



## YOUTH CORNER



Hi everyone,

Well the 2007 has come and gone and it was a lot of fun going fishing with our youth through the seasons. It was also a trying time with the loss of members that were very active in this department, but thanks to their efforts, programs such as Sandy Faircloth & Reel Kids will continue to be successful. I would also like to congratulate all of the youngsters who were a part of our programs or events at one point or another this year, we look forward to seeing you again in 2008. Thanks to these efforts and programs like fundraisers, we were able to help give out five \$500 scholarship awards to qualifying students through the Mel Seichepine Scholarship Program. This year we are looking forward to improving on that amount. Keep an eye on our Federation web-site so as to see when some of these events are happening.

With the start of a new year we look to improve on what we have built and also try to inform everyone of what is going on in the TBF. This year we will hold the Jr. State Qualifier on June 1<sup>st</sup> on a body of water to be determined sometime in January in an effort to ready ourselves for the 2008 NGJWC in August. By practicing in other events like the Reel Expectations Youth Tournament you can prepare for the Jr. SQT where the Delaware Federation will send two capable and lucky young anglers to the National World Championship. So get ready for another banner year thanks to the Delaware Federation and all the members that volunteer to make these events happen.

Have a great winter and I hope to see you soon,

Tight lines,

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Delaware Youth Director