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“Fish Tales” Editor Comments

Where did summer go? It was slow coming but is quick to leave. But as a reward, Steelhead season is nearly upon us. Busy times for our members are also starting. Fly tying nights are starting, Reinstein Woods Fall Festival, Introduction to Fly Fishing Class, did I mention Steelhead season. See you at the events or on the water. Have a great Fall.

Rich

Dates To Remember in September

- 9/2 Labor Day
- 9/2 VJ Day (Victory Over Japan Day) This is the date of the formal surrender of Japan on board the USS Missouri ending WWII
- 9/8 Grandparents Day
- 9/11 911 Remembrance Day
- 9/13 Friday the 13th
- 9/15 Wife Appreciation Day (just after 9/13 ?)
- 9/20 National Pepperoni Pizza Day

Frank’s place, near the Salmon River is for sale. Contact Al Kerner for information

TAPS

NO ONE IS INDISPENSABLE
BUT SOME ARE
IRREPLACEABLE

Matthew L. Kochalski

May 30, 1983 - April 13, 2008

Thomas Waterman

2014

Ray (Marks) Markiewicz

February 4, 2015

Jonathan M. Fabian

October 26, 1973 - May 2, 2016

William (Bill) Swartz

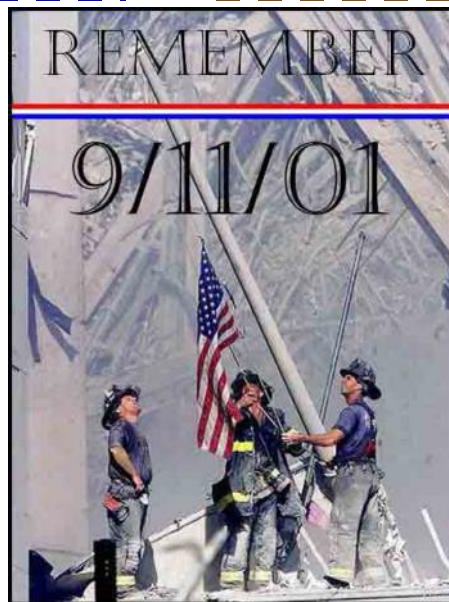
July 2, 2017

James M. Keech

August 5, 2018

Jeffrey Taylor

2019



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This newsletter, named “Fish Tales”, is my idea and creation. It is published monthly for the benefit and enjoyment of the members of the LEC of FFI. Any errors in spelling, grammar or usage of words, may or may not be intentional. The subjects and content of such, are as accurate and complete as needed to get the subject matter across. Any corrections, complaints, additions or submissions are welcomed at any time, as long as they are sent to me. I hope you enjoy our “Fish Tales”.

Sincerely, Rich Siminski

LEC Dates and Deadlines

LEC-FFI Meeting - is on September 19th at the Legion Post. The Post is done cooking dogs and burgers till next summer.

Erie County Federation of Sportsman's Club Meeting is September 12th at the Springville NY Field & Stream Club. Located on Chaise Rd. Meeting starts at 7.

LEC News and Upcoming Events

Reinstein Fall Festival is on Saturday September 14th, 10 to 4. This is a very busy, well attended event. **Your help is needed.**

A Raffle and drawing will be at the September meeting for a painting donated and painted by member Gary Bacon.

Hats, Pins and stickers with the new LOGO I will have these items available at every meeting, the Fly Tying Social and at events that I may attend.



Pin's
\$3.00



Hat's \$23.00



Stickers \$2.00

Presidents Message for Sept

It's been one busy summer for my family and myself. We have spent more time at our cottage than in previous years and it's been great! Summer goes so quickly here, cant believe that soon the salmon and steelhead will be running and we'll be out pounding the water. Cant say enough about the Family Picnic, Rich put on a great day for all who attended. Rick Widman had a nice outing at Darien Lake State Park. We ate and fished, the kids had a great evening.

More members have been stepping up to take significant rolls in our club. Gary Bacon has been a great teacher with his expertise on inland trout. We also have a member that will help with casting instruction, we'll keep you posted. Next project will be the Reinstein Woods Fall Fest on the 14th, Cole Alexander is heading up that one and could use the help, so come on out.

Octobers meeting will be at Orvis, food and refreshment, and a seminar by Adam. Bring a friend, should be a good night. See you all soon, and as always tight lines.

LEC-Fly Tying Social Restarts on September 5th



It is located in the meeting room at the Burchfield facility, located on Union Rd near the corner of Clinton St in West Seneca. The sessions will be the first Thursday of each month, from 6:30 to 8:30. Bring you vice, tools and materials. Coffee and a dessert is usually supplied

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For a few years now the LEC has helped sponsor our young members to the Bill Canfield Fly Fishing Camp for Kids. With sponsorship from Friends of The Upper Delaware River (FUDR), our LEC chapter, I believe also, Eastern Waters Council of the FFI, the \$1725.00 cost for this 1 week class is greatly reduced for the family of the attendees. It is held at the French Woods Sports and Arts Center. Youths from all over the world come to this complex. It is located outside of Hancock, NY, near the headwaters of the Upper Delaware River. The camp is usually the last week of June, a second class is usually the second week of August. You can find all the information about this class and French Woods at the following web sites. I personally hope that we can continue to sponsor youngsters from within our club to take part in this great opportunity.

www.BillCanfieldCamp.com

www.fwsportsart.com

The following is from the desk of Cole Alexander, our attendee to this years Fishing Camp.

As a fly fisherman, I loved going to the Friends of the Upper Delaware River (FUDR) camp because I was able to spend a week with kids that also love fly fishing. The camp is surrounded by rivers that are famous for fly fishing. FUDR houses the kids at a camp called French Woods, which draws kids in from all over the world. In the morning we went fishing, in the afternoon we did classes at French Woods. French Woods has amazing activities like magic, horseback riding, and sports.



On Monday we received our new rods (Orvis Clearwater), learned assembly and knots, and discussed the weeks, agenda and then practiced casting in the ponds at French Woods.



On Tuesday we went to the East Branch Outfitters to shop around and then went to a feeder stream off the east branch of the Delaware River. After we got there we went into the stream and seined for bugs.

On Wednesday we tied flies for our upcoming fishing trips in the French woods cafeteria. I tied multiple versions of my signature fly, a zonker.



On Thursday we fished the Beaverkill River at the oldest private trout club in America, the Beaverkill Trout Club. I caught 2 rainbows and 1 brown. The scenery was beautiful. Every kid got a personal guide for the day.



On Friday we went to the fly fishing museum, where we got a private tour of the museum. Then we could either fish in a private pond or fish in the Willowmec River. I fished in the Willowmec River without any luck.

On Saturday we fished the upper Delaware River at another private fly fishing club. Once again we got a personal guide for the day. There was a stonefly hatch in the river.

I plan to use my new knowledge of fly-fishing to teach kids to cast better at Ray's day. My favorite part of camp was going to the Beaverkill River on Thursday because the scenery was beautiful and I caught 3 fish. Overall this was an experience that I will never forget because I met great people and fished in amazing, beautiful rivers and creeks. At French Woods, I also took a lot of card magic classes, and now I know about a dozen different tricks.

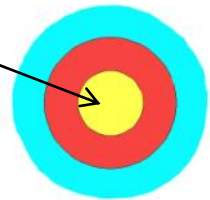
Thank you Cole for a great review of your adventure at Bill Canfield's Fly Fishing camp

2019 LEC Summer Picnic

I want to thank everybody that supported this event and for all the great desserts and sides that were brought. This years picnic had perfect weather, great people, plenty to eat and drink, good conversations with challenging casting. Mark Thill won the distance cast again this year with a fantastic 81 feet 6 inches using our 5wt TFO training rod. Great casting Mark. Bob Gallo won the Orvis Sling Pack that Adam Schroeder donated for this event. I failed to take even 1 picture. Thank you Bill for sending me your pictures. Please send me your suggestions for new ideas. Thank you all again. Rich



81' 6"



Where did you say that casting school was ?

