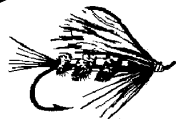


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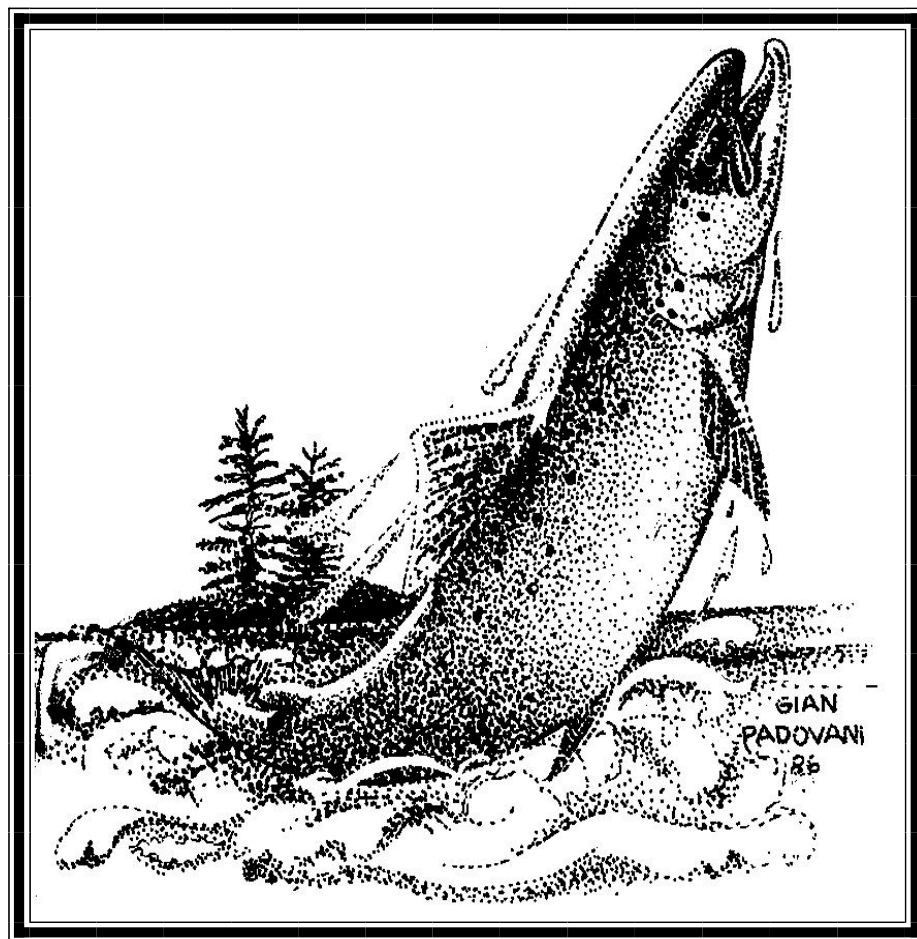
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President's message

Fishing season has finally begun and the Fly-rodgers are raring to go. **Herman Abrams** and **Kevin Burke** started the season by helping out the DEC at their I Fish NY day at Belmont State Park. A large group turned out at our last fly tying night to make sure their fly boxes were well stocked and **Tom Colleen** held a knot tying class so members couldn't blame a loose knot for the loss of a fish. Fly tying classes are underway and instructors **Wolfgang Porté** and **Lee Weil** are preparing their students for the flies they will need on upcoming trips.

Our membership increased by four: **Joseph Brodtman**, **Kevin Burke**, **Dane Kurian** and **Tom Vitti** became Flyrodgers at the April meeting. We welcome them to the fold and hope they will become active members and take advantage of all

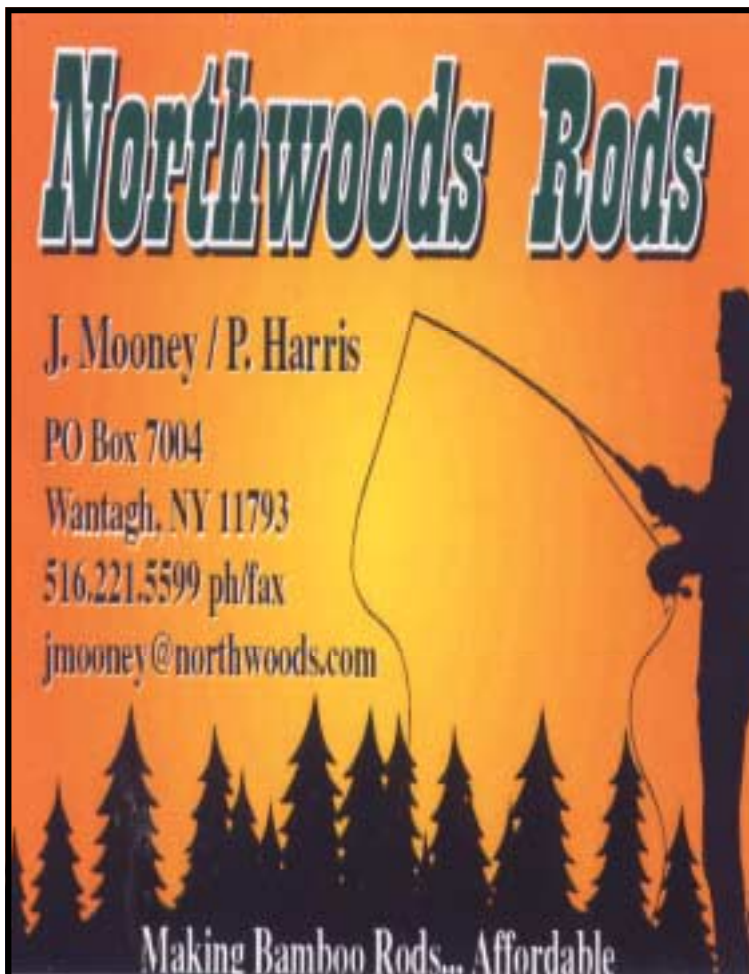
the club has to offer.

On behalf of all members, I would like to thank **Carl Wurzbach** for his generous donation. Carl hasn't been able to attend meetings lately, but he's a Flyrodger at heart and we appreciate his generosity.

Mike and Coreen Gelber will be attending their daughter Elizabeth's wedding in Maryland. Rumors abound that they may take their flyrods with them and hit the Gunpowder River in between the ceremony and reception. We wish **Elizabeth** and **Ken** a long, happy life together.

Don't forget, if you signed up for the June Farmington River trip, your money is due by the May meeting. See **Howie Solomon** with cash or check.

Susan



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by Lee Weil



Back to the Future

Richard hit the button on his wrist alarm before it began to vibrate. He was wide awake and hopped out of bed like a kid on Christmas morning. This was the day he had drawn in the state fishing lottery. His gear had been packed for days: sterilized boots, biosafe suit and surgical gloves. His permits were in order, and his reservation card was stamped. He wasn't able to afford a fishing permit last year and never got to wet a line, although he had his casting permit renewed and was able to rent a casting strip for a few hours to practice. But today, after saving up for months, he would actually be able to fish. For 2 hours he could test his skills and if lucky, hook a fish.

He left the shuttle at the sports center and jumped onto the metro conveyer. Stepping off at the fishing arena exit, he got in line for the permit check. A security guard ran a sensor over his ID, wishing him luck. He entered the decontamination room and changed into his fishing suit, fumbling with the seals on the boots in as he hurried to make his fish off time.

When he stepped into the arena the blue light from above had a calming effect, in spite of the hundreds of anglers milling about, each one trying to find their trough location. His was A-5, and he saw the sign at the end of the long aisle ahead.

Finally he was on deck, and as he waited he watched the trout swimming by, white with pale brown spots and subtle hints of pink on their sides. They were descendents of rainbow trout, which were extinct, along with the steelhead, brook trout and cutthroat. He had read about those fish and seen images of them in the

museum.

Finally his name was called and he stepped up and took his place at the railing. When the tone sounded he began casting, his line attached to the government issued fly. As the trout swam under his offering he held his breath, hoping that at least one of them would look up at the neon blue pellet on the end of his tippet. After fifteen minutes the angler on his left called out "Fish on!" and everyone stripped their lines in and watched enviously as the fish swam slowly around the tank and into the attendants net. The angler relinquished his rod and left his spot, smiling as others congratulated him. Richard turned his attention back to his line, noting that he only had an hour and 25 minutes left.

When the tone sounded, signaling the end of the session, Richard sighed. He never got a hit, and it would be awhile before he could afford to return. As he handed over his rod to the attendant he wished he had lived in the day when one could fish outdoors where and when they wanted, and catch vibrant, beautiful fish. Before the powers that be decided which fish could live, and which fisherman could pursue them. He wondered if those fishermen didn't know, or didn't care, what was happening to their legacy. He decided to stop for an Eco-beer on his way to the shuttle, then remembered he had let his beer permit expire. It would be a long ride home.

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Ralph Napolitano & Al Battistelli



Al Battistelli, Bob Picciano, Ralph Napolitano & Jim Foley

These LIFR explorers traveled to the wilds of the Woods of Pennsylvania to acquire needed (??) supplies from the natives. They were greeted with friendship and feasted on Elk burgers and venison sausages before trading much wampum for the desired goods.

Al Battistelli

Natchaug River Camping Trip, Chaplin, Ct.

April 29 – May 1, 2011

We will be checking in at the Nickerson Park Family Campground at 3:00 pm Friday April 29 & can check out at our leisure on Sunday May 1.

The Natchaug River is right at the campground and easily wadeable. There are also other rivers within driving distance.

The following equipment is recommended:

3 – 6 wgt fly rod, 9 ft. leader, 5x -7x tippet

Flies: march brown, Hendrickson, hornberg, pheasant tail nymph, gold rib hare's ear nymph, adams.

Price includes diner Friday and Saturday nights, breakfasts and pack-your-own lunches on Saturday and Sunday and campground costs. Additional expenses are a Connecticut fishing license (\$22. for 3 days or \$55. for the year. If eligible, remember to apply for your refund from last year.)

Per person charges: One adult per site = \$85., two adults per site = \$70., three adults per site = \$55. This is a private campground, and only one tent or camper is allowed per site.

All money is due by March 1. Only members in good standing will be permitted on trip.

Howie and Susan Solomon

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YELLOW BREECHES & CLARKS CREEK TRIP

May 4th through 6th we will be traveling down to south central PA to fish the famous Yellow Breeches River and another one of our favorite streams, Clarks Creek in Dauphin County. This time of year one can experience excellent hatches, including Hendricksons and prolific caddis.

We will be arriving on Wednesday and leaving on Friday, thus avoiding the crowds, since the Yellow Breeches is very popular in spring.

Driving time is approximately 4 hours. Accommodations will be at the Quality Inn, located 3 miles east of Carlisle off Route I-81. The rate for a room is \$90.00 for double occupancy, which is \$45.00 per person, per night if shared. There is a bar and pool table in the hotel. Dinner one night will be by reservation, with the venue to be announced.

Non-resident 3 day licenses cost \$26.70, and you will also need a Trout Stamp, which will cost an additional \$9.70, totaling \$36.40. You can print out the application from the PA Fish & Game website, or stop at Cabelas in Hamburg and purchase one on your way down. It's a good excuse to stop in and they open at 8:00 a.m. (perfect timing.)

For further information and details, please contact **Lee & Jeff Farrell** by calling **516-997-6743** or by e mail at **riderntyler@aol.com**

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- 1b. Subject must be related to Fly Fishing.
- 1c. Prints, (no transparencies), size 4" X 6" in color or black & white.
2. Put your name and phone number on back of the prints in small letters
3. All photos submitted may be used by LIFR. (e.g., Flyrodder and lifr.org)
4. There will be play-off contests in July and October
5. Three winners will be picked by members present at each of those meetings
6. All winning photos will be entered in the Annual Awards Dinner GRAND CONTEST
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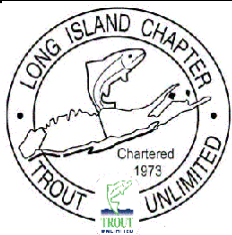
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Send reports and/or pics to

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Thanks, Morty

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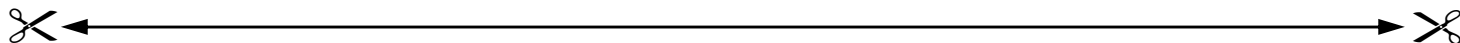
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**A Tribute to
Gian Padovani, (1930-2002)**



Tied by Herb Schneiderman

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Tag: Yellow silk
Tail: Gold pheasant crest
Butt: Black ostrich herl
Body: Red Silk
Ribbing: Oval silver tinsel
Mid Butt: Black ostrich herl
Throat: Yellow saddle hackle
Wing: White hen hackle
Cheeks: Jungle cock
Topping: Gold pheasant crest

Member's Comments:

Looking back over the years of knowing Gian, I was trying to think of the most gratifying times. There were so many.... like meeting and becoming good friends with him and his brother Gil. My brother Morty and I had great times on our trips to Maine, to Montana, upstate New York and many other places, and finding great restaurants.

I thought of the good old Moosehead Belle (MB) and how well Gian caught fish with it, so I decided to tie a special MB in full dress for a memorial.

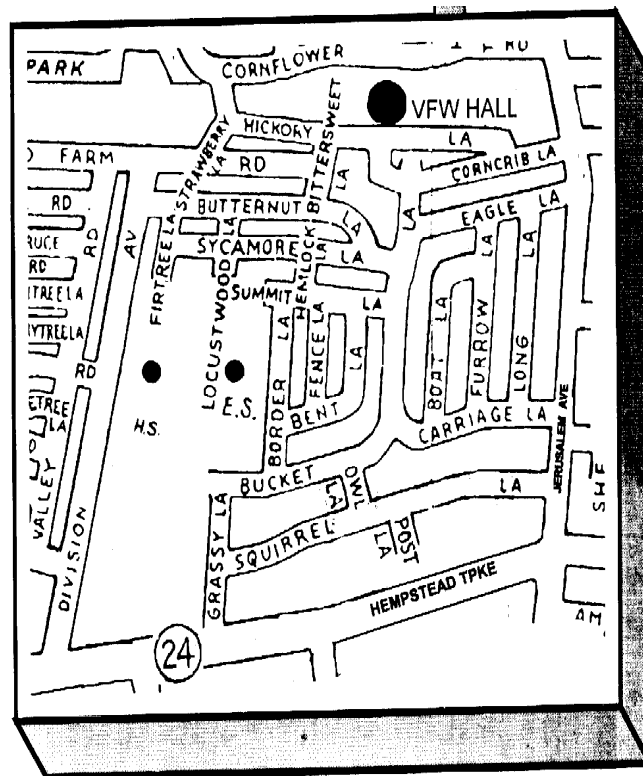
Rest in peace my dear friend.

Herb Schneiderman

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- May 3 **General Meeting - 8:00 pm**
Guest Speaker: George Douglas
"How to Fish Like a Guide; Steelhead Fishing
on the Salmon River and the Great Lakes"
- May 4 - 6 **Clarks Creek / Yellow Breeches, PA**
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- May 7 **Willowemoc River, NY - River Clean-Up**
Contact: Paul McCain & Dan Van Buskirk
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- May 14 **Housatonic River, CT - River Clean-Up**
Contact: Paul McCain & Dan Van Buskirk
- May 21 **Fly Fishing 101 - Levittown VFW Hall**
Contact: Lee Weil - See Page 4
- May 21 **Croton River**
Contact: Herman Abrams (516) 593-6024
- May 24 **Board Meeting**
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