Riffles Express

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Nancy Murphy

ADIRONDACK : YESHING ADVENTURES

The Wildest Fly Fishing East of the Rockies

In 1996 Nancy became the first female Endorsed Orvis Fly Fishing Guide and shooting instructor on the Skytop staff.

In 1999, Nancy opened, merchandised and managed a large Orvis Dealership in historic Bethlehem, PA. In 2003 Nancy returned to the Pocono Mountains to open and manage an Orvis dealership and guiding operation at a new Orvis Endorsed lodge.

In 2005 Nancy joined TCO Fly Shop in Reading, PA to open their new fly shop on The Main Line in downtown Philadelphia. A licensed NY/PA fly fishing guide, Nancy's first love is teaching and showing anglers the wonders of Adirondack fly fishing. Nancy is also spearheading TCO's new education and community relations venture that will bring fly fishing curriculum to schools, civic organizations and community recreation centers.

When TCO purchased The Hungry Trout Fly Shop business, I jumped at the chance to pack up and move north!"

Welcome New EJTU Members September - November

James Aglione Mahwah Rivervale Ryan Briscoe Lisa Campanella Clifton Paul Collis Hewitt Robert DeMaio Wood Ridge William Dodds Cresskill Kevin Gately Ridgewood Eric Heintz Bloomfield Brian T. Keane Demarest Scott Kindler Hewitt Rande Kunisch Hawthorne Ed Michta Hillsborough Alan J. Orlando Clifton Brendon Pierson Bayonne Michael Polifrone **Paramus** Frank Riha Hillsborough Travis M. Rummel Glen Ridge Joanne Slawenski Hasbrouck Heights Thomas Stiles Ringwood

EJTU now has

Saddle River

Clifton

Fran Tepper

Sergey Turetskey

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Members

2007 Pequest Fun

Bob Hresko says that he's looking for volunteers to "work" at the Pequest but, it always seems to be fun for those who turn up, so come on out and enjoy yourself.

These are some of the programs that Bob will run for EJTU in 2007:

One day, mini-beginner

fly fishing course
One day, mini fly fishing course

Sunday, January 21 Sunday, April 22

One day, mini fly fishing course

Sunday, August 12

EJTU will also have a fly tier at the Pequest's Education Center every Saturday in February and March – why can't you be one of them?

All of these events are attended by nice people who usually know almost nothing about fly casting or fly fishing so if you feel that you have only limited knowledge and ability, you will still have something to pass on to the students. If you have questions about any of these events, contact Bob Hresko at bhresko@verizon.net.

ANNUAL DINNER

Get ready for EJTU's Annual Dinner

When: Saturday, March 10, 2007
Where: The Grand Chalet, Wayne, NJ
6:30 PM until 11:30 PM

Ramapo Ramblin'

It seems like only yesterday that we were meeting at Glen Gray Road to fix the parking area and do a cleanup. Since then the days and months seemed to have flown by.

This year we started with the spring state stocking, then we put temperature monitors in the Ramapo and Bear Swamp brook and followed with a stocking with the Boy Scouts at Singac Brook in Wayne.

Ramapo Day is always a great event with kids learning about conservation and the need to practice non-point pollution to keep rivers clean and pure. The kids come from areas where they learn very little about conservation so we hope they bring their friends the message that it is important not to pollute the environment.

Some of our team went to Saddle River Park to assist the Bergen Federation of Sportsmen with a kid's fishing derby. This is always a great event and you get great pleasure in seeing and helping kids learn the fantastic art of fishing.

In the fall we once again assisted the state on the Ramapo by float stocking downstream from Cindy's pool and bucket stocking upstream from there. A total of one hundred eighty two trout were stocked, including some breeders that were in the five pound range. We also assisted stocking at the Halifax Road Bridge and upstream

On November 4th we again met at Glen Gray to do the EJTU stocking of Rainbows and Browns in the eleven to thirteen inch range. Three hundred forty seven trout were stocked with some placed at Halifax.

I would like to remind everyone to take care when walking along banks as they sometimes wash out after high water. Please check the water flow at the following web site http://waterdata.usgs.gov/nj/nwis/uv?01387500. Anything over four hundred FPS requires caution and if the flow is over seven hundred FPS do not even try to fish.

During the summer the Ramapo River's temperature rose as high as eighty five degrees, making a conservation stretch improbable because the State would not approve it. We are looking at a possible conservation stretch on the Wanaque River below Back Park in Wanaque. Anyone with knowledge of this section should contact one of our Conservation Committee members.

Conservation Committee members for 2007 will be Rich Malizia, Ed Sikorski, Bruce Seiden, John Grisoni, Ray Cappock. George Petersen, Jason Tilley and Herm Drenth, Chairman. Like the Marines we are looking for a few good men so if you would like to join our group please contact me at

hermaril@aol.com

The handicap deck at Henry Lake will not be approved by the Mahwah Council because of possible flooding, however we are now checking out a site at the Colfax Avenue parking area on Potash Lake. We will find out if Oakland would consider allowing the handicap deck to be built there.

After years of trying, it appears that trout in the classroom has finally arrived. We thank George Petersen for his efforts in getting TIC set up in Pequannock middle school and also a school in Jersey City with possibility of classes in Paterson and Oakland.

The Conservation committee meets the first Wednesday of each month at the Health Center in Paramus and our January meeting will be dedicated to discussing ways to improve EJTU's presence at the March 2007 Suffern show. Basil Santamaria has done a fantastic job running the show and we want to give him a helping hand. Anyone with ideas or suggestions should contact me or Basil at tlyfishoutfitter@peoplepc.com.

Until next time, I will meet you down stream, where we all live!

God Bless our troops and America.

Herman Drenth

Fun & Food

You might think that it's a little early to be mentioning an event that will take place in four months – EJTU's Annual Dinner - but, the crew that has been preparing for it has already been at it for almost a year. And now it's your turn to help out.

In addition to good food, nice surroundings and a friendly group of people the dinner features a variety of raffles. The raffles include "bucket raffles" as well as silent auctions that offer art works, fishing equipment, outdoor clothing, and other prizes. Most of the prizes are donated by businesses or members because the Chapter would like to raise some funds for its various projects while, at the same time, offering an enjoyable evening.

You can help by donating an item for one of the raffles. If you don't know what might be an appropriate type of item, contact Karen Canning at canning249@aol.com, or talk to her at the next meeting.

You should also make a note on your calendar that the dinner will be held in The Grand Chalet (Wayne, NJ) on the second Saturday in March — March 10, 2007. Then, purchase a ticket or two and come to an enjoyable night out.