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The Limestoner Fundraising Banquet By Chris Yasher

As you all know, we will be holding our annual fundraising event and evening of awards, the Limestoner Fundraising Banquet, at the Park Inn in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania on Friday, March 16 starting around 5:30 pm. The Limestoner is our largest event of the year and primary source for generating funds for our chapter. The Fundraising Banquet is becoming more popular every year, so don't miss this great night of camaraderie and celebration as we honor those who have contributed so much, as well as provide for our continued success in future conservation efforts.

For those of you wishing to help with our preparations, Tom Baltz (baltzte@aol.com) is seeking items for the wonderful bucket raffle we have each year. Gary Leone (gml Leone12@yahoo.com) is seeking items for the auction (both silent and live). David Stone (dstone@stonelaw.net) is seeking advertisements for the brochure. We are all in need of help in spreading the word and inviting others to attend. In addition, we are in need of three people to help sell tickets throughout the first hour or so of the banquet. We need help in each of these areas, so please consider reaching out to Tom, Gary, David, or myself, and donating an item, advertisement, or time.

The Limestoner Fundraising Banquet is OUR event, and the revenue generated supports OUR projects, activities, and outreach efforts. Invitations are to be mailed shortly, along with tickets for the 50/50 raffle. Invite a friend, neighbor, colleague, or family member, and join us for our annual banquet, The Limestoner! We hope to see you there.

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Members and
Guests Attended
the Jan.
Membership

Membership Meeting:
Wednesday, Feb 21st at 7PM
Monroe Township Fire Hall, Boiling Springs

Our February membership meeting speaker will be John Frederick of the PFBC who will be giving us an update on the Cumberland Valley streams.

Hope to see you there.

Dave W.

Quick Bites and Short Strikes

Dave Weaver - Editor

Calendar of Events

2018

Feb 14th

CVTU Board Meeting
Holly Inn
Mount Holly Springs

Feb 21st

Members Meeting
Monroe TSP Fire Hall
Boiling Springs

Feb 22nd

Chapter Breakfast
Momma Spriggs
Restaurant
Carlisle

Mar 16th

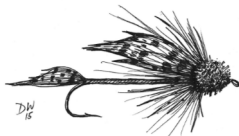
Limstoner Fundraising
Banquet
Park Inn
Mechanicsburg

Mar 24th

Yellow Breeches Anglers
Outdoor Show
Monroe TSP Fire Hall

Mar 31st

Opening Day Trout
Season



Submission of articles and suggestions for this newsletter are encouraged and may be sent to 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 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

~ Our March membership meeting speaker is George Daniel.

John Leonard

~ The 2018 Limestone Fundraising Banquet is the principal fundraiser for the chapter each year. This year we hope to raise at least \$20,000 to help fund our many projects. In addition to attending and inviting a few of your friends, how about placing an advertisement for your company (or your neighbor's company) in the Banquet Booklet for \$40 to \$125? Or consider sponsoring a centerpiece for \$100. Contact me at 717-608-4047 (dstone@stonelaw.net) or any of the Emeritus Committee.

David Stone

~ With the fundraising project for the cress farm on upper Letort complete, CVTU is working with landowners and the Fish and Boat Commission about initiating a habitat improvement project for the fly fishing only section upstream of I81. This is still in the concept stage but if it unfolds as hoped it will be an ambitious project over the upcoming years.

Dave W.

~ The Yellow Breeches Anglers and Conservation Association will be holding their annual outdoor sports show on March 24th at the Monroe Township Fire Hall. It starts at 8:30am with free admission. There will be various speakers, vendors, guides, conservations groups and other exhibits. You can also tour the trout nursey.

Dave W

CVTU Membership is Currently 585!

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. Be sure to select chapter 052, Cumberland Valley. You may renew your membership by mail or on the web at 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, Justin Pittman

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January for Cumberland Valley Trout Unlimited has been very busy. We have worked very hard as a Chapter to prepare for the upcoming Limestoner Banquet on March 16, 2018. The Limestoner Banquet is our biggest fundraiser of the year so please come out and enjoy a great evening. Please keep an eye on the CVTU Facebook page and website for updates on auction items and sponsors for the Banquet. If you have any questions, or would like to donate or be a sponsor for our banquet, please contact Chris Yasher. Another annual round of events, fly tying classes at South Middleton High School, are underway and are really going well so I must give special thanks to Chris Yasher and the team of volunteers and all instructors for continuing to organize and run such a great event!

We as a Board are continuing to review ways that we can continue to improve as a Chapter. I continue to encourage everyone to come to member's meetings and get involved with conservation/stream projects along with our many youth programs. Please feel free to keep myself or the Board aware of any potential restoration projects you feel are necessary because we are currently working to obtain upcoming grant monies.

Lastly, I would like to take a minute and thank everyone for all of the hard work they continue to do for our chapter. There is a ton of work that goes on, completed by many, behind the scenes and without that our chapter wouldn't be as productive as we are. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to give me a call at 717-360-8823 or email at flyfishing80@gmail.com

Tight Lines,
Justin



**Limestoner Fundraising Banquet
Auction Items Needed
By Gary Leone**

As we gear up for this year's Limestoner Fundraising Banquet we need your help in acquiring items for both our silent auction and our live auction. If you've solicited any of the fantastic items donated in the past, please do so again this year. If you would like to help us reach our goals for projects such as stream restoration, but don't have the time or physical ability, obtaining and donating items is a tremendous way to help CVTU. Creativity is welcomed and we'd love to have both fishing and non-fishing related items for auction. Please contact me with any items or questions. Thank you!

**The Limestoner Fundraising Banquet
By Zoe Metro**

The Limestoner Fundraising Banquet committee has ambitious goals for attendance and participation. We need the chapter members' help to achieve them. Please plan on attending, and consider bringing along a friend, co-worker, or family member. If you've never been to the Limestoner, or it's been a while since you've attended, I can assure you it will be a good time. No special fishing knowledge or experience is required, just an appreciation for the local streams and the trout that call them home. There will be a 50-50, bucket raffle, silent & live auctions, a buffet style dinner, cash bar, and a room full of people to talk fishing with including local limestone legends. There will also be plenty of prizes/items that aren't fishing related, so non-anglers can have an enjoyable time as well. Your contribution to the banquet, by attending, bidding on items, or donating whatever you can, will help to preserve the precious resources we all take for granted. Hope to see you there!



**Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing
Youth Camp
By Clark Hall**

The Cumberland Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited is holding the 24th annual Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp June 17-22, 2018. This year the camp will again be at Messiah College, Grantham, PA. The camp begins on a Sunday and ends the following Friday.

The highly structured curriculum is based on college level classes. Students are instructed in ecology, aquatic biology, geology, hydrogeology, erosion and sedimentation control, ichthyology, riparian corridor protection, watershed management, entomology, and much more. Students also participate in a hands-on stream habitat improvement project. But it's not all work. There are 10 fishing sessions and fly-tying instruction. Over 25 instructors, all experts in their field, teach the various classes.

Admission will be limited to 32 selected qualified students, ages 14 to 17. The applicants must have been born between June 22, 2000, and June 17, 2004. The 32 students will be selected through an application process where they must state why they want to attend camp.

The camp tuition is \$550 per student. All meals and accommodations are included for the residence camp. A student doesn't have to be an accomplished fly fisher or a budding aquatic biologist to attend. The student only needs to be highly motivated and willing to learn. The Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp was founded in 1995 through the efforts of the late Dr. John R. "Jack" Beck and the late Enoch S. "Inky" Moore, Jr., Pennsylvania Fish Commissioner. Their goal was to select teenagers each year who were the leaders in their class. The thought is that today's leaders in high school become the leader of tomorrow's communities. In a few short years, they will be the bankers, lawyers, realtors, municipal officials and the leaders in their communities. If the camp can implant a kernel of knowledge in today's students about the importance of clean water, when those students become the decision makers in their communities, it may have a positive impact on how water resources are used.

The camp will begin accepting applications for the 2018 camp on November 1, 2017. All applications for early acceptance must be received no later than March 31, 2018. Applying via our website is preferred. For more information, or to apply, visit the camp website at www.riverscamp.com. Be sure to watch the 2017 camp video there. Questions may be submitted at the website or via email to riverscamp@gmail.com. We are looking for donations of flies for the campers. We are requesting that donors tie 3 dozen of whatever pattern they sign-up for. Sign-up sheets for flies will be available at membership meetings, or email Clark Hall at chall2636@verizon.net or call 717-697-4549.

Did You Know? By John Leonard

TU has a "senior" membership for \$25, a \$10 savings from the regular membership fee. Type www.tu.org/senior in your search engine for the savings.

Are you tired of getting numerous TU reminders to renew your membership? Type www.tu.org/sustain in your search engine, go to the TU renewal site, put in your credit card information, and you will never receive another letter or e-mail from TU asking you to renew. You will receive e-mail from TU when the date on your credit card is about to expire. Update your credit card number and CVV number and you're good for several more years. Seniors can the \$25 rate at this site, too.

There's a TU Community Forum you can join (for free) and get a ton of information. In fact, there are two forums - a leader's forum and an open forum. What kind of information is on the forums you ask? Here are a few recent topics: trout fishing in Ireland, fly tying after cataract surgery, the WD 40 Plus (a fly pattern), and homemade furred leaders, and resource instruction are just a few of the recent topics. As a member of the community, you can ask questions, post responses to other member's questions, or do nothing but take in all the information that's available. Type www.community.tu.org into your search engine, set up your e-mail address and password (first time you log on only), and there's a world of information and a community source to answer

your questions. Enjoy! If you have any questions, send them to cvtu052@gmail.com.

Fly Tier's Corner The Black Prince By Biff Healy

This is a modification of the Bead Head Prince. I was fishing in the Elk River in West Virginia in February a couple of years ago, and as the sun came out and the air warmed towards the freezing mark, there were little black stone flies crawling all over the snow around me. The trout were tailing in the shallows, but I couldn't get their attention with anything I had. I've tried a couple other ties, with minimum success. I'm planning on going back this year. We'll see how they like this. It is a bead head Prince !

Materials:
Hook: #16 TMC3761
Thread: Black Danville 140 Denier
Tail: Black Goose Biots
Wing: Natural Goose Biots
Dubbing: Black Fly Rite
Throat: Natural CDC
Ribbing: Metallic Red tinsel, 1/32" wide
Bead: Black

Crimp barb and install bead; wind thread to bend, building a small bump at bend. Tie in black biots(2) in a "V." Tie in a 2" length of tinsel. Dub black Fly Rite to bead. Rib with 4 turns of tinsel and tie off at bead. Half hitch then tie in a single CDC feather at throat. Tie in two natural goose biots at bead, spread in a "V." Whip finish and lacquer thread. If needed, I use a black Sharpie to blacken the bead. I like this as it also blackens the hook eye.

