



2013 FLY TIERS WORKSHOP



Dates: January 15 & 22,
February 19 & 26,
& March 19, 2013

Time: 7:30 to 9:30 PM

Registration Fee:

**Workshop fee is \$50.00 for all 5 nights
or \$10.00 for each nightly class.**

Most TU Chapters have them - fly tiers with superb tying skills who innovate new patterns and techniques and test the results in actual fishing situations. But they don't publish in magazines or books although their efforts merit such. Instead, they share their proven flies and techniques with friends or teach local classes or both. True, they may contribute to an Internet Forum or even have a blog. But they mostly are known only locally and love to share. CJTU is blessed to have quite a few of these tiers. In early 2013, five of them will be conducting sessions in our Workshop on some of their special flies and techniques. The individual sessions will be held on the dates listed below from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. If you are an intermediate level tier and want to have fun while increasing your skills, you really should register and attend.

Workshop fee is \$50.00 for all 5 sessions or, if you can't attend or are not interested in all the sessions, you can sign up for individual sessions at \$10.00 each. You'll need to bring basic tools but instructors will supply the special materials for each session. Sessions will be at the American Legion Hall, 137 New Market Road, Dunellen, NJ 08812. For registration details or directions to the Hall, go to the CJTU website at www.cjtu.org. Or contact our fly tying program chairman, Ron Ruskai, at 908/276-1061 or cjtu tying@cjtu.org.

If you don't currently have the skills to participate in the Workshop, we also offer Beginners and Intermediate level classes on the same nights and at the same place as the Workshop. Take one of these classes and be ready for the Workshop next year. It will feature a whole new set of sessions.

Tenkara, Eastern Flies - Rick Dooley (January 15, 2013)

We will explore the tradition of fly tying with an adventure into the past for forgotten favorites that trout do not often see but fall for just the same. Students will discover that to find something new sometimes you only have to open an old book. We will explore flies from far off traditions of Japan and along with some European ideas both old and new.

Bio - Rick has been fly fishing for 20 plus years, and over the last three has been angling for trout with the modern version of the traditional Japanese Tenkara. This has led him to challenge himself in ways not previously imagined. He looks forward to sharing some patterns and ideas that may be new to some of you that he hopes you will find interesting.



Rick Dooley



Lou DiGena



Bill Ninke



Bart Lombardo



Ron Ruskai

Simple but Effective Flies - Lou DiGena (January 22, 2013)

Frank Sawyer's Pheasant Tail and Killer Bug are some of the best-known patterns that follow the KISS rule (Keep It Simple Stupid). Lou will show students how to tie these traditional patterns and his own KISS patterns like the KISS Scud, Bubble Caddis, CE Crayfish and Ice Pheasant Tail Jig.

Bio - Lou began as a student in the CJTU fly tying school in 1988 and progressed rapidly to being a pattern innovator and instructor. He combines his vocation as a college professor and avocation as a creative artist to produce flies with a simple and studied elegance.

Knail Knot Flies - Bill Ninke (February 19, 2013)

Most fly fishers are familiar with using a nail knot to attach a leader to a fly line. But, did you know there are four basic ways to tie a nail knot. Bill will show how to use each of these to form parts of a fly (and sometimes an entire fly). Resultant flies are effective for trout and warm-water fish.

Bio - Bill has created and taught fly tying classes at CJTU at all levels for over thirty years. Although he always draws on his reservoir of previous knowledge and experience, he prides himself on introducing something new each year, be it a material, technique, or fly style. This year will certainly continue that tradition.

European Nymphs, from Top to Bottom - Bart Lombardo (February 26, 2013)

Unlike many fly fishermen who would rather catch trout on a dry fly, Bart prefers nymphing and wet fly techniques. He adopted European Nymphing techniques for fishing and tying when they were first introduced. He then developed techniques that marry the European techniques with American waters. His class will cover both traditional and non-traditional European style nymphs as well as discussions on how to present the flies and set up your rigs.

Bio - As an avid fly fisherman and fly tier for over 35 years, Bart is passionate about all aspects of the sport. He is heavily involved in the conservation of our cold water resources and is currently serving as Chapter President of CJTU. He produces the Jersey Angler Blog which he started in 2009 which covers all aspects of fly fishing and fly tying.

Oldies but still Goodies - Ron Ruskai (March 19, 2013)

Through use of new materials, Ron brings a fresh look to several traditional patterns. These patterns - the Golden Catskill Streamer, Mansfield Streamer, Slim Jim Red Wet Fly, and Ausable Caddis - are beautiful to behold and still loved by the trout.

Bio - Ron has been tying flies for over 25 years. He started with classic New England Streamers and Wet Flies to meet his initial needs as a still-water canoe angler. He then moved into stream fishing and, after talking and tying with many old timers, learned all about the Catskill Fly Tying tradition which he seeks to extend and preserve.