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Members and
Guests Attended
the May
Membership
Meeting

Sprinting the Fast Lap

By Dave Weaver

The term "marathon not a sprint" has become a cliché. Nevertheless a running analogy can often fit CVTU's activities: they are ongoing, sometimes exhausting, motivational, and speed up and slow down at different times. Sometimes in a run you have a fast lap, often the last one, as you hope to do your best, break a new speed record, or meet a qualifying time. For our chapter, June is the fast lap. There is so much going on and so many worthwhile events unfolding that we sometimes feel like we are in the fastest part of our annual, twelve month run. So let's pick up the pace, pour some more water down our throats, and reach deep down for some extra effort this month. June is our fast lap. Let's keep stepping.



Vince's Meadow. Photo Courtesy: D. Weaver

Membership Meeting:
Wednesday, June 20th at 7PM
Monroe Township Fire Hall, Boiling Springs

Since we have our hands full with the youth camp and other projects this month, rather than book a formal speaker, we will have a fly tying demonstration at our June meeting. Brian Judge, Jerry Kerstetter, and others will demonstrate their techniques. Dave W.

Quick Bites and Short Strikes

Dave Weaver - Editor

Calendar of Events

2018

- Jun 2nd
Chapter Fishing Trip
East Licking Creek
(Cancelled)
- June 2-3rd
Anglers Club of NY Visit
- June 11th-16th
Chapter Fishing Trip
South Holston
- June 13th
CVTU Board Meeting
Holly Inn
Mount Holly Springs
- Jun 13-14th
Reel Recovery
Allenberry
- Jun 16th
PFFMA Heritage Day
Shady Lane
- Jun 17-22nd
Rivers Youth Camp
Messiah College
- June 20th
Members Meeting
Monroe TSP Fire Hall
Boiling Springs
- June 21st
Chapter Breakfast
Momma Spriggs
Restaurant
Carlisle
- Aug 17th
Chapter Picnic
S. Middleton Park
- Sept 8th
Last Supper
Vince's Meadow
- Mar 16th 2019
CVTU Anniversary
Limestoner

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

~ The gentlemen of the Anglers Club of New York will be visiting the Cumberland Valley from June 2nd to 3rd. If you can help out with this, please contact Tom Baltz.

Dave W.

~ We could use some help with trout stocking. Volunteers are also needed to attend local permitting meetings. If you have some time, especially on weekdays and would like to help, please contact Don Albright.

Dave W.

~ The East Licking Creek trip has been cancelled due to weather forecast. If the weather turns out decent, Ken Okorn will probably still head up there to fish. Contact Ken if you would like to join him. The breakfast and group meal will not be held. Ken will refund your money if you paid.

Dave W.



Yellow Breeches. Photo Courtesy: D. Weaver



CVTU Membership is Currently 618!

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, John Leonard

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We've all heard the proverbial question: Why did the chicken cross the road? There are a lot of responses...my favorite is, "To show the 'possum it could be done." So, here's another thought provoking question – Why did YOU join Trout Unlimited?

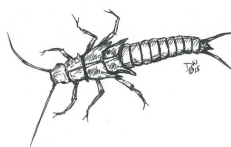
- You want to make a difference, especially in your community
- You want to learn how to fly fish or to improve on your fishing skills; learn how to tie flies; make new fishing friends; learn where to fish on new waters, etc.
- You want to be part of something that matters to future generations.
- You want to be a part of a community that shares your conservation beliefs.
- You want to get your kids outdoors and involved in conservation.
- You want to have FUN!

You can probably come up with a few more reasons, too.

So what opportunities does CVTU provide our TU community members each year to fulfil the reason why you joined Trout Unlimited?

- We offer conservation and F.I.T.S. work projects to protect and restore our cold-water streams.
- We have TU community fishing outings to various streams both in PA and out of state.
- We hold regularly scheduled meetings with informative speakers addressing a variety of conservation subjects and fishing/tying information.
- We offer beginners and intermediate/advanced fly tying classes.
- We host family events like our annual family picnic.
- We hold youth events like Rivers Camp and Street To Streams.
- We sponsor two Five Rivers TU Chapters.
- We assist community groups like veteran's Project Healing Waters and we work with men living with cancer in conjunction with Reel Recovery.

If you are looking for more reasons to support joining us as a CVTU volunteer, please let me know what events you would like see by contacting me either at president@pacvtu.org or (717) 512-4620.



Tight Lines,
John

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.

For more information, or to apply, visit the camp website at www.riverscamp.com. Be sure to watch the 2017 camp video there.

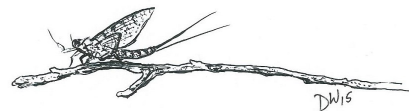
Questions may be submitted at the website or via email to riverscamp@gmail.com. For more information, email Clark Hall at chall2636@verizon.net or call 717-697-4549.



Letort. Photo Courtesy: D. Weaver

CVTU 50th Anniversary By John Leonard

The planning is beginning and we need your help. Cumberland Valley Trout Unlimited will be celebrating our 50th anniversary next year which officially begins on October 1, 2018. We're going to kick the Limestoner Fundraising Banquet up a notch next year. The event will be at the Park Inn on **Saturday, March 16, 2019**. We already have Chris Wood, CEO of Trout Unlimited, coming to the event to speak. Here's what you can do to help... We would like to have photographs of past CVTU events, conservation projects, past notable members, documents, newspaper clippings – anything you have that will show the past 50 years of CVTU. If what you have is in a format that you can e-mail, please sent it to cvtu052@gmail.com. If you bring what you have to a meeting, we'll scan it and give it back to you. If there are former members that have moved away that you think we should contact, let us know. This event will not be complete without you.



Mark Your Calendar – CVTU Annual Family Picnic

By John Leonard

CVTU friends and family will be gathering at South Middleton Park on August 17th for our annual family picnic. This year's menu will feature slow-smoked sliced beef brisket, sweet Italian sausage with sautéed onions and peppers, baked beans, Italian pasta salad, Cole slaw, tossed salad, rolls, condiments, desserts, and beverages...all you care to eat for only \$20 per person (kids are ½ price). Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM. You can purchase your tickets at the June or July's TU Community meeting. You can also make a reservation by e-mailing cvtu052@gmail.com and let us know how many people will be in your group. In addition to the chapter's annual fly casting contests, we're adding a fly tying contest this year. More details about these activities and bucket raffle will be in the July/August edition of *Tight Lines*. Please put this event on your calendar today.

Fly Tier's Corner

"Stimulator II"

By Biff Healy

I have saved some otherwise dismal outings by tying a Stimulator on and find that otherwise empty water suddenly becomes a trout haven full of newly awakened, hungry trout.

The Stimulator is historically an imitation of the stonefly/caddis adults. This pattern adds a small hopper to the mix. Of course, it is an attractor pattern, but still fun to fish with, and a slight challenge to tie.

MATERIALS:

#12 dry fly hook.
Orange 140 denier thread.
Coastal deer hair, dyed Greenish Grey.
White calf tail.
Orange (ginger) poly dubbing.
Yellow (golden stone) poly dubbing.
extra fine gold wire.
#14 sized ginger hackle.

DIRECTIONS:

After crushing the barb, mount in the vise and lay down a tight layer of the tying thread from just behind the hook eye to the bend of the hook. Even up the ends of a small bunch of

Coastal Deer hair and tie in at the bend as a tail. Then tie in a length of X-fine gold wire and a length of ginger hackle. Dub the rear (abdomen) to just beyond the midpoint of the shaft with the orange poly. Palmer in an open spiral the hackle over the dubbing and tie off at the midpoint. Reverse wrap with the X-fine wire, but don't cut/break off.

Tie in a tip-evened bunch of the Coastal deer hair in at this point as an over wing, which should reach to the midpoint of the tail. Immediately in front of this wing tie in a small bunch of white calf tail, equal in length to the first wing. Bring the wire forward of this wing and wrap around the shaft to hold in place. Tie in a hackle feather, then using the Yellow dubbing, dub a thorax to the front of the hook, staying back 1/32 inch from the eye. Wrap the hackle forward in a closed spiral to the end of the dubbing, and reverse wrap the X-fine wire through the hackle. Tie off and finish with a neat head. Whip finish and coat the head with your favorite nail polish.

The white calf tail allows the fly to be easily seen by the angler and adds another dimension of attraction for the trout. I like fishing it because it's fairly easy to cast, and can elicit some real splashy takes, even in small water.

