

**LOUISVILLE CHAPTER TROUT UNLIMITED**  
**February 24, 2009**

The meeting was opened at 7:15 p.m. by President George Smith.

**Announcements:**

The Chapter purchased a new camcorder to use at meetings and fly tying classes.

The Chapter rented a climate controlled storage unit in which to keep all the Chapter's equipment and records. Members were asked to bring in all equipment and old records so they can be put in the storage unit.

Randy Ratliff from Tennessee will be at Forward Cast on March 7<sup>th</sup> to make a presentation on the fisheries in his guide areas in Tennessee and North Carolina.

On March 10<sup>th</sup> there will be a stocking @ Indian Creek – East Fork, and volunteers were requested.

**Program:** Fred Doyle introduced our speaker, James Gray of the Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery.

Some items of interest in James' presentation were:

The website for the hatchery is [www.fws.gov/wolfcreek](http://www.fws.gov/wolfcreek).

There are 70 national hatcheries in the USA, and Wolf Creek is the only one with a Visitor's Center.

Many of the workshops at Wolf Creek are only offered there – they aren't offered anywhere else in Kentucky.

The "Kids Catch a Rainbow Fishing Derby" is #1 in Kentucky. It's also in the top 3 in the USA with an average of 1,650 kids showing up.

The "Friends of Wolf Creek" website is [www.friendsofwolfcreeknfh.com](http://www.friendsofwolfcreeknfh.com), and the Friends group runs the gift shop at Wolf Creek.

**Minutes:** Vicki Lewis, the Chapter Secretary was out of town, and Treasurer, Larry Lewis recorded minutes for this meeting. He stated that if minutes from the previous meeting hadn't been posted on the website they would be when Vicki returns.

**Treasurer's Report:** Larry Lewis reported the Chapter's banking transactions and the bank balance as of this date.

**Committees:**

**Fly Tying:** Larry Lewis reported that George Smith will be tying a Baby Crawdad in March.

**Programs:** Fred Doyle announced that the speaker for the March meeting will be Gary Garth – the outdoor writer for the Louisville Courier-Journal, and in April the speaker will be Kristy Stroud.

**Reel Recovery and Casting for Recovery:** Mike Lubeach reported that Reel Recovery will be May 19-20, 2009 at Wooded Glen. Casting for Recovery will be September 9-13, 2009.

**New Business:**

Deloris Cummings thanked everyone for their help with the DCFE show in January. The show was a big success, and several Louisville TU members assisted in various capacities.

A drawing was held for a reel donated by TU National and for a \$100 gift certificate to Forward cast. The persons in the drawing were all those that returned the card that was mailed to them requesting updated email addresses, phone numbers and street addresses. Stewart Conner won the reel, and Ed O'Brien won the gift certificate. President Smith thanked all those that returned the cards and said that TU National donated the reel as a token of their appreciation for updating all the records.

Following the raffle, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry Lewis, Treasurer for,  
Vicki Lewis, Secretary