

CHALLENGE CHAPTER MEETING

January 8, 2008

Program: Our speaker was Brad Jenson, executive director of the Huron Pines conservation Group. He gave a slide presentation of some of the work they do. They cover 11 counties in northeast Michigan, one third of which is public land. They are non-profit and the work we were shown that they've done was quite impressive. We are scheduled to help them at our May and June outings.

Attendance: John Shoup, John Marsh, Jon Griffin, Ken McClellan, Nancy Spence, Doug Shore, Julio Mazzoli, Jim Zyla, Dave Shantz, Dan Cronin, Paul Adesko, Dave Parker, Greg Baughman, Eric Stinson, Jeff Schodowski, Peter Shunya, Ed Coe, and Robert Sparks.

Treasurer's Report: Dave Parker announced that the balance in our treasury is \$17,736.47.

President's report: Jon Griffin reported that the inventory of all our stream guides has been completed and an effort will be made to keep it current.

Webmaster: John Shoup has taken over this job and updated our Challenge Chapter website. He walked us through the website and asked for suggestions. Someone asked if we could put a "link" in our yahoo site to the Challenge chapter site and he's going to pursue this. Please go to Challengechapter.org and send any suggestions you have to jshoup9@comcast.net. We also talked about getting on Google.

New river guide: Jim Zyla reported that the history is done and that George Fetherston has everything. We're waiting to hear from him to proceed. It's touch and go if it'll be finished in time for the Fly Fishing Expo in March.

Conservation: There were sign-up sheets for the May and June outings. Greg Baughman announced that the cost of each outing will be \$100.

Fund Raising: Jeff Schodowski reported that the Fly Fishing Expo will be March 8 & 9. He will send out the sign-up sheet to work in our booth on our Yahoo Groups e-mail.

Fly Tying Class: John Marsh reported that there were only 4 beginners and 9 intermediate students so the classes will be combined.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETING: TUESDAY, February 12, 2008 at the E.L. Johnson Nature Center, 3325 Franklin Rd., Bloomfield Hills. Our speaker will be Ed Proctor who will give a slide show of some of the places he's fished all over the world.