

## March 2007 Reports

### Dinner Dance

On March 17<sup>th</sup> 2007 the Patchogue Fishing Club celebrated the 2006 season at Sunset Harbor (Dockside 500). Approximately 60 members and guests showed up, most wearing green to help celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We all enjoyed the night celebrating with friends and family. The food was delicious and the prizes from J&J Bait and Tackle were great. The DJ kept the party going all night. I would like Heidi LeLaidier for finding a new DJ, George Remien and George Dietz for setting up all of the prizes, Debbie Remien and Alex Segarra for selling the basket of cheer raffle tickets, and all of the members and guests for contributing to the basket of cheer and for being so generous with the purchasing of raffle tickets. In the end, only approximately \$50 was used of the \$300 budget for the dinner dance. This would not be possible if it were not for the basket of cheer donations. Thanks to all and congratulations to all prize and trophy winners!



I hope everyone enjoyed the pictures I added in the program this year. I would like to continue this tradition for years to come but can only do so if you submit pictures of your fishing adventures to Carl Dippel. The picture you see above is of entire group taken that night after all of the awards and prizes were handed out. What a good-looking group!

## **Indoor**

### **February Brainstorming Event**

Thanks to all that participated in the February 22<sup>nd</sup> brainstorming event. Many great ideas were gathered and I believe that overall, the event was a success. Thanks to Cliff Bennett for the idea and Heidi LeLaidier for helping me jot down the information during the meeting.

Included as an attachment to this newsletter is a summary of the information (e.g., likes, dislikes, and ideas) gathered during the event. I did not modify any of the information except to combine those ideas that were very similar. I broke down the ideas generated that night into nine (9) major categories.

At this point in the process I would like to give those members that did not have an opportunity to attend the brainstorming event an opportunity to review the lists and provide any additional ideas that they believe can make this club even better than it is already. If you would like to comment on the lists and/or add some additional ideas please make it a point to make the April meeting or contact Jason Remien with the information prior to the meeting. The board of directors would like to “finalize” the ideas list in the near future so that the club can start to identify some of the highest priorities as a group and then start implementing them.

### **May Indoor Activity**

Tom of “Tom’s Teasers” will be present at the May 24<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. He will discuss fluke fishing, types of teasers to use and when, and (of course) will have some of his great teasers available for sale. Tom came with Al Goldberg to one of our meetings last year.

## **Outdoor**

We will begin to collect deposits at the April meeting for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> blackfish tournament. At this point, the trip is only open to PFC members. If you would like to participate, please bring \$50 with you to the meeting. Remember, the boat can only hold approximately 20 people (comfortably) so don’t wait until the last minute to get your name on the list.