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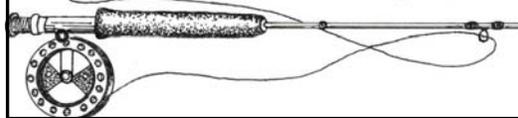
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Next meeting:  
*Tuesday, February 17th*  
at 7:30 PM

**Mary Dette**  
**Ties Flies and Tells Stories**

## President's Line



With most fishing and conservation organizations or clubs, January is a slow month. It is cold, windy and snowy out, there is no good fishing to be had, and it is a good time to find yourself with a good case of the winter doldrums. That is not the case if you are part of L.I.T.U.!

As we all know, this year we had well known author, guide, fly tyer and shop owner Bob Jacklin of Jacklin's fly shop in West Yellowstone, Montana as our Special Guest Speaker. For those of you who missed it, Bob's presentation was titled "A Montana Sampler". It was loaded with information about the southern and central area's of Montana, along with excellent photography and even a bit of the local history and lore. I felt Bob came across to all of us as just the knowledgeable, humble guy that I have come to know and appreciate over the last five years. Bob is truly one of the "good guys" out there and he immediately makes you feel as if you were one of his personal fishing buddy's. I thank him sincerely for a good program that we all thoroughly enjoyed.

Another thing which I thoroughly enjoyed was seeing a lot more faces than usual at one of our meetings. It was great to see people I haven't seen in quite a while and also to see a number of new faces. In fact, we had a young man who was at his first meeting ever win our grand prize raffle of a T & T rod, a Ross reel and line to go with it! That made really my night! I know we will see HIM again!

To me, that is one of the things that makes being part of T.U and especially this chapter in particular so worthwhile. To see the excitement on his face when he came up to accept the prize was most definitely worth all the hard work and preparations. In fact, it was great to see ALL the winners of all the great prizes we had that night.

In closing, I would like to thank all of you program for coming down and joining us at the meeting, and also a huge thanks for those of you who helped make it happen. It could not have been done without you. I would also like to extend a personal thanks to Fred Versaci, the new manger, at Orvis Greenvale for donating a \$50.00 gift certificate as one of our prizes.

I look forward to seeing you all at the February meeting as we have the Catskill fly tying legend Mary Dette as our guest speaker. Come early to see her tie before she starts her presentation.

Be sure to sign up at the next meeting for our upcoming Casting Clinics on Feb 28th at Caleb Smith State Park and March 7th at Connetquot, we can use some help.

Until then, let's all remember to do what we can to **Educate, Protect, Conserve, and Restore!**  
Best Fishes, *Jay Mooney*

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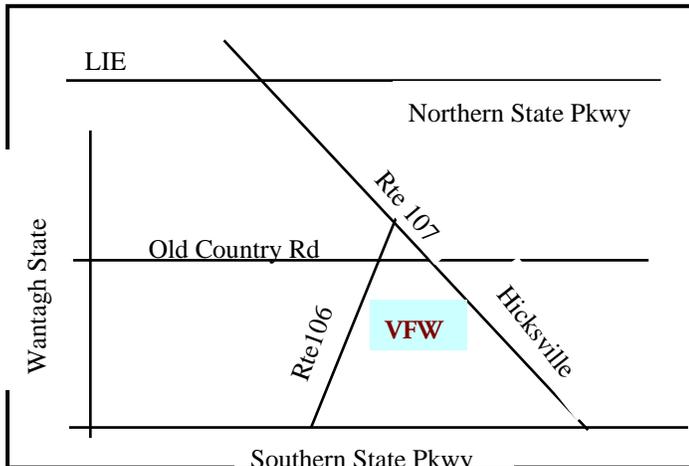
Feb 4	Directors Meeting, Ground Round, Levittown @ 7:30 PM <b>**1st WEDNESDAY**</b>
Feb 17	<b>General Meeting, 7:30 PM</b> <b>**3rd TUESDAY**</b>
Feb 28	Casting Clinic Caleb Smith State Park 9 AM—Noon
Mar 4	Directors Meeting, Ground Round, Levittown @ 7:30 PM <b>**1st WEDNESDAY**</b>
Mar 7	Casting Clinic Connetquot State Park 9 AM to Noon
Mar 17	<b>General Meeting, 7:30 PM</b> <b>**3rd TUESDAY**</b>
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# Update

## Upper Delaware River Forecast and Conditions



The reservoirs on the West & East Branches of the Delaware are both full and the rivers are flowing at higher than normal levels. This is a good thing as it prevents anchor ice from forming which usually means better than usual insect hatches throughout the season. Cur-

rently full reservoirs mean this coming season should be a good one. Spring run off and rains have the potential to keep the river running nicely well into early summer.

The Delaware River Basin Commission at its December 10, 2008 meeting withdrew changes to its Water Code and directed staff to develop new proposed amendments to the Water Code by or in the summer of 2009. More about this can be found on the Delaware River Basin Commission's website: <http://www.state.nj.us/drbc/drbc.htm>

Last season I added an additional boat to my river craft, so now in addition to my drift boat, I also have a three person pontoon boat. It's a sweet little rig with 14 foot pontoons, leaning posts, standing platforms and comfortable swivel seats. Having the inflatable allows me to float in lower water than I can by drift boat, opening up many more miles of river than is usually accessible by wading during low water periods. Last season it worked out nicely on the West Branch and the Main Stem of the Delaware. Ideally, I won't have to use as there would be enough water to get the drift boat down the river, but as they say, you got to go with the flow.

I'm often asked when is the best time to fish the Delaware. Being a tailwater, the rivers fish well throughout the season, from mid April through October. Where I fish and how I fish change with the weeks, sometimes by the day, but the fish are still here.

Early season might find us fishing a mix of streamers and dry flies. As the season progresses, we'll be fishing more nymphs with the dries. Summer trout fishing is usually a dry fly game with much of our time hunting targets, but here too, depending on conditions, streamers and nymphs often come into play. Fall is almost like Spring again.

**From:** Capt. Joe Demalderis, is an Orvis Endorsed Fly Fishing Guide who **donated a trip to the banquet last year.**  
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The drawing will be held at the June NYSCTU General Meeting on Saturday, June 6th, 2009. Tickets will be available at the next three Council meetings (September, November and June) or you can purchase them through Longcasts via mail by sending a check and this coupon to:

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**Ed Ciano** appointed Sgt at Arms for Monthly Meetings —So if he taps you on the shoulder and asks you to quiet down — be sure to say "Yes Sir!"

## Know a kid age 12 to 17?

### Apply for a Scholarship to DEC Summer Camp



The Chapter is looking for applicants for the **Henry Prussen Jr. Scholarship for Young Adults**, 12 to 17 years old, to attend the NYS DEC Environmental Education Summer Camps next summer. As of press time the dates for the summer of 2009 have not been made public but you can explore the DEC's website <http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/education/edcamps.html> for more information. If you have a worthy candidate please call Bob Lutz (631) 643-4709 or see him at the meeting. The applications must be submitted by early February so get your applicant's name in as soon as possible.

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*Rich*

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# Jan Meeting



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We had over 60 in attendance and a good time was had by all! I can't wait to get back to Montana to try out his techniques. Thanks Bob for a great evening.

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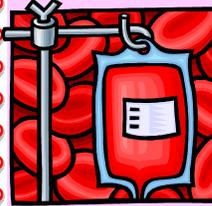
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# Meet our Members

## An interview with Jerry Greenholz

**Ed:** When did the fishing bug really bite?

**JG:** It bit while I was in a canoe on Lake George while in High School with a friend who had a fishing rod and was trolling as we paddled around. He hooked a tremendous Northern Pike, big enough to warrant mounting. The excitement and mystery of trying to find and catch something that could not be seen, that lived in the nether world of the lake was fascinating to me.

**Ed:** Tell me about your first fish.

**JG:** After that experience I bought a casting outfit and began to fish for bass and pickerel or whatever was in the water, whenever I could. I eventually upgraded to a spinning rod with a Mitchell 300. Worms and Mepps were my standard tackle as I fished the Roeliff Jansen Creek in Columbia County where a friend had house and caught my first trout.

**Ed:** How did you get into fly fishing?

**JG:** In college I became an anglophile and decided fly fishing was a classy way to go with the gentlemen fishing the beats on the English streams, tweed sport coats and all. I purchased my first fly rod, a Montague Rapidan and a stock of flies from Mills Brothers in NYC as did a few friends of mine, but there was no one to teach us how to do it when I started. I had to read and teach myself through trial and error, how to tie knots, how to cast, what flies to use. Eventually, when Theodore Gordon Fly Fishers began, I joined but I had already figured it out by then. New fly fishers today don't know how lucky they are to have guys like our TU'ers to help them out.

**Ed:** I understand your learning how to fish led to another passion.

**JG:** Yes, I have managed to accumulate about 260 titles on trout and salmon fishing, published in both the US and England. Next to my wife and children, they are my most treasured possessions. Interested in borrowing one? See me at a meeting.

**Ed:** Where else have you fished?

**JG:** Early on, in Westchester and on the Esopus and rarely in the Beaverkill. While upstate in medical school I got more interested and explored more areas. I did my internship in Denver and we would take the rare time off and fish the Cache le Poudre near Ft. Collins. Wet flies did very well. When I came back to NY I did regular day trips to Beaverkill on my days off, leaving early and getting home late. The 3 hours each way didn't phase me and I couldn't think of a better way to spend a day off. I would usually go to the Covered Bridge on the Upper Beaverkill - the traditional water - and began to use dry flies. When my daughters were young we spent about 4 summers camping at Cranberry Lake in the western Adirondacks where I managed to be on the Oswegatchie River for the brown drake hatch and the fishing was sensational. No catch and release back then, we had fish as a regular meal as well as brought a few home. As the girls got bigger we turned to western dude ranches to satisfy their love for horses and I managed to fish such places as the Wind River in WY and Snow Mass in CO. Once that period passed, I focused primarily on the Beaverkill and Esopus for many years. More recently I have enjoyed fishing out west with my Brother Danny who resides in Denver and most recently with all of the LITU'ers who travel west each summer. In the last few summers we did New Mexico, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and we are planning this year's trip as we speak.

**Ed:** What is your favorite rod?

**JG:** I tend toward Bamboo although I have a slew of graphite's. An old Granger was my favorite for many years and then there was my first, the Montague. I have owned an Orvis Battenkill and an Orvis Midge. My most valuable one was the Leonard which I donated to the banquet in 2007. Of all of these, I have to say my favorite over all is my 7'4" Charles Neuner. Nothing compares to it for performance and craftsmanship.

**Ed:** What is your favorite Stream? Fly?

**JG:** West Branch of Delaware at Hendrickson time followed by the Beaverkill and Willowemoc for Hendricksons or Sulphurs. I especially love the West Branch due to the challenge the fish present and the extraordinary fight of a wild fish. That is why it is so important that TU continue to work to get the flows right on that beautiful stream.

**Ed:** A favorite story?

**JG:** While salmon fishing our last day on the Ballynahinch River near Clifton in the west of Ireland, with rented outfits and gillie provided by the river keeper, my brother Danny and I were fishless while watching salmon jumping within view. I realized that I was not going to be catching one this trip. The gillie took Danny downstream to try his luck one more time and I decided to try for some sea trout which were usually more cooperative than the noble salmon. I had a few flies and some 5x leader (just incase) and tied it on to the heavy rig, selecting, what else, a 14 Adams. Just as I was about to cast, the hotel's river keeper came running toward me with what appeared to be a photographer, festooned with cameras and related paraphernalia around his neck. The keeper explained that the Irish Times was doing a story on the hotel and its and fishery. I explained that he was welcome to snap a photo of me casting but it was unlikely that I'd be catching a salmon having just changed my terminal tackle. On my first cast in riffle I hooked a wiley sea trout from the high bank, with deep water below me. As I considered how I was going to land it without benefit of a long handled net, the keeper, who could have been a double of Barry Fitzgerald, jumped into the water and tail hooked it. I suggested we release it and he sternly informed me that "We don't do that here." My photo was in the Irish Times that Monday.

**Ed:** What would you say was your most successful fishing trip?

**JG:** Anytime I can get out and fish is a successful trip, but if you mean in terms of the number of fish caught it would have to be my 2001 trip to the Yucatan where a friend and I landed 49 bone fish in one day - not likely to top that. If you mean which was the most dramatic - that would be the time we spent a week fishing from Deposit to Roscoe, Harvard to Lew Beach with nary a bite. We always try to stop at the Rhododendron pool before we head for home and I was fishing a Hendrickson emerger in the lower part of the pool when a beautiful Brown smashed it. As my buddy came down to witness it he asked for my camera which I had meant to put in my vest. It was in the car. We marked the length on the rod and when I got home it measured a clean 22" - wild and powerful. It doesn't get any better than that!

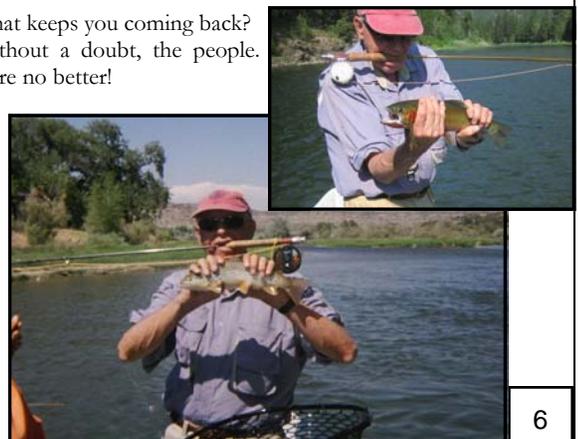
**Ed:** When did you first hear about TU and how?

**JG:** I had been reading about it since it began but finally donated to the cause of cold water conservation in the 90's. I have been a member ever since but only started to come to meetings in the last 6 years or so. So I joined for conservation reasons but have been overwhelmed with all the good people and the work you all do, selflessly, as volunteers, to further the cause and protect our resources here on LI and around the country. It is inspiring.

**Ed:** What keeps you coming back?

**JG:** Without a doubt, the people. There are no better!

**Ed:**  
Thanks  
Doc.



## Fishing Report



**Ed Ciano** picked up this 16” beauty on the Connetquot in January on a nymph pattern. He described the take as a slow rise and thought he heard the fish say that he was freezing.

**Rick Lewis** was up on the East Branch of the Croton and found plenty of room to roam and a few good fish as well.

If you want to know where to go and what to fish for this time of year why not pick up one of Tom Schlichter’s **2009 LI Fishing Calendars** at the next meeting for a bargain price of \$15. Supply is limited!

## How much do you know about the history of the Long Island Chapter of TU?

2009 is the 50th Anniversary of TU and they are setting up a web site for the history of each chapter. We began in 1973 with **Theodore Powers** being the founder and first president along with 8 other members (**James Holley\***, **Dr. Jacobson**, **Alvin Muller**, **Neal O’Connor**, **Salvatore Palatucci\***, **Henry Prussen**, **Guy and Harry Volz**). From these small beginnings we not only grew to 450+ members but also birthed the NYC Chapter of TU and the Art Flick Chapter of TU. That is a lot of TU! (\*denotes past president)

If any of you old timers out there have stories or any information at all about the early years, please send me an email ([tfm97@optonline.net](mailto:tfm97@optonline.net)) or call (631 3271201) or send it (97 Eatons Neck Rd, Northport, NY 11768) so I can jot it down and pull together not only a history for the 50th Anniversary site — but a document we can share with all members of our chapter.

Photos, old newsletters, or any such items would be appreciated.

I would like to get this completed in the February time frame so please don’t delay. Also I have a list of past presidents as well as back issues of Paumonok from 1979 so don’t be surprised if you get a call from me asking for some clarification.

Thanks. The Editor (*Tom McCoy*)

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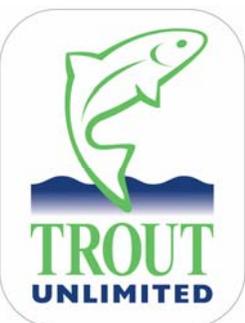
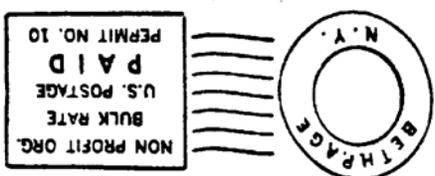
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