FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL TWIN TIERS FIVE RIVERS CHAPTER

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February Program

We welcome you to join us on <u>February 5th</u> at 6:30pm, when one of our own TTFR club members, Bob Carlson, will be speaking about nymph fishing using strike indicators. Bob has been fly fishing for over 25 years, and is an especially accomplished nymph fly fisher. We are very pleased to have him share his knowledge and expertise on this effective but challenging fly fishing method.

Bob's presentation will focus on explaining the indicator nymph fishing setup he uses along with some tips to help you become a more successful nymph fisherman. Prior to the main presentation, Bob will be tying one or two of the nymphs that he uses. The fly tying segment will begin at 6:30 PM at the Big Flats Community Center, 476 Maple Street, Big Flats, NY 14814, with the main program starting directly after at approximately 7 PM. If you are a looking to learn or improve your nymph fishing skills, you won't want to miss this presentation.

We will return to our regular first-Monday-of-the-month program meetings on April 2, when Mike Hogue, from Badger Creek Fly Tying in Ithaca will be speaking about *Biking, Solo Canoes and Float Tubes: Ways to Enhance Your Fly Fishing Experiences*. Program will start at 6:30 pm at the Big Flats Community Center.

Annual Social Night Dinner and Presentation

Featuring Barry and Cathy Beck

On Wednesday evening, **February 28, 2018**, the Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter of FFi will be hosting a very special dinner with an entertaining presentation by a world-renowned fly fishing couple. This event is co-sponsored by our friends at Leon Chandler Trout Unlimited and is open to anyone interested in attending, Club member or not. We especially encourage members and visitors to bring spouses, family members or fishing buddies to enjoy the evening. Details on dinner selections, pre-registration and payment are provided below. The event will be held at the Corning American Legion Hall, 8 River Rd, Corning, NY 14830.

The Speakers will be world-renowned authors, guides, photographers and travel hosts Barry and Cathy Beck. Barry and Cathy will be presenting on their fly fishing travels and award winning photography. Both Barry and Cathy are ambassadors for the Sage Rod Company and have over seven books to their credit, including *Fly Fishing the Flats* and *Cathy Beck's Fly Fishing Handbook*. They annually fly fish and present all over the world. Visit **Barry & Cathy Beck** on Facebook or at www.barryandcathybeck.com for more information.

The evening will start at 5:45 pm for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, followed by Dinner at 6:30 pm. The presentation will start at 7:30 pm. The Buffet dinner will include your choice of Prime Rib, Chicken Cordon Bleu or Shrimp Scampi. The cost is \$30 per person. A cash bar will be available.

Reservations must be made with entrée choice for each guest, and payment received no later than Feb 21st. Please contact **Gene Nowlan** to make reservations at cell (607-936-3988) or by email enowlan@gmail.com. Checks shall be made out to **Twin Tiers Five Rivers FFi** and sent to Gene at 385 Watauga Ave. Ext., Corning, NY 14830.

This will be an extraordinary event with fly fishing's most renowned ambassador couple. We always look forward to our annual Social dinner and the great fun we have together. There is plenty of space at this venue, so we hope all interested fly fishers will feel welcomed to reserve their spot and attend.

2018 Rod Raffle

Fly Fishers International Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter



Prize - Single-hand* fly rod of your choice among:

- Orvis
 - Clearwater: (3 thru 9wt, 4pc, mid-flex action)
 - Recon: (3 thru 10wt, 4pc, mid-flex action)
 - Superfine: (1 thru 6wt, 3 or 4pc, carbon or glass, full-flex action)
- Temple Fork Outfitters (TFO)
 - Axiom II: (5 thru 12wt, 4pc, medium fast action)
 Impact: (4 thru 8wt, 4pc, medium fast action)
 BVK: (3 thru 10wt, 4pc, fast action)
 Mangrove: (5 thru 12wt, 4pc, fast action)
 - Esox: (10 or 12wt, 4pc, fast action)
 Clouser: (5 thru 10wt, 4pc, fast action)
 - NXT: (4 thru 8wt, 4pc, medium fast action)
 - o Finesse: (1 thru 5wt, 3 or 4pc, carbon or glass, slow action)

Tickets: 1 for \$10, 3 for \$20, 6 for \$35

<u>Drawing</u>: At May program meeting

<u>Orvis Clearwater</u> Retail \$229 Clearwater, freshwater rods are perfect for anglers who primarily fish in freshwater. Clearwater rods have you covered whether you are fishing small freshwater creeks or wide western trout rivers. The Clearwater fly rods are designed with a perfect balance of strength and precision, allowing anglers to cast heavy streamer or tiny dry flies. Backed by a 25-year guarantee.

Orvis Recon Retail \$449 Recon is the rod designed for the anglers who chase blue lines on topo maps and spend their nights bent over maps, plotting the next day's adventures. For those who manage riverside meals of granola bars and jerky paired with the evening hatch instead of a sit-down meal at a sane hour. For anglers who would rather spend the day in the front of a skiff than behind a desk, we've created a rod ready to work as hard as you do in the pursuit of fish. Recon teams high-performance feel with lightness in hand. With close-in loading ability and the power for longer reach, the rods feature a modern shadow green blank and covert black nickel hardware.

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^{*}does not include Switch / Spey rods

Orvis Superfine Carbon / Glass Retail \$429 Spring creek fishing means large fish and small water. If your target is DePuy's in the Paradise Valley, Crane Creek in Missouri, or the Fall River in northern California, stealth is key and there is no room for error. The first presentation is off? Kiss the trout goodbye and move along. For demanding conditions and picky trout, you need a rod that will settle flies gently yet offer enough backbone to get the job done once he decides to eat. The Superfine® Carbon is the rod for the job.

A new standard has arrived in fiberglass fly rods. The Superfine Glass fly rod was voted the best fiberglass rod by Fly Fisherman magazine. Fiberglass fly rods are about feel, accurate casting, and that classic bend, and the Superfine Glass delivers these all perfectly. Ideal for small creeks and rivers and close-range casting, Superfine Glass fiberglass fly rods allow you to deliver the fly line with great delicacy and fight fish with fine tippets. This Superfine Glass is the ultimate fiberglass fly rod for classic anglers.

2018 Fly Fishing Academy

We have set **April 7th** as the date to hold our **Annual Fly Fishing School** at the **Campbell Savona High School**. We will again have the use of their expansive Gym, a large Lecture Auditorium and the Cafeteria. We are looking forward to another great day teaching all about Fly Fishing at this prime location. Watch for announcements for this event which targets beginning and advancing fly fishers. This is a <u>great holiday gift</u> for a spouse, a fishing buddy, or any interested youngster.

Our surveys show that most students are recruited from the Club or by Club members who invite family or friends. The second most effective avenue is from flyers which members post at their place of work. Please help us by inviting your friends and posting the flyers. Space is limited, so we encourage folks to sign up for this class early.

Students can bring and learn with their own equipment, but are welcome to use the Club's equipment. More than 15 members and fly fishing experts staff the school, bringing over 200 years of fly fishing experience to help you learn and have fun. Lunch and snacks are provided.

The class is open to adults and youth age 11 and older. Class fee is \$90 for Adults (ages 16 and over); and \$40 for Youth, ages 11-15 (accompanied by a registered adult).

Prepaid registration is required by Friday, March 30th. Class size is limited, so we encourage you to register early. Contact **Matt Towner** at **607-542-0285** or **Kirk Klingensmith** at **607-346-7189** for more information.

President's Short Cast

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Happy New Year. I hope everyone's winter fly tying and steel heading is going well. The Chapter is planning some great activities.

Social Night

I hope you all will be at the Feb 28 social night with fly fishing's legendary couple Barry and Cathy Beck. This is a do-not-miss opportunity. The dinner menu sounds tremendous. A cash bar will be available. Reservations and pre-payment is required. See details elsewhere in the Newsletter. See you there.

Fly Fishing Academy – April 7, 2018

We hope you consider being a student at our annual fly fishing school for April 7 at the Campbell Savona High School. This school is perfect for folks who already fly fish but want to learn more and improve their fish catching ability. We also welcome folks new to the sport. We hope you will consider attending as a student. We hope you will invite a few people who would value attending. We have filled the school the last two years – so please get your reservations and payment in early.

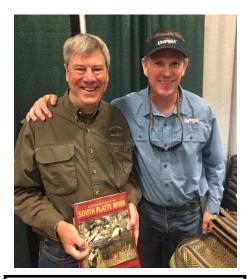
We also welcome club members who help us staff the school. Last year we had a staff of 22. The greatest need is for casting coaches, but we can use volunteers for a variety of roles. Please contact Steve Harris or Kirk Klingensmith

TTFR Attended the World's Largest Fly Fishing Show

This past weekend 6 TTFR members traveled to Edison NJ to the world's largest fly fishing show. This year, the venue was new – which allowed much more space for vendors, attendees, casting ponds, etc. Kirk, Bob Carlson, Vince Leonard, George Roy, Chas Elliott, and Bob Schaeffler had a great time shopping for gear bargains, attending presentations from leaders in our sport, and watching some of the best fly tyers.



Former TTFR member, Chris Walker, now works in product design at Rio.



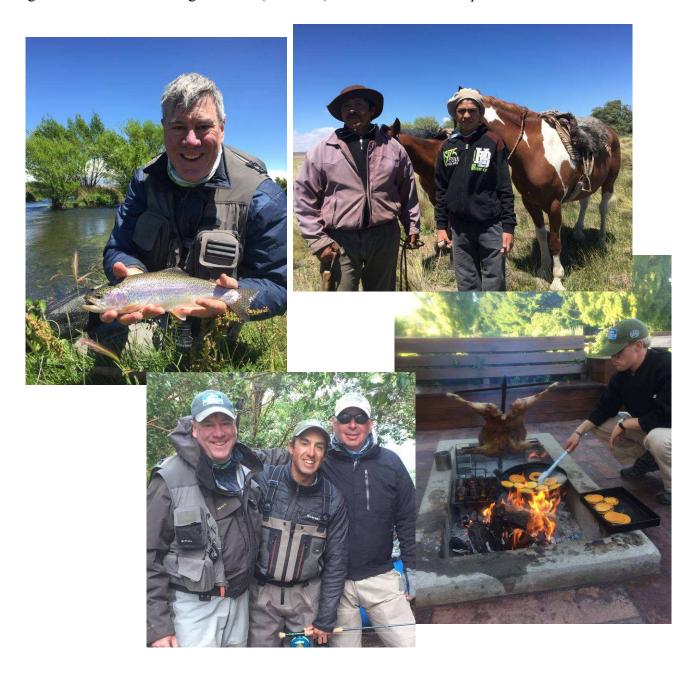
Kirk with Pat Dorsey, tailwater trout expert, author and guide from Colorado

March 24, 2018 – Ithaca Fishing and Conservation Day

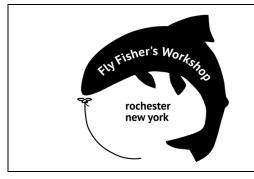
TTFR FFi will once again be participating on the Annual Ithaca Fishing Day, sponsored by our friends in Leon Chandler Trout Unlimited. We can use volunteers to staff the booth and to help teach fly tying.

Argentina

Over New Years, I had the opportunity to travel to Patagonia and fish for a week at the Patagonia River Guides lodge at Trevilin, Argentina. The trip was amazing. The lodge was fantastic with great service, gourmet food, and top shelf guides. The fishing was great for rainbow and brown trout in rivers and streams. We didn't catch any giants, but had great days of solid fishing. It was interesting to fish around Rheas (an Ostrich), wild llamas, and condors. We encountered real gauchos on one of the huge ranches (estancias) we fished. It was a trip of a lifetime.



Fly Fisher's Workshop Feb 10



Mark your calendars to attend the 5th Fly Fisher's Workshop in Rochester on February 10th, 2018, at Brighton's Twelve Corners Middle School (9 am to 5:30 pm)

The Fly Fisher's Workshop is a fun fly fishing event that promotes knowledge and sharing of skills. It is held every other year. Fly Fisher's Workshop offers eight, 50-minute workshop sessions on various topics for both beginner and experienced fly fishers. In addition, there is a Fly Fishing Atrium, Fly Tying in the cafeteria, Casting Lessons, Casting Competition, Raffle Prizes, Local Food Trucks and Fly Fishing Vendors.

General admission is \$10 for adults (youth 16 and under free). Several hundred anglers attend this popular biennial event. Partner organizations are Seth Green Chapter of Trout Unlimited and the Brighton Fishing Club. Gate proceeds benefit Seth Green TU and the Brighton Fishing Club. Proceeds from the past 4 FFW's have raised \$5,000 to support local conservation and outreach programs! In late January, a schedule of events, presenters and sponsors will be available at: http://sethgreentu.org/.

Library Update

Please note that Andy Robinson will be out of town from mid-January until the end of May. Members can contact Assistant Librarians Dick Naylor or George Roy for library materials until then.

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Browse all the library holdings online at the Club's website: http://www.twintiersfff.org/ Interested in checking out something new from our library? Just e-mail Dick or George and they can bring your choice to the next meeting at the Big Flats Community Center. Please remember that library materials may be checked out only by Club members.



LEON CHANDLER CHAPTER – 239 26th Annual Ithaca Fishing and Conservation Day

We have set the date for the **26**th **Annual Ithaca Fishing and Conservation Day**. It will take place on **Saturday**, **March 24**, **2018** in Ithaca, New York from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (with set-up beginning at 8:00 am). **PLEASE NOTE: this year we will hold the event at <u>BOYNTON MIDDLE SCHOOL</u>.**

There is no vendor or exhibitor fee for participation in this event. We only request that you donate two or three items for our bucket raffles. This is our most important fund raising and educational event of the year and we will be publicizing it in many ways and in several newspapers. I am enclosing several posters for you to display. Ithaca Fishing and Conservation Day is unique as an event that invites the community to come and experience a day of fishing and environmental education. We maintain a special focus on fly-fishing directed at young people, but have also expanded our offerings to appeal to anyone wanting to learn more about the sport of fishing and the local environment.

This year we are celebrating the 26th Anniversary of the first Ithaca Fishing and Conservation Day. As in past years, we will be highlighting fly-fishing, fly-tying, and feature several offerings dealing with our local aquatic resources. Along these lines, we will be focusing on our **Trout in the Classroom** program currently offered in schools throughout Tompkins County. This is a great event at which to say "Hello" to old friends and customers, make some new ones, and celebrate our 26th year hosting this event!

If you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me:

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Fly of the Month

Foxee Redd Minnow

Originated by Bob Clouser shown as tied by Jack Littleton at our Jan 8th Meeting



Hook: Mustad 3366 size 4

Thread: 6/0 white

Eyes: Tie in thread bump about one third of the way down shank from eye of hook. Attached 1/60 weighted barbell eyes (in this case painted red with black eyeball) and tie in against thread bump, taking plenty of figure eight wraps to secure.

Take about eight wraps of .030 thick lead wire directly behind the barbell eyes and cover with thread. Then cut a strip of \sim 3 mm thick x 1 inch x 0.25 inch brown foam (can purchase at any craft store) tapered to a point at one end. Pierce the non-tapered end of the foam onto the hook and tie-in behind barbell eyes on bottom of the fly so that tapered end sticks out the back of the fly.

Tying in the Fox Hair: You want cream-colored fox hair on the belly of the fly (the side with barbell eyes), and reddish colored fox tail hair on the top of the fly. Tie in the cream-colored fox tail fur first, taking care to first comb out the shorter hair segments.

Then turn the fly over and tie in about eight strands of gold crystal flash and about eight strands of bronze flashabou in front of and opposite the side of barbell eyes. Then tie dark red fox tail hair on that same side (top) of the fly, tied in to the match the length of the cream-colored on the bottom of the fly.

Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter of FFi

Business Meeting Minutes

1-15-2018

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u> Bob Carlson called to order the Business meeting of the TT5R FFi at 1907 on 1-15-2018 at the Corning American Legion in Corning, NY. The following members were present: Jim Walck, Bob Carlson, George Roy, Dick Naylor, Vince Leonard, and Steve Harris.
- 2. <u>Approval of Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report</u> A closing balance of \$4040.36 is held by the club as of 1-15-17. Dick motioned to accept business meeting minutes and Treasurer's report, Vince seconded.
- **3.** <u>Programming The December carp fly fishing program with Jack Littleton was well attended with ~24 attendees. The consensus from the leaders was that Jack did a great job conveying a lot of very useful and interesting information related to fly fishing for this elusive species.</u>

Upcoming programming includes:

- o February Bob Carlson Strike Indicator fishing
- February Social Night (in place of March meeting) Feb 28 with Barry and Cathy Beck at Corning American Legion
- April Mike Hogue Biking, Solo Canoes and Float Tubes: Ways to Enhance Your Fly Fishing Experiences
- o May Co-sponsored event with Leon Chandler TU club @ Ithaca TU meeting location
- o June Casting Class
- **4. Spring Rod Raffle** Jim Walck and Dick Naylor are heading this up. Drawing will be at the May program meeting. Tickets are \$10 for 1, \$20 for 3 and \$35 for 6. Will have a list of Orvis (Clearwater, Recon and Superfine) and TFO (Axiom II, Impact, BVK, Mangrove, Esox, Clouser, NXT, and Finesse) rods that the winner can select from.
- **5.** Academy Plan to start push of publicity this month.
- **6.** Edison Fly Fishing Show Trip Jan 26-28. 6 rooms booked at the Comfort Suites in Somerset, NJ
- 7. Ithaca Fishing Day March 24, 2018 Still looking for volunteer to coordinate
- **8.** <u>Library</u> Plan to send out info in Newsletter with Library information. Andy will be out of town from mid-January until the end of May, so see George Roy or Dick Naylor for library materials until then.
- 9. Newsletter Deadline is 1/28 for Newsletter articles.
- 10. Other Items discussed selling fly tying materials at Ithaca fishing days, agreed not good idea for Social Night. Tentative decision to have separate raffles for recently donated 5 and 8 wt Rio lines next fall.
- 11. Meeting adjourned at 2010 Submitted: Bob Carlson, Vice President



Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter of the IFFF

The International Federation of Fly Fishers is a non-profit organization working to conserve, restore and educate through fly-fishing. The IFFF is the only organization that advocates for fly anglers on all waters. Our local Chapter is the Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter, named after the Canisteo, Chemung, Conhocton, Susquehanna, and Tioga Rivers in southern New York and northern Pennsylvania. Since we are a charter club, current membership in the national IFFF is required of all members, but there are no additional dues or fees.

Join the International Federation of Fly Fishers online at www.fedflyfishers.org or by phone at 406-222-9369. The Club Secretary has paper applications that can be mailed in. Be sure to mention Twin Tiers-Five Rivers as your Chapter affiliation, so you will be recognized as part of the TT5R Chapter.

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