By the time you will be reading this article our Dinner Dance Fundraiser and Auction should be history, and the planning for next year’s event will be beginning. Putting on this event is always a daunting task but more so this year due to the change in format and leadership. I’m proud to say that this task was faced head on by the LITU Dinner Dance Fundraiser and Auction committee and the LITU Board of Directors with drive, dedication, determination and tenacity.

Our “busy season” now begins. The speaker at our March 20th Chapter meeting will be Somerset Fly Fishing Show celebrity fly tier, Bruce Corwin. Bruce has a very easy going and relaxed approach to fly tying and specializes in tying trout flies using “new and interesting materials”, to quote Bruce. Jay Mooney and I were mesmerized watching him tie his foam hoppers and beetles, actually making it look easy. He also does an amazing spider. Let’s have a big turnout for Bruce on March 20th.

We’ve already started our sign up for our May outing to the Beaverkill which filled up fast. Bob Lutz is taking names for the waiting list. Jeff Plackis will begin taking deposits for our June outing to the Beaverkill at the March 20th chapter meeting. Believe me, there is no better way to learn the “secret spots “and to get to know each other than by being part of one of these outings.

LITU’s new Boy Scout Merit Badge Program, led by Jay Mooney, Bob Lutz, and myself is now in full swing. We are running it out of Caleb Smith State Park with the help of Clarence Ware, our Dinner Dance Fund Raiser and Auction honoree. We could always use some help.

Long Island Trout Unlimited’s famous Fly Fishing/Casting Clinics will be held this year on March 10 at Caleb Smith State Park and on March 24 at Connetquot State Park and Preserve. Please come down and help out.

There will be many other events and programs over the next few months such as data logger deployments, stream clean ups, Trout In the Classroom releases, and various stream restoration projects. To do this work and continue to carry out our

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03/02/2012  
Annual Fund Raising Dinner Dance  
Miller Ridge Inn  
6:30 PM

03/07/2012  
Directors Meeting,  
Bertucci’s Rte 110 Melville  
@ 7:30 PM  
**1st WEDNESDAY**

3/10/2012  
Casting Clinic Caleb Smith State Park at 9:00 AM  
Sign up at the Meeting

3/20/2012  
General Meeting, 7:30 PM  
**Tuesday**  
Bruce Corwin  
Tying Flies using New and Interesting Materials

3/24/2012  
Casting Clinic Connetquot State Park at 9:00 AM  
Sign up at the Meeting

Go to www.LongIslandTU.org for a more complete calendar  
And much more
Save the Date
(Upcoming Events)

March 10, 2012 Casting Clinic—Caleb Smith
State Park 9 AM –Sign up at meeting

March 24, 2012 Casting Clinic—Connetquot
State Park 9AM

March 31, 2012 Stream Cleanup—Location
to be announced

April 28, 2012 (Inclement Weather Day April
29th) is temperature dataloggers deployment
at various streams across Long Island

Member Swap/Sell

As a new feature for our membership we are starting
a section of the newsletter for the swapping or selling
of unwanted or used fishing tackle. This bulletin-
board swap and sell will be limited to 50 words or 4
to 5 lines. LITU assumes no liability for any
damages or loss of any kind that might arise
from the use or misuse of, the Swap/Sell
Bulleting board. Email the editor to be in-
cluded in future listings at:

jakross1@verizon.net

USED CANOES FOR SALE
Coleman 17ft, $225
will deliver on Long Island
Dan Van Buskirk ……..One Sold –One to go
516-561-8939
LITU logo jacket for sale
It's brand new and has never been worn.
The jacket is green, it's a x- large, it also has the LITU
logo on it, with a eagle on the shoulder and it doesn't have
my name on it.
I'm asking $ 60.00 for it. My telephone is 516-546- 7047
Cliff Dies

A Special Thank You
By Peter Dubno

The entire Dinner/Dance/Banquet committee
would like to extend a special thank you to the fol-
lowing people for their financial help in achieving
our goal of obtaining a flat screen TV for our event.
If fact, we were able to afford two flat screen TVs
this year because of your efforts. We raised $425
and along with some friends at PC Richards, we did
it. You opened up your hearts and wallets so we can
continue to make our waters clean for drinking and
tout. We salute you.

John Fischer   Boyd Shockley
Dan VanBuskirk Peter Harris
Jack Pangburn   Tom Scialdone
Steve Gilman   Peter Yuskevich
Bob Matarazzo   Ken Mattera
Tom Cooleen   Joe Pepe
Tom McCoy      Joe Odierna
Frank Perry     Thomas Glacken
Tom LoProto     Jerry Berkson
Peter Dubno     Kay Vickers

Paumonok Needs Some New Blood

The Long Island Chapter of Trout Unlimited
is shopping around for a replacement for long
time editor John Fischer and publisher Sol
Harz. These members have served in the posi-
tion a number of times over the past two dec-
ades. We are looking for candidates who are
interested in furthering the environmental
message and agenda as proposed by the
membership of this organization throughout
its history.

What does it take to do this job?
Some knowledge of MS Word and Publisher.
3 hours of time each month to edit the news-
letter. (Send out article deadlines, edit articles
as to format and fit). Contact the President of
the Chapter or if you can attend a board meet-
ing, obtain info needed for future newsletters.
If interested call Peter Harris at 631 421-4876
We will train you to do this.
mission we need VOLUNTEERS. There is no reason why an LITU member cannot volunteer for at least one event or project a year. I believe that it goes hand in hand that when you commit to becoming a member of LITU you should be volunteering some of your time to help bring these events, projects, and programs to fruition.

This amazing winter season will soon be heading into spring with the opening of trout season. So start brushing up on your casting and checking out your equipment so you will be ready to hit the water. Who knows, maybe opening day’s weather will be beautiful. Stranger things have happened.

Please do your utmost to preserve, protect, and conserve our cold water fisheries.

Respectfully,

Peter Harris

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The 5th Annual One Bug™ Fundraiser
(From FUDR’s web site)

We are pleased to announce the fifth annual One Bug™ event on the weekend of April 27, 28, and 29. The One Bug begins with a dinner and auction on Friday evening, April 27th at the Old Capitol theatre, 170 Front Street, Hancock NY, followed by two days of team fishing led by the best guides on the Delaware.

All Profits are used to protect, preserve and enhance the ecosystem and cold-water fishery of the Upper Delaware River System including any environmental threats to the area.

The One Bug™ celebrates the sport and camaraderie of fly fishing, and promotes “CPR”, Catch, Photograph and Release.

Under the rules, each two-person team selects a single fly for each of the two days of competition. If it’s lost, the contestant is allowed to tie on a new fly to enjoy the rest of the day fishing but cannot score points for their team. Teams are paired with top guides and assigned to a specific beat or stretch of water which changes each day.

Join us for the Friday Night Gala or for the whole weekend as a team member and help us celebrate our five-year anniversary of our annual One Bug special event. Ask anyone that has attended in the past – we truly have a blast!

The Friday Night Gala tickets are $100 including dinner by award winning grill master Michael Cartechine, open bar, auction and raffle.

The team entry fee is $2,400 for two anglers and includes Friday Night’s Gala; two days guided fishing with all meals, drinks, and snacks.

For more info: http://www.fudr.org/onebug.html
Bob Lutz is organizing an outing to the Riverside Lodge the weekend of May 18, 19 & 20. The cost is $165 for trip and includes the following:

- 2 Nights lodging
- Barbecue dinner on Friday
- Breakfast Saturday and Sunday
- Dinner on Saturday nite.

If you are interested in joining the fishing outing give Bob a call at 516-473-9910. 1/2 of the payment is due now and the balance when you arrive at the outing. See Bob at the meeting with your payment.
Long Island Chapter
Trout Unlimited
15th Annual Spring Outing
to the

 Catskills

Friday, June 8th, 2012 to Sunday, June 10th, 2012
at
Riverside Lodge

On the banks of the Beaverkill

Horton, NY

$162.00 per person (Based on double occupancy)
Includes: Lodging Friday & Saturday Night, Breakfast Saturday & Sunday Morning,
a Bar-B-Que Friday Evening and Dinner Saturday Night, all taxes and gratuities.

Reserve your spot now. Limited availability. Rooms to be assigned.
(Note: A $3.00 donation to LITU’s Conservation Fund has been included in the cost of the trip. Thank you!)

Reservation Form

Name 1: ___________ Phone: _______ Email: _________________ TU Member #: ______

Name 2: ___________ Phone: _______ Email: _________________ TU Member #: ______

$80.00 NON-REFUNDABLE Deposit per person.
(Note: Includes $5.00 donation to LITU’s Conservation Fund. Thank you!)

Make deposit checks payable to “Jeff Plackis”
Please return by May 11th, 2012 to:
Jeff Plackis

Balance of $82.00 per person due upon arrival & payable to “Riverside Lodge”.


SPECIAL NYSCTU CONSERVATION FUND RAFFLE

The New York State Council of Trout Unlimited is raffling off an outstanding rod and additional prizes. Raffles are $5.00 each or 3 for $10 or 10 for $25.00.

Prize #1: St. Croix’s premiere rod, the Legend Elite, in 9’ 5-weight, is an elegant four-piece rod that performs like a one-piece. Designed and handcrafted in Wisconsin, the rod is finished in a smooth Gallatin green and features the words "Trout Unlimited" on the blank.

Prize #2: A ½ day guided trip in either Montana or Florida with Capt. Brett Greco, plus a day’s guided trip on Chittenango Creek (NY) with Madison County Chapter.

Prize #3: A signed & numbered limited edition print, “Taking a Break” by artist Scott Hartman (framed and matted by Peter Dubro – LI Chapter)

Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the NYSCTU Conservation Fund. Help support the fund that gives back to chapters, providing financial assistance for projects on our home waters. The drawing will be held at the June NYSCTU General Meeting on Saturday, June 2nd, 2012. Tickets will be available at the next three Council meetings (September, November and June) or you can purchase them via mail by sending a check and this coupon to:

NYSCTU (2011 Conservation Fund Raffle)
c/o Don Kieffer - Treasurer
16 King Road
Middle Grove, NY 12850

Name: ____________________________
Phone: __________________________
Address: _______________________

☐ 1 ticket = $ 5.00
☐ 3 tickets = $ 10.00
☐ 10 tickets = $ 25.00

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Long Island Flyrodders - Meet 1st Tuesday @ VFW 55 Hickory Lane, Levittown @ 7:30, www.lifr.org
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Orvis Greenvale - www.orvis.com/intro.asp?subject=546, (516) 484 1860, Dean Tsantilas
Sawdust & Stitches - shadow boxes, art and more - http://www.sawdust-stitches.com (717) 774 3893
West Branch Anglers Resort— www.westbranchresort.com; (607) 467 5525
15th Annual Chapter Outing

The Chapter has planned its 15th Annual Spring Outing to the Catskills, for the weekend of June 8th through June 10th, 2012. Once again we will be staying at the Riverside Lodge & Cafe in Horton, New York, on the banks of the Beaverkill River. This location provides us with several angling opportunities on some of the most picturesque streams in the Catskills...truly “Blue Ribbon” water. In addition to the Beaverkill, Willowemoc Creek, both the East and West Branches of the Delaware River, as well as many other small creeks and streams are within a short driving distance. There should be plenty of excellent fishing possibilities for all.

The cost of this year’s trip is $162.00 per person, based on double occupancy and includes all taxes and gratuities. Just like last year, it will include lodging Friday & Saturday Night, Breakfast Saturday & Sunday Morning, a Bar-B-Que Friday Evening and Dinner Saturday Night.

Deposits will be accepted beginning at the March 20th Chapter Meeting. See Jeff Plackis for more information. Space is very limited, so reserve your spot early! A non-refundable deposit of $80.00 is due by May 11th, 2012.

Volunteers needed for Stream Clean-up Day on Saturday, March 31st

The chapter will be conducting a stream cleanup on Saturday, March 31st. The specific stream hasn’t been selected yet, so come down to the March Chapter meeting to find out more details. Depending on the location, the clean-up may be followed by a stream assessment survey. To volunteer for the cleanup or survey, please contact Jeff Plackis at LITroutBum@yahoo.com. Many hands make light work!

2012 Temperature Datalogger Deployment

On Saturday, April 28th (Inclement Weather Day: Sunday, April 29th) the chapter will be deploying its temperature dataloggers at various streams across Long Island. If you have helped us with deploying dataloggers in the past, we could really use your assistance again this year. We are looking for about 3-4 volunteers for each of the datalogger deployments. If you are interested in lending a hand, sign up at the March or April meeting or email Jeff Plackis at LITrout-Bum@yahoo.com for more information.