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August Meeting



Joe Bobrowski graciously filled in for our August meeting, when our scheduled speaker was unable to attend. Now that's not to say that Joe just threw something together to hold our attention. Anyone that knows Joe, knows that he has a vast of knowledge in the fishing and ecological department, and his presentation on the local watersheds in Jefferson County, was something to behold.

Joe inform us that although Jefferson County has limited watersheds, the habitat within these contain some species of fish that most of us didn't know exists here. With his slides and pictures of these species, we all learned what type of fish really live within these watersheds, and if we were to take the time to investigate them, we too might find them.

Joe, on behalf of the Chapter, I would just like to say Thank You. You are one of the most dedicated person we know, if not the most informative too. You never fail to help out in a bind, and with your stage presence, you are a joy to listen to also. If anyone would like to read more about Joe Bobrowski, check out our February Newsletter. Joe's article on Belize is just one of many topics he is a master on. Again, thanks for being there for us.

Upcoming Events

**October 25
Regular Meeting**

**November 8
Fly Tying and
Election Day**

**November 14—18
Trip to Waynesville**

Message from our President

Many good things are happening with your local TU Chapter!



The banquet was a great success. Good food, great friends and an excellent meal. Our speakers, Mary Jo Cartledgehayes and Ted Larrison representing Casting for Recovery and Reel Recovery provided both inspiration as well as great examples of how our key chapter activities make a difference.

Thanks to all of our chapter members who tied flies, volunteered at the retreats or otherwise supported this great effort.

Aside from the increased attendance at the banquet, we are seeing good results from our efforts to reach out to members. We had new members at the banquet who also indicated that they would like to become more active in the chapter.

There are new opportunities as well. We have been invited to a conversation with KDFW and the local YMCA about a trout camp for youth at Otter Creek this coming spring. This will be a new outreach effort for us and a way for us to raise interest and awareness of trout in Kentucky and the importance of clean fishable wa-

ter for future generations.

We are also in the process of revising our bylaws in response to updated bylaws from TU national. All local chapters and state councils are required to update their bylaws to comply with changes nationally. The local bylaws will have their first reading at the October general meeting and will go for a vote to the general membership in November. Please take a moment to read and comment upon the revision. The revision has been approved by the board and will be posted on the website.

I have also appointed a nomination committee for upcoming elections in November. We have opportunities for both officers and board members. If you have interest in serving on the board or in an officer position, please feel free to contact me at john.spence1@insightbb.com.

As always, we have many opportunities to serve on a committee. This is a great way to get to know other members and to get involved in the future of the chapter. Please contact me

or a chair of any of our committees if you wish to volunteer.

I'd like to express my sincere thanks to all of the current board members Fred Doyle, Patti Doyle, Dan Jackman, Delores Cummings, Tom Walsh, Roy Weeks, Vicki Lewis, Bill Remaks and Barney Sutton. This group of dedicated volunteers handles most of the behind the scenes work in programs, events and outings, the website, newsletter and as representative for the chapter at special events such as National Hunting and Fishing Day at the Salato Center. Your untiring support has made this chapter better for all of us. I also want to express my thanks to Lee Squires and his supporting volunteers for making the banquet a great success. Finally, thanks to all of the chapter members who have been to meetings, written letters and otherwise generally contributed to our efforts.

FISH ON!

Member's Review

O WHAT A DAY ON THE LINVILLE RIVER

By: Dave Hise

Following lunch, Ken



A nice 13" rainbow that was fooled on the Linville River the afternoon of June 20th, 2011. This particular fish also ate a Squirmie Wormy.

McQuiston and myself walked up the river following the River Trail. I knew where I was going. It was to the famed "Ledge," a giant, undercut rock ledge in the center of the river. I have seen many big fish in this area but they were always difficult to catch.

I set up Ken within casting distance of the "spot" and also within casting distance of a large, over-hanging tree that was across river. All at once, Ken threw an errand cast into that tree. My training kicked in. I crossed the river and stood directly on top of

the ledge where I pulled down the limb so I could get the flies out. On a whim, I decided to drop the flies off the lip of the ledge. All at once, a 24 or 25" fish came flying up from under the undercut and, like a lightning bolt, swam to the other side of the river where Ken was. Then, the fish swam directly at Ken. It was much too fast for the both of us. Ken couldn't keep up and I couldn't help coach him through the process because it all happened so fast. Then... it was over and all we could do was wonder what we could have done differently. The big one that got away.



A 21" rainbow caught on the Linville River the morning of June 20th, 2011. This spunky slab put up a great battle but Mr. Ken prevailed. It ate a size 12 Hise original affectionately named Squirmie Wormy, along with 5X tippet.

SAN JUAN MIDGE

By: Norris Shakes

MATERIALS:

Hook: TMC 3761 size 16—24
Thread: Black / Brown
Wing: Z-Ion white
Body: Pheasant tail
Bead: Sized for hook.
Rib: Gold wire



Step 1: Place bead on hook, tie in thread and wire ribbing behind bead, and run thread down shank with rib on top of shank.

Step 2: Tie in wing about an eighth inch behind bead, wrap front of wing on shank of hook to make wing upright.

Step 3: Trim back of wing, and wrap with thread to the bend of hook, and tie in pheasant tail. Wrap thread to back of wing, and then wrap pheasant tail to wing, and tie off (do not cut yet). Counter wrap gold wire to wing and tie off.

Step 4: Wrap pheasant tail in front of wing to bead and tie off then counter wrap go wire.

Step 5: Whip finish and then go fishing.

You can use most anything for body—peacock herl, dubbing, and the same for the wing. Use whatever you prefer, or have on hand.

We would like to thank Norris for his San Juan Midge, and know that it will, produce some strikes, especially in West Virginia this month.



CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

CASTING FOR RECOVERY

On Sunday, September 24th, I had the pleasure of attending my second Casting for Recovery program, at Wooded Glenn, Indiana. Having done one in the past, I was aware of what was to take place, and this time, I was ready.

I was paired up with a fantastic lady, who knew the fundamentals of fly fishing, and thus didn't really need much help on tying knots and flies on. She also had her roll casting down fairly well, which she attributed to the instructors lessons on the day before. However, the results were the same. No Fish.

Oh, we had a great time laughing and carrying on and such, however we just couldn't find the right fly. We even used Lee Squires' secret fly, but to no avail. I had a lot of pressure on me that day, because you see, my young lady's mother was also in the group of ladies, and she was catching fish left and right, and I was informed that there was a little wager going on between them. (I'll tell you right now, we lost).

I would like to say that this Casting for Recovery program is something to see. It really is nice to view all the ladies fishing and having a good time, but all this goes back to the staff, and their helpers. They are the ones who make sure that the weekend runs smooth, and help the participants enjoy themselves.

We all would like to thank the volunteers who helped this year, and especially to Deloris for her unspoken love and dedication to this program. They were some exceptional people.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE DAY

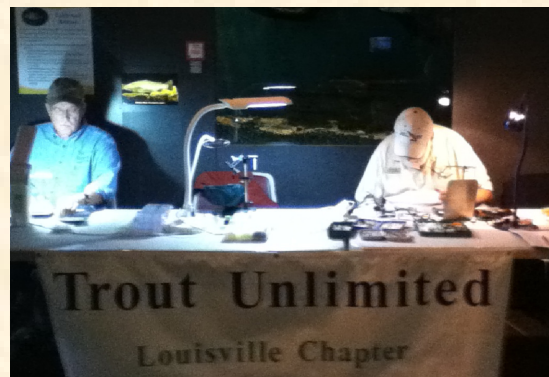
On September 24th, our chapter was represented by John Spence, Tom Walsh, Roy Weeks, and Dan Jackman at the National Wildlife Day in the Salato Educational Center in Frankfort.

We tied flies for the visitors, and answered questions from the many children who attended. This years attendance was much larger then the last couple of years, and we had a lot of fun with the crowd.

Many of the group of visitors seemed genuinely interested in learning about fly fishing, and the way we tie flies. As always, we had a great time showing our wares, and representing our chapter.

Next year, we would like to see some new faces at the Education Center with us. It is a wonderful experience, and we all get a kick out of it. Maybe some of the ladies would like to come, to show the children that it's not only for us guys.

If you would like to volunteer, get in touch with the fly tying committee members, and let them know.



FANTASTIC BANQUET

What a banquet! Let's see, the crowd was larger, the speakers were phenomenal, the food was scrumptious, oh yes, we raised more money than in the past and on top of that, we had a great time. I guess it goes to show that if you put your mind to it, and strive for it, it can happen.

From talking to members of the Chapter and their guest it would appear that we have hit on a new path for the banquet. Moving from the customary Tuesday night, and from the old location, the board members took a chance on having it on a Friday night, and at the University of Louisville's Founder's Union Building.

First things first, the location couldn't have been more pleasant. The room really did make one feel like they were at something special. With the layout of the raffle items, silent auction items, and the separation of the dining tables from them, plus the size of the room, it really was nice. Along with the pictures flashing across the screen from John Spence's power point, it helped make the socializing more enjoyable.



Second, the Speakers for the night were phenomenal. Ms. Cartledgehayes and Mr. Larrison were very enjoyable to listen to, and their messages were of great importance to us all. We all thank them for honoring us with their presence.

Third, I have heard more people talk about the food that Lady Fingers Catering Service provided, than ever. In fact, I have never heard anyone talk about the food at our banquet before. I hope that at future banquets, we will have them cater us again.

Forth, and not least, the money. We made more this year, than in the past. Maybe it was because we had a vastly larger crowd, than in the past, or maybe the gifts were better. Who knows? All that matters is **THE MONEY IS IN THE BANK**. And did I mention that we had a great time?



All this can come down to the tireless effort of several people but especially Linda and Lee Squires. It is through their effort of organizing and buying items, and setting the banquet in motion that it turned out to be so amazing. Thanks you guys.

EDITOR'S NOTES

The September / October issue is finally completed. With the November / December issue coming up at the end of the year, it is with regret that I will probably be stepping down as newsletter editor. It has been fun, but quite trying at times to get articles for the newsletter, volunteers to help write them, and probably most of all having to attend all the functions and events so as to report them to you all.

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There is a trip plan to Waynesville North Carolina this November. The 14th-18th, is the scheduled dates, and will be staying at the Oak Park Inn. Anyone wishing to go, should contact the Oak Park Inn, for reservations. We have set aside 5 rooms.

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It is with sadness that I report that Forward Cast has closed it's doors. We all would like to thank Dick Haas for his efforts to bring fly fishing to Louisville.



Dan Jackman