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# INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS TWIN TIERS FIVE RIVERS CHAPTER

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## **June Program** **Fly Casting Tune-up Session**

On June 6, 6:30 pm at the Big Flats Community Center, our monthly program will be a fly casting tune up session.

Kirk Klingensmith, Joe and Carol Cambridge, Scott Frederick, Bob Carlson and others will lead instruction sessions for beginners and those wanting to improve their skills. There will be plenty of open space to practice on your own with help available for coaching and improvement suggestions. A friendly competition is being arranged to add to the fun.

Visitors and guests are always welcome. Please bring your own rod to cast or club rods will be available if you should need equipment. In case of bad weather, a program inside at the Big Flats Community Center will feature a DVD from our club library.

There will be a short business meeting as it begins to get dark. Officer elections for the 2016/17 program year will be held. Nominees for the Officers are listed later in this Newsletter.

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*Note that there are no Program Meetings in July and August.  
Programs will resume in the fall on Monday, Sept 12.  
Also, we do not issue a Newsletter in July or August.*  
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### **2016 Rod Raffle Winner – Joe Gerace**

The Rod Raffle was very successful for the Club this year. The Raffle Drawing was held on May 2<sup>nd</sup> after the very informative talk by George Daniels about streamer fishing. Joe Gerace from New Jersey was our TFO rod raffle winner, allowing him to pick any rod manufactured by TFO. Joe selected a 10 ft 6 wt 4 pc BVK, which he intends to use as a streamer rod as well as a nymphing rod on trips out west.

Rich Ward of Waverly won 2nd prize of (3) Aaron Jasper nymphing DVD's, and Tom Yetzer won our 3rd prize which consisted of a box of flies tied by Club members and several previous speakers, including many tied by guide Joe Ackourey.



*Here's a picture of Joe enjoying his new rod at home and dreaming about the many trout that will succumb to his new rod ....*

### **Major Library Donation from the Dr John Rominger Estate**

We are thrilled to share that Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter just received a major collection of fly fishing books and videos from the Dr John Rominger estate. John was a long time member of the Chapter, a surgeon, and a passionate fly fisher who passed away last year. His wife, Maryhelen Rominger, donated most of his collection of books and programs to our Chapter. Jim Palmer, is a longtime friend of the Romingers and also a member of our Chapter, facilitated the gift to us.

Attached is a photo of the collection of over 70 books, 10 DVD's and 10 VCR tapes. The collection ranges from some legendary historically significant books like Gary Borger's Nymphing, to Art Flick's Streamside Guide to great current books like George Daniel's Strip Strike, Pat Dorsey's Fly Fishing Tailwaters, and Rick Kustich's Fly Fishing Great Lakes Steelhead. There is a wonderful range of books on trout tactics, steelheading, rod building, insects, fly tying, and many other topics. This is an incredible collection which will greatly expand our library resource.

It is fortunate that Andrew Robinson just volunteered to coordinate a renewal team for our library, with Ken Aniolek, Dick Naylor, George Roy and Vince Leonard assistance. We will definitely exceed the storage available in BFCC - and will need to get creative on solutions to manage a significantly larger library.



## Dr John Rominger Fishing Estate Sale

Dr. John Rominger had an extensive collection of top quality/high-end fly fishing gear which will be sold from his fishing lodge on the West Branch of the Delaware. The sale will be held Saturday, June 11, from 8am to 2 pm at 4888 Penn York Road. Take the Hale Eddy exit off Route 17, cross the bridge, take the first left after the bridge and follow signs for the Sale. Any questions, please call Jim Palmer, cell 607-425-6136.

## President's Short Cast

*Kirk Klingensmith . . . . . ><(((o>*

## Officer Elections at June Meeting & Leadership Team Plans for Next Fall

The following nominees are proposed for election as Chapter Officers at the June 6 program meeting:

President – Kirk Klingensmith  
V.P. – Bob Carlso  
Secretary – Matt Towner  
Treasurer – Gene Nowlan

Reminder that our Officers change in June to facilitate planning for the upcoming program year which starts in the fall.

A very special thanks to Steve Harris who retires after serving as a Club Officer (Treas., VP) for 8 years and Matt Collins who served as Program Chair for 4 years. Both outgoing leadership team members will be recognized for their service at the June meeting.

During the May business meeting, we started early on staffing leadership needs for the Chapter. Here are the changes we are planning:

Bob Carlson will take over for Matt Collins as **Program Chair**.  
(Matt can no longer serve, due to family obligations)

Matt Towner will join Gene Nowlan for **AV Support**

Vince Leonard will assume the position of **Membership Chairman** (new position)

Andrew Robinson will coordinate a **Library** Renew team, with George Roy, Dick Naylor, Ken Aniolek and Vince Leonard.

There are plenty of other needs to help the Club. Please thank the new folks who are volunteering their time for our Chapter and consider how you might also be able to help the Chapter.

## **June 18 Delaware Fishing Trip:**

The Club will be traveling to fish the fabled West Branch of the Delaware with a joint trip with our friends from the Binghamton IFFF – BC Fly Fishers. We will be fishing together in some of their favorite spots – on what is the best wild trout fishery east of the Mississippi. The Delaware is known for demanding fishing, but its trout are some of the largest and hardest fighting fish you are likely to encounter. We had a great time last year, and expect the same again this year.

Please contact Kirk Klingensmith and register to join the group (cell 607-346-7189, [kklingensmi@stny.rr.com](mailto:kklingensmi@stny.rr.com)). The car pool will depart from Big Flats Community Center sharply at 9:00 to arrive at Hale Eddy at 11:00. Please bring your own food. Last year we had great fishing at dusk, so those that can are invited to stay for the evening hatch.

## **George Daniel's Presentation**

Over 35 folks joined us on May 2<sup>nd</sup> for our featured speaker, author George Daniel, who tied flies and spoke on streamer tactics from his new book *Strip Strike*. The event was co-sponsored by the Leon Chandler Trout Unlimited and Catherine Creek Trout Unlimited Chapters. Many friends from BC Fly Fishers also traveled to attend.

George shared videos and techniques in successful streamer fishing for our area. His daughter Evangeline joined George for the evening – and pulled the winning tickets for the rod raffle. If you were not able to attend, you missed an information-packed evening!



## **Al Gerth Update:**

As posted on our Facebook site, Al Gerth suffered a major heart attack last month. He is recovering well and has moved to a rehab center. Al Gerth has been a Chapter member for a number of years and is an engineering professor at Corning Community College. We hope to see Al back on the stream soon.



## **Conhocton River Trip:**

The Conhocton River outing on May 7th was a lot of fun. Many thanks to Richard Naylor for hosting it.

The group photos show us toasting two awesome members who passed away - Bill Lavris, who helped charter the Chapter and who did much for the Conhocton watershed, and Curtis Luster who recently passed away. Curtis had volunteered to lead this event, and died before he could.



The fishing was a little slow during the day, but Matthew Rebis and I stayed for the evening spinner fall. It was great fun. There were many fish rising and Matthew caught his first trout on a dry fly (shown) and several more afterward.



## **Cayuta Creek Fishing Trip Report – May 21**

Five Club members participated in our Annual Cayuta Creek Clean-up and Fishing excursion. A mammoth bag of refuse was collected, then loaded into Pete Gordon's Tacoma and ferried up to the local Erin Drop-off Station. We are proud to report that it was by far the largest contribution to the dumpster that day!! Many thanks to Nancy Siemon, Ed Siemon, Mike Amisano, Peter Gordon and host Steve Harris for their meticulous efforts snoopng out and collecting all sorts of "stuff" from the river banks.

Weather was overcast and cooler, then started raining lightly later on. The river was clear and running lower. Action was "slow". Steve did happen upon a nice trout that gave him several frisky runs before it shook free. All in all, the group enjoyed time on the river and the camaraderie that is part-and-parcel of getting together on these adventures.



## **Badger Creek Fly Tying Open House** **June 4, 2015 9-4pm**

Please join us for our Annual Open House. John Shaner from Pure Fishing (Hardy) will be on hand to demo some of the latest Hardy, Pfluegger, Fenwick rods and reels, plus Hodgeman Waders. Joe Cambridge and Eric Mastorberty will be tying flies and Carol Farkas Cambridge will be offering free casting lessons. There will be a drawing for a free rod for all those who that attend. We have several other door prizes as well. Bring a friend and register twice.

Our address is 622 W. Dryden Road, Freeville, NY, 13068. For more info contact: Mike Hogue, [www.eflytyer.com](http://www.eflytyer.com), 607-347-4946 or email me at [mike@eflytyer.com](mailto:mike@eflytyer.com)

# Fly of the Month

## **The Home Invader**

This is a Doug McKnight fly pattern,  
as tied by George Daniel on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016.



### Materials List:

**Thread:** 140 denier or 6/0

**Hook:** #2 Partridge Attitude

**Conehead:** black tungsten

**Tail:** white marabou tied on top and extending 1.5 hook shank lengths behind hook .

**Body:** hairline Senyo chromatic brush, tying it back and wrap all the way to the cone.

**Collar:** UV barred grizzly Senyo predator wrap, one wrap around the collar.

**Whip finish.** White, olive and black are George's favorite colors for this pattern. This simple tie is a very effective pattern for trout and other predatory fish.

# Twin Tiers Five Rivers 2016 Conservation & Fishing Trips



Please inform Coordinators at least 2 days beforehand by phone or e-mail that you plan to attend so we can arrange food and fishing.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Trip Coordinator</u>	<u>Meeting Time/Location</u>
<u>June 11</u> Saturday	<u>Genesee River</u> Lunch Provided	<u>Chas Elliott</u> h 607-587-8763 chasman@frontiernet.net <u>Bob Schaeffler</u> c 607-738-7956 schaeffler56@hotmail.com	7 am depart from Corning Wegman's
<u>June 18</u> Saturday	<u>Delaware River Trip</u> With BC Fly Fishers. Bring own food. Mid-afternoon lunch. Will fish late.	<u>Kirk Klingensmith</u> c 607-346-7189 kklingensmi@stny.rr.com Nick DiNunzio BC Fly Fishers	9am depart from Big Flats Community Center.
<u>July 23</u> Saturday	<u>Chemung River Float</u> With BC Fly Fishers. Sign up reqd. Lunch provided. Bring a canoe, kayak, or boat. Canoe rental available.	<u>Kirk Klingensmith</u> c 607-346-7189 kklingensmi@stny.rr.com	9.00 am departure details TBD



# **Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter IFFF**

## **Business Meeting Minutes**

5-16-2016

### **1. Call to Order**

Kirk Klingensmith called to order the Business meeting of the TT5RC IFFF at 1905 on 5-16-2016 at the Corning American Legion Hall. The following members were present: Kirk Klingensmith, Bob Carlson, Steve Harris, Dick Naylor, Matt Towner, Vince Leonard, Andy Robinson, Gene Nowlan and Bob Schaeffler.

### **2. Approval of Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer's report showed an opening balance of \$3710.61 and a closing balance of \$3694.28. Dick motioned to accept previous meeting minutes and Treasurer's Report, Bob S. seconded.

### **3. Programming** – The May program meeting with George Daniels went very well, with 32 people attending, including many from our friends at BC Flyfishers in Binghamton and the Leon Chandler and Catherine Creek chapters of TU. George tied 3 flies, with great narratives. His talk on streamer fishing was highly educational and very enjoyable. On **June 6** we plan to host our Casting clinic starting at 6:30 PM at Big Flats Community Center. In September, we plan to host Andy Capotelli, a Delaware River area guide who will be talking about Montana.

### **4. Rod Raffle** – The Rod Raffle drawing was held the night of the George Daniels talk. Joe Gerace from New Jersey was our TFO rod raffle winner, Rich Ward of Waverly won 2nd prize (3 Aaron Jasper nymphing DVD's), and Tom Yetzer won 3rd prize (box of flies tied by club members and several previous speakers, including many tied by guide Joe Ackourey. Net profit from raffle was \$955

### **5. Upcoming Fishing Trips** – Upcoming 2016 fishing trip schedule - May 21 Cayuta Clean up and fish, 10AM start (Steve and Gene leading), Genny (June 11 - Chas + Bob S.) - June 18 for Delaware River with BC Flyfishers (Kirk).

### **6. Leadership Planning for 2016-17** – The following nominees are proposed for election as Chapter Officers at the June 6 program meeting:

President – Kirk Klingensmith

V.P. – Bob Carlson

Secretary – Matt Towner

Treasurer – Gene Nowlan

The following Leadership roles are planned for 2016/17

AV – Gene Nowlan and Matt Towner

Program Chair – Bob Carlson

Library – Andy Robinson, with George Roy, Dick Naylor, Ken Aniolek

Membership – Vince Leonard (with Andy Robinson)

Special thanks to Steve Harris who retires after serving as a Club Officer (Treas. & VP) for 8 years and Matt Collins who served as Program Chair for 4 years

### **7. Meeting Adjourned at 2120**

Submitted by: Bob Carlson, Club Secretary

# I Fly Fishing

## 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](http://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.

Our Club meets from September through June the first Monday of each month (a week later if a holiday), at the Big Flats Community Center, Maple Street, Big Flats NY. Directions: Exit off NY Rte 17/I-86 at Exit 49. Go south. At the "T", turn left onto Maple St., then follow Maple St. for approximately a quarter of a mile. The Community Center is on the right just beyond the shopping plaza and town hall.

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