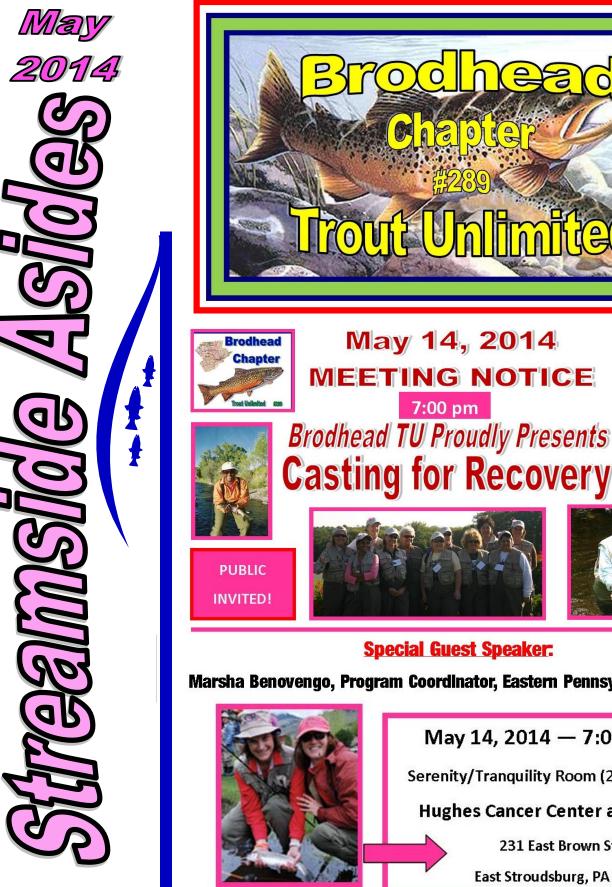
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**Special Guest Speaker:** 

Marsha Benovengo, Program Coordinator, Eastern Pennsylvania Program



May 14, 2014 — 7:00 pm

Serenity/Tranquility Room (2nd floor)

#### **Hughes Cancer Center at PMC**

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Starting Balance (March 23, 2014): \$11,009.36

Expenditures: \$4,574.27

Income: \$5,650.00

Balance (April 19, 2014): \$12,085.09

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#### The Home Pool

Tom Battista, President Brodhead Chapter – Trout Unlimited, 289 <u>e-mail: mooseowl511@gmail.com</u> (570) 236-1734

he trout fishing season has officially begun in the northern counties! The April 12 opening day saw temperatures start in the 40's which climbed to the 60's during the annual Kid's Brodhead Park Pond Trout Fishing Tournament sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Stroud Township, PA Fish and Boat Commission, and our Brodhead Chapter. The warmer temperatures greatly helped the young anglers' efforts, with over sixty trout caught and measured for the contest records. Successful young anglers took home several limits of fish on their stringers as well. In past years, we had as few as only twenty fish measured due to low temperatures during the contest.

We will help co-host Project Healing Waters at Indian Mountain Rod & Gun Club on May 14. I will be stocking for the event at 8:00 AM that morning. IMRGC graciously invites the veterans twice each year; this year the second date will be August 13. Anyone who would like to volunteer is welcome to join us. It would help if you called me so we will know how many people we will have on hand for the delicious picnic lunch.

Remember that on May 14 at 7:00 PM our next general Meeting will be held at the Hughes Cancer Center at Pocono Medical Center. The program will feature "Casting for Recovery," a program for breast cancer patients to introduce them to fly fishing.

On Saturday, May 17, our chapter will be participating in the Friends of Cherry Valley Spring Festival at their site in the National Wildlife Refuge on Upper Smith Gap Road in Ross Township. They have a stocked, cold, spring-fed pond

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for fishing, and we'll need volunteers to assist in helping the public fish. They have about thirty spin-cast rods and reels available. We will tie flies, demonstrate fly fishing, allow people to try fishing with fly tackle and hopefully develop new Chapter memberships (youth and adult).

Each summer, we do demonstrations and hands-on casting practice at Monroe County Conservation Camp at East Stroudsburg University's Stony Acres facility in Marshall's Creek. Thursday, July 24 is this year's date for our program. We'll start about 1:00 PM, and our presentation lasts two hours, with an hour for each group. Usually we tie flies, show Will's entomology power point and help the campers learn to cast. If you are available to assist please come along. It would help if you would let any officer know that you'll be attending, so we can make sure there will be enough people to help at the event.

Finally, don't forget our annual BTU Chapter Picnic will be held on Saturday, June 14, at Brodhead Park under Pavilion #2, the site of the Kid's Trout Fishing Tournament! The chapter provides the drinks, hot dogs and burgers, and fixings; to complete the menu, we all bring a covered dish or dessert to share.

Tight lines! Tom





Worth 1,000 words!



#### **Special Guest Speaker:**

#### Marsha Benovengo, Program Coordinator, Eastern Pennsylvania Program

**Casting for Recovery** is a unique program designed to enhance the quality of life of women breast cancer survivors by providing retreats designed to promote and support mental and physical healing through fly fishing! It utilizes counseling, medical education, and instruction in fly fishing to provide an opportunity for women at any age, or stage of treatment or recovery, to address survivorship issues. CFR is committed to socioeconomic and cultural diversity, and their fly fishing retreats are provided at no cost to participants! The amazing Casting for Recovery program, which was founded in 1996 by a breast cancer reconstructive surgeon and a professional fly fisher, has garnered endorsements from medical and psychosocial experts for its innovative healing program model and has received extensive national media coverage. Casting for Recovery, knowing that survivors may have few resources to address the medical and emotional issues they face, focuses on recovery, offering healing retreats that provide powerful tools to help women live full lives after a breast cancer diagnosis. There is no cost to participants to attend, other than the expenses involved in traveling to and from the retreat location. **Come to our May 14th Brodhead TU Chapter meeting at 7:00 pm and meet CFR Eastern PA Program Coordinator MARSHA BENOVENGO to learn more about this wonderful program and get information about their upcoming retreat at nearby Skytop Lodge this September 7-9, 2014.** 

NOTE: This Meeting will be held at a different location from our regular monthly general meetings. Instead of the MCEEC, <u>we will hold our May</u> <u>14th meeting at Pocono Medical</u> <u>Center</u>. Room location...









JOIN US FOR A HIGHLY REWARDING & ENJOYABLE DAY HELPING OUR MILITARY VETERANS ENJOY A DAY OF THERAPEUTIC FLY-FISHING!



# Please mark your calendars now!

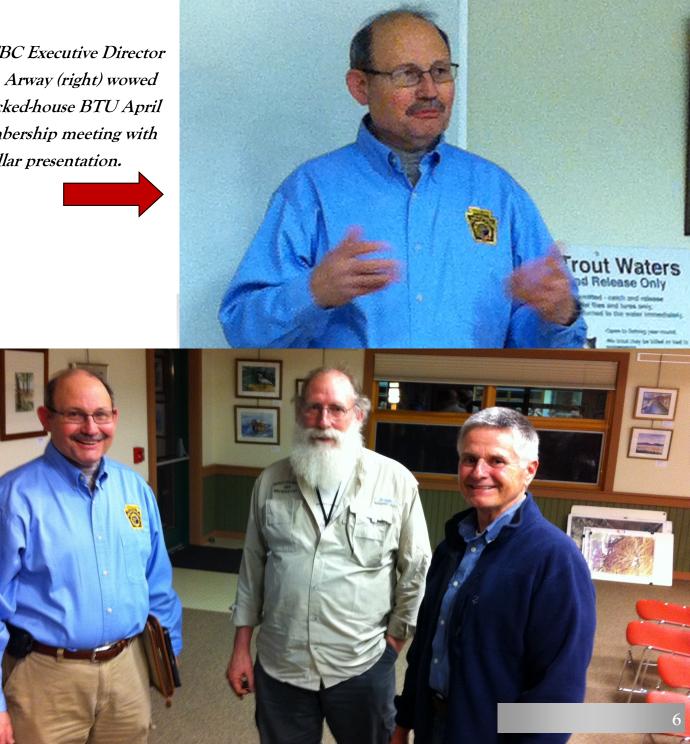
Project Healing Waters offers our Military Veterans a unique introduction to fly fishing as a therapeutic activity and will meet here at Indian Mountain Rod & Gun Club twice this year: on <u>May 14 and August 13</u>. IMRGC co-sponsors the day with the Brodhead Chapter of Trout Unlimited and also works closely with Heide & Dave Cebrick of the Stanley Cooper Sr. Chapter of Trout Unlimited to bring a ray of fishing sunshine into the lives of these wonderful Vets. Won't you come down and join us this year? Contact Tom Battista (570-236-1734) or Mike Schwartz (610-554-0025) for further info.



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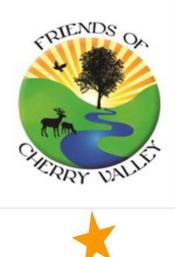
Thank you, JOHN ARWAY, for a fabulous presentation and sound, scientific explanation relating to how the PAFBC makes the key environmental decisions that affect the daily operation of our fishing and boating programs in the Keystone State!

PAFBC Executive Director John Arway (right) wowed a packed-house BTU April membership meeting with a stellar presentation.



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#### FREE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES

(fishing, archery, seedling planting, bird feeder & bird house building & much more)

- FREE DEMONSTRATIONS
- FREE NATURE WALKS

Visit with the folks from the Aquashicola / Pohopoco Watershed Conservancy, Blue Mt. Perservation Association, Brodhead Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Brodhead Watershed Association, Cherry Valley Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, Close the Loop, Come Alive Outside, Friends of the West End Park & Open Space Commission, Lenape Nation PA, Monroe County Open Space Program & the Conservation District, New Morning Holistic Health Services, PA Audobon—Lehigh Valley, PA American Water, PA Institute for Conservation Education/Wildlife Leadership Academy, Pocono Heritage Land Trust, Pocono Avian Research Center, The Nature Conservancy

#### Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge (Moreton Homestead Property)

at the

#### DIRECTIONS

Rt. 33 NORTH - Saylorsburg Exit to Stop sign, turn right. Proceed to next Stop sign (Lake House Hotel). Turn left on to Rt. 115 South and continue for 2.4 miles to Mountain Road on the right. Follow <u>Mountain Road</u> 2.5 miles to Refuge entrance on the right.

Rt. 33 SOUTH - 1st Wind Gap Exit. Turn right at Stop sign. Continue to 1st road on left—<u>Mountain Road</u>. Follow Mountain Road 2.5 miles to Refuge entrance on right.

#### Points WEST

Chestnut Ridge Road, left on to Upper Smith Gap Road continue for 5 miles which changes to Mountain Road (do not turn left on to Upper Smith Gap Road). Refuge entrance is on <u>Mountain Road</u> on left.

No entrance will be allowed from Upper Smith Gap Road the day of the festival.

> Questions prior to the festival: questions@focv.org OR 570-460-0463

Friends of Cherry Valley is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization whose mission is to conserve and enhance the natural and cultural resources, rural character and scenic beauty of the Cherry Valley area.

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**More Than Troug Don Miller** More Than Trout will be a periodic contribution to the Brodhead Chapter of Trout Unlimited's Award Winning TU Chapter Newsletter. This column will strive to highlight the many activities and benefits of our local

TU chapter's efforts and projects in the Monroe County

(Pocono) area of northeastern Pennsylvania.

As a national organization Trout Unlimited has championed the heritage of fishing in America. For over 35 years, Trout Unlimited has been America's leading trout and salmon conservation organization, dedicated to conserving, protecting and restoring cold-water fisheries; however, *TU is about far more than trout!* 

With hundreds of chapters spread all across the country and thousands of members, TU is an effective conservation voice on all matters of environmental and conservation issues affecting coldwater resources; additionally, those thousands of TU volunteers make a significant time and monetary contribution to the communities and economies of their home territories.

Locally, our Brodhead TU Chapter #289 is involved with a host of programs and activities that bring benefits of our Pocono community that reach far beyond the banks of clean stream and days spent on the water with a fly rod in hand. Yes, it is true that TU members as volunteer resource stewards are definitely interested in trout and the cold-water streams that support them, but it is about *far more than trout*.

<u>Our TU Mission</u>: To conserve, protect and restore North America's coldwater fisheries and their watersheds.

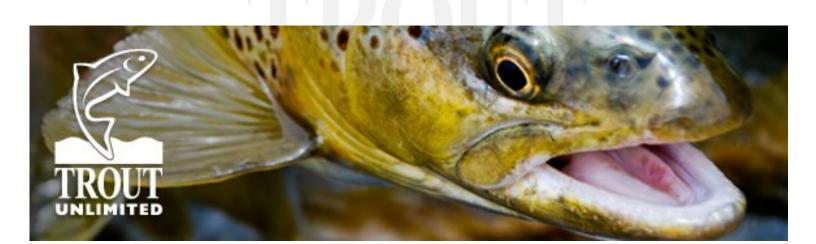
<u>Our TU Vision</u>: By the next generation, Trout Unlimited will ensure that robust populations of native and wild coldwater fish once again thrive within their North American range, so that our children can enjoy healthy fisheries in their home waters.

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Today TU is a national organization with more than 150,000 members organized into about 400 chapters from Maine to Montana to Alaska. This dedicated grassroots army is matched by a respected staff of lawyers, policy experts and scientists, who work out of more than 30 offices nationwide. These conservation professionals ensure that TU is at the forefront of fisheries restoration work at the local, state and national levels. To learn more, visit the TU website at: *http://www.tu.org/about-tu* 

Locally, with the start of the 2014 PA Trout Season upon us, the Brodhead Chapter has been busy for months already planning and presenting monthly public programs on a variety of topics to increase interest in our local water resources. Brodhead Chapter members have also planned a number of activities throughout our community including: Project Healing Waters, Casting for Recovery, Stream/Habitat Restoration Projects, Knight's of Columbus-Stroud Township Children's Fishing Program, Annual BTU Members and Friends Picnic, Meet and Greet with PAFBC Executive Director, John Arway, Embrace A Stream Wild Trout Project, Guided Fly-fishing Instruction on area streams and regional fishing outings. Interested in finding out more about local TU events and activities visit: http://www.brodheadstu.org/

If you're interested in becoming a part of TU and giving back to the fish and the places you value, kindly consider becoming a TU member and help us *'save the world, one trout at a time.'* It is not just TROUT, but healthy trout require healthy streams; and healthy streams mean clean water. The last time I checked, we humans all share a common need with trout – we need clean water.



#### TU is "MORE THAN TROUT".

# Streamside Asides May, 2014 **Brodhead TU** Annual PICNIC & B Saturday, **June 14, 2014 3 pm until dark** Brodhead Park - Rt. 191 Stroudsburg

Bring a covered dish or bring a dessert to share with the gang! Plenty of "Good Eats" to tempt everyone's palette. As always, it's FREE for all our members and family. We'll provide the meat, buns and beverages. This is always a great event and a wonderful time for sharing good food, good friends and great fish stories!





Afterwards, we'll be fly-fishing in the Brodhead Creek, which is just a short cast from the BBQ grill.

# ALSO: CASTING CONTEST & FREE FLY ROD DRAWING!!!

WOW! What a great way to spend a day!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS WONDERFUL ANNUAL CHAPTER SOCIAL EVENT!

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# We Had a Ball





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*Honored Guests:* TV personalities, Alex & JoAnne Zidock from BRCTV's *Out in the Open* had a ball!

#### Silver Trout Award

*Winner:* Beaming Eric Baird, and his lovely bride, Amy, pose with Eric's just awarded, prestigious Silver Trout Award!



*President Tom Battista:* A very happy BTU Chapter President Tom Battista shows off his President's Award of Administrative Achievement and a painting presented to him recognizing him for seven years of dedicated service!

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#### FISHING BUDDIES WANT YOU!

he 2012 cadre of available Brodhead TU anglers who have volunteered their services for Gerry Bortz' Fishing Buddies Program are always ready to receive calls for the trout fly 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; Tobyhanna, 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).

# JOIN US ON FACEBOOK!

#### The State of Our Membership:

Adult Members = 186

Youth Members = 4

Total Chapter Members-190



#### **CONTEST FLIES AND RECIPES**

ANNOUNCING THE BRODHEAD CHAPTER TROUT UNLIMITED

#### "BRING HOME THE BENJAMIN"

#### **FLY TYING CONTEST**

sponsored in part by SCOTT CESARI'S FLY TYING

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#### CONTEST RESULTS!



**Royal Wulff** 

Hook: dry fly, size 12 Thread: black Tail: deer hair Wing: white calf tail Body: Peacock herl with red floss middle Hackle: brown



**Bead Head Prince Nymph** 

Hook: size 12 2XL nymph hook Thread: black Head: gold bead Tail: rust biot Body: peacock herl Rib: oval silver tinsel Throat: brown hackle Wing Case Strips: white biots tied in a "V" orientation



**Mickey Finn** 

Hook: size 8 streamer hook Body: silver mylar Rib: oval silver tinsel Wing: yellow over red over yellow bucktail, with the top yellow bunch equal to the combined girth of the bottom yellow and red bunches

And the winners are First Place: Gerry Bortz

# Second Place: Will Daskal

Third Place: Mike Schwartz

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#### Small Streams Matter to All Who Live Downstream

Reprinted from ROLLCALL, April 11, 2014

#### By Chris Wood

Trout season – the harbinger of spring and warmer weather – is upon us, and I'm looking forward to taking my kids fishing and swimming in our favorite stream along our land in West Virginia.

It might not look like much, but we're happy to catch bass and blue gill and see who can skip stones the farthest. The stream is a tributary to the Potomac River, the drinking water supply to Washington, D.C., which, according to my Dad when he lived here in the 1960s, was a "smelly cesspool that would make you sick." As I write this, I can feel in the ache in my forearm from the healthy shad I caught and released on the Potomac yesterday, many dozen miles downstream from my West Virginia creek.

Thank you for that memory, Clean Water Act.

The tributary to the Potomac that my boys and I fish and swim, runs dry in stretches in the summer. For that reason, it is called an intermittent or ephemeral stream. Until 2006, streams such as these – that provide clean water to downstream communities, places for fish to grow and rear, and a ton of fun for me and my kids – were protected by the Clean Water Act.

Two politically charged Supreme Court cases in 2001 and 2006, threw 30 years of legal logic and stability on its head. The court took away the protections of the Clean Water Act for my intermittent West Virginia stream — and 60 percent of the nation's stream miles. EPA has proposed reapplying protections to intermittent and ephemeral rivers and streams and trout and salmon habitats all around the country.

Trout Unlimited is a science-driven organization, and in this case the science is clear. Better habitat translates to better fishing. That's why Trout Unlimited and other sportsmen's groups are applauding the EPA proposal to restore the clear protection of the Clean Water Act to thousands of miles of headwater streams across the country. Look no farther than the Potomac River to see that the Clean Water Act is one of the best examples of a law that does what it is supposed to do — make rivers more fishable and swimmable.

Trout Unlimited works with farmers and ranchers across the country, from vintners in California, to ranchers in Colorado, to dairy farmers in Wisconsin, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, and we want this proposed rule to work for them. The proposal does not change any of the existing rules for regular farming activities, and makes clear that ditches, irrigated fields and ponds are not regulated by the Clean Water Act. No one is interested in regulating a farmer's ditch, swale or pond. And as important as farming is, remember that fishing is an industry, too – and it's worth \$48 billion per year, at that.

Thank you, EPA, for having the common sense to recognize the vital importance of intermittent and ephemeral streams to swimmable and fishable water in this country. If you love to fish or to while away an afternoon on a cool, clean river, tell the EPA that you support restoring the protections of the Clean Water Act.

Chris Wood is the president and CEO of Trout Unlimited

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#### **THEY'RE BACK**

#### **Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited Hats**

#### You Asked, We Listened



#### Now Available

Six Panel Low Profile Baseball caps embroidered with Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited #289 insignia for only

#### \$10.00

Actual colors may vary from photograph

One Size Fits All

#### **LIMITED TIME OFFER**

#### **Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited Fly Boxes with 6 Flies**

These miss-printed boxes are our mistake, but your gain

#### Now Available

Small foam backed fly boxes with the Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited #289 logo and 6 quality flies for only

#### \$10.00

Actual flies may not match photograph This item would normally retail at more than \$15.00



### These quality items will be available for purchase at all Brodhead Chapter functions while supplies last.

**Cash or Check Only** 

All proceeds benefit the Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited

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#### **NOW AVAILABLE**

#### ITEM! Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited Shirts

#### You Asked, We Listened



Now Available

Columbia's Men's Bahama™ II Long Sleeve Shirt & Women's Bahama™ Long Sleeve Shirt in Fossil color embroidered with Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited #289 insignia for only



Normally retails for over \$45.00



Designed specifically for the needs of anglers, this lightweight, durable nylon shirt dries fast, with mesh-lined cape vents at the back shoulder to keep you cool and built-in UV protection. Made from Omni-Shade 100% nylon.

#### **Construction:**

Omni-Shade UPF 30 provides maximum protection for long hours in the sun

Hidden vents at shoulders add bonus breathability

Buttons at upper arm to convert to a short sleeve

Quick dry

Relaxed fit

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Hendrickson Ephemerella subvaria			-					-			
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Sedge Caddis Hydropsyche morosa, bronta, sparna			*******								
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Large Sulfur Ephemerella invaria				-							
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#### 2014 Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting May 30 – June 1, 2014 State College, PA

Join fellow anglers and TU volunteer leaders from across the Mid-Atlantic on May 30 - June 1, 2014 in State College, PA.

Who should attend? Anyone committed to building effective TU chapters and councils.

**What will you learn?** Opportunities abound to develop your governance skills and practices, discover solutions to your leadership challenges, and increase your understanding of the key trends and coldwater conservation issues impacting that Mid-Atlantic region. TU regional meetings are occasions to be inspired – by the work of TU staff, lessons from leaders and conversations with newfound friends.

**Registration and Cost?** The total cost is \$100 and includes:

- Participation in all seminars and workshops on Friday, Saturday and Sunday;
- Breakfast and lunch Friday, Saturday and Sunday;
- And a barbecue dinner Saturday night

Attendees may register for any one day individually as well:

- Just the Friday Women's Specific Seminar (\$30;)
- Just Saturday's Workshops and Seminars (\$30;)
- Just Sunday morning's Workshops and Seminars (\$20;)
- Or just the Saturday Barbecue (\$20.)

#### Schedule

#### Friday, May 30 – Women's Specific Seminar & Optional Half Day of Fishing

This day-long session is designed to arm volunteer leaders with tools to help grow and maintain your women's membership and encourage the women in TU to become leaders within our organization. We offer leadership training, membership growth/retention, event/activity planning, and time for networking, too! For details, contact Heidi Oberstadt, TU's Women's Membership Coordinator at 715.573.5104 or <u>hoberstadt@tu.org</u>.

If you've never fished the pristine streams around State College, PA you are in for a treat. There will certainly be something for everyone. Many popular fishing destinations are close by including Spring Creek, Little Juniata and Fishing Creek. More information will be provided directly to those that indicate on the registration their interest in the fishing option.

#### Saturday, May 31 – Workshops/Seminars & Evening Barbecue

The Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting is designed to provide TU volunteer leaders with valuable tools and skills you can bring home to help improve the effectiveness of councils and chapters. Saturday's full-day session will include group discussions, concentrated workshops and opportunities for council and chapter leaders to share successes and discuss common challenges. A detailed agenda will be provided online soon. Join us on Saturday evening for an outdoor barbecue. This is always a great time and the perfect opportunity to get to know TU members from other parts of the region.

Sunday, June 1 – Morning Workshops and Seminars & Optional Half Day of Fishing

Sunday's sessions will follow the same format as Saturday; however, we will end after lunch to allow attendees to fish.

**Lodging** Accommodations for the Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting are provided by <u>the Ramada Conference &</u> <u>Golf Hotel and Mountain View Country Club</u>; 1450 South Atherton St.; State College, PA 16801.

Rates \$82/night

**Reservations** (814) 238-3001 ask for the Trout Unlimited Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting Room Block **before** April 30, 2014.





#### Sportsmen Alliance for Marcellus Conservation

# Paula Piatt

Here's an update on this week's Legislative session in Harrisburg.

Sportsmen were critical in delaying consideration by legislators of House Bill 1576, the Endangered Species Coordination Act, which was slated for a vote the week of March 10.

At this point, the original bill is not likely to be voted on in its current form. TU staff will continue to closely follow the progression of this bill and threats to Pennsylvania's fish and wildlife, and will be ready to mobilize our membership and other sportsmen and women when needed to make sure that wild trout streams and sensitive species are protected.

Thank you for all you've done so far to help this effort. We need to remain vigilant, however, and continue to let our representatives know that HB 1576 and other bills like it are not a good thing for sportsmen, habitat and species in Pennsylvania.

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https://www.facebook.com/SportsmenAllianceForMarcellusConservation

https://twitter.com/SA_FOR_MC

Paula Piatt | Eastern Sportsmen Organizer

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\* <u>Note</u>: Unless otherwise noted, 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, 8050 Running Valley Road in Bartonsville, PA.

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#### Scott Cesari

2006 PA State Fly Tying Champion

2006 Federation of Fly Fishers World Champion



elcome to the Fly of The Month! We are coming into the home stretch of my Pocono Patterns project, with just this and next month's FOTM columns left in the Pocono Patterns series. This month's topic features the set of flies that were tied and named for specific waters and areas of the Pocono Mountain region. The patterns were found in the 1960 book *The Fisherman's Handbook of Trout Flies* by Don Dubois. This ambitious work catalogs and organizes the recipes of nearly 6000 flies, including the Pocono flies featured in this section of my research project. In this particular FOTM column, I will explain how to tie the *Swiftwater*, originally tied by Fred Brown and named for the Swiftwater Creek. For further details on the 11 Pocono patterns documented in Dubois book, visit the Pocono Patterns section of my website at <u>www.scottcesariflytying.com</u>. For now, let's tie the *Swiftwater* (specifically, the "A" version in Dubois' text.)

#### <u>TYING THE SWIFTWATER A</u>

#### Recipe:

Hook: standard wet fly, size 12 Thread: black Body: peacock herl ends with orange floss midsection Throat: brown hackle Wing: grey barred mallard

#### Tying Steps:

Step 1:

Tie the thread onto the hook just behind the eye and wrap a thread base to the bend. Leave a long tag end of thread and do not clip it off.



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Step 2:

Tie in a small bunch (5 or 6 strands) of peacock herl at the bend. Return the thread a little less than a third of the way back toward the eye of the hook and leave it hanging there.

Step 3:

Twist the peacock herl along with the tag end of thread into a rope. The tag end of thread will reinforce the herl. Now wrap the peacock herl rope in touching turns to the point where the thread is hanging (you may have to periodically re-twist the herl rope to maintain its integrity.) Tie down the herl at this point and continue to bind it along the shank of the hook another third of the way to the eye of the hook. Your thread should now be hanging at a point one third of the shank length back from the eye of the hook. Do not trim the peacock herl rope just yet. Step 4:

Tie in a piece of orange floss at this point and wrap the floss over the thread base you just created in the middle third of the shank. Wrap back to where the peacock herl was initially tied down and then wrap forward again to where the peacock herl is currently tied down, creating a double layer of floss over the middle third of the shank of the hook. Tie down the floss and trim the excess. Advance the thread past the peacock herl rope to a point just behind the eye of the hook (don't bind down the peacock herl rope in the process.)

Step 5:

Wrap the remainder of the peacock herl rope in touching turns to the point where the thread is hanging and tie it off, trimming the excess rope at this point. You should now have a body that has a midsection of orange floss with a section of peacock herl on either side of it.

Step 6:

Tie in a bunch of brown hackle barbs underneath the hook just behind the eye to create a beard hackle.

Step 7:

Tie in a bunch of grey mallard barred feather barbs on top of the hook for a wing. The length of the wing should extend to the bend of the hook or just beyond.

Step 8:

Create a small thread head, whip finish, and cement. Take your fly to the Swiftwater Creek and fish it on its namesake, you'll see why it was created to fish this particular stream!

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Tune in next month for the conclusion of my Pocono Pattern segments; it's one you won't want to miss! The final section details the flies created by our contemporary fellow anglers to fish our home waters, the most current proven patterns presently being tied and tried!

Remember, if you have any comments, questions, or additional information to add to the story, please leave a post on the Pocono Patterns discussion board on my website, contact me directly at <u>smcesari@epix.net</u>, or give me a call at 610-730-7928. Until next time...



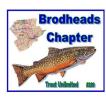


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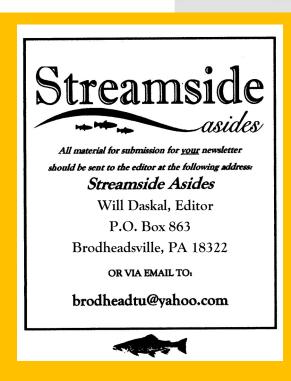
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