

Streamside Aside

The newsletter of the Brodhead Chapter #289 of Trout Unlimited

Event Schedule

• March 14, 2018: Rob Shane & National Advocacy Programs. MCCD-7 PM

March 2018

- ♦ March 17, 2018: **Introduction to Fly** Fishing—9 AM—12 PM. MCCD.
- ♦ March 23, 2018: Annual **Banquet** at Stroudsmoor Country Inn
- ♦ April 11, 2018: Gen. Membership Mtg.---**Chapter Swap Meet**
- ◆ April 14, 2018: **Opening** Day of Trout Season!
- April 14, 2018: Knights of Columbus Fishing Derby, Brodhead Park. 8-11AM.

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On Friday, March 23, 2018 Brodhead TU will host its 20th Annual Spring Banquet at the Stroudsmoor Country Inn-Ridgecrest. Our special quests will include Mr. John Arway, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission. Come join us as we celebrate and kick off another great year of work as we restore, reconnect, and protect the coldwater fisheries in the greater Pocono region. We'll have lots of great prizes: many fishing-related and many having nothing to do with fishing. Plus, we'll have some gifts specifically for children. So mark your calendars, contact a member for tickets (see page 4), and come celebrate with us on the 23rd.

Additionally, we have two very special awards to present: the Silver Trout Award for conservation efforts and a Lifetime Achievement Award. So make you plans to join and support us on March 23.



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Members and Friends,

It certainly has taken some time but, alas, I do believe spring is just around the corner. So, if you haven't picked up or reserved your tickets for our 20th Annual Spring Banquet, now might be a great time to do it. We'd like to once again fill the room at Ridgecrest at Stroudsmoor and show the depth and breadth of interest in supporting our mission of conserving our coldwater resources.

On the legislative front please contact your state representative and encourage them to bring SB30 out of committee for a vote. This bill will allow the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission the ability to set fees as needed to support the wide variety of services they supply us, the sportsmen of Pennsylvania. Additionally, also urge you representatives to vote "Nay" on SB 935 that was voted out of Committee without notice. This bill's sole purpose is to remove Executive Director John Arway from his position via a term limit imposition. After repeated attempts to raise license fees in order to meet increasing costs, Mr. Arway showed the legislature what this could look like in their home districts—they didn't like it. Apparently, politicians don't like it when someone else acts as they do. This is a power play that will weaken the Commission long into the future. Again, I request you urge your representatives to vote "Yea" on SB 30 and "Nay" on SB 935. You can read the bills at

http://www.legis.state.pa.us/

When the winter fades away, we'll head out and check on our various projects to see how they've held up under some high water conditions. We've been waiting for some natural work to be done in improving the habitat for our native brookies and wild browns. Winter run off and spring rains will certainly help.

If want to know what TU, we, and you can do to be advocates for the resources of the Poconos and Pennsylvania, plan on attending this Wednesday's General Membership Meeting where TU's Rob Shane will be making a presentation.

> For Clean Waters and Tight Lines, Todd G. Burns, President







Rob Shane Mid-Atlantic Organizer, Eastern Conservation



Rob Shane, Trout Unlimited's Mid-Atlantic Organizer, will be talking about TU's initiatives in the region. Primarily, the focus of his team in the past year have been the Unassessed Waters Initiative, the Clean Water Rule, and threats to wild trout from energy and other forms of development. Also, Rob will talk a little bit about ways the chapter can engage in advocacy

efforts at the local, state, and federal levels.

Rob joined the Mid-Atlantic Advocacy team in October 2017. Previously, he was working as the Volunteer Operations Coordinator with TU out of the Arlington, VA office. A native of Columbus, Ohio, Rob has spent much of his life fishing for steelhead and trout in Pennsylvania and has deep ties to the resources of the keystone state.

Wednesday March 14, 2018 @ 7:00 PM



Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center 8050 Running Valley Road Stroudsburg, PA 18360 N 40.988800°, W -75.295825°





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Eric R. Baird. 267 3rd Street. Pocono Pines. PA 18350 Ticket Deadline is March 16, 2018

Adult Tickets (\$35.00) + _____ Children Under 12 (\$20.00) = \$______.00 Reserve Table _____ for ____ Phone:

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Bring your unwanted fishing and fly tying gear, equipment and materials to trade or sell with others. Fishing related vendors and professional tiers welcome.



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Wednesday May 9, 2018 @ 7:00 PM



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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.



Trout Unlimited General Meeting, "National Advocacy Programs" Wednesday March 14, 2018 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, Stroudsburg, PA



Introduction to Fly Fishing

Saturday March 17, 2018 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Registration Required, \$8

Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, Stroudsburg, PA

Annual Conservation Dinner

Friday March 23, 2018, Tickets On Sale \$35 Adult/\$20 Children under 12

Stroudsmoor Country Inn





Trout Unlimited General Meeting "Chapter Swap Meet"

Wednesday April 11, 2018 from 7:00 PM and to 9:00 PM Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, Stroudsburg, PA

KOC Children's Fishing Contest for Ages 2-11, Free, Saturday April 14, 2018, Contest is from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM Brodhead Creek Park, Stroudsburg, PA





Monroe County Earthday

Saturday April 21, 2018 from 10:00 AM and to 3:00 PM Northampton Community College Campus, Tannersville, PA

Annual Chapter Clean-up

Saturday April 28, 2018, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM Alger Avenue Baseball Field, Tannersville, PA





Introduction to Fly Fishing

Sunday April 29, 2018 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Registration Required, \$10

Pocono Environmental Education Center, Dingmans Ferry, PA

Trout Unlimited General Meeting "Running With Bull Trout"

Wednesday May 9, 2018 from 7:00 PM and to 9:00 PM



Annual Members Picnic

Saturday June 9, 2018 from 3:00 PM to Dusk. Location TBA

Advanced Fly Tying Class

Registration Begins in June 2018

Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, Stroudsburg, PA









FISHING BUDDIES WANT YOU!

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); 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; 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 = 247

Youth Members = 6

Total Chapter Members—253

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.



Visit our web page at:

Brodheadtu.org for more information, photos, and scheduled events.

If your memberships 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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