

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

As the heat of summer grinds on it is often difficult to get away to a cool trout stream. I was recently on a business trip to Connecticut and had the opportunity to check out the Farmington. According to the "Locals" is fishing the best in 25 years. I did not get to fish for the most absurd of reasons, I could not find any place to buy a non-resident license. We tried 6 different fly shops including Wal-Mart and K-mart. All had none. The common answer was, "We don't carry them." I guess there's not much of a demand but there should be the river was very fishable, not crowded and plenty of fish rising. The Farmington is a good example of how habitat reconstruction and bank stabilization works. A stream in trouble 25 years ago has been restored and now can be enjoyed by those fortunate enough to be able to get a license.

Rick Axt, State TU President, has put out a request for volunteers to do electro-shocking on some of the streams in the northeastern part of the state. If you would like to get involved let me know and I'll provide you with a schedule.

This month's meeting is somewhat special. We usually do not have an August meeting but I was able to get Andrew Moy from Tight Line Fly Fishing Outfitters located on Rt.46 in Pine Brook, NJ to do a Spey Casting Demo for us. He was only available in August. His demonstration will be held on the lake and our meeting will start earlier to give him time to do his presentation in daylight. We are planning to reverse the prodigal and have the business section after his demo. We will be starting about 6:30pm.

Also we are trying to firm up the roster for the Spruce Creek trip. Please notify Carl Wyckoff (856-468-4334) or me (856-784-4961) if you plan to attend. I'll be glad to put you on the list at the meeting too.

See you at the meeting August 29th.

Bob Powell