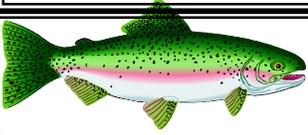


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## T.U. PHILOSOPHY

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***Tuesday, October 18, 2011 @ 7:30 PM***

***This month's meeting will be held at  
Caleb Smith State Park  
Bryan Moore– TU National  
Discusses Gas Fracking Issues***

## *President's Line*



I just arrived home from the LITU Fall Outing at Farmington, CT. when I realized that the President's line is due for this issue of Paumonok. So

what better way to start then to tell everyone that we had a great time and that you should have been there. I would really like to say that the weather was beautiful, but it was not (as per usual for our Fall outing) .... The fishing was great (I at least got the first fish), but it wasn't. What was great was that a bunch of LITU members (and some spouses) got together and enjoyed each other's company, especially after a little Irish dew was passed around. Thank you trip captain, Peter Dubno.

Save these dates- **November 17, 2011** for our first ever **Comedy for Conservation** night fundraiser at Guvnors Comedy Club in Levittown, and **March 2, 2012** for the **LITU Banquet** at **Milleridge Cottage** in Jericho (note new date and location).

A hardy handshake goes out to Peter Dubno for his Montana 2011 presentation at our September chapter meeting. The photos and video were so clear and sharp that I felt like I was there with you guys this year. Sorry I missed the trip out west this year. I know your presentation made others wish they were there, too.

I know the FRACKING issue is of concern to many of our members. Bryan Moore from TU National will be returning to speak on this issue

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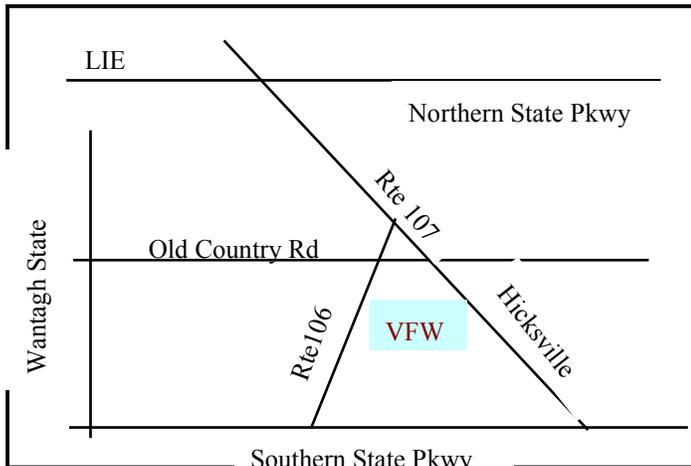
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<b>10/05/2011</b>	<p><b>Directors Meeting,</b>                  Bertucci's Rte 110 Melville                  @ 7:30 PM  <b>**1st WEDNESDAY**</b></p>
<b>10/18/2011</b>	<p><b>General Meeting, 7:30 PM</b>  <b>**Tuesday**</b>                  Bryan Moore—Gas Fracking                  Meeting will be held at Caleb Smith                  State Park</p>
<b>11/2/2011</b>	<p><b>Directors Meeting,</b>                  Bertucci's Rte 110 Melville                  @ 7:30 PM  <b>**1st WEDNESDAY**</b></p>
<b>11/15/2011</b>	<p><b>General Meeting, 7:30 PM</b>  <b>**Tuesday**</b></p>
<b>11/17/2011</b>	<p><b>Conservation For Comedy at the                  Guv'ners Club</b>  <b>See Jay Mooney at the meeting or                  ad on page 6</b></p>
	<p>Go to <b>www.LongIslandTU.org</b>                  for a more complete calendar                  And much more</p>

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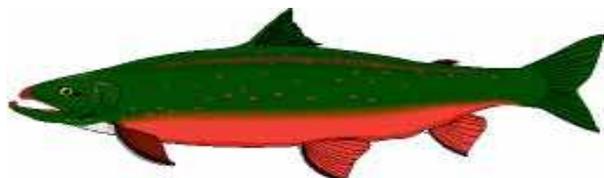
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at our next meeting which will be on October 18. This meeting will not be at the Hicksville VFW but will be held at Caleb Smith State Park in Smithtown. Clarence Ware, Park Manager will also fill you in on storm damages in the park and will also be asking for some volunteer help in restoration work to the park. Please, let's have a large turnout for this meeting. I'm sure many of you have questions on the subject of fracking and Bryan will be more than happy to give you TU National's outlook on the issue.

Our **Beginners Fly Tying class** was a big hit last year and I have decided to bring it back again this year with Paul McCain as the head professor. Classes should begin on October 12. **The signup sheet is filling up fast so let Paul (troutpaul@verizon.net)** or I know if you want to attend. Perhaps I can coax John Fischer into demonstrating the finer points to tying the infamous Farmington rubber worm (this fly caught the only two fish on Saturday on our Fall outing). John is an expert with the materials used for this fly( see the tying the Vladi Worm video at YouTube.com )  
In closing I want to throw out a challenge to each member of Long Island Trout Unlimited. I challenge you to volunteer for at least one LITU committee or activity this year. I promise you that you will be glad you did.

Respectfully,  
Peter Harris



## Save the Date (Upcoming Events )

Oct. 8— Casting Clinic at Caleb Smith State Park has been cancelled  
Oct. 12-Beginners flytying clinic starts at Johnny Malones Pub Wantagh Contact Paul McCain at troutpaul@verizon.net to sign up  
November 17 - Comedy for Conservation Nite at the Gov'ners Club see ad page 6  
Or contact Jay Mooney for tickets

### Future Guest Speakers—

November 15 - Aaron Jasper—will tell us all about how to euro-nymph, a new angle on an old method of freshwater flyfishing  
Jan. 17, 2012—Rich Painsi—Flyfishing the Henry's Fork area  
March, 2, 2012—The 31st Annual Fundraising Dinner Dance at the Miller Ridge Inn, Jericho, NY

## 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 Bulletin board. Email the editor to be included in future listings**  
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# Fall Outing on the Farmington

By Peter Dubno

Well, this past September 23 -25, we had our Fall Outing this year with fishing on the Farmington River in Farmington, Conn. We stayed at a terrific hotel call Homewood Suites by Hilton in Farmington where we got first rate service and rooms. Our wives, or at least those who came, really thought it was first class and they were pleased. So were the fishermen.

The fishing was tough though. It rained hard on arrival day, Friday Sept. 23 and the river rose. On Saturday, with the wives on an excursion to the home of Mark Twain, we stopped by Up Country Sports, a fly shop, which was well equipped and gave friendly advice. We were stuck with a high water condition and we had to adjust. We fished the "Church Pool" at first where we had a few hits on dry flies along the banks. However, Peter Harris reeled one in on a "Vladi Worm", a fly made from a pink condom which we were told was best for these conditions. Later in the day, John Fischer landed one on the same fly. Again, it was tough fishing.

On Sunday, with the water still being high, we fished above Riverton, and we landed 5 brookies on dries. That made my weekend and we scouted out a bed and breakfast called the Old Riverton Inn. Maybe next time I'll make a reservation there. I know we would have had a more productive fishing weekend if the rain had not been so forceful and the rivers so high. There is always next year.

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## Wantagh Creek Survey By Jay Mooney

On Friday September 16, me, Pete Harris and a crew from New York State D.E.C. led by Heidi O' Riordan met in Wantagh to electro-fish and survey Wantagh Creek. The creek was to be surveyed from the bottom where it dumps into Forest Lake up to where it begins at the outlet of Forest City Pond.

As we were setting up and getting organized by the lower bridge, Ann (from the D.E.C. who had never been there before) commented on what a beautiful stream this was and as to how pristine it looked. As soon as we were set up, we proceeded down to the mouth of the creek to start.

Almost immediately we were shocking and picking up numerous Red Fin Pickerel and American Eel. Along the way we observed an abundance of great trout habitat even within this lower water season. For a short time we did not actually shock a trout although we had a few shoot away from us.

At the first turn in the creek, by an undercut bank with a really nice deep pool, I am happy to say we picked up our first trout (see pictures Pg. 9). It was a beautiful Brown Trout measuring a touch over eleven inches and weighing just about one pound!

Although we had hoped to survey the whole creek, due to time constraints for the D.E.C. crew and downfalls across the creek, we had to skip sections and did not complete it. We are intending to go back at another time to continue and finalize the survey and assessment. However, we did in fact, gather quite a bit of information including water temperatures, dissolved oxygen content, pH, and of course the types of fish we did find.

The fish we observed on the lower reaches were: Red Fin Pickerel, American Eel, Brown Trout, and Catfish. On the upper section we observed Blue gills / Pumpkin seeds, Largemouth Bass, and Chain Pickerel. The assessment and survey this stream will continue as time, weather and manpower permits. We will be retrieving the data loggers that we previously inserted this past May on October 3 and will let everyone know of our finding and assessments at the monthly meetings and of course in Paumonok.

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## Searching for trout on Wantagh Creek



DEC Electrofishing on Wantagh Creek



A bucket of the different fish found during the survey



Brown Trout being recorded



Nice Brown trout being measured