

# MEMBERS GUIDE



Promoting the conservation  
of wildlife and natural resources  
through education, advocacy  
and fellowship



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is vital that we teach our young people about the importance of our natural resources and provide them with opportunities to pursue the many great sporting activities we have here in Ulster County and throughout New York State. FSCUC continues our commitment to educating Our Youth and helping them appreciate the role they play in conserving Wildlife for the betterment of all. Ulster county is steeped in sporting traditions such as hunting and fishing that can be enjoyed by individuals of all ages. The members of the Federated Sportsman Club of Ulster County are constantly working to educate and engage the next generation of sportsmen and women with our Innovative programs.

**- Ray Valk**



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# MEMBER CLUBS

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# BACK TO NATURE

## *Youth Outdoor Expo & Fishing Day*

Ulster County Youth Expo was established to encourage youth and their families to experience the outdoors and get away from electronics for a while. The Expo teaches skills to all ages and appreciation for living things on becoming a good sportsperson.





# ARC FISHING DAY

*A Day of Fun for Some Special People*

ARC Fishing Day is open to all developmentally disabled persons living in homes or with care-takers. This day gives an opportunity to the people to enjoy what most of us take for granted. The event is enjoyed by the helpers and attendees.





# **FOOD PANTRIES**

*New York's Ulster County sportsmen building a program to donate wild game meat to those in need*

The Federated Sportsmen's Clubs of Ulster County, N.Y., working with ECOs and local food pantries are partnering to provide those in need with venison and other wild game meat. The Federation will continue to expand their efforts to help those in need through this program.





# LEND-A-POLE PROGRAM

*We are helping engage young people in the outdoors*

Working with local libraries in Ulster County, the Lend-a-Pole program is a unique way to help engage young people in the outdoors. Fishing poles and tackle can be “checked out” by young anglers and upon return, is serviced by Federation members and prepared for the next youth angler. Cabinets and equipment are provided by the Federated Sportsmen’s Clubs of Ulster County.





## LET'S GO FISHING

### Youth and Veterans Fishing Charter

In 2022 we created a raffle to fund new youth Fishing programs. The Federation raffled off striper fishing charters that were donated by local Charter Captains. From there we decided to create a free fishing charter for Youth and veterans. It is first come first served there is no cost to the youth or veterans. We provide kids this experience to go fishing in saltwater. We then decided to incorporate our SPEAK program which is suicide prevention education awareness and knowledge. This program provides valuable information to Youth and Veterans about suicide prevention from the Department of Mental Health and how to contact them if you or someone you know is in need.





# MEET ME AT THE FAIR!

## *Ulster County Fair*

The Federated Sportsmen have hosted a "Trout Pond" fishing and outdoors education booth for more than 20 years at the Ulster County Fair. We are 100% Volunteer run, with thousands of children visiting our booth throughout the years, some even returning with their own children. Both children and adults love the tank and fishing attraction, we allow them to bring their fish home, or they can practice catch and release.

Recently we added a self-contained BB range where every child and interested adult that shoots is educated on gun safety to include safe handling and storage. We offer information on how to learn more and where to find hunter safety classes in their local area.

Children and parents also enjoy our educational shed which has taxidermy so they can see a deer or bear up close, as well as local fishing, hunting and hiking information and sheets to help the little ones identify tracks they may find in their own yards. We have partnered with and invited suicide prevention resources to help further educate and offer safe storage information to help prevent gun related injuries at home.

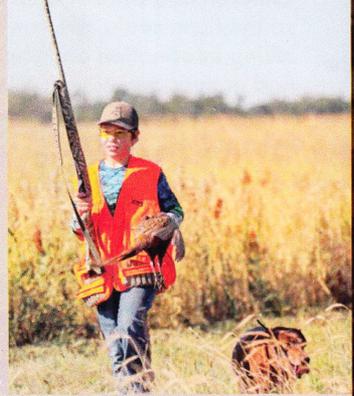




# **FOR THE HUNT OF IT**

## *Youth Pheasant Hunt*

The FSCUC has been providing a free youth Pheasant hunt since the DEC opened a youth weekend nearly 15 years ago. With a group of volunteers both human and K-9 we have provided nearly 200 young people with an opportunity to hunt pheasant over well-trained dogs. We provide the shotguns, ammunition, and guidance...all free to youth hunters that participate.





# ANNUAL FISH STOCKING

*Our team released thousands of fish*

The fish stocking done by FSCUC is accomplished with pride in creeks, local ponds, and some club property ponds. Every year there is an annual fish stocking done by FSCUC members and we also assist the DEC with their fish stocking. The fish help populate our waters so that every person young and old can enjoy the tranquility of fishing outdoors. This program works well with the Lend A Pole program where youth can go to local libraries to obtain what is needed to go fishing.





## FIELD TO TABLE

### *Field to Table Meat & Greet*

FSCUC began a field to table seminar to teach sportsmen and women to maximize the flavor profile and the healthy benefits of organic and sustainable harvest, while minimizing the waste and avoiding the potentially harmful mistakes that many hunters, young and old, make while processing their own harvest. We even teach a brief piece about safe practices on charcuterie. The class is taught by state senator, sausage purveyor, and test kitchen chef Senator Pete Oberacker and FSCUC's president, wild game processor, and butcher Ray Valk. The seminar starts with breaking down of the animal(s) and the explanation of the muscle cuts to grinding and making sausage. All the meat is then prepared showing different culinary techniques. The prepared food is served to the class and any extra food is given to the local food pantry.





# LEGISLATIVE & LITIGATION TRACKING

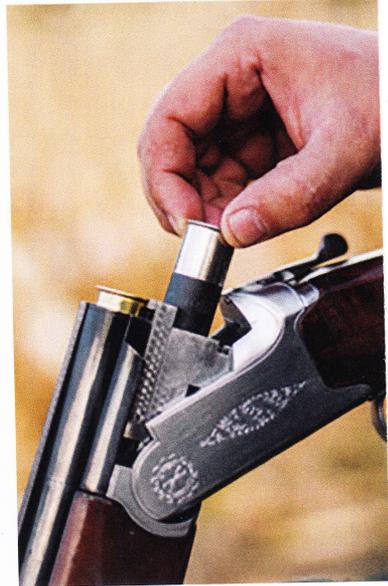
*FSCUC Is Working Hard To Keep You Informed*

FSCUC is a 501c7 that offers leadership, support and direction for its Member Organizations and the whole Outdoor Sporting Community. Our Legislative Director tracks elections, legislation and lawsuits important to our members. He also publishes Legislative reports monthly, and special reports whenever important topics break.

Monthly and Special Legislative reports, minutes and other alerts are sent to the e-mail list and published at [FSCUC.org](http://FSCUC.org)

The Legislative page on our website has a link to subscribe to the e-mail list, view reports...plus lots of additional resources, links, and helpful information.

Let us know what issues are important to you!



# CONNECTIONS

## *Our Federation is Connected to Many Sportsmen's Organizations*

Member of the New York State Conservation Council  
National Rifle Association  
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation  
Trout Unlimited  
Second Amendment Foundation  
NYS Conservation Fund Advisory Board  
New York State Rifle and Pistol Association  
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*We thank you for your support*

The Federation wants to recognize and thank the many businesses and organizations that support our efforts all year long. We couldn't do it without them, and so many other businesses as well!

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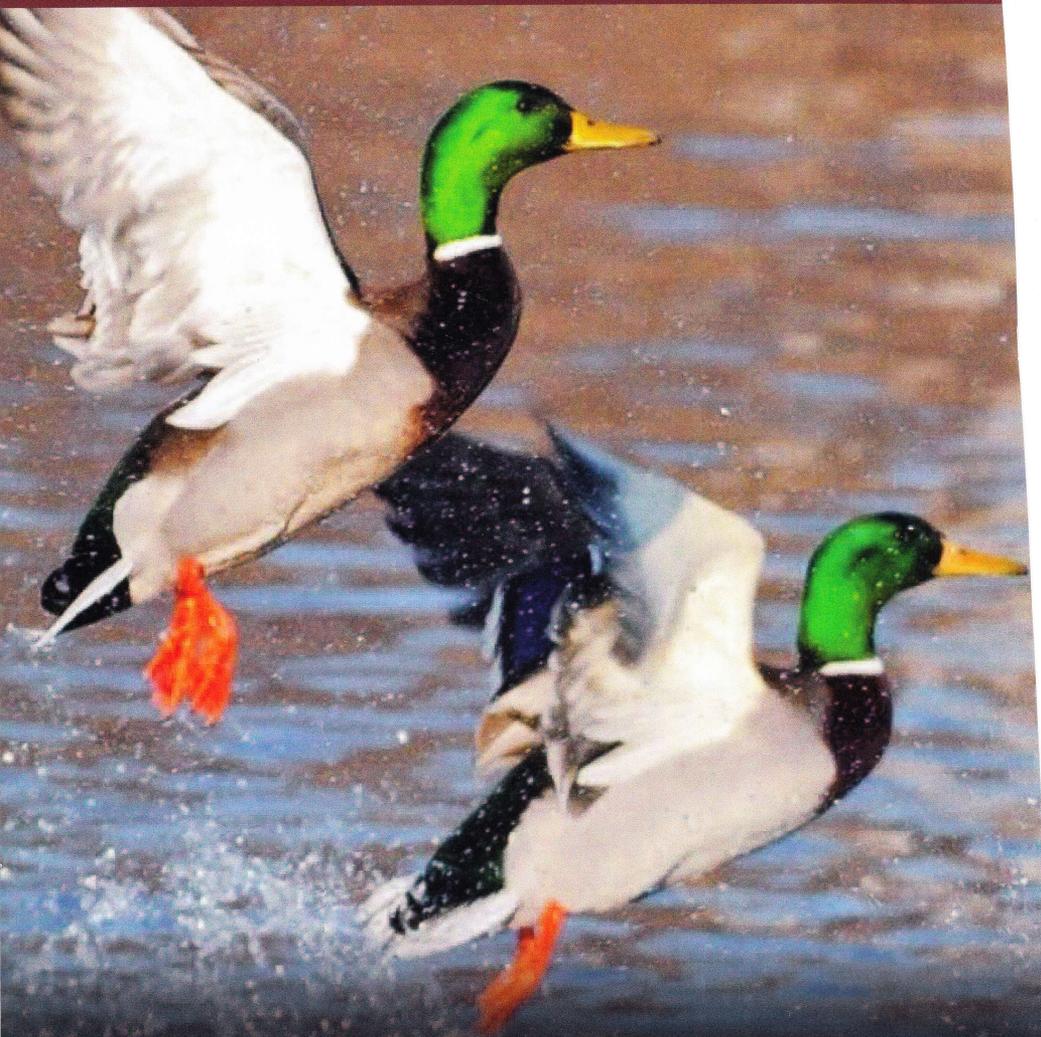
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