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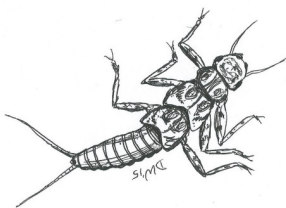
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+++++++ Recipient of the 2011 Trout Unlimited "Gold Trout" National Conservation Award ++++++

## Days of Speed and Purpose By Dave Weaver

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This has been a good summer for fishermen. Precipitation has been much better than last year and this has produced good flows and cool water temps, especially in streams fed by run off. We here in CVTU focus mostly on our valley limestoneers, and rightfully so, but good flows and cold temps are especially important up on South Mountain in the Mountain Creek watershed, or up north in the Conodoguinet or Shermans Creek watersheds. We should always keep in mind that CVTU looks out for those lesser known cold water resources. Well, there's always the option of going to those places and fishing them to keep them foremost in our minds. This has been a good year to do this. Summer is a fast time for your chapter as June kicks things off and the "optemo" rolls forward with purpose and focus. Let's keep fishing and stay in the game.



Youth Camp.

Photo courtesy: D. Weaver

**Membership Meeting:  
Wed. July 19th at 7PM  
Monroe Township Fire Hall, Boiling Springs**

**33  
Members and  
Guests Attended  
the June  
Ballgame**

Our July speaker will be Chad Chorney. Chad is the Mid-Atlantic Organizer for Trout Unlimited and will be speaking about TU's general advocacy in Pennsylvania, the role of TU in PA Wild Trout Stream Designation, responsible energy development, and protection of critical coldwater habitats. Chad will also give a short presentation on fishing in Idaho which he called home until moving back East.  
Tom Miller

## Calendar of Events

2017

July 12th

CVTU Board Meeting  
Comfort Inn at Shady Lane  
Carlisle

July 19th

Members Meeting  
Monroe TSP Fire Hall  
Boiling Springs

July 20th

Chapter Breakfast  
Momma Spriggs Restaurant  
Carlisle

Aug 25th

Family Picnic  
(Location TBD)

Sep 9th

Last Supper  
Vince's Meadow  
Carlisle

Oct 2-6th

Fishing Trip  
South Holston

Oct 29th

Fishing Trip  
Spring Creek

## Quick Bites and Short Strikes

Dave Weaver - Editor

Submission of articles and suggestions for this newsletter are encouraged and may be sent to [dweavflyart@yahoo.com](mailto:dweavflyart@yahoo.com), or you can call me at **338-1952**. The deadline for the next issue is the 22nd of each month. The primary distribution of *Tight Lines* is currently via Mail Chimp email system. *Tight Lines* will be mailed by request only.

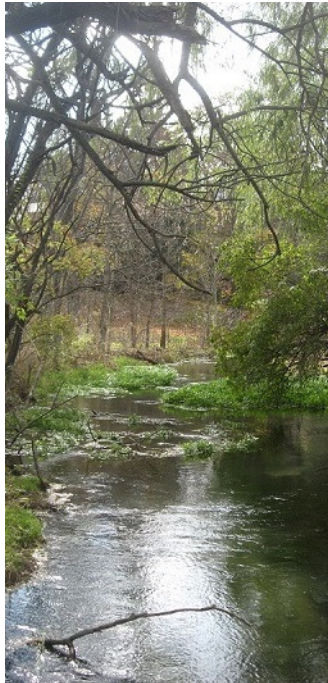
Dave W.

~ If you move, change your phone number, or e-mail address, notify us by emailing CVTU at: [cvtu052@gmail.com](mailto:cvtu052@gmail.com) I can change your info at TU National for you. TU also has a "Do Not E-Mail" option for members who do not want to receive TU reminders and solicitations via e-mail...they'll still get it through USPS. You will have to call TU's membership services to make that change.

John Leonard

~ If you haven't had a chance to check it out yet, we launched our new website back in February at [www.pacvtu.org](http://www.pacvtu.org) If you haven't been there yet or have had trouble loading it up, please double check your bookmarks since the old "homestead" address is no longer active. Our new site features an easier to navigate format and is chock full of easily accessible information about chapter happenings. Featured on the front page will be our latest news briefs and links to upcoming chapter activities to help keep you informed. From the Limestoner, to TIC, Youth Camp, FITS crew activities and chapter fishing trips our goal is to be constantly adding fresh content to keep you up to date. In addition to updating what was transferred over from the old web page we'll also have enhanced photo galleries, additional information about our local waters and a bit of chapter history from the archives as time permits. Please check it out and explore a bit. There's more to come!

Tom Miller



Letort.

Photo courtesy: D. Weaver



Students learn about Letort.

Photo courtesy: B. Healy

### CVTU Membership is Currently 578!

CVTU receives a \$15 rebate from the **special \$17.50 first-year membership dues** when the chapter code 052 is marked on the application. **New Members** may also join online at [www.tu.org/intro](http://www.tu.org/intro). Be sure to select chapter 052, Cumberland Valley. You may renew your membership by mail or on the web at [www.tu.org](http://www.tu.org). You may also renew, or change your membership information by calling **TU Customer Service** at **1-800-834-2419**. For more information, contact **John Zazworsky**, Membership Chairman.

# President's Message

From the President, Tom Miller

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Summer time! I hope everybody has been enjoying the start to their summer, we've sure been having some great conditions for getting out onto your favorite stretch of water. I'm writing this just as our always hectic month of June is wrapping up. Once again, we've had another successful round of activities that we can all be proud of and I can't thank everybody enough for helping out with all of our activities once again. From organizing the chapter outings to local & regional waters, to our many outreach and educational efforts throughout the month, you all have done an amazing job.

And now it's that time of year where we really dig into some heftier stream projects as conditions permit. The students at this year's youth camp did a great job with their project on the Yellow Breeches at Messiah College. If you have a chance please check it out, they really moved a lot of rock! We're also still working on the sinkhole repair along the Letort at the old Otto farmhouse. The FITS Crew did a bang up job with the initial mitigation work to repair the breached steam bank and we'll be wrapping this up with a more substantial repair effort in July. Work sessions are penciled in for the Saturdays of July 8 & 15, Don Albright will be sending out the notice for this to the FITS crew. If you'd like to lend a hand and you're not currently on the FITS Crew roster, please let Don or myself know and we'll make sure you're in the loop.

Of course, summer will be over before we know it and that means we'll soon be holding elections for the chapter's Board of Directors. Elections will be held at our September membership meeting on Sept 20th. We will have a couple openings for positions on the board this year as both Clark Hall and Biff Healy will be stepping down. Clark will be completing his sixth term on the board and his dedication to the chapter has been exemplary. Biff has indicated that he'll also be taking a step back in his volunteer efforts after finishing his second term. Both Clark and Biff do plan to remain engaged with their youth education efforts, Clark with the Youth Camp and Biff with T.I.C. So if you get a chance, please thank both these gentlemen for their tireless efforts on behalf of CVTU, it's been a pleasure to work with them both over the last few years. Nominations for positions on the board will be taken during our meeting/picnic on August 25th and then also at the beginning of the meeting on the 20th prior to the election. Please let me or any other board member know if you'd like more information or have any interest about serving on the chapter's board.

Hopefully we'll keep seeing these cycles of rainy weather pass through and the streams continue to run cool and full until Fall. Best of luck to everybody out on the water this summer whether you're staying local or exploring elsewhere on vacation. And of course, if you have any questions or concerns or see something while out on the water, please don't hesitate to get in touch: [tomimcmillar@comcast.net](mailto:tomimcmillar@comcast.net) or 717 -258-8265.



Tight Lines,

**Tom**



## **Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp by Clark Hall**

The 23rd annual Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp concluded on Friday, June 23, with the graduation of 3 girls and 27 boys, ages 14 through 17. This was our first year at Messiah College and we were very happy with the facilities.

CVTU members and friends contributed flies for the camp. Each camper was given a box with 50+ flies appropriate for fishing the Breeches during camp. Over 35 individuals contributed flies!

CVTU members also responded by volunteering as ghillies for the fishing sessions and assisting with fly tying instruction. Several campers caught their first trout on a fly. The campers were very appreciative and complimentary of the help that they received from the ghillies. Several campers responded to the question "What was your favorite thing about camp?" by saying it was fishing with the ghillies. It was a pleasure to see these youngsters progress as fly anglers.

These young men and women are the future of our sport and future protectors of our cold water resources. Thank you to all who donated flies, worked as ghillies, or helped the camp in any way.



Youth Camp.

Photo courtesy: M. Klimkos



## **Win \$5,000! CVTU Chapter Raffle By CVTU**

New for 2017-18, Cumberland Valley Trout Unlimited (CVTU) is conducting a special annual raffle to raise funds for the Chapter's cold water conservation and education programs and projects. Although we do a good job of raising funds through your generosity at our annual banquet and smaller raffles, the current funding climate means grant awards for our projected stream improvements and educational programs are more competitive than ever.

Each raffle ticket is \$50, and CVTU is only selling 250 tickets for the chance to win this one grand cash prize! The drawing will be held at the 2018 Limestoner Banquet on March 16, 2018 at the Park Inn in Mechanicsburg, PA. Tell your friends, tell your neighbors! These special raffle tickets make for a great gift idea for birthdays or the Holidays with probably a better chance to win than those Lottery scratch offs.

Special raffle tickets will be on sale at CVTU membership meetings and other CVTU activities and events until all of the tickets are sold. Regulations that govern small games of chance activities for nonprofit organizations prohibit CVTU from accepting credit card payments to purchase raffle tickets.

If you would like more information, please contact Jeb Betar at [jebbetar25@gmail.com](mailto:jebbetar25@gmail.com) or by telephone (571) 643-8101. Jeb prefers email. Feel free to share with friends and neighbors this wonderful opportunity to support Cumberland Valley Trout Unlimited. Raffle ticket sales are open to all.

