

Streamside Asides



Event Schedule

- ◆ April 11, 2018: General Membership Meeting: **Swap Meet! 7 PM**
- ◆ April 14, 2018: Knights of Columbus **Fishing Derby**, Brodhead Park. 8-11 AM.
- ◆ April 15, 2018: **Special Stream Clean-up**—Old Mill Rd, Tannersville. PHLT and Learn Preserve Tracts. 1—4
- ◆ April 21: **Earth Day!** NCC-Monroe, 10 AM-3PM
- ◆ April 29: **Fly –Fishing Workshop: PEEC**
- ◆ May 8, 2018: General Membership Meeting: **Joe Baylog-Running With the Bulls**

In this issue:

Spring Banquet Overview	1
President's Message	2
Pocono Creek Nurdle Spill and Up and Coming	3
Event Photos	4
Upcoming events	5-10
Calendar	11
Fishing Buddies	12
Address Changes	13
Advertisers	14

April 2018

The newsletter of the Brodhead Chapter #289 of Trout Unlimited

20th Annual Spring Banquet

On Friday, March 23, the Brodhead Chapter held its annual Spring Banquet at the Stroudsmoor Country Inn. Over 190 members and friends packed the Ridgecrest facility and enjoyed an evening of conversation and comradery. It was a great event.



L to R: Doug, Cathy, Fawn and Olive Learn with the Silver Trout Award.

After the food (and the food was great) and before the raffles, we had the honor of presenting two special awards: the Bob Stevens Silver Trout Award and a Lifetime Achievement Award. President Todd Burns presented the former to George and Olive Learn and family for their generosity in creating the Learn

Preserve along Pocono Creek in Tannersville.



Todd presented the latter to Mr. John Arway, Executive Director of the PA Fish and Boat Commission for his body of work in preserving the fisheries in our state.

PAFBC Executive Director John Arway addresses the crowd.

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Todd Burns
311 Crestmont Street
Pen Argyl, PA 18072
610-704-4549

VICE PRESIDENT

John Smith
1545 Laurel Drive
Scotrun, PA 18355
(570) 895-1034

SECRETARY

Eric Baird
267 3rd Street
Pocono Pines, PA 18350
(570) 355-0165

TREASURER

Russell Thrall
P.O. Box 538
Tannersville, PA 18372

BOARD MEMBERS

Don Baylor
521 Quail Ridge Lane
Stroudsburg, PA 18360
(570) 992-3558

Gerry Bortz
5213 Laurel Loop
Swiftwater, PA 18370-7719
(570) 895-1099

Jim Conner
jcnnr@gmail.com

Kathleen Flynn
Paradise Falls
570-807-8626
kflynnsb@gmail.com

Jeff Heberley
205 Lovena Court
East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
(570) 421-3184

Greg Malaska
218 West 13 Street Jim
Thorpe, PA 18229
(570) 325-3404

Don Miller
455 Devil's Hole Road
Cresco, PA 18326

Ann King Foster
5191 Spring Drive
Swiftwater, PA 18370

Tom Van Zandt
169 Laurel Lake Road
Bartonsville, PA 18321

Daniel Steere
1599 Fawn Valley Drive
Brodheadsville, PA 18322
570-236-2275



The Home Pool

Todd G. Burns, President
Brodhead Chapter — Trout Unlimited, #289

e-mail: tgburns@rcn.com

610-863-7655/610-704-4549

Members and Friends,

For the past few months, I've been writing about how spring is almost here. Well maybe, just maybe, we'll actually see some spring-like weather. I certainly hope so because the snow, as much as I like it, is getting old!

Thank you to all who participated and supported us in some way before, during, or after our 20th Annual Spring Banquet. The Chapter netted \$4,400 that will go a long way in funding our various habitat improvement projects and our educational outreach activities. Great job everyone!

If you've look at our calendar, it is an extremely busy month. Little did we know that our schedule would have some additional clean-up activities added to it. The plastic pellet or "nurdle" spill into Sand Spring Run has certainly stirred us into action and our cleanup along the Learn Preserve and PHLT tract off Old Mill Road in Tannersville is set for the afternoon of Sunday, April 15 (1—4 PM).

We're expecting action on two PA legislative bills early this month. The first is SB 935 which, if passed, would set an 8 year term limit for the Executive Director of the PA Fish and Boat Commission. We are opposed to that legislation. The other bill, SB30, may be stalled in the House Game and Fisheries Committee. We are in favor of this bill as it would allow the PFBC to raise licensing fees to offset costs associated with running the organization.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention that the 2018 Trout Season Opener is Saturday, April 14 at 8 AM. If you can't wait that long, head over to Glenbrook Park and fish the Keystone Select Delayed Harvest Area and enjoy the possibility of landing a whopper.

And of course, Earth Day is April 21, 2018 and we'll see you at NCC-Monroe.

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

DIRECTORS EMERITUS

Ed Filipkowski
2171 Wallace St.
Stroudsburg, PA 18360
(570) 424-1856

Dave Hughes
426 Fox Gap Road
Bangor, PA 18013
(610) 588-0036

Bob Stevens
2780 Rimrock Drive
Bartonsville, PA 18321
(570) 629-2922



Up ,Coming, and Revisited BTU...

Pocono Creek Cleanup

On Saturday, March 31, a truck loaded with approximately 29,000 pounds of plastic pellets—nurdles— careened over an embankment on I-80 east, spilling the blue bits along and into Sand Spring Run. The run is a prime tributary of Pocono Creek and the current carried an unknown quantity of these nurdles downstream for miles. In an effort to clean up some of this mess, we've organized a cleanup for Sunday afternoon, April 15, 2018. We'll meet at the former NCC building in Tannersville and spread out to cover as much of the creek banks in the Learn Preserve and PHLT land as possible.

Because these particles float, failure to remove them from the stream and stream banks now will result in them moving downstream or inland every time the water rises. Whereas they are plastic, they will remain as a pollutant for a very long time. This removal work will not be easy but through the combined efforts of many, we are hopeful to complete the task. If you think you can help, come on out. See the flyer on page 6 for details and, as the old saying goes, we all live downstream!

Because we're still ironing out the details, we'll have a more detailed wrap-up and thank-you's in the next newsletter.

Open Positions—Volunteers Needed

Our chapter has one open position for an active volunteer. This is:

I. Youth Education Coordinator

If you are interested and/or would like more information, please contact any Board member.

Fly-Fishing Seminar at Pocono Environmental Education Center

Brodhead TU will be running a fly-fishing seminar at Pocono Environmental Education Center on Sunday, April 29, 2018 from 9 AM –12 PM. Learn the basics of fly fishing, practice knot tying, casting, learning to read the water and other skills with volunteers from the Brodhead Chapter of Trout Unlimited. Also included is a discussion of where you can go to fish and what species you can find in each water type.

Photos from the 2018 Spring Banquet



To conserve and protect the cold-water resources of the Poconos



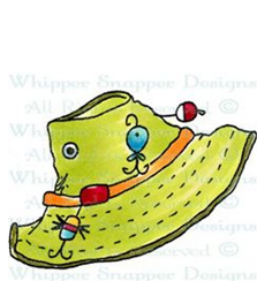
**BRODHEAD
CHAPTER**

Proudly Presents

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

BUY

TRADE



Chapter Swap Meet



SELL



Wednesday April 11, 2018 @ 7:00 PM



MONROE COUNTY
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center

8050 Running Valley Road

Stroudsburg, PA 18360



WWW.BRODHEADTU.ORG



Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited— P.O. BOX 661 - Tannersville, PA 18372

administrator@brodheadtu.org / brodheadchapter@gmail.com



**BRODHEAD
CHAPTER**

Proudly Presents

Stalking the Invasive Nurdle

A nurdle is a very small pellet of plastic that serves as raw material in the manufacture of plastic products.



Picture by Allen Landheer

Unfortunately on March 31, 2018 a truck carrying 29,000 pounds of nurdles capsized off of Route 80 and spilled a portion of its content into the Pocono Creek Watershed. Thanks to the herculean efforts of Schlier's Towing the bulk of the nurdles were removed at the source. Now we are going to try and capture as many of the escapees as possible. The clean-up will take place the George and Olive Learn Preserve, the Pocono Heritage Land Trust Pocono Creek Preserve and the TLC Park.

We will be meeting at the former Northampton Community College site on Old Mill Road. Please bring aquarium nets, pool skimmers, dust pans, flat bladed shovels, rechargeable (dust buster) vacuums, and buckets. The event is rain or shine so dress for the elements and be prepared to get into the creek. Bring a reusable water bottle and insect repellent. For more information contact brodheadchapter@gmail.com

Sunday April 15, 2018 from 1 PM to 4 PM

Former Northampton Community College
205 Old Mill Rd
Tannersville, PA 18372
41.038413, -75.309729

WWW.BRODHEADTU.ORG



Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited — P.O. BOX 661 - Tannersville, PA 18372
administrator@brodheadtu.org / brodheadchapter@gmail.com

Saturday, April 21, 2018

10am - 3pm

Monroe Campus
Northampton Community College

Monroe County Earth Day

Exhibitors,
Live Music,
E-cycling,
Workshops,
Give & Take Event!

Family Activities,
Tire Amnesty,
Great Speakers,
Green Campus Tours,
Great Food & much more!

FREE ADMISSION

#mcearthday

www.mcearthday.org

(570) 629-3061


Northampton
Community College
MONROE CAMPUS



MONROE COUNTY
CONSERVATION DISTRICT



**BRODHEAD
CHAPTER**

Proudly Presents

Joe Baylog Running with the Bulls



Running with The Bulls

A "Do It Yourself" Adventure:
Chasing Bull and Cutthroat Trout
in the Beautiful Canadian Rockies

Presented by Joe Baylog

A "Do It Yourself" Adventure:
Chasing Bull and Cutthroat Trout in the Beautiful Canadian Rockies

Wednesday May 9, 2018 @ 7:00 PM



MONROE COUNTY
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center

8050 Running Valley Road

Stroudsburg, PA 18360

N 40.988800°, W -75.295825°



WWW.BRODHEADTU.ORG

Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited— P.O. BOX 661 - Tannersville, PA 18372

administrator@brodheadtu.org / brodheadchapter@gmail.com



BRODHEAD CHAPTER

Columbia Fishing Shirt Sale

Shirts Embroidered with Brodhead Chapter



\$45

COLUMBIA MEN'S PFG TAMIAMI™ II LONG SLEEVE SHIRT

Omni-Shade UPF 40 provides maximum protection for long hours in the sun

Omni-Wick technology actively breathes and pulls moisture away from your skin

Modern Classic fit

Antimicrobial treatment protects this product from bacterial growth

Mesh-lined vent at center back

Reviewers rated this product FITS SLIGHTLY LARGE

COLUMBIA WOMEN'S PFG BAHAMA™ LONG SLEEVE SHIRT

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

Hidden venting at mid back keeps the cool air flowing through

Quick dry fabric for functional performance on the water

Reviewers rated this product TRUE TO SIZE

\$40



All Orders Must be Placed by May 9, 2018

Pick-Up will be at the June 9, 2018, Picnic or Mailed for an Additional Fee

Custom Item, Sorry No Refunds, Please Check Your Size Carefully

Columbia Fishing Shirt Sale

Men's XS ____ S ____ M ____ L ____ XL ____ XXL ____

Total Shirts ____ x \$45 = ____

Women's XS ____ S ____ M ____ L ____ XL ____

Total Shirts ____ x \$40 = ____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

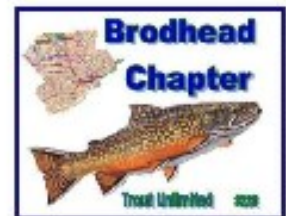
☐ Please Mail my Shirt(s) for an additional \$3 per shirt

Send your Order Form and a Check made out to the **Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited** to:

Kathleen Flynn, 642 Tulip Tree Lane, Cresco, PA 18326-7416



**Brodhead Chapter Trout
Unlimited #289**
www.brodheadtu.org



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.



Special Stream Clean-up: Pocono Creek. Sunday, April 15, 2018 from 1 PM until 4 PM. Meet at the former NCC campus in Tannersville between the PHLT tract and the Learn Preserve. See flyer on page 5 for details.



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

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

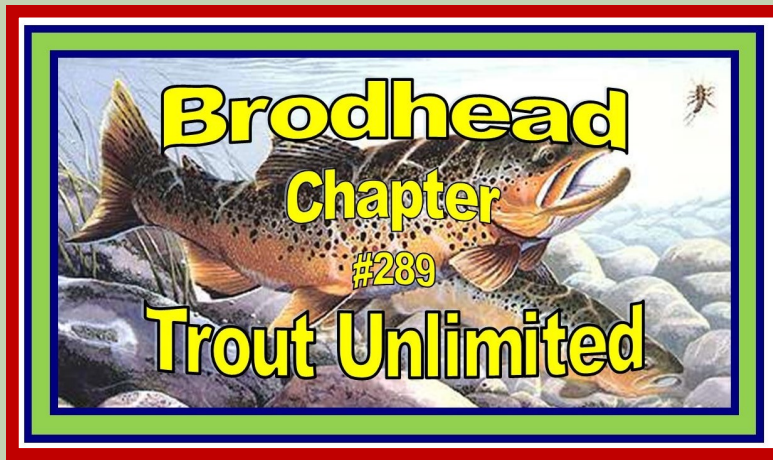
Saturday June 9, 2018 from 3:00 PM to Dusk. Location TBA



Advanced Fly Tying Class

Registration Begins in June 2018

Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, Stroudsburg, PA



FISHING BUDDIES WANT YOU!

The 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 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 = 247

Youth Members = 6

Total Chapter Members—256

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.

Streamside *asides*

*All material for submission for your newsletter
should be sent to the editor at the following address:*

Streamside Asides

Todd Burns, Editor

tgburns@rcn.com



Visit our web page at:

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

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.

		<p>Thomas R. Wilkins CEO Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Wilkins & Associates <i>"Bringing families home since 1988"</i></p> <p>570-466-4022 Direct 570-421-8950 ext. 314 Office 570-421-4514 Fax twilkins@wilkins1.com www.BHGwilkins.com</p>
---	---	--



Dunkelberger's Sports Outfitter

585 Main St., Stroudsburg, Pa. 18360
www.dunkelbergers.com

(570) 421-7950
Fax: (570) 421-7453

KEN & COMPANY
AVEDA SALON & SPA

507 Main Street, Stroudsburg, PA 18360
Phone (570) 421-8077 • Fax (570) 421-8227
www.Kenandcompany.com

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

**Newman
Williams
Mishkin
Corveleyn
Wolfe &
Fareri &**

A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION

Ronald J. Mishkin

Telephone 570.421.9090
rmishkin@newmanwilliams.com
www.newmanwilliams.com
Fax 570.424.9739

P.O. Box 511 • 712 Monroe Street
Stroudsburg, PA 18360-0511

This space available to advertise your event or business. For information and rates, contact

Eric Baird @

(570) 355-0165.

	
<p>2013 PATU BEST CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AWARD WINNER!</p>	

2015 PATU BEST CHAPTER WEB SITE AWARD WINNER!