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President's Line

by Jim Drost

Get the Net ! The start of the 2009 LIB tournament season has finally arrived. With winter & cabin fever behind us ... the start of another challenging season is about to begin. By now everyone has completed their maintenance on boats, trailers and fishing tackle. Purchased required license(s) and is ready to head to the lake with a co-angler...

The sponsorship page on our website is starting to fill out nicely ... Pete Sindone will be handling the sponsorship program starting this month...anyone who wishes to post a sponsors business card please see Pete ... all proceeds go toward the Lake Ronkonkoma fishing stocking program.

Our new clothing committee chair person is George Calandrino. Anyone who would like to purchase LIB T-shirts or LIB patches ... please see George.

On April 18th the 2009 Spring Freshwater Fishing Festival, will be held at Belmont Lake ... any members who would like to participate in this event ... please see Steve Socko.

There are still some openings for the Squantz Pond Benefit Tournament on April 19th and the Candlewood Open on April 25th. Please contact Ed Koster for entry information.

Non-boaters should have their tournament schedule filled by now ... if you are having difficulty finding a ride ... please contact the tournament committee for assistance ...

The Tournament Committee has listened! Taken under advisement some suggested changes members have submitted on the 2009 Tournament Package. The final amendments to the 2009 Tournament Package will be handed out and briefed at the April general meeting.

A big thanks to Tournament Force Tackle Systems, Mike Kane and his pro staff for doing the seminar for all the LI freshwater anglers. For those who couldn't attend you missed a good day to spend with your fellow LI anglers, informative up to date tackle techniques and a chance to purchase some tournament level tackle. Mike, hope to see you and your staff back next year.

In closing.. I would like to welcome our new members.. James Carroll, Vinny Smarrelli & Ken Deckman...welcome aboard guys.

*Be safe
Jim*

Three old men were sitting on a park bench. The one in the middle was reading a newspaper and the other two were baiting imaginary hooks, and then proceeded to fish. A few minutes later an officer approached the man reading the newspaper and asked, "Do you know these two guys?"

"Yes, they are my buddies."

"Well can you get them out of here? They are scaring people." At that moment the old man set down his newspaper and furiously began to row.

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Two men were sitting in a boat fishing and one says to the other, "I'm thinking about divorcing my wife. She hasn't spoken to me in two months." The other man said, "You better think that over, women like that are hard to find."

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A young man and an old man were fishing on a bank. The young man started telling the old one that the night before he caught a trout that was over 3 1/2 feet long.

The old man replied "Oh yea, well I was here two nights ago and I hooked something huge. After a 30 minute fight I finally got it up and it was an old lantern and the thing was still lit."

The young man said "You're lying. I don't believe you."

Then the old man said "I'll tell you what, you knock a couple of feet off that trout and I'll blow out my lantern."

Andy's Corner

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The Long Island Bassmasters meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 8:00 pm at the VFW Post 9486, William Francis Taylor Post, 55 Lake Shore Road, Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779, (631) 467-6686. All material for publication in the BASS TAPS must be submitted by the 3rd Sunday of the month to Charlie Kick: E-mail: chasme1@optonline.net.

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