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**Happy New
Year**

2007



Fly Tying Night

***Come and watch some of our most
talented fly tyers demonstrating***



President's message

As I write this President line on Christmas Day, I think of all the things that I am thankful for. A wife that lets me follow my passions, loving children (they are still young), good dogs (sometimes) and good friends, especially the ones that I met through this great club. I am also thankful for all of the members for letting me be president for so many years. I may not always remember your names (old age) but I appreciate and value any suggestions you have. But as I always say the best way to get to know this club is to get involved. We need board members and at the next meeting we will be taking nominations. It involves some work but it is very rewarding. So give it some thought.

We also need trip captains. The trips are

a very important part of our club. We will be meeting at 6:00 before the January 2nd meeting to plan our trips for the coming year. There will be pizza for all that come and WORK!

We are going to have booths at two shows this year and we are looking for members to man the booths. See me at the meeting for more info.

Don't forget! 2007 Dues are due. See Al Battistelli at the meeting.

Our January meeting is our fly tying night and some of our best tiers will be demonstrating some of their favorite flies.

See you at the next meeting and I hope everyone had a Happy Holiday

Tight Lines, Paul




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by Lee Weil



Get The Lead Out

We all bear some responsibility for the condition of our natural resources, especially the waters that we fish and the land surrounding them. Most of the major outdoor product manufacturers have begun to offer non-lead alternatives to sinkers, split shot and lead wrapping wire. As tyers we can do our part by substituting tungsten and other metals for beads and weights, but just recently, I came up with a very inexpensive alternative to the lead tape used in tying zonker patterns, and as anyone who knows me well can testify, I am never happier than when I can save money. This is not to say I am cheap, I prefer to describe myself as frugal enough to improvise when it comes to fly fishing equipment and tying materials. A recently deceased chicken at the racetrack is a welcome offering, as well as the occasional unlucky squirrel.

I was getting ready to tie up a dozen Zonkers a few weeks ago and realized I had run out of lead tape. I hated to pay shipping on such a small item, and couldn't wait so I began to think about what I could use instead. I began my rambling search around the house; muttering under my breath and ferreting through drawers. Jeff is used to this behavior; he simply ignores my puttering and moves aside when necessary.

When I came upon a roll of extra heavy duty aluminum foil, I knew my search was over. After 3 or 4 flies I had it down to a science. Eureka! I had

invented the Non-Toxic Zonker! Linda Macy, our "green fishing" ambassador, would be proud of me.

Here's how to tie a durable, enviro-friendly Zonker body (and save a few pennies, too!)

1. Lay a thread base on a 3X long streamer hook. Cut a length of non-toxic weight wire to the length of the straight shank and tie in UNDER the shank. (This will compensate for the lack of lead.)
2. Cut a square of foil approximately 2" X 2". Fold in half, then fold in half again.
3. Hold foil tent fashion over shank with FOLDED edge approximately two eye's width from eye of hook. Measure to size and then cut foil, keeping folded edge intact. This will prevent the foil from separating when you slide mylar braid on.
4. Cut foil to shape of minnow body, keeping tented.
5. Apply a line of Zap-a-Gap to thread base and several more drops along one inner side of foil. Place onto hook with top fold flush against shank and press edges together.
6. Trim body as necessary and slide mylar braid over body, then tie Zonker as usual.



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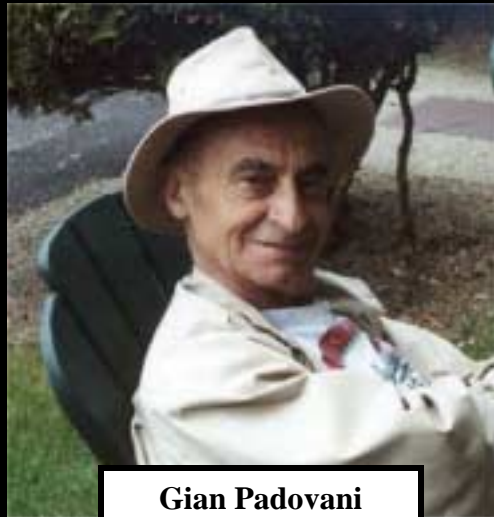
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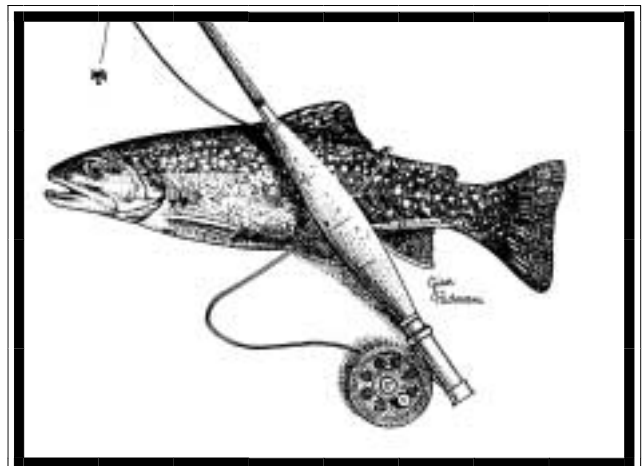
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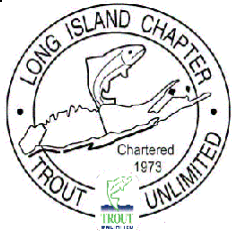


Gian Padovani

February 7, 1930 - January 12, 2002

Photo by Alan Sandler





The Long Island Chapter of Trout Unlimited meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at:
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 Visitors are always welcome.

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**For casting classes, contact:
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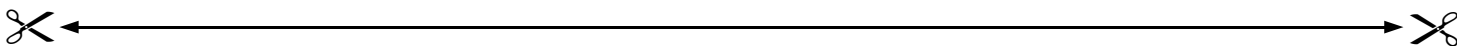
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Remember, you must be a member to participate in club trips

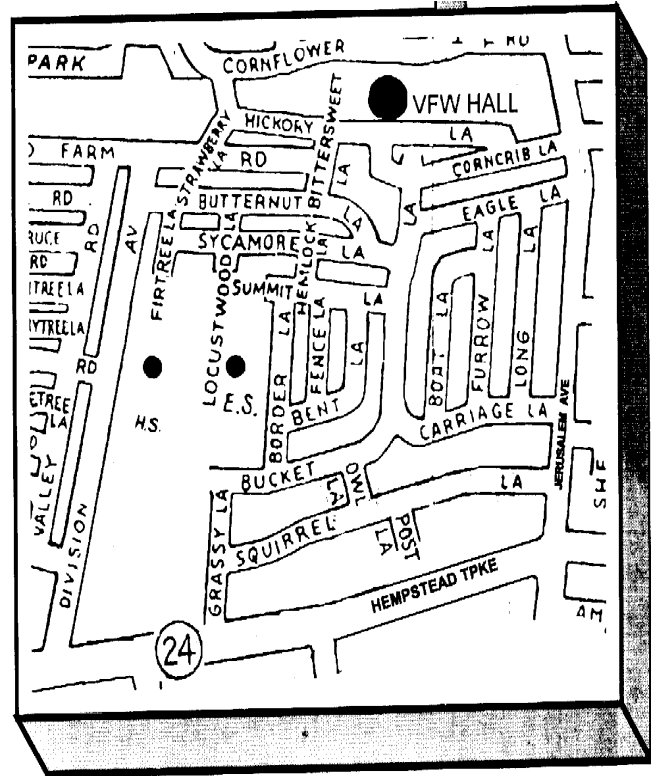
See Al Battistelli for \$10 discount tickets for the Somerset, NJ Fly Fishing Show
January 26, 27, & 28, 2007

See Jim Foley to purchase Club Jackets. These excellent jackets are "three season". They are selling now for \$60 - a \$25 discount. Embroidered with your name and the club logo.

Nominations for club officers and board members will be taken at the
January Meeting.

LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS COMING EVENTS
January - 2007

January 2	General Meeting - 8:00 P.M.
January 23	Board Meeting 7:30 P.M. at the Levittown VFW Hall
January 26-28	Somerset Fly Fishing Show Somerset, NJ Visit the LIFR booth at the show See LIFR website for details & Info



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