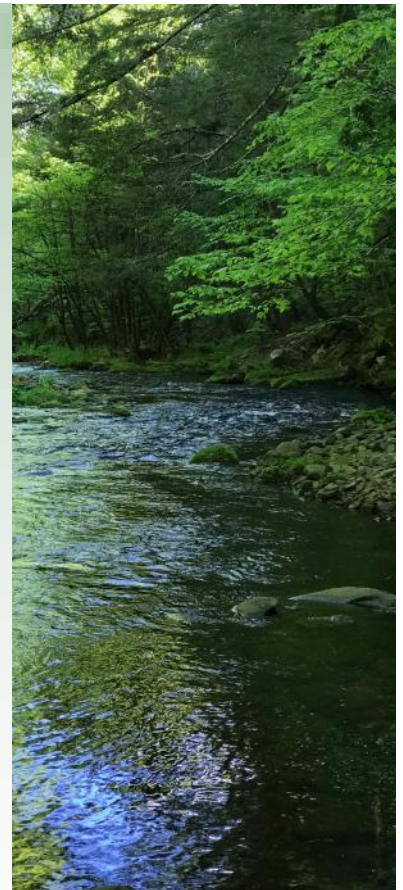




Riffles

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March General Membership Meeting



Anita Coulton - Guide & Czech Nymphing Guru

At the membership meeting we will also have some hands on experience with making our own European Nymphing leaders which are essential to this type of fishing. We all will make our own nymphing leader. Materials will be provided for free to all attendees - **just remember to bring a pair of nippers to the meeting** as this will be a big help in knot trimming. Promises to be an education and informative meeting with some knowledge we can use for the upcoming season. We will see you there!

EJTU's March general membership meeting will be held on March 13th. Doors open at 7:00 PM and the meeting begins at 7:30 PM.

Anita Coulton will be our special guest speaker. Anita Coulton is a NY/PA/NPS Licensed guide for Cross Current Guide Service. She is a well known and respected angler that has competed and won several events and was the 2017 NJ TU Fly Angler of the Year winner! Anita has worked extensively with Casting for Recovery and is very generous with her time for TU. In fact she has even donated a guided trip on the Upper Delaware for a chapter fundraiser!

European nymphing is her specialty and she will teach us the ins and outs of this very productive technique. At the

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EJTU's Annual Banquet Will Be at Biagio's Ristorante on March 23rd in Paramus, NJ. Join us for this fun and worthwhile event.

Other Fun Upcoming EJTU Events

- March 9th: EJTU at Ramsey Outdoor Fly Fishing Expo Ramsey, NJ
- March 13th: General Membership Meeting - Anita Coulton
- March 23rd: EJTU Annual Banquet - Biagio's Ristorante
- March 30th: Glen Gray Parking Area Woodchip Spreading
- April 2nd: EJTU Fly Fishing Class begins in Paramus
- April 10th: General Membership Meeting - Brian Appello
- April 24th: EJTU Pub Night at Steel Wheel Tavern
- April 27th: Mill Pond in Park Ridge, NJ Cleanup
- May 4th-5th: Catskills Cast and Blast Fishing and Shooting Trip
- May 8th: General Chapter Meeting - Scott Cullenberg

A full list of upcoming events is available on EJTU's calendar.

EJTU PUB NIGHT



Come hoist a pint with EJTU at our first ever Pub Night at the [Steel Wheel Tavern](#) in Ridgewood, NJ on April 24th. This is our first Diversity Initiative event, so please bring a friend or someone new or just stop by to have a beer and learn how you can get involved. Email [Jon Daffron](#) if you are interested in hanging out.

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Volunteers Needed

- Community Outreach Director

President's Beat

By Chris Henrickson



Our last chapter meeting was packed. We had close to 70 women and men attend our meeting!

Typically we average about 50 people at a meeting. Often times at a meeting the guest speaker will comment about what a large turnout we have, in comparison to other Trout Unlimited chapters and fishing clubs. Remarks like this always make me proud of what an active chapter we have.

It is true that our meetings are well attended when compared to other fishing groups. Many other TU chapters struggle to get 20 attendees. Other TU chapters take "breaks" during

the summer months and do not have chapter meetings. East Jersey Trout unlimited does not follow this model and our annual BBQ and tackle swap at our July meeting is one of our most popular meetings of the year.

I think our high attendance at our chapter meetings are a reflection on the quality of the speakers and programs that Ed Janiga lines up for us to enjoy each and every month. In addition I also feel that the common interests of fishing and conservation along with the strong friendships that have been developed are also large factors in our excellent chapter attendance. Each month at our meetings you can see smiles and our members' faces light up while listening about recent fishing adventures and ongoing conservation work. We always make sure to allow for plenty of time for us to catch up with our old friends and make new ones at our chapter meetings.

One thing to keep in mind is that our typical chapter meetings are open to all. So please feel free to invite your friends, coworkers and family members to swing by a meeting at some point to check us out. The fact that our meetings are open to all is a great tool for encouraging new members to attend. This will broaden and expand our membership and allow us to share our message of environmental stewardship of our rivers and fish with additional people. So let's all try to take advantage of our open meetings and invite someone new at some point this year. If you are a regular meeting attendee, you know what an educational and fun time they will have. If you are a new member and have not been to a meeting yet, make sure to mark your calendar and attend our next meeting. Our upcoming speaker Anita Coulton is excellent and we have a fun new twist at our next meeting. Anita will teach us all how to build a European style nymphing leader! We will have all of the tippet and leader materials setup for everyone that attends, so attendees will be walking out with a free European Nymphing leader. Pretty cool. Just bring a pair of nippers or scissors to trim your knots. I'll see you then.

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Striped Bass Stock Overfished



As posted on the Strippers Forever Website: In a meeting of the Atlantic States Marine Fishery Commission (ASMFC) held on Wed. 2/6/19 the striped bass management board was presented with a preliminary benchmark stock assessment that said the striped bass spawning stock biomass had slipped to well below the target level. This puts the stock into the formally overfished category. It was also found that overfishing was still taking place.

Overfished and overfishing, while they don't sound it, are somewhat technical terms. But they essentially mean that the size of the fish stock in question is less than the acceptable level that the managers have set, and that the current mortality through fishing is too high for the stocks to recover. The recent assessment was accepted by the ASMFC managers in spite of some clear reluctance by some of the commercial fishing jurisdictions, but nothing was done to set in motion conservation measures for the 2019 fishing season. The earliest that any adjustments could now be made is for the fall fishery, and no one is willing to bet how that debate will come out. It is within the authority of the ASMFC to simply reduce the acceptable stock size to "lower the bar" and continue on with the current regulations. We certainly hope that won't be the case, and without a doubt the largely recreational and game fish states will be pushing hard for some serious reductions.



Photograph the Month: Chris Henrickson- "Connetquot Rainbow"

Glen Gray Woodchip Spreading - March 30th

Our annual maintenance of the parking area at Glen Gray bridge along the banks of the Ramapo is scheduled for March 30th. Volunteers will spread wood chips and get the parking area all ready for another year of Ramapo angling.

The whole project takes a couple of hours. Please join us for our first conservation project of the year. Email [Rich Malizia](mailto:Rich.Malizia@eastjerseytu.org) if you are available to help out.



EJTU'S 2019 Fly Fishing Class Starting on April 2nd!

Class begins on April 2nd in Paramus, NJ. Tuesday nights from 7-10pm for 7 weeks.

Students will learn the techniques needed to cast a fly rod as well as fly selection, tackle for fly fishing, lines and leaders, knots, entomology and how to read a stream. All equipment will be provided. Students with their own rods and reels are encouraged to use them in class. Visit EJTU's website [here](http://www.eastjerseytu.org) to register and for additional information.



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General Membership Meetings:

Second Wednesday of the month.
Doors open at 7:00 PM, Meeting starts at 7:30 PM

The American Legion Hall
33 West Passaic Street
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

[Directions](#)

Board of Director's Meetings:

Last Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM

Fair Lawn Athletic Club
14-19 Parmelee Ave
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
201-796-9771

[Directions](#)

Conservation Committee Meetings:

Second Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM

Louis Bay 2nd Public Library
345 Lafayette Avenue
Hawthorne, NJ 07506

[Directions](#)

About EJTU

East Jersey Trout Unlimited (EJTU) is a community of more than 750 anglers in the greater northeastern New Jersey region who are dedicated to cold water conservation and the stewardship of our local watersheds.

Our members work to protect, reconnect, restore and sustain trout habitat for anglers today and for the next generations of sportsmen and women who value the relationship between clean, healthy waterways and sustainable fishing.

Conservation Notes

By Rich Malizia



Our local newspaper has published a series of articles about the recovery of bald eagles and peregrine falcons in New Jersey. Falcons have existed in limited numbers along the Palisades. Today their numbers have increased significantly and can be seen at a number of locations. I am particularly impressed by their ability to adapt to urban settings. Breeding pairs in Jersey City and New York City have become a regular occurrence. Cameras set up at some of these

places give the public the ability to observe behavior that was once limited to the scientific community. You can access the web sites by logging on to NJF&W and continuing your search for the peregrine web cam. My first encounter with a bald eagle in an urban location was about 10 years ago. While driving along River Road in Fair Lawn, I saw what appeared to be a large dark colored Canada goose at the base of a bridge abutment mid river. It was late in the day with low light conditions. Suddenly the bird raised its head and gave away its identity. There in the Passaic River between Fair Lawn and Paterson was a mature bald eagle. I drove around the corner and parked my truck. I approached the river bank as slowly and as quietly as I could. I was still at least 60 yards away when the bird turned its head and look directly at me. How could it have sensed my presence at that distance? The bird quickly went airborne landing in the top of a tree on the opposite side of the river. It was now watching me. The second time was during one of Marty's tire recovery efforts. I was again on the Passaic River at Route 46 in Little Falls. I was assessing the area anticipating Marty's arrival. In the distance I heard the unmistakable call of a bald eagle. I searched the tree tops but saw nothing. Suddenly the eagle appeared above the bridge gliding effortlessly upriver just a few feet above the water. I have since learned that there was a nesting pair in that location last year. Why go on about these birds? In every article

about the recovery of our grand birds of prey, the Clean Air Act and Clean Water Act were sighted as the primary reason for their recovery. Adopted in the late 1970's, these laws, the elimination of the use of DDT and numerous other changes resulted in improvements in air and water quality. Today, the current administration has slammed the gearshift into reverse. Regulations designed to protect our air and water are being dismantled. Industries have been permitted to renew practices which damage the environment. Protected lands have been offered up on the auction block to the highest bidder to do with as they please. Battles which we once thought were won like Pebble Mine have once again been restarted. I'm waiting for the announcement of the health benefits of DDT. Have these people no knowledge or understanding of our recent history?

New Jersey's environment has suffered through eight years of pro-development, pro-pipeline, pro-fossil fuel consumption, pro-fracking and on and on. The current Governor ran on a platform which promised increased use of renewable energy, protections from fracking and fracking waste and new policies which would protect the environment. Were all of these ideas just political hot air? The silence in the Governor's office in Trenton hurts my ears as I strain to hear something that resembles his pre-election promises. I have been around long enough to know that some of Murphy's ideas were just that, ideas. But to be completely silent as a pipeline is being built in the Pinelands, plans for a generating plant in the Meadowlands are being drawn and the Delaware River is being threatened, is totally unacceptable. A concerted effort must be made to hold Murphy to his campaign promises. Of particular concern to our area is the proposed Meadowlands generating plant. It is anticipated that if this plant goes on-line, it will be the greatest source of pollution in New Jersey. There are a number of demonstrations planned to express opposition to the construction of this plant. Regardless of how you feel about the use of fossil fuels, the fact that New Jersey will not benefit from electrical power generated by this plant, should focus your concern. If this plant is built, there is no upside for New Jersey, except for a handful of jobs that may or may not go to New Jersey residents. To me it is a lose, lose proposition.

As we inch closer to the opening day of trout season on April 6th, several projects are in the planning stage. We expect to do our annual maintenance of

[Conservation Notes Continued on Page 6](#)

How Many Connetquot River Trout Can You Spot In This Photo? Answer on [Page 9!](#)



EJTU Members Cindy & Alan Rosenbloom's Florida Fishing Adventures

By Alan Rosenbloom

Cindy and I are ducking the Northern cold here in Delray Beach Florida visiting our grandkids and fishing when we can. We fished saltwater until the winds picked up offshore and we had to go inland onto Lake Ida and the canals. Lake Ida is an amazing place. Largemouth and Peacock bass, baby snook and tarpon along with exotics that were dumped out of many fish tanks. But we can't wait to get back to trout fishing.



Cindy with an 8lb Jack Cheval (a long hard fight) and Alan with a 21" Largemouth Bass

"Plans to protect air and water, wilderness and wildlife, are in fact plans to protect man."

- Stewart Udall



Diversity Initiative

Everyone Needs Cold, Clean, Fishable Water

The Big IDEA (IDEA = Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Awareness)

By Jon Daffron

I'd like to take a minute to talk about **inclusion** and what it means to me in the context of our chapter. Inclusion is the feeling that we belong in a certain place or with a certain group of people. I remember coming home from my first EJTU chapter meeting a few years ago, and my wife asked me how it went, and I said, "These are my people!" I felt included. As a chapter, I think we do a really good job of making people feel welcome at our meetings, especially new people, but we can always take it a step further. Making people feel welcomed and included doesn't stop with Ken and Dino at the door.

So at our next meeting, I'd like to ask everyone to go out of their way to introduce themselves to one person they haven't met before. Strike up a conversation with one new person – maybe pick someone who doesn't look like you. I think what you'll find is that we've all got a lot in common, and the more we allow ourselves to get out of our comfort zones, the more inclusive and welcoming our chapter will be. Don't forget we've got a few upcoming events: Pub Night Steel Wheel Tavern in Ridgewood, NJ (April 24), Family Day (July 27), and the Women's Fly Fishing class (Date TBD). Looking for all the latest Information on EJTU's Diversity Initiative? Visit our new [DI Webpage Here!](#)

New EJTU Members

Mark Arcella, Chirs Sypniewski,
Daniel Ferraro, Christian Hoops,
Craig Rasmussen, Matthew Spano,
Roseanne Walunas

Welcome and thank you for helping us to protect northeastern NJ's cold-water resources. We look forward to meeting you at one of our upcoming conservation projects, meetings or fly fishing trips!

To Join EJTU or Renew Your EJTU Membership

Visit TU National's membership page at gifts.tu.org. Remember to choose to be assigned to the "East Jersey Chapter - 091".

The Teeny Nymph

By Dino Eftychiou



If I were to tell you that I caught my first trout on my first EJTU trip to the Connetquot River with something called a Teeny Nymph, you might ask me how teeny was it? Was it an 18, a 22, or really teeny like a size 28 or even teenier. The answer is that I used a size 14 and the fly's name has nothing to do with its size. It's a creation by James Teeny, an avid fly tier, fly fisherman, and proprietor of his own online fly shop, www.jimteeny.com.

Like many flies that I tie, I just happened to come across it randomly. What probably caught my attention was not only the name of the fly, but also that a number of web-sites kept referring to it as one of the most successful flies in tournament history. It has been responsible for 30 International Game Fish Association world records.

Here's Jim talking about his pattern:

"This is my original pattern that started my fishing career. I originated this pattern in May of 1962 to catch trout. I had no idea that this fly would hold so many world records and catch so many different fish. There's hardly a fish that couldn't be caught on a Teeny Nymph. Our size range is from a small size 14 up to a large size 2 hook. This fly is basically tied with one feather so it is fairly simple to reproduce. I can't say enough good things about this pattern. It rarely lets me down, no matter where I'm fishing. It should be a basic standby pattern that will soon be one of your all-time favorites. I find the Nymph to be more effective than the Leech or attractor pattern when fish are more selective and harder to get to take the fly."

Although Jim says that he goes down to a size 14, I found a number of sites that suggest it can be tied in smaller sizes. Also, the pattern has been customized over the years, tied in a variety of colors, with added tails, thoraxes, ribbing, flash, and beads. In fact, the one that I caught my trout on at the Connetquot was tied by me with gold wire and a gold bead.

Basic Pattern

Hook: wet/nymph 2X long

Thread: brown or black

Body: Pheasant tail fibers

Legs: Pheasant tail fibers

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the parking area along Glen Gray Road on Saturday, March 30th. The area was torn up by the heavy truck traffic that was redirected while there was a weight limitation for the bridge on Patriots Way. I will contact Mahwah DPW for their assistance in providing material for the parking area. NJF&W has scheduled preseason stocking of the Ramapo on March 22nd and April 3rd. Our volunteers usually assist with the second preseason stocking. We also plan to assist with the placement of fishing regulation signs along waterways in our area into which trout are stocked. I have been advised that the signs may not be available until a date close to opening day. We will have to have more teams of volunteers ready to go as soon as the signs are available. Please check the web site for announcements about these projects.

TAKE TIME TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Volunteers Needed for Ramsey Outdoor Fly Fishing Expo on March 9th

Volunteers from EJTU are needed to staff our booth at the upcoming Ramsey Outdoor Flyfest. Additional information will be provided as soon as it is available. If you are interested in volunteering for a few hours please email [Chris Henrickson](mailto:Chris.Henrickson@ramseyoutdoor.com).

Flyfest is a cool event that usually has some excellent presentations. Our good friends at Ramsey Outdoor are major supporters of our chapter's conservation efforts and it is important we are there to help them out at this fun event.



Our Third Annual Fly Fishing Expo will be on Saturday March 9th from 10am to 4pm at our Ramsey location. Come join us for a great day of seminars, fly tying instruction, casting demonstrations, and meet sales reps from the industry's leading brands. There will be great in-store deals too which you won't want to miss out on!

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

11AM - 3PM – Casting Lessons by Lee Nizenholz, Certified Casting Instructor (weather permitting)

11AM – Anita Coulton Cross Current Guide Service (Contact Nymphing)

12PM – Captain Jim Freda Shore Catch Guide Service (Catch NJ Bluefin on the mid-Shore Grounds)

1PM – Matt Ertzinger Tailwater Lodge (Fishing Great lake Tributaries)

2PM – Captain John McMurray One More Cast Light Charters Strippers tactics on the Fly

VENDORS

Sage, Rio Products, Redington, Orvis showcasing new 2019 products, Tail Water Lodge, West Branch Angler Resort

GROUPS

East Jersey Trout Unlimited, Joan Wulff Fly Fishers, Coastal Fly Rodders, Friends Of Upper Delaware

EJTU's 2019 Connetquot Trip



EJTU's Trout Stocking Program

By Rich Malizia



Every year our members volunteer to assist NJF&W stock the Ramapo River. We have a group of "regular" volunteers who come to help every week. But, many of our members don't know about the actual workings of the project or how they could help. Because the stocking is done on Thursday morning, those of you with regular work schedules may not be able to attend. As our membership ages, we have more retirees, part-time workers and workers with flexible schedules. Those are the members we hope to reach. We never have a precise schedule because we are dependent on the arrival of the NJF&W truck which transports the trout from Pequest Hatchery. Loading time varies each week as does the order in which the trucks are filled. Our driver usually arrives in Oakland between 10:00 and 11:00 AM.

The first point of contact is at West Oakland Avenue. A few volunteers go directly there in the morning to wait for the truck. They disperse trout up and down stream by carrying them in buckets. Trout are also dropped from each bridge crossing and at some other locations easily reached by NJF&W personnel.

If water levels are appropriate, we float stock from Glen Gray Bridge to Lenape Bridge. The boat, trailer, float box, buckets and coolers have to be relocated to the river. We are very lucky to have a cooperative neighbor who allows us to store our equipment in their backyard. Coolers equipped with circulating pumps are placed in the bed of a member's pick-up truck. A bucket brigade fills the coolers with river water. The boat and float box are secured at the river bank and the volunteers wait for the truck to arrive. We fill

the time drinking coffee, eating munchkins and swapping stores of our fishing misadventures. Once the truck arrives, we fill the float box by bucket brigade and then fill the coolers. The boat heads down river with one member on the oars and another dispersing fish. Other members arm themselves with buckets and head upstream with the truck to disperse fish up and down the river.

Once the Glen Gray area is covered, the volunteers head for other locations. Some go to the County Reservation, others to Halifax Road and the final stop at Riverview Terrace or Stag Hill Road, depending on weather conditions. Two or three volunteers take the tow vehicle to the takeout spot below Lenape Bridge. The boat is retrieved and returned to Glen Gray Road and secured. Once the stocking is done, buckets are returned to be stored with the boat so we are ready to do it again the following week. Usually everything is done by about Noon. It is a morning filled with waiting and working. One thing is for sure, the more help we have the smoother things go and the more fish we get to distribute. On average, we get over 1,000 trout per week. The task requires at least 12 volunteers every week, more if we can't float stock. It is a big commitment, but one from which we get the benefit of a properly stocked river. The alternative is to have all the trout dropped from bridges or locations which can easily be reached from the roads.

I hope this information is helpful and encourages your participation. We are never sure how many volunteers will attend so I hope you will contact me by phone 973-304-0789 or e-mail remqcp@optonline.net if you can help.

EJTU Continues to Provide Funding for NJ Conservation Work

By Chris Henrickson

At EJTU's previous chapter meeting on February 13th, 2019, I was pleased to present Cole Baldino with a check of \$400.00 on behalf of the EJTU to help fund his ongoing conservation work in New Jersey. Cole is Trout Unlimited's sole employee in New Jersey and serves as our Upper Delaware River Home Rivers Initiative Coordinator. The funds we made available will be used by Cole to work on Redd Surveys, perched culvert assessments and a variety of other conservation efforts. Keep up the excellent work, Cole!

An additional \$500.00 donation was made by East Jersey Trout Unlimited to help fund Ridge and Valley TU's Lopatcong Creek restoration project. Lopatcong Creek is New Jersey's only true spring creek and is the home of both wild and native brook trout as well as wild brown trout. The project will provide a healthy riparian buffer, shade and plantings for this little gem of a trout stream.

Our Chapter of Trout Unlimited remains fully committed to raising funds to support worthy coldwater conservation projects both in our chapter's territory and in other areas of New Jersey. Thank you to all of our members for all of the hard work and time put into our fundraising efforts to ensure we can continue to make a difference.



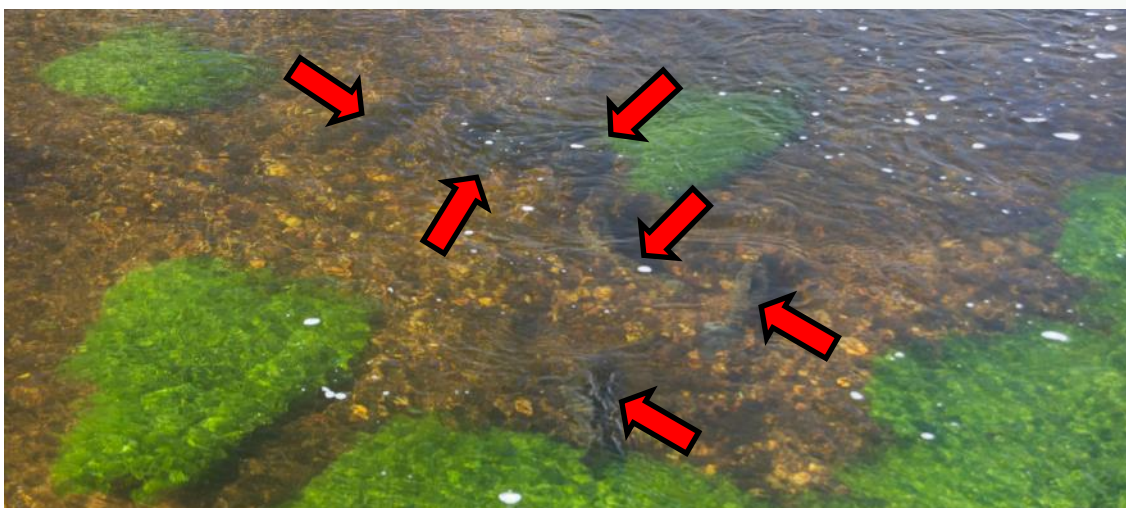
Cole Baldino Receiving EJTU's Donation

Thank You EJTU!

When EJTU recently delivered a fresh school of trout to the Hillside Elementary School in Closter, NJ, the students had thank you cards waiting for us:



The Answer is 6 Trout in This Photo of The Connetquot River!



About Riffles

Riffles Editors: Dino Eftychiou, Justin Fuller and Chris Henrickson.

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Any suggestions you may have to improve Riffles are greatly appreciated. If you have any articles or content you would like to submit, please email the Editors at eastjerseytu@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

About Trout Unlimited

Trout Unlimited is a national organization with about 300,000 members and supporters organized into over 400 chapters and councils from Maine to Montana to Alaska.

This dedicated grassroots army is matched by a respected staff of lawyers, policy experts and scientists, who work out of more than 30 offices nationwide.

Looking to Buy, Sell, Swap or Donate a Fishing Related item?

EJTU can help! Chapter members are welcome to list items they are looking to buy, sell or swap on either our online [website forum](#) or on our [Facebook Page](#).

All chapter members are welcome to attend our annual tackle swap and BBQ at our July regular membership meeting. At the meeting you can display all of the items you want to sell or swap.

EJTU also accepts donations (which are tax deductible) of items, which we will sell to raise funds for chapter activities and conservation projects.



EAST JERSEY TROUT UNLIMITED

2019 Annual Banquet - Saturday March 23, 2019

Biagio's Ristorante - 299 Paramus Rd, Paramus, NJ 07652



EJTU's Annual Banquet is an Evening of Celebration and Fun

Please join us at East Jersey Trout Unlimited's Annual Banquet as we commemorate another successful year of cold-water conservation in northeastern New Jersey. Throughout the evening, we will be recognizing the extraordinary achievements of our chapter members' volunteering efforts.

This event is our chapter's primary fund-raiser, so not only will you enjoy a great evening out, but you will be financially supporting EJTU which will ensure that we remain an effective steward of our cold-water fisheries. Your support is critical and very much appreciated.

The evening will begin at 6:30 pm with cocktails and good conversation in our own private banquet room. Hot passed hors d'oeuvres and a cold appetizer buffet full of delicacies will be available for all attendees to enjoy. At this time, you will have the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets and bid on silent auctions to win the many high-end prizes available. As in previous years, **unlimited wine, beer and soda are included** at no charge throughout the evening, with a cash bar also available.

The formal banquet activities will begin at 7:30 pm with our president's welcoming speech, followed by a 4-course dinner featuring your choice of Prime Rib, Chicken or Fish as an entree. Dessert with coffee and tea will be served at the end of our feast.

If you cannot make EJTU's Banquet, please consider sending a donation in lieu of attending to support our mission of cold-water conservation.



Gourmet Four Course Dinner and Cocktail Hour



Raffles of Hand-Crafted and Luxury Items

Payment of \$68.00 per person is due by March 10th.

Make checks payable to **EJTU**, and return this bottom portion of the form in the enclosed envelope or mail to:

**East Jersey Trout Unlimited
P.O. Box 366
Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423**

Name: _____

Guest: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please do your best to sit me with the following members:
