

# The FLYRODDER



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**55 Hickory Lane**  
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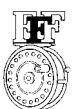


### Junior Fly Tying & Casting Class

L to R: *Tom & Katie Inglese, Tom & Kyra Cooleen, Jay & Michael Mooney,  
Linda and Anita DeSantis and volunteer instructor, Wolfgang Porté*  
See Lee's article & more pics on page 3

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God Bless America

### Open House & Used Tackle Sale

*The Long Island Flyrodders will host its 2010 Annual Open House  
and Used Fly Fishing & Tackle Sale at its April 6 club meeting, and  
will take place from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm.*

*Please note that only current club members may sell used tackle  
at this meeting. Non-members are welcome to attend the meeting to  
talk with club members and learn more about the club, enjoy refresh-  
ments (coffee and doughnuts) and take part in the used tackle sale.  
Additional information can be found at the LIFR website: [www.lifr.org](http://www.lifr.org)*

## President's message

Put down that Cabela's catalogue, get off of ebay and come to the April meeting. You just may find the bargain of the year, as LIFRs clean out their closets and part with their gently used fly fishing equipment. It's time for the Annual Used Tackle Sale and you're sure to find something you "need". Although only paid-up members may sell things, the meeting is open to anyone who wants to purchase equipment. The meeting is also our Annual Open House, so please spread the word that we would love to meet and talk with anyone who is interested in fly fishing.

If you were at the March meeting, you witnessed **Paul McCain** receive the Ancient Order of the Angle Award for his outstanding contributions to the sport of fly fishing. This is the highest honor a member can receive and although it wasn't the grandest of presenta-



For His Dedication to and Tireless Promotion of the Sport of Fly Fishing, **Paul McCain** is Hereby Granted Membership Into *The Ancient Order of the Angle*, This 7th Day of November, 2009

tions, our heartfelt thanks go out to Paul for all the work he does for the Club and the sport. We presented it to him again at our Club Day at Orvis for a photo opportunity. Thanks again, Paul, for all you do.

We had a good time at Orvis and signed up four new members during the day.

Welcome **Michael Thomas, Corey Saile, Bill Mason and Charlie De-Stefano**.

Thanks to all who participated and made the day a success.

We had our last "Tuesday at Friday's" fly tying night and we're now ready to try out all the patterns we've been tying during the winter. If anyone has an idea for a new place that is centrally located, has good lighting, a semi-private room, and tasty finger foods, please let me know. We're looking for a new venue for next year.

**Susan**

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# FoFYour Nymphormation

by Lee Weil



## Foam, Feathers and Fair Weather Fun

Sunshine, warm breezes and temperatures in the 70s; can this really be March 20<sup>th</sup>? It was a banner day for the LIFR Junior group, who met at the VFW hall for a Saturday afternoon of fly tying and casting practice. The Junior Fly Tying class has taken place for many years, but this year was especially enjoyable. Since the weather was exceptionally warm we decided to change up the venue and include casting in the mix.

We started out tying three flies, which consisted of foam bluegill and bass patterns "custom" tied in the students colors of choice, including pink, green, red, purple and orange. Not your typical colors, but I'll bet they catch fish. Wolfgang had some trouble keeping up, but in his defense he was doing double duty as photographer.

After the lessons at the vise, we all had snacks generously provided by **Tom Cooleen**, dining al fresco

and sipping Capri Sun 2010. Then it was time to get out on the field for a lesson in fly casting. The sunshine and balmy breeze made it feel like May instead of late March. We warmed up and then had some target practice, with everyone hitting the mark by the end of the session.

**Our class of 2010 graduates are : Kyra Cooleen, Anita DeSantis, Katie Inglese and Michael Mooney. Special thanks to Wolfgang Porte, Tom Cooleen and the great guys at the Levittown VFW Hall** for their help in making it all come together. Congratulations to the kids, and I really hope we get to see you guys out on the water and fish with you. We also want to hear from you letting us know how those flies work, and which colors worked best (and don't forget to share a couple with your mom and dad.)

*Tight Lines & God bless, Lee*



*Left:*  
Linda & Anita  
DeSantis



*Right:*  
Tom & Katie  
Inglese



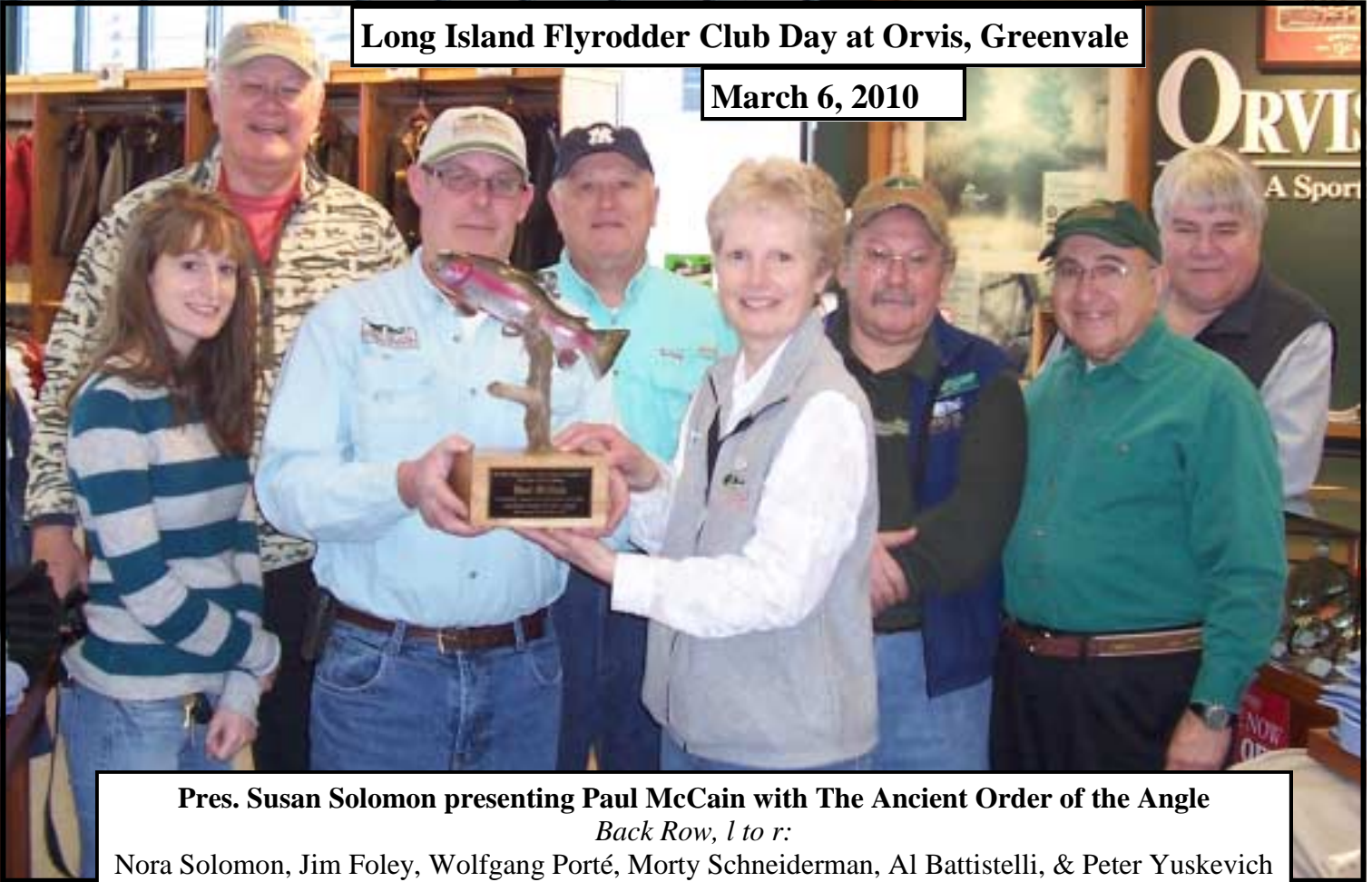
*Left:*  
Tom & Kyra  
Cooleen



*Right:*  
Michael Mooney

# Long Island Flyrodder Club Day at Orvis, Greenvale

March 6, 2010



**Pres. Susan Solomon presenting Paul McCain with The Ancient Order of the Angle**

*Back Row, l to r:*

Nora Solomon, Jim Foley, Wolfgang Porté, Morty Schneiderman, Al Battistelli, & Peter Yuskevich



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## Fishing Reports



*John Gerbitz, Gil Padovani, Pres. Susan Solomon, Howie Solomon, Linda Macy & Joe Otterstedt*

I'm on the bow of the boat like a soldier at his post, eyes scanning for any unusual activity. I'm constantly examining the aqua marine water for bonefish, but even with my polarized glasses, I am unable to see the target. I see starfish, stingrays, lemon shark, turtles and barracuda, but I can not see the bones. For that, I have to rely on my guide, who is poling the boat while perched on a platform above. I am standing there for what seems an eternity, poised; fly in hand, ready to cast at the sound of a command. All of a sudden, I hear it, "Bonefish at 10:30". "Bonefish *when?*" I say to myself, "where the Hell is 10:30?" Then I hear, "he's gone". OK, now I know the hands of the clock (and that 10:30 is between 10 and 11). I wait again. Now I hear, "Bonefish at 2 o'clock". I cast to the point I think would be 2 o'clock on my watch. Then I hear, "strip, strip, stop, long strip". All this is happening in seconds while my heart is pounding and my knees are shaking. I feel a strong pull on the line and I set the hook. That sets off a tug o' war between me and the bonefish. I let him run, I reel him in, he takes out more line, I reel it in. I wonder if he can be as nervous as I am. In the end, he tires before I do and I land my first bonefish. What a rush!

Howie and I were in South Andros, Bahamas where we spent a week fighting – bonefish, that is. We traveled with club members Gil Padovani, John Gerbitz, Linda Macy and Joe Otterstedt and Linda and Jerry Bottcher and Nancy Murphy from *The Hungry Trout*. Our days were packed with fishing adventures and in the evenings we laid back and enjoyed the solitude of South Andros and its friendly people. Our experience included island cuisine from conch to kingfish. We were made to feel welcome every place we went and learned to love the tranquility as much as the magnificent blue water. It's really true what they say, "It's better in the Bahamas".

**Susan Solomon**

### VETERAN'S FLY FISHING PROGRAM

The flyfishing program at the VA hospital will be starting Wednesday, April 7, 2010, from 1:00pm to 3:00pm, and we would like everybody who can be there to share their experience and skill with our wounded veterans.

The overall program will include flytying, casting and visits to neighboring lakes, rivers, and ponds. All materials, supplies, and equipment will be supplied, and are donated by companies throughout the fly-fishing community.

This has been a successful program at other hospitals and you will also enjoy the appreciation of the those who served.

For more information, please contact: Jerry LeBoyer, (516)-766-3284 or jleb1000 @AOL.com

Thanks again, Jerry LeBoyer

Welcome to the  
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**INTRODUCTION TO FLY FISHING**

**Herman Abrams** will be giving a 6 hour course, designed for both old and new members, covering these topics:

**Choosing** the right tackle, rods, reels, backing lines and fly lines, including leaders and tippets.

**Knots** - (Hands on) Improved clinch knot, Blood knot, Surgeons knot, and the Uni knot.

**The gear bag** will be explained in detail.

**Entomology** (Insects) May Fly, Caddis Fly, Damsel Fly, and Stone Fly. Explain Dry Fly, Wet Fly and Streamers.

**Casting Fundamentals.** In order to learn the basic rod and line control, all casting will first be performed on land. This consists of the forward and back cast, false cast and the pickup and laydown cast. The balance of the time is spent casting on water.

April 17- Fresh Water Class	June 19- Salt Water Class
May 29 - Salt Water Class	July 3- Fresh Water Class

**There will be a trip to Croton Reservoir on May 22**  
*For further information and details, see Herman at the next meeting or call him at: (516) 593-6024*

**Club Day at Camp-Site Sport Shop**

The Flyrodders will be holding a Club Day at Camp-Site Sport Shop on Saturday April 17. Please lend your support to the Club and Camp-Site by stopping by. You can have a cup of coffee while you look over the new Spring merchandise. Closeout items will be available at sale prices. There will be discounts for paid up members.

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Huntington Station. **[www.campsitesportshop.com](http://www.campsitesportshop.com)**

**Outreach Projects**

The Long Island Flyrodders will be very busy doing outreach projects on Saturday April 24.

Representatives from the Club will be attending the **Willowemoc cleanup and bar-b-que** as well as the **Boy Scouts of America Scoutwalk**. Please help out at whichever event you can.

**The Scoutwalk** will take place at Christopher Morley Park in Manhasset. It is an outdoor, family event and will be held rain or shine. We will be there to promote our Club and the sport of flyfishing.

To sign up for the **Willowemoc cleanup**, contact:

**Paul McCain** at [troutpaul@verizon.net](mailto:troutpaul@verizon.net).

To sign up for the **Scoutwalk**, contact:

**Susan Solomon** at [mrssolomon@aol.com](mailto:mrssolomon@aol.com)



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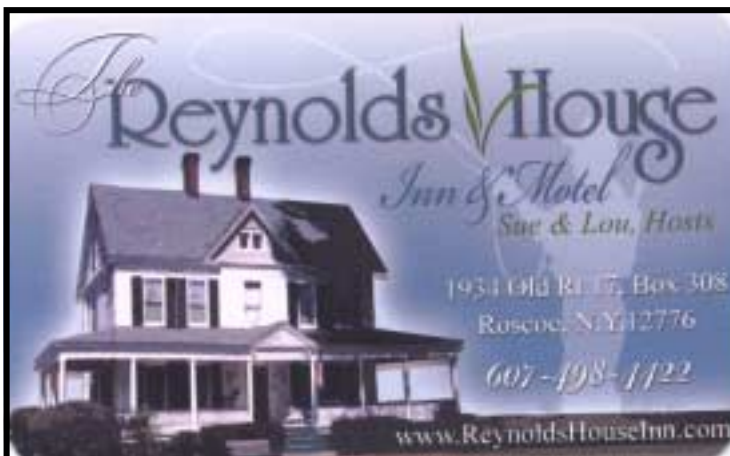
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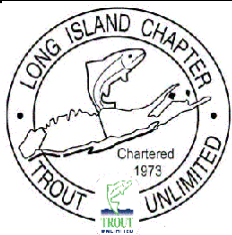
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Visitors are always welcome.

See [www.longislandtu.org](http://www.longislandtu.org) for more info.

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**For fly tying classes, contact:  
Wolfgang Porté: (516) 741-2342**

**For casting classes, contact:  
Herman Abrams: (516) 593-6024**



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### Fishing Reports

**Hey, Flyrodders. How's the fishing been lately?**

**Let's let our members know.**

**Send reports and/or pics to**

**LIFRnews@aol.com for publication in *the Flyrodder*, or see me at the meeting.**

**Thanks, Morty**





## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The undersigned hereby applies for membership or renewal, in the **LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS, INC. ("LIFR")**. I understand the inherent risk in participating in the activities of **LIFR**, including fishing trips, of one day or longer, which **LIFR** may make available to members. I understand that **LIFR** activities may take me into remote areas, and that I may not be able to be promptly evacuated or receive proper medical care in the event of injury or disease. I further understand that I am solely responsible for all costs of medical treatment and transportation.

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Members attending the meetings have **first priority**, followed by those members, chronologically received, who call in the day after the meeting for the remaining spaces available. Reservations are available for 32 anglers for each session; 64 for both sessions. The cost of each session is **\$20.00**. No checks will be accepted;

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**No advance reservations will be accepted.**

**Hours:** 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

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July 19	August 16	September 20	October 18

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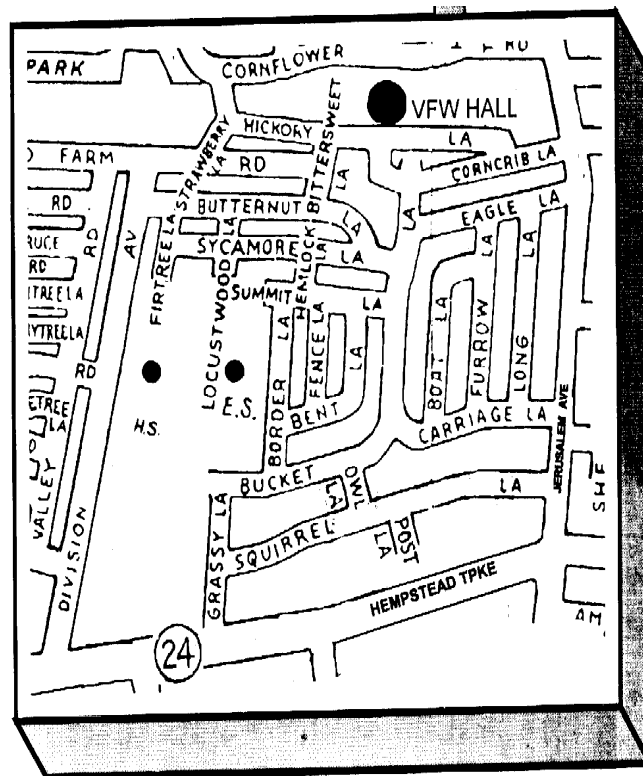
***You must have a creel in your possession to fish in the park and on the stream***

***Only members with 4 weight rods or larger will be allowed to fish on the Monday Sessions***

**LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS COMING EVENTS**

**April - 2010**

- April 6      **Open House & Used Tackle Sale**  
6:30 pm to 9:30 pm—Non Members Welcome  
Casting on the Lawn with Herman Abrams
- April 17      LIFR Day at Camp-Site Sport Shop  
**See page 6 for Information for other events**
- April 22      **Knot Tying Class**  
Contact: Tom Cooleen - (516) 483-8544
- April 24      **Willowemoc Cleanup, Roscoe, NY**  
Contact: Dan Van Buskirk (516) 561-8939  
**See page 6 for Information for other events**
- April 27      **Board Meeting**  
7:30 P.M. at the Levittown VFW Hall
- April 30 to May 2      **Natchaug River, CT (Camping)**  
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