

A Monthly Newsletter of the Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

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PENNS CREEK OUTING: FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT!

List of Officers and Board of Directors

Membership Application/Renewal form

Chef emeritus, Bill Palmer, announces that this year's Penns Creek Outing will be on June 6th at Group Camp Site 'A' at Poe Paddy State Park. Come and fish for the mighty leviathans inhabiting the swirling waters of Penns Creek. Eat gourmet food prepared by our new TU outing chef, Kit Stanton. Hear experienced liars tell tales of the large trout they have 'reduced to hand' during the day. It don't get no better. The cost is approximately \$10 per person. Kids eat hot dogs for free. The chapter will provide steaks, sodas, hot dogs and baked potatoes. Bring a dish to share. Bring a friend.

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The fun starts around 5 pm with dinner served at 6pm, which should leave time to catch the evening hatches.

Call 814.360.4120 to talk to Kit or 814.364.9101 to talk to Chef Emeritus Palmer to reserve a seat.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

All membership meetings are at 7:30 PM at the Comfort Suites Inn, just off North Atherton St. Bring a couple of friends.

JUNE 4TH MEETING: Rich Reedinger will be our speaker. Rich lives in the Petersburg area and is a member of the Central PA Retired Flyfishers group but he has extensive professional experience in **saltwater flyfishing** from earlier years, having fished all along the Atlantic coast for numerous species. He will be covering some important fundamentals of saltwater fly fishing that will be especially helpful to those relatively new to saltwater angling, and hopefully he will be showing some examples of what we can expect to encounter on the end of our lines when we go.

Bring a friend or two.

SUPPORT OUR BANQUET DONORS

The following individuals and companies donated prizes for our spring banquet:

Aaron Borow Battenkill Lodge Parker Sterner, SIMMS

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Note: The following sponsors were mistakenly omitted from last month's newsletter by The Deputy Assistant Associate Newsletter Editor:

S.J. Mishka, Goldsmiths & Jewelers Signature Engraving Mt. Nittany Vineyard & Winery Karen Taphorn

APRIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Board of Directors
Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Meeting of April 13, 2009, 7:30 p.m.
Comfort Inn Suites, State College, PA.

Board Members present: The meeting was chaired by Vice-President Judi Sittler. Other Board members present were Cliff Wurster, Rick Van Horn, Dick Stevenson, Allen Phillips, George Moellenbrock, Bob Donaldson, Ted Trostle, Jay Lynch and Bob Eberhart. Also present was Jeremy Hopkins.

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> The draft minutes of the meeting of March 16 were amended to include changes to the Treasurer's Report noted by Treasurer Rick Van Horn. Those minutes were then approved as amended.

Referring to an item in the March 16 minutes, Ted Trostle said that he could maintain a list of email addresses of Chapter members who would like to receive the newsletter *Tertiary Treatment* by email. He said that he would work to arrange this with John Shaffer who presently handles the distribution of the newsletter by U.S. Mail.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Rick Van Horn presented his Treasurer's Report. As of March 31, the Chapter had a net worth of \$29,974. That figure does not include \$52,895of DCNR grant money which is held in a separate account and which must be used for Habitat Improvements under that grant. Rick noted that most of the transactions that occurred during the last month were Banquet related. He also said that he had paid an insurance premium to National TU to provide insurance for machinery owned by others that is being used in the Habitat project.

Request for Donation from SCTU Form: Allen Phillips noted that there is a form to be used by other organizations that are requesting funds from the Chapter. He said that the form may need to be revised to show whether the requesting organization has 501 3(c) status.

<u>Banquet Report:</u> Dick Stevenson reported that despite good Banquet attendance of 162, about the same as last year, the net income from the event was substantially lower than for the last several years. He noted that the bidding for items being auctioned was much less competitive than in other years. As possible dates for next year's Banquet, Dick suggested Fridays March 9, March 16, and March 23 and Saturday, March 24; the Board selected March 9 as the date for the 2010 Banquet. Dick also said that he would be willing to serve as Banquet Chair for one more year in 2010.

Habitat Projects Update: Cliff Wurster reported that there had been some feedback from DCNR as to items that DCNR would permit to be counted as match. Volunteer time may only be counted for volunteers who are present at a planned work day event; volunteer time spent on preplanning meetings may not be counted. DCNR is also holding up approval of some older bills for which photocopies of the bills and of the checks that paid for them have not been submitted. Specific projects for this year will be habitat improvements above and below the former McCoy dam site. Cliff will suggest September 21-25 and September 28 – October 2 to PFBC as dates for this year's projects. These dates were chosen because they are times when Penn State students who may volunteer are on campus and they are weeks during which there will be no home football game.

<u>Pine Creek "private stocking problem":</u> Bob Donaldson reported that because several people who are necessary to these discussions have been travelling, no meeting of the group dealing with this issue has been held.

<u>Watershed Watch Program:</u> Bob Donaldson and Ted Trostle reported on the activities of a "quiet" "Watershed Watch" program. They are aware of many construction sites and during and after storm events, they look for muddy water running off these sites and reaching Spring Creek or its tributaries. They also try to be sure that when these construction projects are complete that appropriate storm

water controls are in place. They reported that the Centre county Conservation District has been very responsive when they are notified of discolored run-off entering the streams.

<u>TU Participation in Watershed Cleanup Day:</u> Watershed Cleanup Day will be held on April 25. The Rally point for TU volunteers will be at the Rock. Four volunteers from the Women's FlyFishing Group have signed up, but to date only two from the TU Chapter per se have committed. The Chapter will clean up from the Rock upstream to the Houser property and may take on parts of Logan Branch.

Status of Rockview Lands: The final report of the consultants preparing the Master and Management Plans for the Spring Creek Canyon will be presented to the Benner Township Supervisors on or about April 15. A Public Meeting on a preliminary report was held on March 31. The Board reviewed the previous positions of the Chapter on this subject. A letter to the Benner Township Supervisors dated February 27, 2007 requested that the future ownership of the Canyon lands should not be considered until a plan for the restoration, protection and management of the entire 1800 acres has been developed and generally agreed upon by the community. The letter also stated that future owner(s) of these lands, whoever they may be, should commit to the recommendations of the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy Phase 1 Report. On January 24, 2008, the Chapter, along with six other local environmental organizations, signed a letter stating that before any change in ownership of the Canyon lands was considered, a Master Plan for the future use, protection and management of the lands should be developed and have achieved a substantial degree of public support.

The Board also considered a draft letter being circulated for consideration for signing to the Sierra Club Moshannon Group, the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs and the Spring Creek Chapter of TU; the letter requested that the Master Plan be set aside and the land be placed under management of a state agency that has the mandate, the expertise and the resources to manage it in its natural state in perpetuity.

After lengthy discussion, no consensus was achieved and no action was taken. The matter may be considered at the May meeting of the Board. Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Eberhart Secretary

YOUTH FLYFISHING CAMPS

Dan Kerstetter sent information regarding two youth fishing camps this summer at the Millbrook Marsh through the Centre Region Parks & Recreation. The first camp is in June 22-26 (warm water fly fishing partly sponsored by PA Fish & Boat Commission).

The second camp is in July 13-17 & 20-24 (youth fly fishing sponsored by Spring Creek TU). Camp registration begins February 2, 2009.

Information about both camps can be found at: http://www.crpr.org/programs/Sum/Camps/S-Camps.html

E-MAIL LIST

As some are aware, the Chapter has the capability to do email notifications of important events, updates, and to provide last minute notifications of changes. Of the 350 Chapter members, only 75 or so members have provided email addresses to receive these updates. We plan to begin the distribution of Tertiary Treatment by email. If you want to be added to the list, just email a request to Bill Brusse at the email address listed on page 3.

SCTU BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are held at the Comfort Suites Hotel, 132 Village Drive, State College at 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday following the scheduled Membership Meeting. Chapter members are encouraged to attend the Board meetings. The Board members welcome and would appreciate greater participation from Chapter members. As many of you know, our membership and board meetings are held at the Comfort Suites Hotel. Comfort Suites provides the rooms to us at no charge. We want to thank Karen Mansfield and her staff for their support.

VISIT THE SCTU WEB SITE: springcreektu.org

The Web Site lists membership and board meeting dates; contains the past 5 months of Tertiary Treatment; and provides links to Spring Creek USGS stream flow conditions, weather, and a number of other good information sources.

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Start or Renew Your TU Membership through SCTUWhen your membership is about to expire, or join for the first time, fill out the form below and forward it with a check (payable to Trout Unlimited) to the address indicated below.

Name	Check Membership Category *
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