

Lines & Leaders

October 2010

The Newsletter of The Connecticut Fly Fisherman's Association

**FROM THE VEST OF
THE PRESIDENT**

**CFFA OCTOBER
MEETING**

Guest Speaker Peggy Brenner

**WATCH HILL
DECEIVER**

By Dick Wemmell

FVTU

Angling Gear Tag Sale





From The Vest Of The President

September is already under our belts and we are one meeting down already. Where does the time go?

The meeting was as always well attended and I think Phil even signed up one or two new members.

Ed Mitchell's presentation

was very informative and even though he had some technical difficulty which happens from time to time, but he sat and answered questions and explained the different aspects of salt water fly fishing. I hope everyone enjoyed Ed's program because he really doesn't need

any computers or pictures to explain how to catch fish -- he's been doing it for a while and very well too, I might add. Thanks to Ed and thanks to all that attended .

It was also nice to see my good friend Charlie show up, it's always nice to sit and chat with Charlie . He is doing well, looking good and his spirits are high -- "So stay positive, Charlie, and I know we will see you at our meetings and on the water very soon."

We need fly tiers to tie at our meetings, so anyone that is interested may contact us or just show up, set up and tie you favorite pattern. Also thanks to everyone that showed up and tied or just worked our table at Cabella's. We are always looking for volunteers and it's always nice to see new faces volunteering and helping out. CFFA is only as good as you are, so just don't sit there and





classes can talk with him at the meetings or email him at fishing_retired@yahoo.com

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There will be no haunted mansion this year at the clubhouse due to fire regulations. That means our October and November meetings will be held at the clubhouse and not the community center. Makes everyone's life a little bit easier.

only come to meetings; help out, join in, get involved.

I would like to welcome Rich Gilligan to our board. Rich is now the new education chairman. Welcome Rich, and thank you for stepping up. I am looking forward to working with you. Anyone interested in helping Rich out with our

Just a little advanced notice folks, CFFA will be looking for some of you to step up and accept or run for positions in January. Some of our board members and officers have been at the helm for over 5 years and some of us are a



October Meeting

The Connecticut Fly Fisherman's Association will present a fly fishing program on Wednesday, October 6, 2010 at the Veteran's Memorial Clubhouse, 100 Sunset Ridge, East Hartford, CT., at 7:00 pm This month's guest speaker is Peggy Brenner. Her program is titled "Fly fishing New England on a Shoestring in a Winnebago". I've been tying for a decade and a half now; my specialty is flies that fish well in New England and the Florida Keys. I started with the basics, progressed to Classic Maine Streamers and now Salmon flies.

The good fortune of becoming a member of United Fly Tyers' when I started tying enabled me to receive instruction from some of the finest tiers in the industry. Several years ago they encouraged me to start teaching ladies, kids and beginners, leading to demonstration tying, a stint as Editor of the Roundtable, and am a past President. Currently I'm on the Board of the FFF Fly Tying Group and International Women's Fly Fishing.

I now tie for a small group of customers, as well as giving instruction, presentations, and demonstrations around the country. I am a member of several pro teams which include Whiting Farms, Daiichi hooks, and Nymph-Head Beads, that I represent at 12-15 events per season.

I truly enjoy sharing my knowledge and encouraging new folks to join the fly fishing experience. This fall I'm going back to where I started by teaching an evening class at my local high school in fly tying.

Vest Continued

little tired. So it's time to think about giving up your time and taking a position on our board. I'm sure that most of you are quite capable and all you need to do is let us know at nomination time, which will be in December.

I want to thank all of you that take the time to tie before our meetings. I also want to thank Walt, he's the guy that takes care of our raffle every month. And thanks to all of you that attend our meetings and support our club by purchasing raffle tickets. I always get a warm feeling when a member wins and hands me the ticket and says "give this to one of the kids." We have some of the most generous members of any club.

To all of you that are new to CFFA, welcome! To all of you that are new to fly fishing welcome also and come to the meetings and pick our brains. Our members are always happy to share their knowledge with anyone that wants to learn. We have members that fish for everything from trout to stripers to bonefish and carp so just come to some of the meetings get to know some of us and ask away. Who knows you may even find a fishing partner in the process.

As always our meetings are open to the public and free of charge so you don't need to be a member to participate. See you at the meeting bring a friend. Tight Lines: John



FVTU Angling Gear Tag Sale

The Farmington Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited will be hosting an Angling Gear Tag Sale on Wednesday evening, November 3rd, 2010 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Farmington Community and Senior Center located at 321 New Britain Avenue, Unionville. The Center is located approximately .8 miles downstream (southeast) of the Rt. 177 Bridge and adjacent to the river in the same complex as the Farmington Police Department.

This is an off-season event with many bargains and tag sale pricing. Individuals with excess items including fresh and saltwater fly and spinning rods, lures, flies, fly tying supplies and equipment, books, videos, clothing and other related gear are welcome as exhibitors. It's a great time to clean out your closet, and FVTU will be happy to accept donations. There is no charge for buyers or exhibitors, but each seller is responsible for his/her own items. Potential exhibitors should contact Bill Case at (860) 678-7245 to reserve table space on a first come, first served basis. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. for exhibitors and 6 p.m. sharp for buyers.

Because of rush hour traffic in Unionville, we recommend avoiding the Rt. 177 bridge area and Rt. 4 if possible. Alternatives include coming in via Rt. 10 to Meadow Road, driving through the meadows and taking a right onto New Britain Ave. For those coming in via I-84 westbound, take Exit 38 to Rt. 6 (which becomes Scott Swamp Rd.) to the now closed Parson's Chevrolet complex, turn north onto New Britain Avenue and drive 3.5 miles to the Center. Those coming from the south or via I-84 eastbound, take Exit 37 and drive north to Rt. 6, then turn left and head west to the closed auto dealership as above.

Coming Events

NEXT BOARD MEETING OCT 6th
NEXT CLUB MEETING OCT 13th

Catch of The Month



This "Catch of the Month" was submitted by Charlie Place. Charlie caught this fine specimen on the Missouri River in October of 2008. Using Zebra nymphs size 18 or 20. My guess is Jerry Wade pictured on page three may have been using Zebra nymphs as well. If you have a photo of the great fish you have caught, please send it to the Editor at: todd.gorman@mac.com

Dick Wemmell's Fly Box



Watch Hill Deceiver

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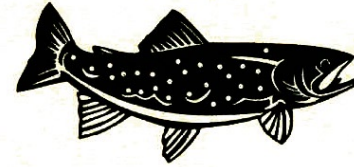
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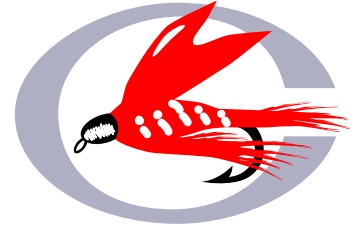
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