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Kiap-TU-Wish Chapter of Trout Unlimited

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Kiap-TU-Wish News

CHAPTER ELECTION RESULTS

To the surprise of utterly no one, Mike Alwin and Craig Mason were elected to fill two vacant slots on the board of directors.

The newly reconstituted board then hurried into a smoke-filled room and promptly elected new chapter officers. Here they are:

President: Jon Jacobs
Vice-Pres: Eugene O'Keefe
Secretary: Chuck Goossen
Treasurer: Vern Alberts
On behalf of the entire

chapter, the RIP-RAP would like to welcome our new officers. We'd also like to take a moment to congratulate

the outgoing administration—and in particular president Jean Mitchell—for presiding over 2 years of healthy growth and impressive accomplishments. (And a personal thanks to Jean for being so nice to this harried newsletter editor...)

TWO GET PINS

Speaking of Jean Mitchell, at our March meeting she presented Chuck Goossen and

Mike Alwin with commemorative pins for helping her and the chapter over the last two years. Both are tireless workers and sparkling examples of the fine people Trout Unlimited attracts.

MORE ON JON JACOBS

For those of you who don't know our new chapter president, Jon Jacobs--here's a little biographical info.

He grew up in Iowa, and

when his family moved to Minnesota he was mesmerized by the concept of running water--so he traded in his

panfishing flies and began pursuing trout in flowing water. Now Jon claims to have become "a bad trout fisherman."

Jon moved to Hudson in 1985 after a spate of burglaries in his Minneapolis neighborhood. He was a former member of Twin Cities TU and works at a printing company in Minneapolis.

He's also been chapter vice president for the last (continued on reverse)

MEETING NOTICE

Date: Time:

Wednesday, April 6

e: 8:00 p.m.

Place:

The Sports Club in Midtown Hudson

THE PERFECT 13

These are 13 flies that are positively guaranteed to catch trout. If they don't, there are either no trout in the water you're fishing or they're just not feeding.

The Perfect 13 are the startling discovery of Jim Humphrey. Jim is a fishing author, angler extraordinaire, and friend of Kiap-TU-Wish.

Jim will bring slides, samples, and his own vast knowledge of how these flies work on the Kinni and Willow.

New program chairman Mike Dziki has also lined up John Daly of the Minnesota DNR for our May meeting. John will brief members on the amazing Atlantic salmon fishery that is emerging on Lake Superior's North Shore.



(Chapter News, Cont.) two years (a traditional grooming ground for future presidents).

Jon's plans for the chapter include more membership involvement. more community visibility, and an opportunity for members to "adopt" their favorite stretch of trout stream. So here's a hearty welcome to Jon and our best wishes for success.



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The Jungle Is Dead!

-by Mike Alwin
We've finished! Fishworks
'88 was designed to link us
with the Parkers Creek
project we worked on in
1986. By the end of the
workday on March 5th we were
within 200 yards of our
objective, but the worst
work lie ahead.

This portion of the stream was clogged with log jams and had the heaviest concentration of streamside brush. In two previous work dates we'd cleaned up perhaps twice as much of this section as what faced us on the morning of March 19th. By 3:00 p.m. we were so close to our goal that our tough workers volunteered to stay until the job was finished. With their help the much-feared "jungle" on the Kinni was

tamed by 4:00 p.m.

Our thanks to the following workers: Gary Horvath, Dave Dorn, George Simkins, Dave Holm, Chuck Goossen, Craig Mason, Jim Humphrey, Dick Frantes, Colleen Grant, Garry "The Hammer" Weyer, Glen West, Al Roy, Chris Anderson, Bob Bradham, Rick Femling, Bill Shogren, Mike Reiter, Gene Tharp, Mike Kelly, Jon Jacobs, Ken Willms, Bill Hinton, Kim Darke, Nancy Yanke, Bob Reynolds, Roger Henry and Orv Johnson. Without your help this project would not have been accomplished. (Our editor was conspicuous by his absence, despite my most fervent entreaties.) There will be no work date on April 2nd.

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MAY MEETING NOTICE

Our last regular meeting until September is planned for Wednesday, May 4 at 8:00 p.m. at the Sports Club in Midtown Hudson.

Catching a salmon on a fly is a once-in-a-lifetime experience akin to marriage and childbirth; and tonight John Daly of the Minnesota DNR will drop by the Sports Club to give chapter members the inside scoop on the amazing Atlantic salmon fishery that is emerging on Lake Superior's North Shore.

JEAN MITCHELL HONORED

Jean Mitchell may have retired from the position of chapter president, but she is very busy these days, chairing the fund-raising committee and living handsomely on the generous pension Kiap-TU-Wish pays to ex-presidents.

At last month's meeting she was honored with the presentation of a plaque thanking her for her years of service to Kiap-TU-Wish. I can think of few people more deserving of the chapter's thanks.

CHAPTER TIDBITS

Michael Alwin, Kiap-TU-Wish's official cellarmaster and stream improvement director, is preparing a slide show capturing highlights of this past winter's stream improvement efforts on the Kinni...

Our own redoubtable Dick Frantes once again teamed up with several anonymous fly-tiers to donate a beautiful assortment of flies as a door prize at our April meeting. We owe Dick and his talented friends our thanks for what is always a highlight of our meetings...

And finally, Mike Stanton, who comes to the chapter by way of Alabama, is going to attempt to breathe some life into Kiap-TU-Wish's long-standing effort to hold a Kids' Day. Let him know if you're interested in lending a hand.