

Streamside Asides



Event Schedule

December 12, 2018:
General Membership Meeting,
7 PM, KCCEC— Pies and Flies

**January 9—February 23
2019:** Introduction to Fly
Tying course. See flyer inside!

**February 13, 2019: Fly-
Tying Round Robin**
KCCEC, 7 PM

**March 13, 2019: General
Membership Mtg. KCCEC**
7 PM

**March 29, 2019: Annual
Spring Banquet at**
Stroudsmoor Country Inn.
SAVE THE DATE!



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December 2018

The newsletter of the Brodhead Chapter #289 of Trout Unlimited

***May This Holiday Season Bring You Joy,
Happiness and a Happy New Year!***



**Thank you for making 2018 remarkably successful
and we look forward to seeing you in 2019.**

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Greetings Members and Friends,

As we are all busily making our final preparations for the holiday season, the chapter remains very busy. We have a full slate of events in December. On December 12, I hope to see many of you at Pies and Flies, stop by and enjoy some pizza tie some flies or just catch up with Chapter members. This will be our general meeting from 7 to 9 PM at the Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center. For those of you looking for another opportunity to tie flies, the Brodhead Fly Tyers will be meeting on December 17 at 6 PM at the Eastern Monroe Public Library.

Over the last month we wrapped up our redd survey efforts and will be looking to post some information on our findings. The first year was a learning experience as we were deterred by high water conditions, and there is a feeling we may not have started early enough. Behind the scenes we are moving forward with additional work on the Cherry Creek and the Pocono Creek for next summer. I would like to take an opportunity to thank everyone who helped build the monofilament recycling containers and I want to let you know we will be scheduling workdays to set them up along publicly accessible fishing areas.

We are gearing up for our annual Introduction to Fly Tying classes, if you know someone who might be interested in learning, please direct them to our website for more information. If you are an experienced tyer who would like to help feel free to reach out to me and I will help you be a part of the class. Also remember to save the date, March 29, 2019, will be our annual banquet and last year we nearly sold out so don't wait till the last minute once tickets become available.

I look forward to seeing many of you at Pies and Flies or the Brodhead Fly Tyers, I hope you will take the opportunity to let me know how you feel about the current direction of the chapter and if you have any ideas how to improve and grow our Chapter. We are also looking for volunteers to step into some leadership roles. Currently our Events Coordinator position and Meetings Coordinator positions are vacant and we are actively recruiting for people to fill those roles. There are also many committee roles that we are looking to fill if you might be interested please reach out to me or any of your Chapter Leaders to find out more.

For clean water and tight lines,
Eric Baird, President

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PAST- DIRECTORS FOR THEIR RECENT SER- VICE:

Gerry Bortz
James Connor
Ann Foster
Tom Van Zandt



Welcome New Members!

Brodhead TU welcomes new members Mark Knecht and Norman Solotruk. We are glad to have you as part of our organization and we encourage you to reach out if you have any questions or need some information. Tight lines and clean waters!

Renewing Members

Thank you to the following members who have chosen to renew their membership with us. Your efforts in supporting our education, conservation, and advocacy are greatly appreciated.

Bradley	Akers	Joel	Miller
Tom	Battista	Thomas	Muller
Dan	Baugess	Richard	Newell
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Barry	Kwasny	Tom	Van Zandt
Donald	Miller	Steven	Welch
Robin	Miller		

Contributing Members

Thank you to our recent contributing members. Your continuing support of Brodhead TU's mission is gratefully acknowledged.

Alego	Bartolacci	David	Hughes
Kevin	Boutin	Thomas	Kelly
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News Notes, Advocacy Opportunities, and Items of Interest:

November 2018 General Membership Meeting Report

Thank you to all who participated at our November general membership meeting. We completed 50 waste monofilament containers to be placed in public-access fishing locations across Monroe County. A work party will be organized and the containers installed prior to next year's opening day of trout season. Stay tuned for details.

- **Brodhead Watershed Association**

Want to know what BWA is up to? Check out their site [here](#) and get involved!

- **Monroe County Conservation District**

Our Conservation District is one of 66 such organizations in the state of Pennsylvania. They provide technical services for stormwater management, erosion and sediment control, wetlands and watershed protection, land use planning, the dirt & gravel low volume roads program (very important, by the way) and more. Information can be found [here](#).

- **PA Fish & Boat Commission: Additions to Wild Trout Stream Listings & other Rulemakings**

Through the rulemaking process, PFBC routinely revises its list of trout waters. By commenting in favor of the proposed changes, you can show your support for increasing the stream miles of these important waters. The link provided will take you to the page where all current proposed changes are found. Please read and submit comments, especially for those in our area. Click [here](#).

- **DEP Water Quality Information.** This [link](#) will take you to the PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) website that focuses upon water-related issues. You will find links for existing stream uses, proposed rulemaking, anti-degradation measures and more.

BTU Activities...Fishing Report

Well, we've had continued wet weather resulting in continued high waters and, now, we've got some pretty cold weather. But don't let that discourage you...trout still feed under these conditions. It's the fishermen that have a problem with it! Please dress accordingly if you fish this month as hypothermia can set in very quickly. Fleece is your friend as it maintains warmth even if you get a little wet so do your best to stay away from cotton fabrics. Once cotton gets wet, you'll get cold.

On the equipment side, winter is tough on gear and equipment. We're looking at water freezing in your guides and in your reel, among other things. This will chew up a fly line in pretty short order, prevent you from getting a decent cast, and make life miserable. Carefully remove any ice as frequently as needed, both from your reel and your guides. No sense in destroying a \$70 line and a \$200 reel.

Our members report that trout are still active in both our larger and smaller streams. Our Redd Survey folks identified trout on redds in Cranberry Creek (Nothstein Preserve) just a week or two ago. So, if you go out, please be careful where you wade so you don't destroy or degrade any spawning redds.

As stated in November, **Brodhead Creek** along the various public access points has produced some nice rainbows and some wild browns. Fish have been topwater feeding at times but be prepared to "go small" in hook sizes. Yes, you may see some midging going on and that means top-water flies smaller than #20. Bring those clip-on magnifiers!



McMichaels Creek is still producing wild browns and some stocked rainbows. Fishing small nymphs near the edge of the current seams in deeper pools and runs has been successful as of late. This holds true for all the creeks discussed below.

Recent reports from **Pocono Creek** indicate the wild browns are doing well and still hitting a variety of flies. Flows have gone from exceeding flood stage to "just about right." Streamers and small nymphs can be the ticket. Don't be afraid to put a little flash on those nymphs!

Poplar Run can be a maddeningly challenging place to fish. It is small, brushy, and the fish are spooky. But they are active all year 'round. And if you fish it from June—September, the mosquitos will attempt to devour you! However, if the larger streams are blown out, this is one you may want to try. A 7 1/2 foot, 3 or 4 wt. rod is fun and don't be afraid to sneak up and do some bow and arrow casting!

Martin's Creek browns are active and holdover rainbows are there to be caught. Some "schooling" of fish in larger pools may be beginning. Be advised the regulations on Martins Creek require the return to the water of any and all trout caught after Labor Day. The purpose of this regulation is to protect and enhance the wild brown trout fishery.

Good Luck and Be Safe



Recent BTU Activities...

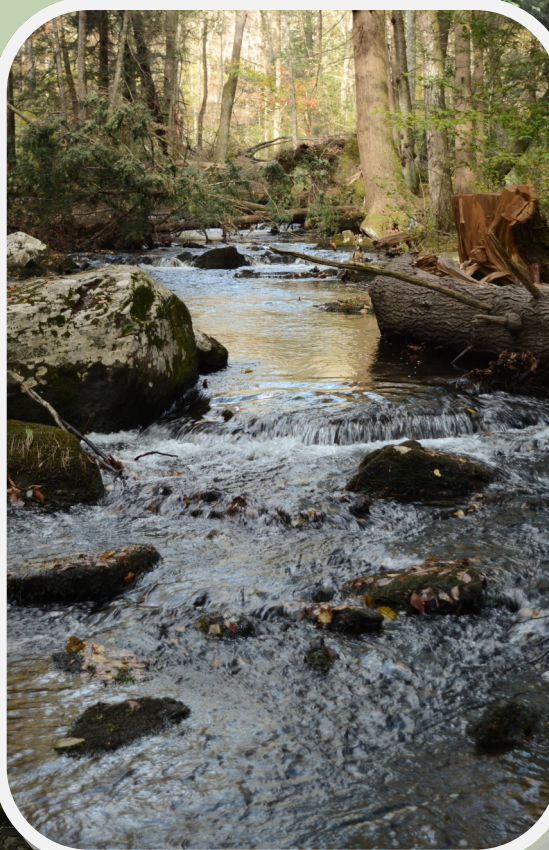
Clean Streams, the Poconos, and You



Over 120 members of our community attended the Our Pocono Waters Campaign's panel discussion regarding Exceptional Value Streams in the Poconos on October 30 at East Stroudsburg University's Innovation Center. It was great to see so many Brodhead TU members and friends in attendance. The panelists discussed the importance of Exceptional Value (EV) streams to fisheries, tourism, development, farming and education. There was so much to talk about and the time passed quickly, but this was an important introduction to the issues at hand. Remember, clean streams are at the heart of the Poconos, where 80 percent of the state's "EV" streams are located. For more information visit www.ourpoconowaters.org.

Sign the petition today to urge your elected officials to support Exceptional Value designation and protection of our streams.

Devils Hole Creek



Cranberry Creek



Swiftwater Creek



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The Annual Pies and Flies



Bring your vice, equip-
ment, 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

Special Presentation on How to Advocate with TU

Wednesday December 12, 2018 @ 7:00 PM



MONROE COUNTY
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center

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Introduction to Fly Tying

Session 1, SJHS
Wednesday January 9, 2019 6:30 PM

Session 2, KCEEC
Saturday January 12, 2019 9:00 AM

Session 3, KCEEC
Saturday January 19, 2019 9:00 AM

Session 4, KCEEC
Saturday January 26, 2019 9:00 AM

Session 5, KCEEC
Saturday February 2, 2019 9:00 AM

Session 6, KCEEC
Saturday February 9, 2019 9:00 AM



Make-UP Session if Necessary, KCEEC
Saturday February 23, 2019 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.

Registration Deadline
December 28, 2018,
Only 20 Seats Available
Pre-Registration Required

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

Complete and return this portion with your check payable to **Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited** to
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Registration Deadline is December 28, 2018

Member \$25.00 / Non-Member \$40.00 (Included one year membership)
Equipment Rental: Yes / No (\$5.00 Fee and \$20.00 Deposit)

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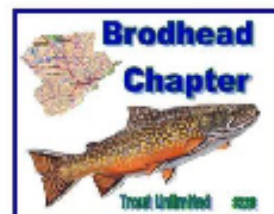


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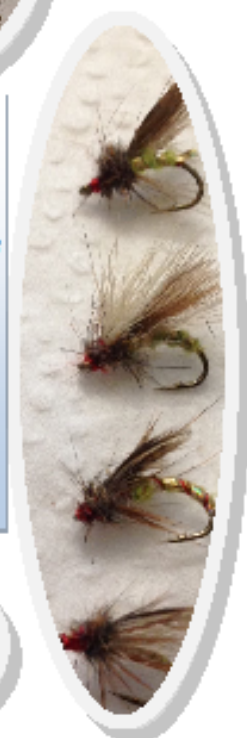


Calling All Fly Tiers

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.





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Chapter Shirt Sale

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Rattlin Jack™ Size Chart UPF 50 Long Sleeves

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S	19	26.5	16.5	23.5	3.25
M	20.5	28	19.5	24.5	3.5
L	22	29.5	20	25	3.75
XL	24.5	30.5	21	25.5	4
2XL	25	31.5	21.5	25.5	4.25
3XL	27	33	22	26	4.25
4XL	29	34	24	27	4.75
5XL	31	34.5	25.5	27.5	5
6XL	34	37	27.5	28	5.25

This size chart shows the measure of the Bigger Fit shirt laid out flat.

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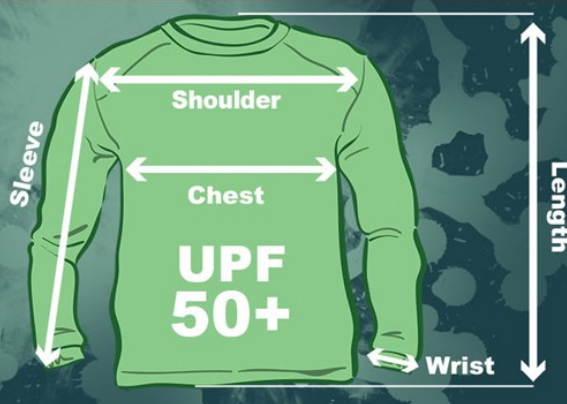
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No softeners.
No bleach.
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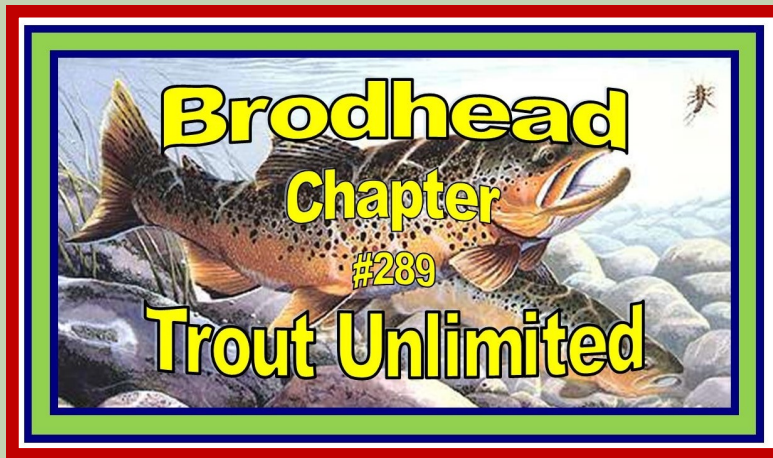
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FISHING BUDDIES WANT YOU!

I's time to update our Fishing Buddies list for 2019. Over the years, we've discovered that the Pocono area can be a challenge to fish. Whether it is parking, access, stream conditions, patterns, or weather, it is beneficial if you have someone with you who is familiar with the area and the water. If you are interested in showing our members and friends some of our local streams, or if you are looking to share your knowledge and skills, or if you've realized you're no longer immortal and just want to tag along with someone and fish, please email salmofisher7@gmail.com with your intentions and put "Fishing Buddies" in the subject line. We hope to have a new listing of Buddies up and running by late winter or early spring, just in time for another season!

The State of Our Membership:

Adult Members = 246

Youth Members = 7

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.

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

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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.

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