CT B.A.S.S. Nation Meeting Minutes April 23, 2015

Guest Speaker: Craig Mergins from Riverfront Recapture spoke to us about the Sporting Chance for Youth Day to be held on June 6th at Riverside Park in Hartford. Craig asked for our continued support.

Roll Call

- CLUBS ABSENT: CT Black Bass Anglers, CT Sweetwater Bass, Housatonic Valley Bassmasters
- <u>Correspondence</u>: \$1000.00 from Mercury came in for our Triton Leads for 2014. We have now received the full \$2000.00.
- Announcements: Effective Immediately: No more parking in Reserved spaces in the Northeast Utilities parking lot!

MOTION TO ACCEPT PREVIOUS MINUTES AS POSTED REPORTS OF OFFICERS

- Treasurer Report: Was presented by Marc Levesque
- Conservation & FAC Report:

CBN Conservation objectives for the 2015

- 1. Work closely with CT DEEP Officials to create a C.A.R.E. Bass Class
- 2. Conservation Projects for Housatonic Watershed Organizations
- 3. Create a Youth/School based Conservation initiative
- 4. Leverage our position as number 1 for fishing revenue to get funding for CBN endorsed projects

Information from this past Month –

- **1.** Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) Meeting
 - a. Discussion on Sunday Hunting Bill

- b. Discussion on Hatchery closing Representative Tong's bill has received a
 favorable report from the Legislative Commissioner's Office, a "no fiscal impact"
 note from the Office of Legislative Research, and has been moved to the House
 Calendar for action. The House Calendar No. is 367, and the File Copy is
 #577.Fisheries Advisory Council –
- **2.** Fisheries Advisory Council No meeting
- **3.** Shimano/Bass Youth Grant has been awarded to us. We received the Check this week. We were awarded the full amount of our request \$4,500.00.
 - a. Bass Class will be Saturday April 25th at Winding Trails. We have 43 attendees signed up.
- **4.** Working with Mossback to plan the types of structures for each of the 3 bodies of water in the Housatonic watershed (Lilly, Zoar, Housatonic)

Dean Rustic Conservation Director

- Boating Advisory: No Meeting
- **CLA Report:** See New Business

• CT Yankee Haddam Canal Issue:

As you know we have wonderful news to share:

The Barrier will be coming down. It has been almost a yearlong effort but we can almost claim Victory - the real celebration will begin around July when CY says they should be in a position to remove it and place it up on the shore. They basically took the alternative measures we have been suggesting to them and DEEP and are using them as what will be the new measures to address their security and safety objectives.

Best of all in all of this is the State and National Press that Connecticut B.A.S.S Nation has received and will continue to because of CBN's efforts and the successful results that will be

enjoyed for generations. More to follow and will keep you all posted as we hear more on CY's and the Town of Haddam's work to get the Barrier taken down over the next few Months.

Per Andy Fisk, "This is good news. I think credit is really due to the terrific organizing CBN did to get that many signatures on the petition and the very compelling research that Alan assembled over the last year or so. We were very glad to be able to partner with you all and lend a hand to get this to a much better resolution. I think it is clear from my conversations with folks at DEEP that they recognize that their permit process was flawed and that the public pressure had both the outcome of getting the public their water returned and focusing DEEP to improve their process.

The Hartford Courant Article that Announced the Barrier coming Down would be good to share but you will have to print it out or download the article yourself. It will not let me attach it. At some point we will have to celebrate this accomplishment in some way.

Sincerely, Norb Heil

• Tournament Report: Sal Messena reported that as of the meeting he has received 17 applications for the first CBN tournament which will be held on May 18. Sal reminded all in attendance to make sure they and their members are filling out the application and zebra mussel paperwork properly. Zebra mussel paperwork needs to be signed and dated the day of the event.

• Sponsorship Report:

- AB Builders has come on Board as a Gold Sponsor of the CBN with a check for \$600.00. Will be on the nose of the Trailer.
- Livingston Lures has come on as a Gold Sponsor for the CBN this year. In addition to all that
 they have done for us they provided us with a code to give to all members to use ONCE per
 Member. It is for your use only!!!! Do not give to anyone who is not a CBN member please!

You must get the code from your Club President or any Executive Board member.

The code cannot be put into the minutes. It is for 15% off of your one time order, Guys, please utilize this so we can continue this great sponsorship!

Berkley Discount

• The Berkley discount for B.A.S.S. Nation members has changed in how it will be processed. It is 25% off all Berkley Products for B.A.S.S. Nation members. What has changed is that it

is now available 24/7 365 days a year! Also what has changed is the way you receive the discount. Members must follow these steps in order to receive the discount.

- Go to Bassmaster.com Join B.A.S.S.- Benefits or go to this link. https://ssl.palmcoastd.com/pcd/apps/index.cfm? iMagId=57000&iPage=BASSBENEFITLOGIN&iXz=A05CF3B4374EA0549ED41F BFF6A7F39F
- 2. Log into the benefits page with B.A.S.S. Number and last name
- 3. Click on Berkley Nation Discount
- 4. Order
- "If You Can't Beat Em Whip Em"

25% Discount Offer

Just like the B.A.S.S. Nation, we are a grass roots company. We believe in our 100% American Made Products and make baits for all levels of anglers, from beginners to seasoned pros. From an idea developed in our basement four years ago we continue to grow at a rapid pace requiring us to move to a separate building on our property. As our growth continues we are looking to expand that building in 2015. Just like most of you, we also work full time jobs. Even with this limitation, we now have fourteen dealers across the United States, one in Australia, one in Spain, and are bringing on our newest dealer in Nova Scotia.

Our process is one step at a time, one person at a time, and one dealer at a time. We aim to take care of every individual customer the same way, whether you are the beginner or a Bassmaster Classic Winner. We take pride in sustaining our down home family company identity. Henry, one of the owners of our company, spent over twenty years as President of a B.A.S.S. club in Western Pennsylvania. He also spent several years as President of the West Virginia Federation. Matt, our other owner, provides the creative mind that is helping our company grow. We would like to extend a 25% discount on any order purchased from Whip Em Baits for all of the B.A.S.S. Nation. We are asking you to help spread the word to your Federation members. With your help we can continue to grow and compete with much larger companies. You can use the discount by entering the discount code BNM2015 at the end of your orders. Check out our products at www.whipembaits.com. With soft plastics, jigs, spinnerbaits, and buzzbaits, we've got a wide variety of proven bass catching baits!

We thank you for your support and wish you the best of luck this season.

Sincerely,

Matt Marsula Henry Likar Co-Owners Whip Em Baits

Midstate Battery

A discount is available to ALL Nation members.

Every club Rep received a packet with all the discounts available to us at the Feb 26th Meeting. We have it posted on the Forum also. Please let Sylvia Know when you order & the amount. They can be reached at:

139C West Dudley Town Rd. Bloomfield, CT 06002

Phone 860-243-0646 Fax 860-243-5945

Email: smerone@midstatebattery.com

Reynolds' Garage and Marine Contingency Program 2015
 Qualifying Events...

May 17, 2015 CBN Tournament #1, Candlewood Lake

June 14, 2015 CBN Tournament #2, Connecticut River

July 12, 2015 CBN Tournament #3 Candlewood

October 18, 2015 CBN Classic/Tournament #4, Lilly

Payout...

- 1. CBN Guaranteed Payout???
- 2. Reynolds Garage & Marine/Skeeter Owner Contingency Prize Money based on the age of the highest finishing Skeeter Owners boat (only one award per event).
 - a. \$3,000.00 (2012 model Skeeter boat or newer)
 - b. \$1,000.00 (2011 model Skeeter boat or older)
- 3. Skeeter Real Money up to \$3,000.00

Rules...

- 1. The Reynolds Garage & Marine/Skeeter Owner Contingency Prize Money will be paid to the highest finishing Skeeter Owner in each of the four CBN Tournaments outlined above. Only one prize per event will be awarded. Dollar amount of the award will be determined by the age of the highest finishing Skeeter Owners boat...2012 model or newer Skeeter boat will qualify for \$3,000.00 per event, 2011 model or older Skeeter boat will qualify for \$1,000.00 per event.
- 2. The highest finishing registered Skeeter Owner must have verifiable proof that he or she is fishing from his or her Skeeter boat to qualify for the Reynolds Garage & Marine/Skeeter Owner Contingency Prize Money. Proof of ownership and insurance must be produced and verified by the CBN Tournament Director at weigh-in at each of the four 2015 CBN Events.
- **3.** In the event that the highest finishing Skeeter Owner cannot provide verifiable proof that he or she is the registered owner of the Skeeter boat that he or she used in the event, the second highest finishing Skeeter Owner will become the winner of the Reynolds Garage & Marine/Skeeter Owner Contingency Prize Money.
- 4. There will be no limit to the times an angler can win per calendar year.

- 5. The four CBN Events outlined above will also be sanctioned for 2015 Skeeter Real Money. Each CBN Event must have a minimum of 30 boats and 60 anglers to qualify for 2015 Skeeter Real Money. To qualify for 2015 Skeeter Real Money, each individual registered Skeeter Owner must register for the 2015 Skeeter Real Money program. Go to www.skeeterboats.com and download an application. Annual dues are \$25.00 per year. Skeeter Real Money rules are available by clicking on the Skeeter Real Money logo on the www.skeeterboats.com website homepage.
- **6.** In the event that two or more Skeeter Owners daily catch weight results in a tie, each angler's largest fish of that day (by weight) will be used as a tie breaker to determine the winner of the Reynolds Garage & Marine/Skeeter Owner Contingency Prize Money at each CBN Event.
- 7. The highest finishing Skeeter Owner must catch and weigh-in one legal bass to qualify for the Reynolds Garage & Marine/Skeeter Contingency Prize Money. In the event that no registered Skeeter Owners catch and weigh-in one legal bass, the Reynolds Garage & Marine/Skeeter Owner Contingency Prize Money will not be awarded for that event.
- **8.** The tournament director has final decision in all issues and disputes.

Rigid Industries

There is a 30% off offer to all members. You will need a code. We will get it out to you as soon as we receive it. NO CODE YET, WORKING ON IT!

Effective March 1st

Power-Pole B.A.S.S. Nation Rebate Program

Dear Presidents,

Power-Pole is a proud sponsor of the B.A.S.S Nation in 2015. We will continue to offer a rebate program to B.A.S.S. Nation Members. The new rebate structure will be effective March 1st 2015. The new discounts will be as follows:

Sportsman 2 Model: \$75

M Pro 2 Model: \$100

■ Signature Series 2 Model: \$125

₩ Blade Model: \$150

The above stated discounts are available via rebate program through our website. In order to receive your rebate, you will need to register the Power-Pole at www.Power-Pole.com located under the "Support" column header then "Product Registration".

Once the product has been registered, you will then find the link "Apply for Rebate" to complete the rebate form. Once all the given information is verified we will issue you a check or credit in accordance with the discount you are slated to receive. You will need to provide a copy of your purchase receipt and membership card.

For the State Team Members, we want to invite you to apply for our Pro-Staff program. The program is geared towards your status within the fishing community. The application can be

completed at www.power-pole.com under "Pro's" then "Join Our Pro-Staff". With this program you will receive your discount at the time of purchase. For more information about our prostaff program please contact our pro-staff manager Casey Carpenter at Casey@power-pole.com This rebate is not valid on any boat where the Power-Pole anchor is standard equipment. This program is subject to change or be terminated at any time. The rebate program is only valid towards one purchase per person per year and does not include accessories, installation or any other additional expense.

Sincerely,

Curt Hill,

Advertising Manager

9010 Palm River Road. Tampa, FL 33619 phone 813.689.9932 fax 813.689.8883 power-pole.com

WAVE AWAY OFFER

I've been a fellow BASS Nation Member for nearly over 20 years. I'm excited to see how quickly the youth tournament programs are growing and would love my company to be a part of it. I own a product called Wave Away and we offer a Sonar/GPS Screen Cleaning Kit that's endorsed by BASS Nation Champion Brandon Palaniuk. I've put together a fundraiser where BASS Nation Clubs can earn \$5 per referral when they send folks to our website to purchase Wave Away. Clubs can also earn \$20 per referral when telling potential retailers about our product and they sign up to carry Wave Away.

- Signing up to raise funds is simple. Log onto www.waveaway.com and sign up now. It takes about 1 minute to register and it can earn your club a ton of money. We also have a few fun prizes for participating clubs. Bassmaster Elite Series Pro Brandon Palaniuk will be doing a private seminar for the club that makes the most referrals. We will also draw one random participating club and they will receive a free Hydrowave mini unit.
- Sincerely, Chris Lambert Wave Away LLC<u>www.waveawav.com</u>

CBN Scholarship: We only received 7 applications. The Scholarship Committee held the Judging prior to this meeting. Winners will be notified by Kevin Lavender and invited to the May CBN meeting to receive their awards!!!! Very disappointed once again at the response!

- CBN Robert S Malloy Scholarship committee: No report
- Banquet: November 14th 2015
- Membership Committee- No report
- Website Committee- No report
- Audit Committee No report

• High School:

First tournament was a success on Silver Lake. A huge turnout of parents and siblings.

5/9 tournament on Candlewood Lake out of Lattins from 7:00-2:00 has a full field and requires 15 boats. After picking up 2 last night, I am still in need of 7 boats. Hoping to pick a few up at the Kerchal Tournament on 4/26. Tom Reynolds posted my last email to the masses on his facebook page.

Made a motion and it was approved to donate \$500 from the HS account to Riverfront Recapture to help with the activities Craig works so hard at. It is all for the kids and we will be supporting the Sporting Chance for Youth by running the fishing piece on 6/6.

All 4 \$250 checks for the High School shirt sponsors have been handed over to the treasurer.

Respectfully, Ron Frisk

- Juniors: No Report
- Finance: No Report

• **State Team 2015**:

- Dave Dziob is giving everyone on the Team & High school team & coach a Hoodie for his Sponsorship. 16 Hoodies from Tackle Supply Depot.
- John Knowles has given us his check for \$250.00 Sponsorship
- Dino Moutogiannis has received a St Croix rod and BB1 Lews reel for his Sponsorship from Paul Narducci Outdoors.
- Jackets are on order.

- B.A.S.S. Divisional Entry forms are in and will be filled in to turn in at the May 17th State Team meeting following the CBN T#1 Danbury Town Park after the weigh in. All paperwork & sponsorship is due in then also.
- Received a check for \$75.00 towards Ed Kohls Sponsorship of \$250.00
- Team Alliance jerseys will be ordered on Monday, April 27th.
- MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AS GIVEN Seconded and approved.

Old Business

- Excused absences- Connecticut Yankee Bassmasters, a motion was made, seconded and approved.
- Thank you to Thayer's Marine for a good open house and Thank you to Randy Howell for a great seminar!
- Casting Kids Finals was held On March 28th, 11:00 am at Cabela's, East Hartford. and it was great! Thank you to Cabela's for letting us hold this inside and out of the SNOW, Tackle the Storm, Alex Wetherell, Ron Frisk, Travis Frisk, Lucas & Blake Baksay, Terry Baksay for all their help in organizing & running the event.

The winners are:

7 to 10 age group: Ivy Brown

10 to 14 age group: Evan Kamoen

Visit ctbass.com flicker page for pictures.

- CBN Trailer Update Vinny & Marc are working with Stick it to Em Graphics. Vinny showed the Mock up to all in attendance. Graphics will most likely go to print next week.
- We have received 8 rods & 8 reels plus \$500.00 from Tackle Supply Depot for their sponsorship.
- We have received \$900.00 in product from Whip Em Baits for their Gold sponsorship.
- We have received \$850.00 in product from Keitech for their Gold Sponsorship.
- We have received \$350.00 in product from Paul Narducci and Ultra lube for our Trail Sponsorship.

The NRD Grant.

- Sylvia is working on this now with Molly Sperdutoand is finally making some progress. She is currently on step four out of 5, almost done!!!! Dean Rustic is working on our new proposal and budget to present to First Light & Power and the NRD board as soon as possible. Probably two more weeks and the money will get deposited!
- Website and Calendar updated! If you have anything that needs to go on the Calendar or website get it to Sylvia so she can have it posted..

- Folds of Honor Tournament information was made available. The Tournament will be held on June 18th, Candlewood, Squantz, 50 Boats maximum.
- Triton Alliance Leads Program, please let Sylvia know as soon as possible if anyone in your club is considering purchasing a Triton so we can connect and get credit for the sale. We have 4 already which is \$1000.00 for this year, need 2 more to hit \$2000.00.
- The two Gen 3, 7's Lowrance and one Spotlight Scan for our \$3000.00 in product earned from the Insight Genesis Mapping that Vinny Mucci did! These items will go to the Banquet for 2015. They have arrived!
- Sporting Chance for Youth Day, June 6th 2015.
- Standing Rule 18 change for 2015 only passed out and discussed and voted on. Passed unanimously.

• Rule #18-State Team Qualification (2016 State Team)

The Connecticut BASS Nation will qualify a State Team annually that will consist of twenty (20) anglers and two (2) alternate anglers. The team will include 10 Boater Division Qualifiers, 10 Non Boater Division Qualifiers and 2 Alternates. The Alternate members will be utilized as needed and are not tied to either division. This team will participate in the following years BASS Nation Divisional tournament. These Twenty Two (22) anglers will be qualified through the following:

- 1. The Connecticut B.A.S.S. Nation Tournament Trail, (3)
- 2. The Bryan V. Kerchal Tournament of Club Champions (1)
- 3. The Connecticut B.A.S.S. Nation State Championship (18) = (16) plus (2) alternates

Positioning on the state team is as follows:

Boater Division Qualifiers are qualified as follows;

- (2) First and Second place finishers in the AOY standings from the CBN Tournament Trail Boater Division
- (1) First place angler in the Bryan V. Kerchal Tournament of Club Champions Boater Division

(7) – Anglers who finish in positions 1 through 7 in the Connecticut B.A.S.S. State Nation Championship

Total = 10 Boaters

Non Boater Qualifiers are qualified as follows;

- (1) First place angler in the AOY standings from the CBN Tournament Trail Non Boater Division
- (9) Anglers who finish in positions 8 through 16 in the Connecticut B.A.S.S. Nation State Championship.

Total = 10 Non Boaters

Alternates are qualified as follows;

(2) – Anglers who finish in positions 17 and 18 in the Connecticut B.A.S.S. Nation State Championship.

Total = 2 Alternates

A motion was made to adopt the rule as written. The motion was seconded and approved by the Board of Directors.

• The Executive Board has worked hard on two proposals and for our 2016 CBN Trail, Mr. Bass, and State Championship. We have looked at the financial impact of the new BASS Regional format. The following proposals were presented and discussed for about 15 minutes. Club representatives will bring the information back to their clubs. We will have an open discussion at the May meeting. These proposals and any others submitted will be voted on at the June meeting.

2016 Proposal #1

Go back to 4 paid entry tournaments

Does not raise trail entry fees or dues

\$75.00 angler \$35.00 co-angler

Pro am format

Must be paired, linked co-angler required

Each boater MUST bring a linked co-angler

State team qualifying:

Boater side

Trail positions 1-3 on team

Mr. Bass on team

Total of 4 boaters from trail and Mr. Bass

Non boater

Trail positions 1-3 on team

Mr. Bass Co-angler on team

Total of 4 co-anglers from trail and Mr. Bass

This allows for 14 positions to be filled from 2 day

Tournament of Champions (Mr. Bass)

All participating clubs must send a boater and a non boater.

Each will be competing for their respective place on the state team. Non boaters are only allowed to fish from back of boat. Entry fees \$100.00 angler, \$50.00 co-angler. The previous year's winners will also be eligible to participate.

State Championship

Pro Am format

All anglers must be linked

Top 7 finishers in each division will qualify for team.

(7TH finisher in each division is alternate)

150.00 entry fee boater

100.00 entry fee non boater

• 2016 Proposal #2

Linked angler format

A 4 tournament CBN Trail

The first 3 tournaments will have and entry fee of 75 / 35.

The 3 top finishers in each division from the first 3 tournaments will qualify for state team.

Tournament 4 -----WILD CARD-----

The anglers who fished ALL 3 prior tournaments will be eligible for the wild card tournament.

The entry fee will be 95/45.

The standing will be reset to zero.

The winner in each division will qualify for state team.

Mr. Bass

Entry fee 100 / 50

The winner in each division will qualify for state team.

State Championship

Pro-am format

Entry fee 150 / 100

Linked anglers/co-anglers

6 anglers from each division will qualify for state team. Position 6 in each division will be alternate.

Working Together for Cleaner Rivers

What is the Source to Sea Cleanup?

The annual Source to Sea Cleanup is a collaborative trash cleanup coordinated by the Connecticut River Watershed Council in all four states of the Connecticut River basin: VT, NH, MA & CT. Groups clean near water bodies and along roads or trails. You can join thousands of volunteers who have prevented more than **897 tons of trash** from flowing downstream.

The Source to Sea Cleanup helps protect our precious natural resources. People of all ages and abilities from watershed associations, students, scouts, towns, businesses, families, neighborhood groups, paddlers, anglers, educators and artists make a real difference for clean water, recreation and wildlife—all in a day's work.

To learn more visit www.ctriver.org/cleanup.

How can I get involved?

You can join the effort as a group leader, cleanup participant, event organizing volunteer or event sponsor. Start a group or join one. The Watershed Council provides gloves, trash bags and group planning help.

- To register a cleanup group in your town, or to sign up to clean on your own, visit www.ctriver.org/cleanup and click on "Register a Group"
- ĭ To find a group near you to join, visit www.ctriver.org/cleanup and click on "Join a Group"
- If you know of a site that needs cleaning, you can report it to us. Visit www.ctriver.org/cleanup and click on "Report Trash Site"
- To learn more about volunteering before the cleanup or becoming a sponsor, contact us. We are here to help. Please contact us at cleanup@ctriver.org or 860-704-0057 with questions or ideas.

Thank you for your interest in keeping our rivers clean and safe.

SAVE THE DATE 19th Annual Source to Sea Cleanup—September 25 & 26

- Connecticut Hunting & Fishing Appreciation Day at Sessions Woods Wildlife Management Area in Burlington Sat. Sept 26th 2015.
- Anyone interested in attending, helping and or manning a membership booth or Casting Kids Event at either one of the above events please see me after. So far I have Kevin Lavender and sons, Ron Frisk & Logan for September 26th event.

NEW BUSINESS

- David Santos made a motion for the CBN to donate \$500.00 to Sporting Chance for youth June 6th 2015. Seconded and passed unanimously.
- Ron Frisk made a motion for the High School account to donate \$500.00 to Sporting Chance for youth day June 6th 2015, seconded, passed unanimously.
- CLA is looking for our Annual donation to the Dragon Boat Races and Lake Clean-up. We usually donate \$250.00. Bronze level. Motion was made by Tom Reynolds, seconded and passed unanimously.
- May 16th is the Lake Clean up and August 15th is the Dragon Boat Races. Anyone interested in participating in either of these events please contact Mark Howarth at 860-354-6928.

Public Meeting on Candlewood's Sterile Grass Carp Project

As we have stated previously, the Candlewood Lake Authority, with support of the 5 municipalities surrounding Candlewood Lake, applied for and was awarded a grant by the CT Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection to stock sterile triploid grass carp in Candlewood Lake this year, in an effort to provide further control over the eurasian watermilfoil which can be disruptive to boaters and swimmers on the Lake.

As part of the permitting process, the CT DEEP will conduct in informational meeting at 7:00 PM, on Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at Western Connecticut State University. All those interested in attending to learn more about this program are encouraged to do so.

Date: April 29, 2015 Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Western Connecticut State University (Midtown Campus)

Science Building Room SB 125 181 White Street, Danbury CT

Additional information is available on the DEEP website by going to http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?A=2586&Q=563140

The CBN executive Board will be attending!

• Remember to utilize the hotels in Danbury that supply us with a fishermen rate!! Newbury, (best parking) Micro-tel & Best Western. All on website!

OPENS FOR 2015

All Applications are on the Table that are available and also on CTBASS.com, on the Calendar.

CBN/NEBA Team Championship Trail

- Reynolds Customer Appreciation June 6th Ct River, Haddam, 7 to 3
- Thayers Open Sept 20th, Candlewood, Squantz, 7 to 3
- Scholarship Open May 3rd, Candlewood Squantz, 7 to 3
- Folds of Honor Benefit Tournament, June 18th, Candy, Squantz 7 to 3
- Mixed Open May 31st, Candlewood, Squantz, 7 to 2
- MBB High School Benefit Open, Nov 1st, Candlewood 7 to 3
- Next year's Shows are CMTA Show February 9th to the 12th 2016 and the NEHFS March 18th to the 20th 2016.
- Veterans tournaments are Tuesday, May 5th, Danbury Town Park, 8 to 2 and Tuesday, Sept 15th, Riverfront, 8 to 1. Please see Al Guite for volunteering.

CBN Scholarships will be awarded at the May meeting

Sal Messena won the Livingston Lure that was raffled off at the meeting

Sylvia expressed her gratitude to the CBN and Vinny & Linda Mucci for their most thoughtful gift of filling her home with Breakfast & Lunch items, fruit, beautiful flowers and a wonderful card to express their condolences on the unexpected loss of her Sister in Pa, Carolina Rose Paliani Rosenberger.

"Please don't take time for granted, reach out and connect with your loved ones often. I am so glad I did!"

Motion to Adjourn was seconded and approved at 9:15PM.

NEXT MEETING May 28th, 2015