

# Tertiary Treatment



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## MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**No membership meeting this month. Volunteer instead! See below.**

## SPRING CREEK HABITAT PROJECT HELP NEEDED

**Spring Creek Habitat Projects Need Your Help. Art Kempf.**

It's time again to work on in-stream habitat improvement projects for Spring Creek. SCCTU has received significant grant monies for projects to be completed during the next 3 years. The project work needs will be similar to last year's efforts at the Sheep Farm. Please consider volunteering your time in late August-early September to support this important work.

The two project areas are planned for 2008 are:

### **McCoy Dam, Bellefonte August 25-29 , 5:30pm -Dark**

Large rock vanes will be installed and some eroded bank smoothing will be done by PFBC using heavy equipment. Some large rocks will also be placed in the stream bed for habitat enhancement. Volunteers will be needed to seed/mulch areas disturbed during the construction. Beverages will be provided.

### **PFBC Property above SR550 September 2-5 , 8am - 4:30pm and 5:30pm -Dark**

Three large log/rock deflectors will be installed (similar to those at Paradise) and some large rocks will be distributed to enhance habitat. A small amount of large rock placement will also be done near the lower parking area (platform section) of the stream. Volunteers will be needed to support installation of the deflectors and to seed/mulch areas disturbed during the construction . Evening work will primarily focus on seeding/mulching. Lunch and beverages will be provided..

Safety equipment will also be provided as required during both projects .

Also, please keep mind that Sept 8-12 has been set aside as a back-up week in case of bad weather or other unforeseen delays. Please try to keep that time available in your schedule..just in case...

Check your calendars, bring a friend.. Call or email Art Kempf to volunteer. Thanks . 814-861-1538, [awkempf@comcast.net](mailto:awkempf@comcast.net)

**Public Meeting**  
**“Community Alternatives to**  
**the Rockview Land Transfer”**  
**Wednesday, July 30, 2008**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Patton Township Community Meeting Room**  
**100 Plaza Drive, State College.**

**Come and share your ideas to preserve the Rockview land, including the Canyon and the Uplands, as one property for public use in perpetuity.**

***It's not over yet!***

***Let your voice be heard!***

***Sponsored by the Spring Creek Canyon Alliance.***  
***C-Net coverage sponsored by Centre County Government***

**Bellefonte Museum for the Families of Centre County**

Announcing the exhibition:

***Art and Science of Fly-fishing: Remembering George Harvey***  
***July 20<sup>th</sup> through October 15, 2008***

We are pleased to announce a significant exhibition, "The Art and Science of Fly-fishing: Remembering George Harvey", to open July 20th and continue through the fall at the Bellefonte Museum for Families of Centre County. The museum occupies an historic property in the heart of Bellefonte.

Fly-fishing is important to our region. It is not only a sport for all ages but has environmental worth. For generations, fly-fishing has attracted a wide range of folks including several United States presidents. The ideal conditions in Happy Valley and the enormous popularity of the sport has created local legends contributing techniques to the sport and many significant books about fly-fishing.

The exhibition will recognize the incalculable contributions made by George Harvey to fly-fishing and creek conservation education. Mr. Harvey passed away a few months ago in his mid nineties. He is a household name and legend. Raised in Dubois, a champion athlete and graduated from The Penn State University, George Harvey

stayed in Centre County and taught angling and fly-fishing courses at Penn State. He wrote many important books and manuals about fly-fishing, including information about streams and water flow, fish, conservation and insects. Collectors cherish the flies he tied and many will be on view in the exhibition.

We will also be featuring the remarkable career of Joe Humphreys, author, master teacher and living legend in Center County. Joe has taught US Presidents, governors, and master fly-fishers. The exhibition will show film footage of Mr. Humphrey- fishing, teaching and talking about local fishing legacies as well as his concern for conservation of fishing waters.

The Bellefonte Museum is located at 133 Allegheny Street, directly across from the Post Office. If driving from State College on Rt. 150, turn right onto High Street, then left at the court house. The museum's normal hours are 1-4 PM on Thursday through Sunday, but you can call Pat House at 814-353-1369 for an appointment if you have a group to visit. Allen Phillips.

Board of Directors  
Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited  
Meeting of June 16, 2008, 7:30 p.m.  
Comfort Inn Suites, State College, PA.

Board Members present: Bill Brusse(President), Jeff Senior, Rick Van Horn, Dick Stevens, Bob Donaldson, Ted Trostle, Allen Phillips, Jay Lynch and Bob Eberhart.

Minutes. Minutes of the meeting of May 19 were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report. Rick Van Horn presented the Treasurer's Report dated June 13, 2008. The report showed a Net Worth of \$135,652.19. The large increase in Net Worth was due to receipt of funds for the DCNR and Embrace-A-Stream habitat improvement grants.

First Cast. Ted Trostle reported that all 18 spots for this year's First Cast program have been filled and there are seven other applicants on the waiting list. Dates of the program are July 14-18 and July 21-25. More volunteers are needed especially for the in-stream sessions. A few tying vises and fly line reels may be needed. Letters requesting financial assistance have been sent to twelve area businesses. There was discussion of how more publicity could be gotten for this program. It was suggested that the program might be promoted in the Chapter newsletter, on our website, in PATrout and in Mark Nale's column.

Display Board. Bill Brusse provided information about display boards available through Office Depot. The Board chose a three-panel board, with a blue background and overall dimensions of 36" high X 72" wide. Allen Phillips agreed to pick the board up.

An exhibit will be needed by July 18 when the Chapter will have a display at the West Branch of the Susquehanna Restoration Symposium at the Penn Stater. Dick Stevenson will prepare the exhibit and Bob Eberhart will set it up at the symposium.

Habitat Committee Update. Art Kempf distributed a written report from the Habitat Committee. A new grant of \$44,000 dollars has been received from NFWF. Required matching funds will come from the DCNR C2P2 grant. Work on the McCoy dam and Rte. 550 sites is planned for late August and early September. Important areas of concern include a)the immediate need for an attorney to act on behalf of the Chapter in preparing the "Certification of Bid Requirements", a critical item for contract compliance, b) the promotion of PFBC's Jason Detar who has worked closely with the

chapter in preparing the grant application but whose work with the Chapter's project will be phased out and whose replacement may require several months, c)the need for definition of the role of Katie Ombalski who will be funded by PFBC to support grant documentation, and d) how to manage funds from various grants in order to simplify the procedures and get the most out of the funds.

Spring Creek Canyon Update. It was reported that legislation sponsored by Rep. Mike Hanna that would transfer some 1400 acres of Rockview land to Penn State and Benner Township had been approved by the State Government Committee of the State House of Representatives and would likely soon be voted on by the entire House.

Request for Funds for Rivers Conservation Camp. A request from Zeph Thull for financial assistance to attend the Rivers Conservation Camp has been received. The Board approved (7-2) awarding him \$250 for this purpose provided that he make a report to the Board of his experience at the camp and that he consider becoming a member of Trout Unlimited.

Summer Board Meetings. Bill Brusse recommended that regularly scheduled meetings of the Board be suspended during the summer months. If necessary, special Board meetings to consider pressing matters would be called. In some instances, e-mail votes could be conducted. The Board agreed to this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Eberhart  
Secretary

## **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](http://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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President	Bill Brusse
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Treasurer	Rick Van Horn
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## Start or Renew Your TU Membership through SCTU

When 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 \*

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Regular Membership (\$35)

City \_\_\_\_\_

Family Membership (\$50)

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Senior/Student (\$20)

Individual Life (\$1000)\*\*

Family Life (\$1100)\*\*

Business Member (\$295)

Conservator Member (\$250)

### CHAPTER: Spring Creek TU #185

\* US Dollars Only

\*\* No further dues

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