor) on the Berlin Turnpike in Newington. Directions and a map will be printed in the January and February newsletters. Your choice of dinners this year will be baked stuffed shrimp or roast prime rib of beef. Included with the meal will be fruit cup, salad, baked potato, vegetable, rolls and butter, coffee or tea and dessert.

Your Banquet Committee has worked hard to provide you with an enjoyable evening, and we have been able to do this for \$20.00 per person. We will also be holding our conservation drawing that evening.

Fill out the reservation form and mail it as soon as possible. Your Banquet Committee and Board of Directors are looking forward to seeing each and every one of you there.

Anyone wishing to donate prizes for our drawing may contact Elmer Latham at 742-6584 or Dick Smoragiewicz at 569-0364. All prizes will be greatly appreciated, and all donations will be acknowledged in "Lines and Leaders."

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DINNER RESERVATION

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I will require reservations for \_\_\_\_\_ persons at \$20.00 per person.  
Check or Money Order in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed.  
(Please make payable to "CFFA.")

Mail reservation form to:

Mr. Elmer Latham  
79 Northfield Rd.  
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<u>No.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
1	1-2-86	<u>Bucktails:</u> Dark Edson Tiger and Black Nose Dace
2	1-9-86	<u>Streamers:</u> Black Ghost and Black Marabou
3	1-16-86	<u>Wet Flies:</u> G.R. Hare's Ear and Dark Cahill
4	1-23-86	<u>Nymphs:</u> Scraggley and Dark Stenonema
5	1-30-86	<u>Dry Flies:</u> Adams and Light Cahill
6	2-6-86	<u>Panfish Flies:</u> Bass and Bluegill Attractors

EQUIPMENT: All necessary hooks and materials will be furnished. Students must supply their own vise, bobbin, thread, scissors, etc. It is suggested that each tyer bring a portable lamp and a notebook.

INSTRUCTORS: In addition to the main instructors, several CFFA tyers will be on hand to assist students.

CLASS SIZE: Limited to the first 25 people submitting applications.

TUITION: CFFA Members....\$ 25.00 Non-Members....\$ 30.00

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CFFA FTS ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print requested information. Forward application form and tuition (checks payable to C.F.F.A.) to: Dan Record, Education Chairman, 9 Sequoia Drive, Cromwell, Connecticut 06416.

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For additional information contact Gary Bogli, 82 Elizabeth Drive, Manchester, Connecticut 06040. Phone: (203) 649-4227



#### COLE W. WILDE TROUT MANAGEMENT AREA DEDICATED

On Friday afternoon, September 19, 1986, a small group of family, friends and co-workers of the late Cole W. Wilde gathered at the east-bound rest stop on I-84 to rededicate the Willimantic Trout Management Area in his memory. The sign pictured above had been installed by Connecticut Department of Transportation workers that morning, right between the gate in the fence and our CFFA bulletin board. A similar sign had been placed in the Nye-Holman State Forest.

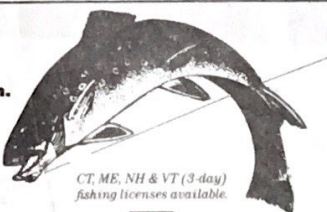
Cole began as an Aquatic Biologist in 1950, and rose to the position of Chief of the Fisheries Division in 1963, a position he held until his retirement in 1979. He had important roles in the Connecticut Lake and Pond Survey published in 1959, the design and construction of the Quinebaug Hatchery and development of Connecticut's stocking rate date. It was through his efforts that what is now the Trout Management Area became first restricted to fly fishing only (1974) and later to catch and release fishing (1976). The area was designated a special Trout Management Area in 1981, several years after his retirement.

Unfortunately, Cole Wilde passed away in the Fall of 1984. The Cole W. Wilde Trout Management Area will be a constant and fitting reminder of a friend of CFFA and all fishermen in Connecticut.


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