

# Streamside Asides



## Event Schedule

- **October 11** General Membership Meeting: Meet **Abby Jones** from **Penn Future** and listen as **Don Baylor** discusses his recent **Wyoming fishing trip**. MCCD at 7:00 PM
- **November. 8:** General Membership Meeting at MCCD—7 PM. Meet **Michael Horn, Refuge Manager**, Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge & also get **updates** on our **current and future stream projects**.
- **December 13:** General Membership Meeting—**Pies and Flies and Advocacy**. MCCD—7 PM

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October 2017

The newsletter of the Brodhead Chapter #289 of Trout Unlimited

## Brodhead Chapter #289— PA Council of Trout Unlimited Chapter of The Year!



Brodhead TU members Eric Baird, Greg Malaska, Kathleen Flynn, Russell Thrall III and Ann Foster attended the PA Council Trout Unlimited meeting on September 23, 2017. Due to the efforts of our members and friends, Brodhead TU received the Chapter of the Year Award. Additionally, Council recognized the Chapter for the largest percentage of growth in chapter membership and Ann was selected as the Conservationist of The Year. Well done, everyone! Your efforts have paid off and have helped us to continue to restore, reconnect, and protect the cold-water resources in the greater Pocono area. Our work is far from complete so let's keep the momentum going as we head into 2018.

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Members and Friends,

Last month I began this column by writing about the arrival of cool nights and fall weather. Obviously, I was a bit premature! We've experienced hot, dry weather ever since and the lawns are brown, the streams are low, and the colors of the fall foliage appear to be muted. As I write this column Tropical Depression Nate is heading our way with what should be healthy amounts of rain. Let's hope that's the case.

Some may ask, "What is so important about having rain in the fall?" For starters, fall rains are exceptionally important in recharging the ground water. Temperatures are well above freezing and the water that strikes a permeable surface can soak into the ground and continue downward. If our soils have a healthy water content when the inevitable freezing temperatures arrive, that water is bonded to the soil until the spring thaws release it. Having a grandfather who grew up on a farm that depended upon true horse power, I heard this more than once! This, coupled with snowmelt in the spring, provides a vital, fresh charge of water to our local streams and rivers. Additionally, adequate fall and winter stream flows are exceptionally important in the reproductive activities of our native brook trout and wild brown trout.

Congratulations go out to our Chapter and Chapter members on the awards presented in the past month. You demonstrated what we can do at the local level and when enough people act locally, we make change nationally and globally. Thank you for working to ensure our grandchildren have the same opportunities we do. Thank you and see you soon.

For Clean Waters and Tight Lines,

Todd G. Burns, President

## Up ,Coming, and Revisited BTU...

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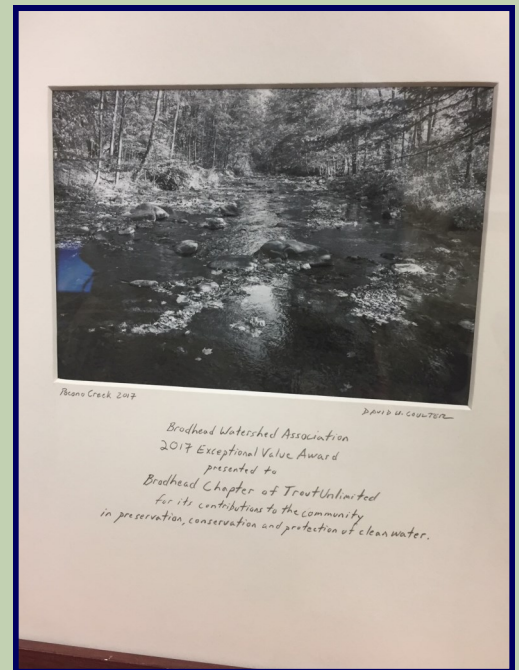
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- BTU was honored to be recognized by the Brodhead Watershed Association for our conservation efforts. The photo below shows our members with the award at the BWA Members and Friends Celebration at Pocono Manor on September 29th. Many thanks to all for the work you do.



(L to R: Todd Burns, Tom VanZandt, Eric Baird, Russel Thrall III, Kathleen Flynn, Ann Foster, John Smith, Jerry Bortz, John Roccio. A close-up of the award is shown below. right )

- Approximately 10 members of the Chapter attend **the Sportsmen's Forum** at the Stockertown Rod and Gun Club on October 4. PA Fish Commission Executive Director John Arway and PFBC Commissioner Richard Kauffman spoke on a variety of issues and answered questions from the audience. Thanks to Forks of the Delaware, Monocacy, and Hokendauqua Chapters for inviting us to participate.
- Water Resources Association of the Delaware River Basin is holding a Fall Conference on Monday, October 16, 2017 at Skytop Lodge. If you're interested, check it out: <http://www.wrdrb.org/news.php>



- **On September 30, National TU released the selections for the 2018 Embrace -A-Stream grants. Brodhead TU's proposal for multiple habitat improvement devices on Cherry Creek within the Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge was selected to receive \$8,500! Additionally, our Chapter has the ability to raise even more funds via an on-line program that will run from Nov. 6-12, 2017. Stay tuned for details and get ready to spread the word.**





## Up ,Coming, and Revisited BTU...Part II



Plans and work are underway in the ForEvergreen Nature Preserve near Analomink for the development of the **Brodhead Creek Heritage Center**. If you'd like more information and would perhaps like to donate, the links for your use are: <https://phlt.org/help-create-brodhead-creek-heritage-center/> and <http://www.brodheadwatershed.org/bchc/>



- The Delayed-Harvest area of McMichael Creek by the Glenbrook Golf Course has been re-designated as Keystone Select Trout water. This program stocks more fish in the 14' - 20" range for angling opportunities not found in other waters. McMichaels joins 21 other streams in the state to enjoy this designation. More information regarding the inception of the program can be found at: <http://www.fishandboat.com/Transact/AnglerBoater/AnglerBoater2016/MarchApril/Documents/05keystone.pdf>



- **Pocono Creek Project**—We need some rain and some higher waters to allow nature to take its course in creating some deeper holding water, current seams, slack areas, etc. that increase the health of a stream and result in more wild trout. Don Miller reports trail work is 80% finished. Remember that parking is available at the old NCC Campus off Old Mill Road with parking on the PHLT tract upstream of the bridge coming soon. Wild Trout signs are posted both above and below the bridge. Many thanks to PHLT, Pocono Township, the Learn family

and NCC-Monroe for making this project possible.

- Ann Foster and Kathleen Flynn have put the finishing touches on the planning for a **follow-up** for our Wine, Women, and Waders workshop participants. We're a "go" for October 22. Thank you for your efforts and we look forward to providing some on-the-water training.
- Looking for a few new items to add to your Brodhead TU clothing and accessory collections? We are ordering some great **waterproof bags and good thermoses**. Ensure your gear stays dry and you stay warm. More details to follow. Great gifts for the upcoming holidays (a not so subtle hint.)
- Did you know that **95%** of the monetary donations made to Brodhead TU goes directly to **Programs and Services**? What constitutes Programs and Services? Habitat and conservation projects, community programs, educational outreach activities, and classes are the primary components within Brodhead TU. Materials, supplies, and other administrative needs encompass the 5% that is used to support the other efforts.
- Join the Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited and Major Paul Syverson Veterans Sanctuary for **Project Healing Waters** event on **Saturday, October 14**. The event will be held at Glenn's Pond, 2472 Meadow Lake Rd, Sciota, PA 18354. The veterans will be arriving around 10 AM so if you wish to help, please arrive before 10 AM. Volunteers are needed to assist veterans with on the water fishing, but we can also use people to demonstrate fly tying and help with the behind the scenes jobs such as food preparation for lunch. If you have questions please contact John Roccio at [jrockl@ptd.net](mailto:jrockl@ptd.net) or Glenn Lippencott at [glippencott@valorclinic.org](mailto:glippencott@valorclinic.org).



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## Abby Jones Penn Future



Abby Jones is PennFuture's Staff Attorney for the Northeast PA region. Abby's work focuses on water quality and watershed protection, stormwater management, and public land and open space protection. Abby will speak on PennFuture's presence in Monroe County and lead in the Coalition for the Delaware Watershed.

## Don Baylor Fishing Wyoming

Don will be present on his recent trip to Wyoming. Discussion will include how to plan a western trip, the fishing, and tips and tactics learned.



**Wednesday October 11, 2017 @ 7:00 PM**



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## Michael Horne

Refuge Manager, Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge



Michael Horne will present on the plans for the Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) including public access, habitat enhancement (both terrestrial and aquatic), and how the Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited can be a part of the process.



## Project Updates and Future Projects



Learn about the work that has been done to restore the Pocono Creek in Tannersville and the Cherry Creek in the Cherry Valley NWR along with a future projects on the Tobyhanna Creek in the Austin T. Blakeslee Preserve.

**Wednesday November 8, 2017 @ 7:00 PM**



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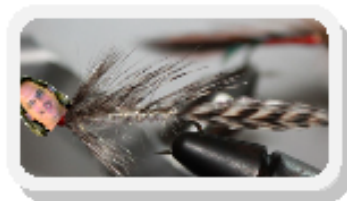
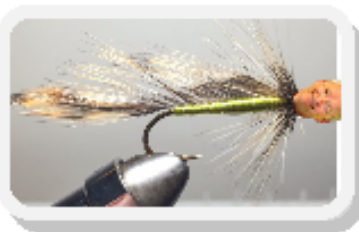
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## The Annual Pies and Flies



Bring your vice, equipment, and an appetite...



...tie some flies, share  
some stories....

...and eat  
some pies (pizza that is)



Join Us for a Night of Food, Fellowship, and Fun

Wednesday December 13, 2017 @ 7:00 PM



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## **An Introduction to Fly Tying**



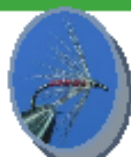
**Session 1**

Wednesday January 10, 2018 6:30 PM



**Session 2**

Saturday January 13, 2018 9:00



**Session 3**

Saturday January 20, 2018 9:00 AM



**Session 4**

Saturday January 27, 2018 9:00 AM



**Session 5**

Saturday February 3, 2018 9:00



**Session 6**

Saturday February 10, 2018 9:00 AM



**Make-up date Saturday February 24, 2018 at 9:00 AM**

**Course fee covers all materials,.**

**Loaner equipment is available from the Chapter for a small fee of \$5.00 plus a \$20.00 deposit.**

**For More Information or to Register Contact:**

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**Registration Fee**

**Members \$25.00**  
**Non-Members \$40.00**

Includes a 1 year Membership to Trout Unlimited  
Make Checks Payable to:  
Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited

**Registration Deadline**

**January 5, 2018**  
**Only 20 Seats Available**

**Session 1 will be held at:**

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1901 Chipperfield Dr  
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**Sessions 2 through 6 will be held at:**



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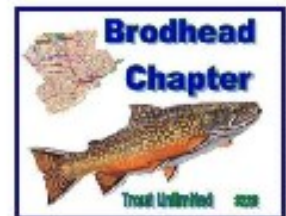
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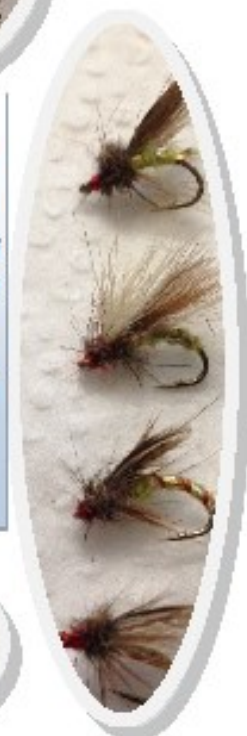


# Calling All Fly Tiers

*In Support of  
Project Healing Waters Major Paul Syverson  
Veterans Sanctuary  
Kunkletown, PA*



***Project Healing Waters Major Paul Syverson Veterans Sanctuary is looking for donations of flies for use at their retreats and programs for the veterans. So please if you have some free time, tie up a dozen or so of your favorite patterns. Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited Director John Smith will be collecting the flies at chapter events.***

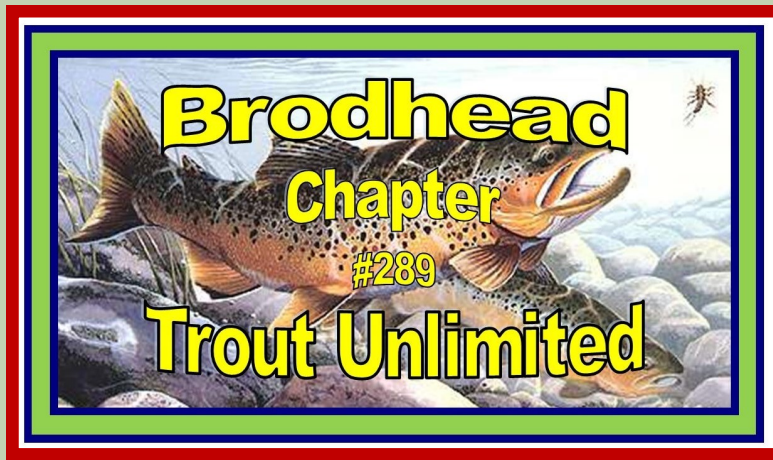


## **BTU Calendar of Events: September 2017 through March 2018**

(This calendar is subject to change as events are added or changes are necessitated.)

- ♦ **October 11:** General Membership Meeting, MCCD, 7:00 PM. **Abby Jones** from **Penn Future** and **Don Baylor**, “**Fishing Wyoming**”
  
- ♦ **November 8:** General Membership Meeting, MCCD, 7:00 PM. **Michael Horn** from the **Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge** and our **Pocono Creek Project** update.
  
- ♦ **December 13:** General Membership Meeting, MCCD, 7:00 PM. “**Pies and Flies and Advocacy**”
  
- ♦ **January 10—February 10** (2/24 make-up date): **An Introduction to Fly-Tying** (Six sessions)
  
- ♦ **March 23, 2018:** **Annual Banquet at Stroudsburg Country Inn**





## ***FISHING BUDDIES WANT YOU!***

**T**he 2016 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); **Todd Burns** (610-704-4549; Weekends, holidays; Martins Creek and Pocono Creek); **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).

### **The State of Our Membership:**

**Adult Members = 232**

**Youth Members = 8**

**Total Chapter Members—240**



## **Address Changes: KINDLY NOTE...**

If you have moved, or if you received a new physical address pursuant to the Monroe County 911E program, 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. If that proves problematic, drop us a line and we'll take care of it.

***Thanks for your understanding.—Ed.***

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If your membership is about to expire, please take a few minutes to renew. We appreciate your support and assistance with our projects and outreach opportunities.

A sincere thank you is extended to the following supporters of our Chapter as we work to preserve and protect the cold-water resources in the Poconos.

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	<p><b>Brodhead Chapter — Trout Unlimited, #289</b></p>  <p><b>2013 PATU BEST CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AWARD WINNER!</b></p>
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**2015 PATU BEST CHAPTER WEB SITE AWARD WINNER!**