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**Next WNY TU Chapter Meeting: Tuesday, April 27th**



The next chapter meeting will be held “virtually” (via “Zoom”) on Tuesday, April 27th, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. This month's speaker is Colin McKeown, host, and producer of The New Fly Fisher Television Series. He will be talking about "Brook Trout Fishing in Labrador". If you would like to attend this Zoom meeting, please email your request to [meeting@wnytroutunlimited.org](mailto:meeting@wnytroutunlimited.org). You will then receive an

email that will allow you to register for the meeting and to obtain the Zoom link. Please join us (virtually, of course!).

## Did You Know?

**You can save on UPS Shipping** as well as save on hotels, insurance, office supplies, hearing aids and MORE simply by being a TU member? Visit <https://troutbenefits.org/> and take a look around.

## Vice-President's Message: Joseph Morgan

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Hope everyone is doing well and getting out to fish. This month's speaker is Colin McKeown, host, and producer of The New Fly Fisher Television Series. He will be talking about "Brook Trout Fishing in Labrador". It should be a very entertaining presentation. Next month's speaker will be Jerry Kustich, he will be talking about Bamboo Fly Rods-History and Modern Building. That will be another good one.

We presently have 2 Board of Director positions open along with the President's position. These positions can be occupied immediately and don't have to wait to be filled until the elections. I am asking everyone to please consider joining us. You can give it a try and see if it is good fit for you. If not no problem.

Stay Safe,  
Joe

## Stream Conservation Report: Joseph Morgan

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On Saturday May 8, 2021 we will be doing some maintenance at sites we have done tree planting projects along Wiscoy Creek in past years. We will meet at 9:00 AM at the DEC foot path( 42°36'44.41"N, 78°15'33.71"W) on the North Branch of Wiscoy Creek on Route 262. If anyone needs directions, please let me know. This work will include removing tree tubes/stakes, cleaning up etc. If anyone is interested in helping out, please contact me at [josephmorgan@msn.com](mailto:josephmorgan@msn.com). I will also send an( email out to the folks that are on the volunteer list. All Covid-19 guidelines will be adhered to. Please bring your own snacks, lunch, and drinks if you wish.

The Wiscoy Dam Removal project has been approved, a contractor has been selected and work will be beginning this summer. Our Chapter will be providing \$9000.00 to the project through 2 grants that were awarded by the NY State Council of Trout Unlimited. The work should be completed by September. The majority of the work will be done by the contractor. I will keep you up to date as I get more details and if any volunteer work is needed. Thanks.

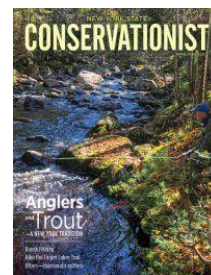
Joe

## New Trout Management Plan: Chuck Godfrey

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The April/May issue of *THE CONSERVATIONIST* was pretty much devoted to all things trout. There is an article introducing the Plan and its associated regulations ( full disclosure – I wrote it, with much help from Scott Cornett and Steve Hurst, NYSDEC Fisheries Bureau Chief.) As we've been saying for the past 3 years, this plan moves NYS into the forefront of inland trout stream management at least on publicly accessible streams. Hopefully it can extend eventually to all trout streams in the state. Here is the link to the issue:

<https://cloud.3dissue.com/129417/129610/151833/AprMay2021NYSConsMag/index.html>



## **Trout in the Classroom:** Chuck Godfrey

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The stocking permits have been distributed to all seven schools in the program with fish remaining. The schools and release bodies of water are, respectively: Newfane H.S. – Eighteen Mile Creek in Olcott Harbor, St. Mary’s of Lancaster – Cayuga Creek in Lancaster and Ellicott Creek in Williamsville, Riverside Institute of Technology – Black Rock Canal, Lackawanna M.S. – Lake Erie at Woodlawn Beach S.P., Nichols M.S. – Ellicott Creek in Williamsville, Randolph Academy – 18 Mile Creek in Hamburg and Cazenovia Creek in West Seneca, Fred Hill Elementary School (Brockport) – Lk. Ontario in Hamlin Beach St. Pk.

This is a tremendous program with great benefits to students. If you know any teacher in our area who might be interested, please let them know about it. We offset about 2/3 of the cost of implementing the program for the schools, take care of obtaining and delivering the brown trout eggs from DEC hatcheries, and take care of obtaining the proper stocking permits. TU has an incredible amount of support material for the program, including lesson plans for all grade levels and abilities, as well as a national google group for support.

## **Chapter Efficiency Report:** Chuck Godfrey

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Each year the chapter needs to complete a Chapter Efficiency Report for our national parent, which covers all financial matters for the chapter. This includes a total of all volunteer hours contributed by chapter members on behalf of the chapter. If you have done anything during the year on behalf of the chapter as part of an activity run by a committee chair, then that chair has already turned in that number of hours. If you have attended meetings, or given a presentation, or represented the chapter at any function, then please let Chuck Godfrey know **by April 25<sup>th</sup>**. If you have any questions as to whether some activity you have participated in would count, please contact Chuck Godfrey at [steelheader03@hotmail.com](mailto:steelheader03@hotmail.com)

## **2021 Erie County Fair Update: Message from Brian Barrey**

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Although we don’t have a firm commitment on the Erie County Fair this year, I have gotten an email stating that they are planning on having the fair this year with some minor changes. If this does work out, we may need several volunteers to assist working the booth for the duration of the fair. If you could at least mention if there are any volunteers available for helping out, please let me know so that I can communicate when/where their services would be needed. As soon as I get more information, I’ll make everyone knows what we need and set up a signup sheet , parking is supposed to be free but we still we need a pass to get into the fair. Further information is forthcoming in May but if I can get an idea of who might be volunteering to assist man the booth that would be helpful.

**Please email [wnytunews@gmail.com](mailto:wnytunews@gmail.com) if you may be interested in working the TU table for a shift or two during this year’s Erie County Fair and I’ll forward your info to Brian. Jim**



Need a refresher or know someone who wants to learn to Fly Fish? Orvis has modified their Fly Fishing 101 program to include face to face instruction again!

Hit <https://subscribe.orvis.com/FF101BUFFALO/> to sign up for the online fly fishing instructional videos, then give them a call at (716) 276-7200 to schedule your face to face, one on one session!

BTW you can follow Orvis Buffalo on Instagram for their local fishing reports @orvisbuffalo

**Treasurer's Report:** Tony Messina

WESTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED					
TREASURER'S REPORT					
FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 1, 2021 thru MARCH 31, 2021					
				(as revised)	
				prior period	this period
				thru 02/28/21	thru 03/31/21
<b>(CHECKING ACCOUNT)</b>					
BALANCE AT	FEBRUARY 1, 2021			<b>\$907.94</b>	
BALANCE AT	MARCH 1, 2021				<b>\$752.55</b>
INFLOWS:	NONE				
		TOTAL INFLOWS:		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
OUTFLOWS :	WEB DOMAIN FEE			\$155.39	
	MEMBERSHIP DUES (EC Federation)				\$135.00
	STREAM PROJECTS (see Restricted Funds)				(\$1,926.50)
		TOTAL OUTFLOWS:		<b>\$155.39</b>	<b>\$1,791.50</b>
BALANCE AT	FEBRUARY 28, 2021			<b>\$752.55</b>	
BALANCE AT	MARCH 31, 2021				<b>\$2,544.05</b>
				prior period	this period
				thru 02/28/21	thru 03/31/21
<b>(MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT)</b>					
BALANCE AT	FEBRUARY 1, 2021			<b>\$26,875.02</b>	
BALANCE AT	MARCH 1, 2021				<b>\$26,875.23</b>
INFLOWS:	INTEREST			\$0.21	\$0.23

		TOTAL INFLOWS:	\$0.21	\$0.23
OUTFLOWS:	NONE		\$0.00	\$0.00
		TOTAL OUTFLOWS:	\$0.00	\$0.00
BALANCE AT	FEBRUARY 28, 2021		\$26,875.23	
BALANCE AT	MARCH 31, 2021			\$26,875.46
			prior period	this period
			thru 02/28/21	thru 03/31/21
<b>(RESTRICTED FUNDS ACCOUNT)</b>				
BALANCE AT	FEBRUARY 1, 2021		\$10,000.00	
BALANCE AT	MARCH 1, 2021			\$10,000.00
INFLOWS:	NONE		\$0.00	\$0.00
OUTFLOWS:	Year End Entry: Charge Stream Projects		\$0.00	\$1,926.50
BALANCE AT	FEBRUARY 28, 2021		\$10,000.00	
BALANCE AT	MARCH 31, 2021			\$8,073.50

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