

Trout Unlimited

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PRESIDENTS CORNER

This is one month that you would not want to see the Presidents Corner, fellow fly fishers. Probably would not want to see it most any time, but this month it is a real chaotic heap. Piles of notes on upcoming programs; a thick, new Leadership Manual binder from National; a stack of manila folders needing follow up prior to the Board meeting and the post it notes stuck on the wall, PC and phone. You're probably thinking that a retiree shouldn't have this problem and, this year being not exactly a vintage fishing year, plenty of time should have been available for fending the necessary duties. Easy for you to say, non-procrastinator pal. My list of conflicts is nearly inexhaustible. Let's avoid further delay, cut to the chase with a few notes of thanks to all who have volunteered to help. I'm indebted to the many who volunteer with their time. Without them the corner would be in further state of chaos.

Thanks go to those volunteering on Casting 101 especially George Smith, the General Chairman. This issue carries information on our second annual Casting 101 Clinic. We're excited to have Steve Woodring and Robert DeAngelis heading up instruction this year. Robert is a FFF Certified Casting Instructor, has taught at L.L Bean and is currently on the staff of the Wulff School of Fly Fishing at Livingston Manor, NY. Of course Steve, as a charter member of the chapter, has demonstrated his talents numerous times. A number of member volunteers will assist them. Their help promises a very successful program. Thanks also to the Fly Tyers at Dick's Sporting Goods on the 3rd Thursday of the month - Barry Morris, Tom Walsh with assistance from Vice-president Roger Shott.

A final note of thanks to all those at the April Meeting who donated to the Casting For Recovery Breast Cancer Fund in the name of Marsha E. Axon, Jim Axon's wife,. Seventy Five Dollars will be sent to the fund that aids breast cancer victims through a fly fishing experience.

Chapter Outings

On June 3, 4 and 5 we will be making a trip to Townsend, Tennessee in the Smokies for "Trout Fest 2005". There will be lots of trout and trout fishing exhibits and fishing in the Smokies. Not to mention, one of the premier fly shops in the country, Little River Fly Shop, will be open and ready to fill your every fly fishing need.

If you have some place you would be interested in fishing or some place you are experienced at fishing that you would be willing to coordinate an outing to. Please contact Roy Weeks at, outings@louisvilletu.org

We are trying to have more chapter outings, but if you don't tell us where you would like to go and you aren't willing to help coordinate some of these trips, we can't make them work.

Banquet

September will be here before you know it, so it is never too soon to begin planning for the annual Louisville TU Banquet.

Again this year, Lee Squires has volunteered to chair our banquet committee. He is asking for donations of items to be raffled off in our silent and bucket raffles and live auction. These items do not have to be fishing related. Lee even gets his dentist to donate a teeth whitening session each year. Talk to your friends and business associates and get their help in this important effort. This is the main fund raiser for our chapter each year and your donations are what make it successful.

Contact Lee and let him know what you are willing to donate to the cause. Then plan on attending and spending a few dollars for some great items and supporting the projects that our chapter participates in each year.

Mark September 27 on your calendar and keep checking the web-site for more details as the date gets closer.

FREE FLY FISHING CLINIC

“CASTING 101”

TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2005

(CHECK THE WEB-SITE FOR RAIN DATE)

REGISTRATION 5:30 PM

PROGRAM 6 PM

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Annual Picnic

Our annual Picnic meeting will be held on Tuesday May 24th with the meal being served at 6:00 PM.

As we did last year, we will be meeting at Thurman – Hutchins Park on River Road just across from Cox's Park. Come early and fish the lake.

This is always an enjoyable meeting even when the weather doesn't cooperate as has happened the last couple of years.

This year we will be having our regular monthly raffle, something we haven't done at the picnic the last few years. It will be run the same way it is at regular meetings with the exception of a gift certificate in the amount of \$100.00 for Dick's Sporting goods replacing our normal \$50 Bull Frog Creek certificate. Don't worry Bull Frog Creek will be back at our next regular meeting.

We will also have a special raffle item that consists of a two day guided trip on the White River in Arkansas. The way the trip will work is the winner pays for the first day and gets the second day free (A \$300.00 value)

Tickets will be sold for this raffle at \$1.00 a ticket. You have to be in attendance to win so make plans to attend and enjoy some good fried chicken, some fishing in the small lake there and as always some good "lies", I mean "fishing stories".

Also, Frank Elsen will be running a fly casting contest with a special prize for the winner. Don't miss it!

Equipment Search

We are still looking for a Power Point Projector for our chapter meetings. If anyone has info on where we can buy a used one or possibly someone willing to donate one to the chapter, please contact Tom Walsh at walsh1@bellsouth.net

Deadline for submitting articles for

The Next Newsletter Is, June 20, 2005

Upcoming Chapter Meetings

In June

When: 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 28, 2005

Where: Commonwealth Bank & Trust Co.,
286 North Hubbards Lane.

Lisa Dean from West Virginia will speak to us on fishing the Elk River and other West Virginia streams.

New Website Spawns Change to How Louisville TU's Newsletter Will Be Delivered

WWW.LOUISVILLETU.ORG

That's our new website! Our chapter recently moved into the 21st Century by creating a new chapter website. This move has given us the opportunity for more exposure and to give more information about our chapter and our activities. Our newsletter also will begin appearing on this website. This electronic milestone has given us the opportunity to allocate and prioritize funds where they are needed. To this end, there is an insert inside this newsletter with a questionnaire asking you about your preference how you would like to receive your newsletter in the future. Please take the opportunity to fill out the form to let us know your preference.

Free Fly Tying Classes

Classes are held the second Tuesday of the month at the Aero Club in Bowman Field.

We meet at 7:00 PM and those who are beginners all the way up to the experienced tyer will be able to gain something from these sessions

In June, Jim Green will tie a Gray Ghost Streamer

In July, Tom Walsh will tie a Gray Wolfe Pattern

In August, Delores Cummings will tie a soft Hackle

In September, Barry Morris will give a refresher on the Chicago Fly

In October, Steve Woodring will tie a fly to be named later

In November Barry Morris will again be with us to show a different style of Copper John

A FISHING JOURNAL OF MONTANA
Roy Weeks, Tom Walsh, George Smith,
And Barry Morris

The four of us left Louisville on Saturday, April 2nd around 7 am. We arrived in Bozeman, Montana around 1 pm, local time. By the time we picked up our cars and drove to Livingston it was after 3:30 pm and the fly shop closed at 4:30 pm. After we got our fishing license and registered at the motel it was too late to go fishing so we went to dinner and then to the grocery for snacks and beer since Barry and I had a room with a refrigerator and stove. With all this running around it was now dark and plans had to be made for our first day of fishing.

Sunday – We fished the ditch today. For those who don't know this area, this is where the Yellowstone and DePuy's Spring Creek converge. We did not catch many fish that day because of the wind and rain.

Monday – We had a reservation to fish DePuy Spring Creek. What a day that was! Even with the rain and wind, we all caught a lot of fish. Most were caught on nymphs. Roy did catch some on B.W.O. But you had to see the ones that were hatching **(BIG!)**.

Tuesday – Today we went to the Boulder River. This river lives up to its name and more. Some of the boulders are as big as locomotives. We all caught some fish and this was the river where we encountered the White Fish (Barry caught more White Fish than anyone). We fished the boulder till noon and then jumped back to the Yellowstone for the rest of the day; just windy this day, no rain.

Wednesday- We went to the Yellowstone at Immigrant Bridge. Barry caught a lot of White Fish here and a few Browns. We moved to another Yellowstone location so we could all catch something that day.

Thursday- Today we went to the Stillwater River. In this location we had the heaviest snow fall of all the days we were on the water. There was no accumulation, just enough to bring out the big, big BWO's. That day Barry caught the most fish of his fish on a Copper John (new design). I seem to be showcasing Barry a lot but he needed a lot of fish to catch up. Tom, Roy and myself felt bad about that (but not for long).

Friday- We went back to the DePuy Spring Creek for a day of fun and rain; not to mention the wind. This is the day that Barry got even. He used the Copper John all day long and caught almost as many fish as the rest of us combined.

Saturday- This was our day of rest. After breakfast and short talk with Dean Reiner, He is the owner of Hatch Finders Fly Shop in Livingston. He is a wealth of information. Our day of rest consisted of relaxing drive through Yellowstone Park to Cooke City for lunch, then back to Livingston.

Sunday- We went back to the Stillwater River. Again, we had snow, rain and wind. We all caught fish that day but not as many as the last time. Tomorrow it's home.

Monday- Today is our last day. We pack up and send our UPS bundles. We say goodbye to Dean and then onto Bozeman, then the big silver bird home!

It was a nice trip except for the one and one half hour delay in Minneapolis, St. Paul. That delay made us over an hour late getting into Louisville. In all it was a wonderful trip. Montana is one of our most beautiful states. If you have never fished there, you owe it to yourself to plan a trip.

GEORGE



[Newsletter Online at http://www.louisvilletu.org](http://www.louisvilletu.org)

With the creation of our new website and the subsequent publishing of our newsletter on the site, we are going to give every member an opportunity to help the chapter save money so that we may better allocate our resources toward our mission of funding conservation projects. To accomplish this I would ask every member that has access to the Internet and email to send me his or her email address. When new issues of the newsletter are published on the website I will send out a notices to all members via email about the publication of the new issue and where to find it on the site. The benefits to those who wish to receive the newsletter via email notification will be color photos, print and background along with improved graphics.

If you don't have access to the Internet or you still require a hardcopy one will be sent to you. In order for me to find out who wants an email notification or a hardcopy, please fill out the following questionnaire and mail this page to:

Tim Woodring
18 Terrace Heights
Jeffersonville, IN 47130

Or, if you wish you can email me with your preference to
www.westslopecutthroat1@yahoo.com

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