

# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

## March 2008

I would like to start off with a huge thank you to Carl Wyckoff for his outstanding Alaskan steelhead presentation last month. The meeting was very well attended with over 30 folks and Carl's presentation was excellent. Maybe I enjoyed the presentation so much because I was in some of the pictures. I highly recommend a trip to the Situk River for spring steelhead. There is a fair amount of hiking but the river is wadable and the fish catchable.

March is the busiest month for our chapter. We have our fly tying classes, the banquet and we start our fishing trips. Our fly tying classes have been going well. This year we have many more tiers at the advanced table than in past years. This year is our 26<sup>th</sup> annual banquet and I hope in next month's letter to have a good report from our banquet.

If you haven't been to our website recently, a visit is in order [www.sjtrout.org](http://www.sjtrout.org). You will notice how up to date and current the information is and how well it's presented. Bill Ceravolo has been doing a great job. If you have anything you would like to add or see added please contact Bill or myself.

This month's meeting speaker is Craig Hull. Craig has been helping us culminate our fly tying class sessions now for three years. It's difficult to sum up Craig in a single sentence. Craig is an excellent guide/teacher on the stream. His home streams are the Yellow Breeches and New York's Ausable River. He has promised to show us how to do an extended body mayfly pattern and a foxy minnow. I have to say Craig makes it look easy. Keep in mind that we display the tier's work on the 52" TV for all to see and that I tape all of the advanced tiers on mini DV digital tape. So they are available for anyone's review after the fact.

Our complete schedule is listed on the website but here's what's up this month.

1. Annual Banquet March 22<sup>nd</sup> at Lucien's Manor, White Horse Pike, Berlin NJ.  
Great evening with good food and good company.
2. General Membership Meeting March 26<sup>th</sup>  
Craig Hull, master tier's demonstration and fly sales
3. Day trip to the Little Lehigh on March 29<sup>th</sup> Contact Bob Powell 856-784-4961  
This is the first day of trout season in the lower 18 counties of PA and the usual weekend crowds should be lighter in the "Catch and Release" section.

Don't forget to pay your activity fee and see that we get your email address.

See you at fly tying, Banquet and the meeting.

Bob Powell

Al most Brand New- Worn on one 3 day trip.  
**FOR SALE:** Hodgman Lakestream lite breathable waders sz. Large, \$30  
Pro-line wading shoes w/ felt size 11 med, \$20.00  
If interested call Paul Manko @ 856-235-1370