

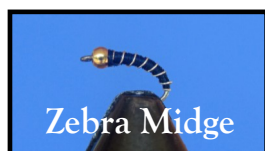


*MARCH, 2012*

**Catskill Fly Fishing Trip!**  
*May 11-13*  
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**Sign Up TODAY!**

March 31  
**ANNUAL**  
**BANQUET –**  
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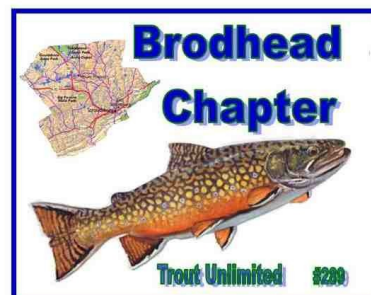


Zebra Midge

**Scott Cesari's**  
**FLY OF THE MONTH**  
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*Streamside*



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Once again, I am sitting here on a warm day in February, writing this column as the temperatures remain in the forty to fifty degree range. Twice last week I found little black stoneflies crawling on the wall outside my house. I have also received emails from Todd Burns indicating that he noticed hatches of them while fishing the Pocono Creek. The fishing season seems to be knocking on the door with this warm weather. We all should be readying gear, tying flies and getting out whenever possible to fish.

The PA Fish & Boat Commission web page is a great place to start. Eric Weredyk, Northeast Region Waterways Conservation Officer, stopped by our February meeting to explain how the commission's webpage has been made more interactive and useful to anglers. You can look at county maps and check where streams are to fish, check on local reports on fishing or order your license on-line and print it. I asked Eric to explain "Approved Trout Waters" to our members. Basically any stream on the list of Approved Trout Waters is being managed and or stocked by the Fish Commission; these waters are closed to fishing March 1, 2012, while stocking is taking place. Streams that are not listed are not being managed, and you are able to fish them as long as you practice catch and release. You must have a trout stamp to fish any stream. You may also fish any delayed harvest, or catch and release (fly fishing only) stream.

All of our board members are selling tickets for our March 31 banquet, and we are actively soliciting donations for prizes for the banquet. You can contact any board member or call Eric Baird (570) 355-0165 to get tickets.

We had a dozen people take Scott's basic fly tying class, and he just completed an intermediate class. If you are interested, Scott has the basic course on DVD to purchase with some of the proceeds going to the chapter. If you want a "preview," look at Scott's website; there is a link on our website to his URL. <http://www.scottcesariflytying.com/resources/beginner-fly-tying-class/>

On March 10, the Monroe County Environmental Education Center is offering their 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fly Fishing Seminar. We could use any members who wish to tie flies during the event. We donate these flies as door prizes for the people attending. This year, we decided to offer a "Day on the Water" so the people can try fly fishing and tie a fly of their own to fish at Zacky's Pond in East Stroudsburg on April 21. If you would like to help that afternoon, call me or any board member to volunteer.

Volunteers are also welcome for the April 14<sup>th</sup> Kids Trout Fishing Tournament sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Stroud Township, Pa. Fish & Boat Commission and Brodhead TU.

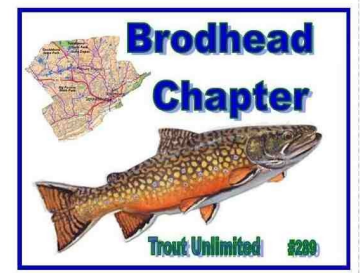
May 9 will be an outing with Project Healing Waters at the Indian Mountain Rod & Gun Club. Please call me if you are coming so we know how many volunteers we will have.

**AND, the deadline to register for our May 11-13 Catskill Fly Fishing Trip is March 15!**

We will be fishing the Beaverkill River and Willowemoc Creek. We still have a few spots left. Will Daskal has put together a complete presentation on a CD for all those attending. Call or e-mail Will if you're not certain which flies you should prepare. The trip is scheduled during the beginning of major hatches for that area!

*Tight lines!*

*Tom*




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**Treasurer's Report: January 15 — February 15, 2012**



<b>Starting Balance (1/15/12):</b>	<b>\$8,364.53</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$44.00</b>
<b>Income:</b>	<b>\$936.00</b>
<b>Ending Balance (2/15/12)</b>	<b>\$9,256.53</b>





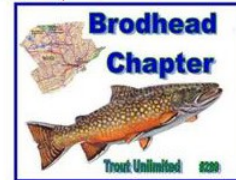
THE BRODHEAD CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED  
PROUDLY ANNOUNCES ITS 14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

# BANQUET!

SATURDAY, MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2012



AT THE  
**POCONO INNE TOWN**  
700 MAIN STREET, CORNER OF NO. 7<sup>TH</sup> ST.  
STROUDSBURG, PA



**CASH BAR AT 5:30 PM    DINNER AT 6:30 PM**  
**CONSERVATION PROGRAM BEGINS AT 7:30 PM**

FUN-FILLED EVENING INCLUDES RAFFLE PRIZES OF RODS, REELS, FISHING EQUIPMENT,  
FISHING ACCESSORIES, CLOTHING, FINE ART; SPECIAL PRIZES FOR THE LADIES AND A  
SPECIAL CHILDREN'S DINNER MENU!

ADMISSION CHARGE IS JUST \$25.00 PER ADULT; \$12.50 PER CHILD  
PAYABLE IN ADVANCE...ACT NOW TO RESERVE A TABLE FOR EIGHT!

FOR TICKETS & PROGRAM INFORMATION, CONTACT ERIC BAIRD  
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**GREAT  
PRIZES!**

TICKET DEADLINE IS MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>

CUTOFF NUMBER IS 175 SEATS!

Complete and return this portion with your check payable to: **Brodhead Chapter of Trout Unlimited**

**Eric Baird, 267 3rd Street, Pocono Pines, PA 18050**

**HURRY! THE TICKET DEADLINE IS MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>!**

☐ Yes, I'll be there! Send me \_\_\_\_\_ adult tickets at \$25.00 each; plus \_\_\_\_\_ children's tickets at \$12.50 each, totaling \$ \_\_\_\_\_, which I have enclosed. My ADULT dinner choices are (indicate number of meals) Baked Salmon: \_\_\_\_\_ Sliced London Broil: \_\_\_\_\_.

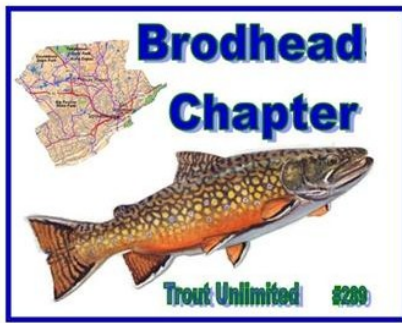
☐ I would like to reserve a table for eight. ☐ I would like to reserve \_\_\_\_\_ Children's meals.

☐ I am unable to attend, but please accept my tax-deductible contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_



# Catskills Fly-Fishing Trip!



**JOIN US FOR 3-GLORIOUS DAYS FLY-FISHING THE  
HISTORIC WATERS OF THE CATSKILL MOUNTAINS!**

**May 11, 12 & 13!**

Lodgings at the popular RIVERSIDE CAFÉ & LODGE (Formerly the Silver Fox) — just 17 minutes from Roscoe and the legendary Junction Pool. Fish the same spots as the immortals: Lee & Joan Wulff, Art Flick, the Darby and Dette families! 10 minutes from the East Branch and 20 minutes from the Willowemoc Creek and Livingston Manor. **It's the perfect hub from which to fly fish the great streams of NY's Catskill Mountains!** Fishing access is excellent, with many nearby trout streams. Fly fishing shops and supplies are nearby, including an *Orvis* shop in Roscoe and *Fur, Fin & Feather* in Livingston Manor. The *Catskill Fly Fishing Center & Museum* is just 25 minutes away — a great place to visit!

Out-of-pocket car-pooling travel costs and daily meal expenses to be shared during the trip by each vehicle's occupants. Your only up-front Chapter cost is for 2-night's lodging (5/11 & 5/12) and all printed materials (fishing area maps, travel directions, local hatch chart) @ just \$100 for the entire weekend! *FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, an informative Power Point presentation will be available at the April 11th General Meeting to highlight the area streams, local pool locations and probable local hatches — all the information you'll need to make this ground-breaking trip a grand success!* Send your full payment payable to the "BRODHEAD CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED" @ \$100 per person to:

**ERIC BAIRD, 267 3rd Street, Pocono Pines, PA 18350 (570) 355-0165**

There are only 10 rooms available at the lodge, with 2-people sharing each room; thus, bookings will be strictly on a first-come basis — no exceptions. We anticipate a big response; so, **if you want to enjoy this historic trip, get your payment to Eric NOW!**



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER ANGLERS IN PARTY: \_\_\_\_\_

I WANT TO SHARE A ROOM WITH: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL NUMBER OF ROOMS NEEDED: \_\_\_\_\_

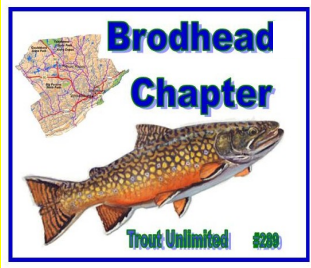
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**MARCH 15 REGISTRATION DEADLINE!**



## CHAPTER CALENDAR



### March 2012

Board Meeting – Mar. 7 @ 7:30p

Annual Fly Fishing Seminar @  
MCEEC—Mar. 10

**ANNUAL BANQUET – Mar.  
31**

### April 2012

Board Meeting – Apr. 4 @ 7:30p

General Meeting – Apr. 11 @  
7:30 pm: Fly-Fishing the BEA-  
MOC System

Kid's Trout Fishing Contest –  
Apr. 14 @ 8-10 AM @ Brodhead  
Pond

Fly Fishing Workshop @ Zachy's  
Pond – Apr. 21

Note: The Fly Tying Round-Robin, all General Meetings, the Annual Fly Fishing Symposium and all Fly Tying Classes, will be held in the Education Room of the Monroe County Conservation District Office on Running Valley Road in Bartonsville, PA.

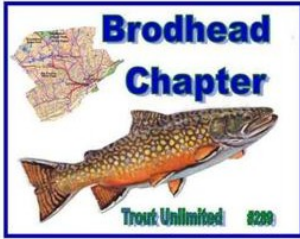
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## FISHING BUDDIES WANT YOU!

**T**he 2011 cadre of available Brodhead TU anglers who have volunteered their services for **Gerry Bortz' Fishing Buddies Program** are now ready to receive calls for the upcoming spring 2011 fishing season. Kindly plan ahead; don't call the night before you want to go fishing and expect the availability of one of our volunteers. **Please save this page and know that caring members of YOUR chapter are here to help any fledgling fly-fishers with "getting their feet wet" in one of our lovely local streams.** The following BTU chapter members have generously offered their time and expertise to assist fellow BTU members in learning the local waters: **Eric Baird** (570-355-0165; evenings & weekends; Toby-hanna, Hickory Run & Devil's Hole); **Tom Battista** (610-681-6307; Sunday mornings; any stream); **Gerry Bortz** (570-895-1099; weekdays; Brodhead & McMichaels Creeks); **Scott Cesari** (570-897-5830; Evenings & weekends; any streams); **Will Daskal** (610-381-6188; call for availability); **Jeff Heberley** (570-421-3184; any time; anywhere); **Glenn Hessler** (570-629-5492; weekends; Brodhead & McMichaels Creeks); **Tom Magera** (570-977-4381; weekdays in the morning & weekends any time; any stream); **Eric McLendon** (610-863-9097; anytime; anywhere); **Ron Mishkin** (570-460-5031; evenings & weekends; Brodhead & McMichaels Creeks and others); **Frank Russo** (570-839-3436; any time; anywhere); and **John Schriever** (570-722-9797; anytime; anywhere).

**D**on Baylor now chairs our chapter's FISHING TRIPS COMMITTEE so that we can add fishing trips to our litany of exciting BTU events and activities. **The first trip has been set for May 11-13. (See the flyer on page 5 of this issue!)** If you have a destination in mind that would be a great spot for a group of us to visit for a day, multi-day, or weekend fly fishing excursion, please share your ideas and information with Don @ (570) 992-3558! We're really looking forward to spicing up our chapter's activities and in getting more of our members involved in all things BTU. Also, remember that **YOU** can fill out a free raffle ticket **AT EVERY CHAPTER ACTIVITY** to win a gorgeous fly rod. The drawing will take place at our annual June picnic next year!



Brodhead Chapter of  
Trout Unlimited



Stroud Township  
Brodhead Creek Park



Father John T. Butler  
Council No. 4084



PA Fish  
Commission

# 36th Annual Knights of Columbus Children's Trout Fishing Contest



**April 14, 2012**  
8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.  
Registration 7:00 a.m.

*Opening Day of Trout Season*  
for children up to 12 years of age



at the pond at Brodhead Creek Park  
Rte. 191, just north of Big Wheel

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Rain or Shine  
**NO FEE... it's FREE!**  
Bring your own tackle and bait



# Fly of the Month

## *Scott Cesari*

*2006 PA State Fly Tying Champion*

*2006 Federation of Fly Fishers World Champion*

This month's fly supports the adage that less is more. The Zebra Midge is a nice, all-purpose nymph pattern. The black body with the highly contrasting gold bead and silver wire serves up a dish that trout find hard to resist. It's also a tiny fly, usually tied in size 18 or smaller, which also works in its favor. Think of these like a bowl full of popcorn that trout will snack on all day long!



### *Zebra Midge*

#### TYING STEPS

1. Load a bead onto the hook, then start your thread behind the bead. Make a thread base along the shank and part way around the bend of the hook.
2. Return the thread to the bead, then tie on a piece of silver wire. To do this, hold the wire beneath the shank at a 45 degree angle and trap it against the shank with 3 or 4 loose wraps of thread. Next, gently pull the wire straight back along the shank until the tip of the wire slides beneath the thread wraps. Now continue binding the wire to the bottom of the shank by holding the wire under moderate tension below the level of the hook and wrapping the thread in touching turns. Bind the wire to the point where your thread base ends, around the bend of the hook.
3. Return your thread to the bead (in touching turns.) Create a tapered body by layering thread part-way down the shank and back to the bead a few times until the taper is created. End this process with your thread hanging at the bead.
4. Rib the body with the silver wire. Tie off and trim the wire behind the bead. Whip finish behind the bead and cement.

<b><u>Hook:</u></b>	curved shank nymph hook, size 18 or smaller
<b><u>Thread:</u></b>	black, 8/0
<b><u>Head:</u></b>	gold bead
<b><u>Ribbing:</u></b>	silver wire
<b><u>Body:</u></b>	black thread

Tie up a bowl full of these and watch the trout come running! As always, feel free to contact me with any questions at [www.scottcesariflytying.com](http://www.scottcesariflytying.com), [smcesari@epix.net](mailto:smcesari@epix.net), or at 610-730-7928. **NOTE:** As there is no general meeting this month (instead of our meeting, we are having our annual banquet), this is NOT a contest fly. The contest will resume with next month's fly.



# Fly-Fishing the Catskill's BEA-MOC System!

**WHETHER YOU'LL BE JOINING US FOR 3-GLORIOUS DAYS  
FLY-FISHING THE HISTORIC WATERS OF THE CATSKILL  
MOUNTAINS NEXT MONTH OR YOU'LL BE ENJOYING THIS  
WONDERFUL FLY-FISHING REGION AT SOME FUTURE TIME,  
YOU'LL WANT TO ATTEND OUR NEXT MEETING!**



**A**t our next BTU chapter General Meeting on April 11<sup>th</sup>, Will Daskal, a veteran fly-fisher of the Catskill region, as well as founder of Wild Trout University Fly Fishing School in Horton, NY, will unlock the secrets of the BEA-MOC system and explain just where and how to fish this historic fly fishing watershed! This presentation will prepare you for the area streams, local pool locations and probable local hatches — all the information you'll need to make any trip there a memorable success!



**April 11, 2012 @ 7:30 pm; MCCD, 8050 Running Valley Rd., Bartonsville**

**Address Changes:    KINDLY NOTE**



If you have moved, or if you received a new physical address pursuant to the Monroe County 911E program, **only YOU can effect an address change through National TU.**

You can do it directly on the TU.org website by logging in to your account with your TU member number, or you can call them up directly at one of the following numbers: TOLL FREE: 1-800-834-2419; National Office: (703) 522-0200; Fax: (703) 284-9400 and make the change.

**We cannot do it for you!**

**Brodhead Chapter  
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Thanks for your understanding in this timely matter.—Ed.



# Streamside *asides*

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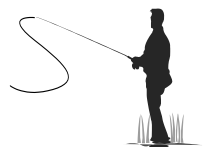
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schedule now and renew today. Our chapter's  
conservation activities are ever-increasing, and  
we need your support!


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