

New York State Trout Unlimited Chapter Presidents and Members

Subject: The New York State Council of Trout Unlimited - Awards program

Dear Chapter President and TU Member,

This information pertains to our NYSCTU awards program for 2007. There is no greater reward or award than to be recognized by one's peers. We have some fantastic members, associates and outstanding chapters out there who are making a difference in preserving and enhancing our coldwater fisheries. Let us continue to recognize and applaud their efforts by nominating them for one of our NYSCTU awards. There is no better way to honor them than from their peers.

Please note - Nominations must be typed or printed. No longhand please.

Schedule:

May/2007 - Award package mailed to chapter presidents and regional VPs.

July/20/2007 - Closing postmarked date for award nominations.

Aug/2007 - Chapters of winning nominations will be notified.

Sept/2007 - Awards will be presented at the NYSCTU Full Council meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact me via Ronsgonefishing@aol.com or leave a message at 845-339-5938.

Tight Lines,

Ron Urban, Council Chairman
NYSCTU Acting Awards Chairman

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Award information and nomination guidelines.

Chapter Newsletter Award

Presented by: NYSCTU

Presented to: A New York State TU Chapter

How many awards are permitted per calendar year: One.

Award description: The Chapter Newsletter award is presented to a New York State TU Chapter in recognition of good communications between the chapter and its members. Nominations for this award may be made by any TU member in good standing.

Nomination requirements: Each nomination shall be submitted with the following: 1). Award nomination cover form 2). A short narrative letter highlighting the important aspects of the newsletter and how it provides an important communication tool for your chapter. 3). Sample copies of the newsletter from the prior year for review.

Anadromous Fisheries Award

Presented by: NYSCTU

Presented to: An individual or a New York State TU Chapter

How many awards are permitted per calendar year: One.

Award description: The Anadromous Fisheries award is presented to an individual member or a New York State TU Chapter whose activities have had a positive impact on coldwater anadromous fishery resources. Nominations for this award may be made by any TU member in good standing.

Nomination requirements: Each nomination shall be submitted with the following: 1). Award nomination cover form 2). A descriptive narrative letter documenting the contributions of the individual or chapter in preserving, protecting, and enhancing those resources pertaining to anadromous fisheries. 3). Sample copies of newspaper articles, white papers, or additional information to support your nomination.

Council Silver Trout Award

Presented by: NYSCTU

Presented to: An individual or a New York State TU Chapter

How many awards are permitted per calendar year: One.

Award description: The Council Silver trout award is the highest NYSCTU can bestow upon a member or chapter. This award is presented to an individual member or a New York State TU Chapter whose conservation activities were judged to have been the most outstanding and to have had a major impact on coldwater fisheries in New York State. Nominations for this award may be made by any TU member in good standing.

Nomination requirements: Each nomination shall be submitted with the following: 1). Award nomination cover form 2). A descriptive narrative letter documenting the contributions of the individual or chapter in meeting the goals of Trout Unlimited in preserving, protecting, and enhancing coldwater fisheries in New York State. 3). Sample copies of newspaper articles, white papers, or additional information to support your nomination.

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Professional Resource Award

Presented by: NYSCTU

Presented to: An individual who is not a member of TU who derives all or a major portion of his or her livelihood from conservation activities, (e.g.: DEC personnel, town employees, state employees, and business or construction personnel, etc.)

How many awards are permitted per calendar year: One.

Award description: The Professional Resource award is presented to an individual who is not a member of TU who has made significant contributions to the preservation and/or enhancement of New York's coldwater fisheries. Nominations for this award may be made by any TU member in good standing.

Nomination requirements: Each nomination shall be submitted with the following: 1). Award nomination cover form 2). A descriptive narrative letter documenting the contributions of the individual in preserving, protecting, and enhancing our New York-related coldwater resources. 3). Sample copies of newspaper articles, white papers, or additional information to support your nomination.

Professional Communications Award

Presented by: NYSCTU

Presented to: An individual who is not a member of TU

How many awards are permitted per calendar year: One.

Award description: The Professional Communications award is presented to an individual who is not a member of TU who has made significant contributions to conservation through the use of the written word, public speeches, or educational seminars. Nominations for this award may be made by any TU member in good standing.

Nomination requirements: Each nomination shall be submitted with the following: 1). Award nomination cover form 2). A descriptive narrative letter documenting the conservation contributions of the individual in preservation, conservation, or enhancement of our coldwater resources. 3). Sample copies of newspaper articles, white papers, or additional information to support your nomination.

Individual Conservation Award

Presented by: NYSCTU

Presented to: An individual

How many awards are permitted per calendar year: One.

Award description: The Individual Conservation award is presented to an individual TU member who is recognized by his or her distinguished contribution and career dedication to the conservation and enhancement of our coldwater resources. Nominations for this award may be made by any TU member in good standing.

Nomination requirements: Each nomination shall be submitted with the following: 1). Award nomination cover form 2). A descriptive narrative letter documenting the contributions of the individual in meeting the goals of Trout Unlimited in the conservation of our coldwater fisheries. 3). Sample copies of newspaper articles, white papers, or additional information to support your nomination.

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Chapter Conservation Award

Presented by: NYSCTU

Presented to: A New York State TU Chapter

How many awards are permitted per calendar year: One.

Award description: The Chapter Conservation award is presented to a New York State TU chapter to recognize the contribution made during the previous year by its officers and members whose conservation and enhancement of our coldwater resources was outstanding. Nominations for this award may be made by any TU member in good standing.

Nomination requirements: Each nomination shall be submitted with the following: 1). Award nomination cover form. 2). A descriptive narrative letter documenting the conservation activities of the chapter. Include the size and scope of the project(s), as well as the merits and accomplishments which contributed to the conservation of trout and/or salmon and the enhancement of cold water fisheries. In addition, list interactions with other organizations and agencies. 3). Sample copies of newspaper articles, white papers, or additional information to support your nomination.

**** NOTE **** If the NYSCTU awards committee judges that none of the nominations for a particular award merits recognition, the committee may decide against the presentation of that specific award for the current year.

Trout Unlimited National Awards

In addition to awards given by NYSCTU, each year Trout Unlimited National bestows a number of awards to publicly recognize outstanding achievements by its members, Chapters, and Councils in pursuit of TU's conservation mission. TU also recognizes the contributions of individuals and groups outside the organization who have made extraordinary contributions to the cause of conserving, protecting, and restoring trout and salmon fisheries and their watersheds. The Trout Unlimited National Awards are presented at a special Awards Luncheon held during the Annual Meeting.

TU National actively seeks nominations for the following awards:

NATIONAL CHAPTER AND STATE COUNCIL AWARDS

Tomorrow's Trout: The State Council Award for Excellence

Gold Trout Chapter Award for Grassroots Conservation

Silver Trout Chapter Awards for Grassroots Conservation (maximum of one per region)

Bollinger Newsletter Award

Best Website Award

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Trout Unlimited National Awards - continued

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

⚡ortensen Award for Outstanding Volunteer Leadership

⚡rout Conservation Awards (Professional, Volunteer, and Communications)

⚡inn Memorial Award for Sea-Run Fisheries Conservation

⚡istinguished Service Award

Please visit the TU website at <http://www.tu.org> for additional information regarding these national awards.

Each Chapter has or knows of an individual who has made a positive impact in preserving, protecting, and improving our cold water resources. Let's recognize the hard work and many contributions of these individuals by nominating them for a Trout Unlimited award.

All nominations must be submitted by 20/July/2007
Send nominations to
NYSCTU * PO Box 815 * Port Ewen, New York 12466

Respectively,
Ron Urban
NYSCTU Acting Awards Chairman
2007

New York State Council of Trout Unlimited - Awards program
Award nomination cover form

Nominee: _____

If the nominee is not a member of TU, please state business name, organization and/or title.

Membership TU Chapter: _____

Nominating for (check one)

- Chapter Newsletter award
- Anadromous Fisheries
- Council Silver Trout award
- Professional Resource award
- Professional Communication award
- Individual Conservation award
- Chapter Conservation award

Submit each nomination in the following form:

1). Include a narrative letter, not to exceed four (4) pages, documenting the contributions of the individual or organization to Trout Unlimited and the pursuit of its goals. All information should pertain directly to the specific award's criteria noted in the New York State Council of Trout Unlimited - Awards program Information, guidelines and form package.

2). This cover form must be attached. This form may be photocopied.

3). News clippings or other supporting materials may accompany nominations.

The nominating letter together with any supporting materials should not exceed five (5) pages in total length. Nominations will be checked to determine if adequate information is included to ensure a fair evaluation. If nomination information is inadequate, limited attempts will be made to contact the nominating party for further details.

Nominator: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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