



43rd Annual Dinner and FUNraiser

Spring is here and it's time for our annual banquet.

Auction and raffle items are waiting for you at the Mountain View Country Club. We have fishing gear, woodworking, pottery, artwork, car detailing, dinners and more. Add in friends and lots of laughs and it's sure to be a great night to support a good cause. Advance tickets are on sale now!

When: April 16, 2016 5:30 - 9:30PM

Where: Mountain View Country Club

[Click Here](#) - for Registration Form and details. Note - Advance ticket reservations must be received by April 2, 2016 for lowest price.

Can't attend? **You can still help by making a donation or becoming a sponsor.** We gratefully accept donated items for our auction, monetary donations or you can become an event sponsor.

[Click Here](#) for information on how to make a donation

[Click Here](#) for information and the benefits you receive for becoming a sponsor. Sponsorship levels include Brook Trout - \$500, Brown Trout - \$250 and Rainbow Trout - \$100.

SCCTU Presents at Keystone Coldwater Conference

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Our Mission

To conserve, protect and restore Spring Creek's coldwater fishery and watershed

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Member Meetings

Join us the first Thursday of the month, 7:30 pm, to hear speakers on a variety of fishing and conservation subjects.

[Calendar of Events](#)

Board Meetings

Board meetings are open to all members. They are held at the State College Comfort Suites

Chapter President Bob Vierck and Tyler Neimond of PA Fish and Boat Commission presented a well-received talk at the recent Keystone Coldwater Conference. The presentation titled "Aggressive Partnering to Leverage Stream Conservation Habitat Improvements"



highlighted the lessons our organizations learned over many successful years working together. The conference was sponsored by Pennsylvania Council of Trout Unlimited. A video of the presentation can be found here: [Video](#)

Pennsylvania Youth Trout Camps

Looking for an opportunity to get a teen you know more involved in conservation or fly fishing? There is a variety of youth camps in PA and nationally - Wildlife Leadership Academy, Conservation Leadership School, TU National Teen Summit, TU Rivers Conservation Fly Fishing Youth Camp, Keystone College/Trout Unlimited Teens Conservation Camp.



For more details and links to the camps click here: [Youth Camps 2016](#)

Meeting Schedule

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Veterans Service Program Streamside Opener – A Rainy Success

The rain didn't stop 59 members or our special the first on stream VSP day included fishing, great special presentations and a members were said to be

In a very special veterans were presented commemorating the 50th War's end as a thank you by the Veterans Affairs Bureau Reintegration and Outreach. that he was deeply touched never been thanked



veterans, volunteers, family guests from coming out for meeting of 2016. Opening food, games for the kids, hatchery tour where VSP "nerding out".

moment our Vietnam with a lapel pin Anniversary of the Vietnam Richard Hamp, Director of of Programs, Initiatives, One veteran commented by the gesture as he had before.

Guests included PFBC Executive Director John Arway, Congressman Glenn "GT" Thompson, PA Director of Veteran Affairs Richard Hamp, Centre County Director of Veteran Affairs Bryan McQuarry, Clearwater Conservancy Director Deb Nardone, and AVP of the Penn State Office of Physical Plant Ford Stryker.

As to the wet conditions GT reminded everyone that the fish don't care - and we didn't care either. It was a great outreach day for all concerned



Photographs courtesy of Mark Nale.



Duck Pond Plaque Dedication

A long overdue dedication for our Chapter's first big project is coming in May. In 1977 the Chapter built a dike to separate the warm duck pond water from the cold Thompson Spring/Thompson Run water. A bronze plaque was made to commemorate the job. That plaque was never installed and was forgotten in many different closets across town. We are happy to announce that the plaque is finally where it should be. After being attached to a beautiful limestone rock by stone mason Phil Hawk it was placed at the entrance to the Duck Pond. A small dedication ceremony will be held on May 15th, at 2 PM.



Those in attendance will include Joe Humphreys, the driving force behind the work, John Arway, Executive Director of the PA Fish and Boat Commission, Dan Hawbaker, of G.O. Hawbaker, the construction firm who did the heavy lifting at the site, and some of the TU members who worked on the project.

Upcoming Meeting, Speakers and Events

We have a great lineup of speakers for 2016. Join us the first Thursday of each month, 7:30pm, at the Comfort Suites Inn, 132 Village Drive, State College, Pa 16803

The following is a list of general meeting speakers and other events in the area:

- March 19:** Fly Pool, Union County Sportsman's Club in Weikert, PA.
9:00 AM - 12 or after. Coffee, snacks and lunch is provided. This event features fly tyers sharing new materials and methods that benefit. Learn what works on Penns Creek.
Email Jim for details: jimhepner@icloud.com
- April 7:** Kevin Compton from Performance Flies
Presentation and fly tying demo
Topic: Nymphs: Matching the Naturals with Attractor Patterns
More Details here: [Kevin Compton](#)
- April 16:** **43rd Annual Dinner and FUNraiser**
- April 23:** Watershed Cleanup Day
Email me if you'd like to volunteer: [Email Me](#)
- May 5:** Greg Hoover, A Flyfisher's Entomology: Some Conversations I've Overheard at Fly Shops Across the US
- June 12:** SCCTU's National Get Outdoors Day community picnic and fishing event.
More details to come.
- April to Fall:** Veterans Service Program fishing outings, 2nd and 4th Sunday's of each month at Fisherman's Paradise.
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