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TROUT UNLIMITED RAY NEIRLE SOUTH JERSEY CHAPTER NEWSLETTER November, 2008

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT November 2008

October's Meeting: The meeting went very well even though we were competing with the Phillies bid to win the World Series. Michael and John from Rise Form Studio gave a great presentation and were very knowledgeable on the Gorge's entomology and fishing techniques. The meeting ended in time to see the last inning of the game, what a win-win situation.

Board of Directors Meeting: The meeting was held November 3rd and I believe a lot was accomplished. The date for the Annual Banquet was set for March 27th at Lucien's. Anyone wishing to help Carl Wyckoff with the prep work please contact him.

A slate of Officers and Directors was established for 2009. All of the present Officers agreed to run for another year. Steve Moody and Carl Wyckoff have offered to step up to fill the two openings on the Board. We will be having nominations and elections at the November meeting. If you are interested in running for a position please share that with me.

We worked on establishing our agenda for the one-day fishing trips. There are some new locations added to this years list. It should be interesting with trips to Ridley Creek, Deer Creek (Maryland for shad) and Ken Lockwood Gorge. A complete list will be posted on the website www.sjtrout.org as soon as the dates are selected.

Post Card Campaign: We sent out over 300 post cards to the National TU members assigned to the Ray Neirle Chapter that don't attend the meetings. As a result of the effort we had three new people at the meeting and now have 16 new people on our email Newsletter list. It's difficult to say this is a true assessment of the success or failure of the project since our meeting conflicted with Game #6.

"Project Healing Waters". I mentioned that I was planning to attend this in last month's Newsletter. I enjoyed the day with a WW II vet named Fred. He must have really been a good fly fisher in his day. He was a double Bronze Star recipient and even confined to a wheel chair he still caught fish. It should also be mentioned that TFO supplied all the rods, reels and line.

National and State Council TU: There seems to be a major shift from their laissez-faire attitude and a much more forceful approach now prevails. I am not sure we want to comply with their new agenda and should start exploring alternative options. I've invited Rick Axt, State Council President, to attend the January meeting for a presentation on the new "Aggressive" (their own word to describe it) direction.

November's Meeting: Dan Pelly will be doing a slide presentation on his fishing trip to Vermont: Dan has done a great job in his past presentations and I'm looking forward to learning about the different streams he'll be covering.

There will be no meeting or Newsletter in December.

Hope to see you at the Nov. 26th meeting.

Bob Powell

