

Holiday Party December 14

Spring Creek Chapter TU members and their families will gather for the 2012 Holiday Party December 14 at the home of president Judi Sittler.

When: Friday Dec. 9 starting at 6 pm

Where: 108 Gaslight Circle

Judi & Stu's house (Lemont adjacent; off Elmwood along Spring Creek) 1st house on the right

Parking in overflow lot across street from house or on right side of Gaslight Circle (we have Township permission).

Chili, salad and drinks provided. Bring something to share. Bring a spouse or friend! Bring your fun-loving side! **Call Judi at 861-3277 for more information. See you on the 14th!**

40th anniversary banquet coming up

2013 will mark the 40th anniversary of Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited. Banquet chairman **Jim Purtell** is looking for some help planning the 2013 banquet and for ideas on how to observe the anniversary. Contact Jim at jmp@goh-inc.com.



At the November general meeting, our speaker, **Caleb Tzilkowski** (center right, above), gave a talk titled: "Common Nymphs for Eastern North America: A Primer For Flyfishers and Fly Tiers".



Current Chapter Membership:

372

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Judi Sittler
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Bill Voigt

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Is there a lawyer in the chapter?

The Chapter Board occasionally considers issues that vex us when it comes to the legal points of the issue. We would greatly appreciate a chapter member who is willing to advise the Board when we have a question regarding a point of law. A recent example is a State ruling regarding small games of chance and how the ruling affects the annual banquet. Our need for help is occasional and we promise not to hound the good soul who would offer help. Please contact Judi Sittler at jsittler@comcast.net if you can help.

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Upcoming Member Meetings

Our **December 6** program will feature **Bob Morgan**, who will present "Combating the Introduction and Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species".

Our membership meetings, free and open to all, are held the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the first floor meeting room at the Comfort Suites on North Atherton Street in State College.

Board meetings, open to all chapter members, are held the two Mondays after the first Thursday of the month, also at the Comfort Suites, at 7 p.m.



Donation received for stream work

Our chapter received a check for \$1,000 from First Energy Foundation recently to support the Spring Creek (Milesburg) Bank Stabilization, Fish Habitat and Riparian Project. Above, SCCTU President Judi Sittler accepts a check presented to her by Tom Kearney, area manager for First Energy. Thanks to First Energy!



Buffer maintenance volunteers

Seventeen students from the PSU Wildlife Society worked on buffer zone maintenance in October.

They checked every tree that was planted in the past 4 years along the stream-side at the PSU sheep farm, making sure that the plastic sleeve protectors were not growing in to the trees. Weeds were cleared around the trees and mulch was replenished.

ClearWater Conservancy provided the equipment. SCCTU member Jim Lanning provided the pick-up truck to get the equipment to the site, and he provided the management and organization. Jim Voigt was also part of the working group and has agreed, along with his brother Bill, to be the "stream-side stewards" for this property. Judi Sittler brought coffee and snacks. Thanks for a job well done by all.



Food for TIC program all packed up

SCCTU member Dave Truesdale, PA Fish & Boat Regional Education Specialist and TIC Classroom Coordinator Amidea Daniel, and PATU Coldwater Resource Specialist Samantha Kutschel pack fish food for the statewide Trout in the Classroom program in October. Eggs were packed and shipped also early this month.

Got a fish story? Maybe a photo?

We would like to liven the newsletter up a little with some member-submitted fish tales (real or imagined) and photos of your catch or anything else you may see of interest while streamside.

Email submissions to Chris Hennessey at c.hennessey@comcast.net. In the interest of leading by example, here is a picture of myself and a nice brown I caught last year on Spring Creek.



Our Mission

The mission of Spring Creek Trout Unlimited is to conserve, protect, and restore Spring Creek's coldwater fishery and watershed.

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