March 20th 2012 CGTU monthly Meeting

Vinnie has tried to get Dan Zelinski or Jeff Cox from DEC to speak at our meeting, but they have used their 40 hours up and can't speak.

DEC is stocking 1 year old trout in the Kinderhook on March 29 Adams crossing to Valatie.

There will be a creel study and an electro shocking on the Kinderhook starting April $9^{\rm th}$. This will be from Adams Crossing upstream to Stephenstown.

June 23rd is TU National Stream clean-up day. Vinnie is trying to contact other groups to help us on the Catskill up near Preston Hollow or the section in Windham that so badly damaged from Hurricane Irene.

Fran Martino will do a press release when there's more info on this.

April 23- 26 Project "Healing Waters" from Maine will be teaching veterans how to fly fish on the Delaware. They asked for our help on Tuesday the 24th

March 30th Friday is the Gilboa School Fly casting day.

This was a great event last year, teaching over a hundred kids to cast. Notify Vinnie if you can help.

May 12th Vinnie was nominated by the Federation of Sportsmen to take the "Wounded Warriors" (vets) on a turkey hunt in the morning and a fly fishing trip in the afternoon. He needs help with the fishing.

Michelle Yost said the Batavia Kill Celebration will be sponsored privately this year and not by the Greene Co. Soil and Water. Some Sat. in August.

Vinnie and Dr. John Brako to talk to legislators (on the conservation committee) on post flood intervention. They are putting together a training manual for contractors to certify before they can do stream work.

Pete Lopez is on our side. It took 12 million to straighten out the wrong doing on the little Schoharie Creek. Donna from the above wants to meet with Vinnie at an organizational meeting with the DEP, DEC, Governor's Office and Pete Lopez.

Dr. John Brako was very optomistic after the 3/12/12 Sportsmens Reception in Albany.

There will be spot stocking on the Batavia Kill and the Schoharie

The inventory list with prices has been sent to Carol Stevens for her tax deduction. This is the biggest donation we have ever had. Its fair market value was \$4094. Pictures of the items were taken and a permanent record was made. Thanks again CAROL.

Member Bob Novak brought to Vice Pres. Steve Matheke's attention that nation TU is urging us to renew immediately, but if you do you, your will lose whatever time you had left on your old membership.

Motion was made, seconded and past to send a letter to National TU to acknowledge our disapproval. Steve will follow through.

Annual Banquet March 31 th at Reds Restaurant in Coxsackie. Will have 61 people signed up to attend. It's OK to pay at the door, but let Steve know if you will attend. He needs the count for Reds.

Education: Joe Reina, We have 9 students in our fly fishing school. We are going into week 2. Tomorrow night Fran will lecture on entomology. We have added a 7th class and maybe a second day on the stream. Suggestion made to invite students from past classes today on the day on the stream and to urge them to attend our dinner.

The Date we have picked for the students Day on the Stream will be May 19th, 2012.

In April "Trees for Tribs" planting of trees will happen on the Kinderhook creek and its tributary the Wyominot. Help will be needed.

April 28th the Taghkanic Creek, behind the town Hall will be the site for tree planting.

Fran said, soon the water shed report cards will be posted on the web.

Membership: Dick Riccio—We lost 16 memberships (mostly last years students), but will added 9 from this class.

The DVD Library is for chapter members only. When we get a list on the chapter web-site, let Wendy know which one(s) you want to borrow and he will bring it to the meeting. The Security fee is \$10 refundable when the DVD is returned.

March 31st is Mid- Hudson TU's Roeliff Jasen Kill Cleanup at Acadamy Hill. If you can help them the morning of our banquet they would appreciate it.

Janet Schnitzer has donated Tomm Eaton's fly fishing equipment to our chapter. Hank Theiss and Dick Riccio are doing an inventory. Money donation sent to our chapter in memory of Tomm will be set aside and used as he wished, for fly tying.

At the past board meeting it was recommended that the chapter Secretary and the Treasurer maintain permanent records. The secretary, of the minutes, and the Treasurer, of the bank statements. Both the temporary secretary Wendy Neefus and the Treasurer Joe Liaz agreed to comply.