

*"If a new man is particularly attentive he can learn to fly fish in a half hour. But then he will go on learning as long as he fishes for trout."*

Arthur Macdougall Jr.  
"Rods and Rods"  
*The Trout Fisherman's Bedside Book* (1963)

*"The wildness and adventure that are in fishing still recommend it to me."*

Henry David Thoreau  
*Walden* (1854)

*"No angler merely watches nature in a passive way. He enters into its very existence."*

John Bailey  
*Reflections on the Water's Edge* (N.D.)

*It is the constant — or inconstant — change, the infinite variety in fly-fishing that binds us fast. It is impossible to grow weary of a sport that is never the same on any two days of the year.*

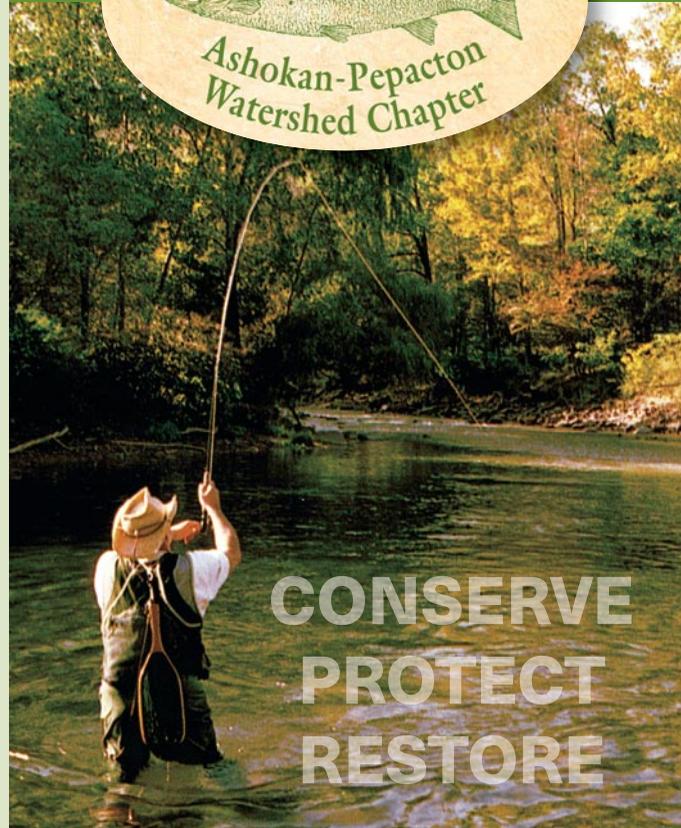
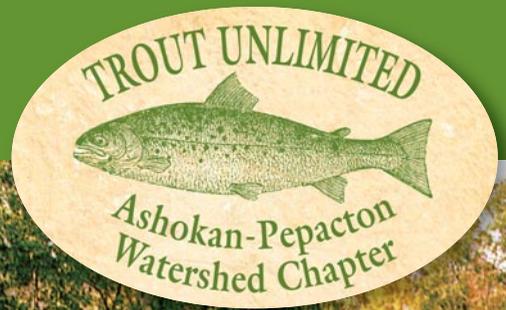
Theodore Gordon  
(1914)



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# Welcome to Trout Unlimited

Esopus ♦ East Branch of  
the Delaware ♦ Schoharie ♦ Rondout  
and their tributaries

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# Fly fishing is our passion. Trout are our cause.

## Healthy waters are our goal.

**F**or more than 50 years, Trout Unlimited has played a leading role in protecting rivers, streams and watersheds across the nation. Our Ashokan-Pepacton Watershed chapter, located in the heart of New York's Catskill Mountains, is especially active in stewardship, education and advocacy for our historically important waters, deemed the "Cradle of American Fly Fishing."

Nationally, with about 400 chapters, Trout Unlimited organizes stream restoration projects, directs conservation and environmental protection programs, and provides a voice for fish and coldwater resources.

Locally, TU is an invaluable personal and community resource. Members enjoy the benefits of a network of like-minded, knowledgeable anglers, participate in local stream conservation projects, lend a hand with rewarding youth education programs like "Trout in the Classroom," and hone and improve their fishing and fly-tying skills through seminars, talks and demonstrations at our monthly meetings.

Through water we witness the world. Whether you are an angler, sportsman, hiker, or just concerned about protecting and preserving the rich resources where you live or vacation, you understand the importance of watching over our streams and reservoirs, our trees and forests, even the very air we breathe. TU realizes that healthy watersheds and fisheries are the product of a healthy biosystem, that every part of our environment is connected, and the health of the parts is the health of the whole. At Trout Unlimited we are committed to the highest and best care of our watershed, not only for our enjoyment, but also for the benefit of future generations.

Please support our beautiful Catskill fisheries by joining the Ashokan Pepacton chapter of Trout Unlimited. Just fill out and return the attached membership form. The cost of membership is only \$17.50 for the first year and \$35 per year thereafter. The payoff is priceless.



## Membership Benefits

### National Benefits

- One-year subscription to our award winning quarterly TROUT magazine
- TU's beautiful full color fly fishing calendar
- Travel discounts card

### Ashokan-Pepacton Watershed Chapter Programs and Activities

- Annual Banquet
- Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program Participation
- Chapter meetings each month
- Chapter "meetings" on the Stream (fishing the Esopus Creek in summer)
- Chapter newsletter
- Construction of stream passage structures
- Conservation, restoration and monitoring of local streams
- Fish and macro-invertebrate census
- Involvement in environmental issues
- Jerry Bartlett Angling Collection at the Phoenicia Library: participation and sponsorship
- Legal actions to advocate for clean water and fisheries issues
- Monitoring of acid rain deposition
- Public access and public fishing rights advocacy
- Stream clean ups
- Student sponsorship at the DEC's Camp DeBruce
- The Leaping Trout Art Project
- Trout in the Classroom
- Willow plantings, stream restoration and habitat enhancement projects

# Application for Membership

## Ashokan-Pepacton Watershed Chapter of Trout Unlimited

P.O. Box 119, Phoenicia, NY 12464

Print, fill out and return the application below with a check or money order to the address below. If you choose, you may use a credit card to apply for membership or renew your membership online with National Trout Unlimited ([www.tu.org](http://www.tu.org)). If you apply or renew online, **please remember to include our chapter number, 559 (for local membership)**. There are no additional dues for local membership.

**Yes! Please begin my membership to Trout Unlimited at the rate I have checked below. I understand my dues payment entitles me to all regular membership benefits.**

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Chapter # **559**

### Please check membership category

<input type="checkbox"/> Regular*	\$35	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior (62 and older)	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/> Youth (under 18)	\$14	<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$55

\* *First time membership is \$17.50, and \$35 thereafter.*

Please make checks payable to: "Trout Unlimited," indicate "Chapter 559" on the check and send to:

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