

Tertiary Treatment

The Newsletter of the Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

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40th anniversary banquet coming up

2013 will mark the 40th anniversary of Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited and we are going to mark the milestone at our Annual Spring Banquet and 40th Anniversary Celebration.

Where: Mountain View Country Club, Boalsburg, PA (former Elks Club)

When: Saturday, April 6, 2013, starting at 5:30 p.m.

What: Happy Hour: 5:30 - 7:00pm, Deluxe Buffet Dinner served at 7:00pm. Silent Auction - Raffles - Live Auction.

Tickets: Adults/\$40.00 - Children under 15/\$15.00 (includes dinner, dessert)(Cash bar available)

Register online with a credit card at: www.springcreektu.org or download a registration form.

Reservations due by March 17, 2013

Honored guests attending will be the six men who sat around Joe Humphreys kitchen table and organized the Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited: **Joe Humphreys, Paul Blankenhorn, Todd Bowersox, Charlie Piper, Vance McCullough and Gene Brown** (from Penns Creek Chapter).

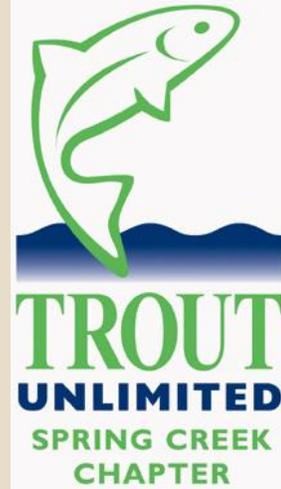
As of February 12, 1973, the chapter had its first membership list which boasted 43 members. Today we are 462 members strong. Congratulations to us!

For more on the history of the chapter, [Click Here](#).

We are requesting, for the banquet: Old photos from SCCTU past activities, flies for our traditional "Fly Log." Contact **Jim**

Purtell at jmp@goh-inc.com or e-mail **Judi**

Sittler, jlsittler@comcast.net to arrange pick-up.



Current Chapter Membership:

462

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SCCTU members look on as PSU Flyfishing Club members **Nick** and **Greg** tie flies at the February member meeting.

Water monitoring training Mar. 16

Spring Creek Chapter Trout Unlimited, PATU, Spring Creek Watershed Association, the Spring Creek Watershed Commission and the PA Senior Environmental Corps invite you to take part in a Coldwater Conservation Corps training in State College Saturday, March 16 from 9AM to 3PM.

Led by **Mitchell Blake**, the Pennsylvania Marcellus Shale Field Organizer for national Trout Unlimited, the purpose of the CCC training is to educate sportsmen about the potential hazards of Marcellus shale, how to spot problems in the field, and when/how to report observed problems. Additionally, the CCC conducts a Commonwealth wide water quality monitoring program to establish watershed baselines and detect potential pollution problems. This

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Upcoming Member Meetings

> Our **March 7** meeting will feature **Samantha Kutskel**, Program Director for the PA Council of Trout Unlimited (PATU). Samantha also oversees the Coldwater Heritage Partnership program, a collaborative effort between PA Fish and Boat Commission, PA DCNR, the Foundation for PA Watersheds, and the PA Council of TU. From her office at the PFBC's Bellefonte facility, Samantha works with all groups to provide leadership, coordination, technical assistance, and funding support for the evaluation, conservation and protection of Pennsylvania's coldwater streams. Samantha will be speaking to our membership on the topic of "PATU Initiatives That Chapters Can Participate In As Well As Benefit From".

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

class will train individuals in how to participate in the water quality monitoring program.

Who Should Attend:

1. Anyone with an interest in learning about the potential impact of Marcellus shale on the environment, how to assess observations made in the field, and how to report potential observed problems.
2. Anyone with an interest in learning how to conduct an effective water quality test program and a desire to volunteer for the CCC water quality monitoring program.

Location: Trinity Lutheran Church 2221 N. Oak Lane State College, PA 16803

Cost: Registration is required, but TU members (Spring Creek Chapter or other chapters) are free. There is a \$17.50 fee for non-TU members, which includes the cost of a ½ price membership. (All participants must be members of TU to ensure that each volunteer is covered under the liability policy).

Registration: To register for the CCC training, please send an email to **Mitchell Blake** at mblake@tu.org or call 814-977-0007, and provide your name, phone number and chapter name by March 13. Directions to the training session and an agenda will be provided the week of the training session.

The following streams in our membership area are of particular interest to the CCC water quality monitoring program, we especially encourage members that live in close proximity to these streams to attend: Laurel Run, Bald Eagle Creek, Upper Moshannon Creek, Dicks Run, Laurel Run, Middle Moshannon Creek, Lick Run, Moravian Run, Sandy Run, Beech Creek, Upper Three Runs, Lower Three Runs, Burns Run and Birch Island Run.

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.

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Watershed Cleanup Day April 20

Once again, Spring Creek Chapter TU is participating in ClearWater Conservancy's annual Watershed Cleanup Day 2013 Watershed Cleanup Day Saturday April 20.

As in the past few years SCCTU will be covering the area from the I-99 overpass on Houserville Road downstream to the Rock and from the Rock up to Airport Road. Additionally, we will be covering the area from the McCoy Dam parking area up stream to the Gas Station. If you are capable of wading and willing to do so please bring your waders. Gloves and trash bags will be provided. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Rock parking area and at the McCoy Dam site parking area for those who will be helping with the lower section. As always a lunch will be provided at Millbrook Marsh Nature Center following the clean-up. Please let **Chris Haser** know if you will be attending and which area you would prefer to assist with by either calling him at 814-235-5343 or (preferably) e-mailing him at brookiebrown@comcast.net

LJRA needs help with cleanup

The Little Juniata River Association will hold its 9th Annual River Bank Clean-up Saturday, April 6 from 9 a.m. until noon. Participants will meet at the Spruce Creek United Methodist Church parking lot (Route 45 in Spruce Creek). We will clean-up river banks and parking areas from Bellwood to Barree. All bags and gloves furnished. A free hot lunch will be served afterwards courtesy of the Spruce Creek United Methodist Church. For more information, contact Bill Anderson at 814-684-5922, bjuniata@verizon.net or [Click Here](#) to visit on the Web.

Calling all Coldwater Kids

SCCTU will once again be participating in the PATU Wayne's Coldwater Kids event on April 28, 2013 on the famous Spruce Creek in Central PA. This is a great youth event for students age 12-15 who have experience in fly fishing. Spring Creek Chapter of TU will sponsor 6 kids from the chapter membership and cover the \$10 registration fee per student. Since this is a limited opportunity, if you have any interested kids, sign up as soon as possible. Slots will be filled on a first come first serve basis. For more details and registration form, contact **Chris Haser** at brookiebrown@comcast.net or at 814-235-5343. Also needed are members/parents who are willing to serve as mentors.

Youth camp scholarship available

Each year Trout Unlimited sponsors a youth fly fishing camp in Boiling Springs (near Harrisburg) at the Allenberry Resort Inn. The 2013 Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp will be held June 16 to 21.

The Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited has \$250 budgeted to assist a youth to attend this camp. The cost for tuition, room and board is \$350. The camp is co-ed for ages 14 to 17 (applicants must have been born between June 21, 1995 and June 16, 1999) Fly fishing equipment is available for loan if needed. Campers receive all course materials, a vest, camp tee shirt, hat, and flies. There are 10 fishing sessions on the catch and release section of the Yellow Breeches held prior to breakfast and after dinner each day. Classes are taught by more than 25 different instructors, all experts in their field.

For detailed information [Click Here](#)

Contact Judi Sittler with questions regarding the scholarship at jsittler@comcast.net

On the Fly needs your help

The Centre County Youth Service Bureau has invited SCCTU members to consider taking part in the 17th annual On The Fly fishing tournament May 13 at Wayne Harpster's Evergreen Farm on Spruce Creek. In 2012 net revenue for this event exceeded \$57,000, all of which is used for YSB programs and services. In the past 16 years community members have helped raise over \$700,000 which has been used to serve children, youth and families in the centre region. To take part in the event as a sponsor or angler, contact **Andrea Boyles** at 814-237-5731 or email at aboyles@ccysb.com. For more information about the Centre County Youth Service Bureau [Click Here](#)

Free TU Membership for women

National TU is offering free 1-year memberships for women. To sign up, [Click Here](#).

From the stream....

Richard A. Gordonsent in this pic of a pretty brown in the net last fall on Spring Creek. Thanks for the photo, Richard!



Send us your 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

Our Mission

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