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Kudos to Clark Hall

By Dave Weaver

Clark Hall received the 2018 Dr. Jack Beck Award for Outstanding Youth Outreach given this year at the annual PATU conference. Clark needs no introduction to CVTU. He's been involved with countless projects over the years. The Rivers Conservation and Youth Camp has been at the front of these projects and continues to benefit from Clark's steady guidance and leadership. So kudos to Clark Hall! He reflects great credit on our chapter and Trout Unlimited. Clark gives credit to the outstanding team that he has on the Camp Board.



Photo Courtesy: J. Leonard

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Members and
Guests Attended
the Sept.
Membership
Meeting

Membership Meeting:
Wednesday, Oct 17th at 7PM

For the October membership meeting, Dave McMullen will provide a presentation on the upcoming Allenberry Yellow Breeches project. Dave also hopes to have representatives from the USF&W that will be assisting. The project is expected to span from the stone bridge on Mountain Road downstream to the end of the catch and release area.

Hope to see you there.

Gary L.

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, 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

Calendar of Events

2018

Oct 10th
CVTU Board Meeting
(Location TBD)

~ I was recently elected to my fourth and final term as the PATU Executive Vice President. My main effort in the upcoming year is to compile a list of all 49 state chapters and their recent and upcoming conservation projects.

John Leonard

Oct. 17th
Members Meeting
Monroe TSP Fire Hall
Boiling Springs

~ All the incumbent board members were reelected: Leonard, Leone, Shugart, Zazworsky.

John Leonard

Oct. 18th
Chapter Breakfast
Momma Spriggs
Restaurant
Carlisle

~ Our general membership meeting in November will be on the 14th due to Thanksgiving.

John Leonard

Oct. 20th
BSWA Discovery Day
Big Spring Creek

~ On Tuesday, September 25, The F.I.T.S. Crew had a final work party for 2018 in Trego's Meadow.

There is now a clear channel from the bridge at Bonney Brook Road upstream to the CVTU property line in Trego's Meadow. We are hoping with this clearing, that future wild trout will use this area as potential spawning grounds. To be added to the potential work list emails, please submit an email to: neil@tcoflyfishing.com

Neil Sunday

Nov. 14th (6:00pm)
CVTU Board Meeting
Monroe TSP Fire Hall
Boiling Springs

~ The CVTU Board, concerned about the long-term health of the Letort as a coldwater fishery, has formed a working group to study the Letort and its challenges. These include bank erosion, stream widening, excessive build up of silt, and excessive vegetation growth. The group has been gathering data over the past year. Once collected data have been studied, the working group will present findings and recommendations to the board. Several members of the chapter, led by President John Leonard, met recently on the banks of the Letort with Fish & Boat Commission new area fisheries manager Bryan Chikotas. During this 'get acquainted' meeting we briefed Bryan on our long term Letort study. Further meetings with F&BC staff and other Letort stakeholders are contemplated as we move through this important effort.

Jim Rainey

Nov. 14th (7:00pm)
Members Meeting
Monroe TSP Fire Hall
Boiling Springs

Mar. 16th 2019
CVTU Anniversary
Limestoner

CVTU Membership is Currently 601!

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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Robert Shaw, Clark Hall, and I recently attended the PA Council's annual meeting which brings together all 49 PA chapters to celebrate our 2018 accomplishments. Robert was able to meet with our two 5 Rivers chapter presidents, Ben Weber (Messiah College) and Jake Knouse (Shippensburg University). At the November membership meeting, you will be able to meet these two TU 5 Rivers leaders and learn more about the TU 5 Rivers college program. Board member, Robert Shaw, will be our 5 Rivers liaison. For those of you who don't know Robert, he teaches math at Cumberland Valley High School and is the advisor for the school's fly fishing club.

At the meeting, the PA Council recognizes the work and accomplishments of various individuals and chapters. Clark Hall was recognized for his long-time and tireless work as the Director of Rivers Camp. Clark received the 2018 Dr. Jack Beck Award for Outstanding Youth Outreach. Congratulations Clark, and thank you for all you do to coordinate the Rivers Camp every year (and much more).

The Cumberland Valley chapter (YOU!) received two awards: The first one is the Best Chapter Membership Growth in 2018. When you join TU, you are assigned to a chapter, but you can request which chapter you want to be in no matter where you live. Our chapter is known for its conservation work and the great programs we offer to our membership each month. New members want to be a part of CVTU. If you haven't been to a meeting in a while, come join us on October 17th and meet some new folks and get reacquainted with some old friends.

The second award we received with the 2018 Best Chapter award....Best in the state! This award is given not only for what we accomplished in 2018, but all we have done over the years in conservation, the programs we support, and the opportunities we offer. Everyone is to be congratulated for your work...this recognition is for everyone that's worked on a project, helped ghillie a youngster or a man living with cancer, or supported our fundraisers. Great job! Thank you.

Please make a note on your calendar: Our usual 3rd Wednesday of the month membership meeting will change for the month of November. We'll be meeting on the 2nd Wednesday, the 14th. The usual meeting date falls the day before Thanksgiving. Please join us for dessert and beverages on the 14th, our last meeting in 2018. You're welcome to contact me at president@pacvtu.org or (717) 512-4620.



Tight Lines,
John

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.

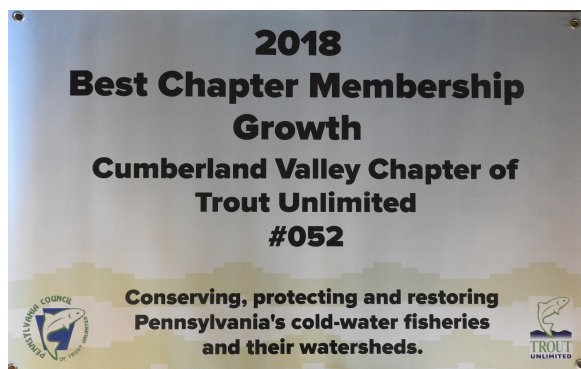
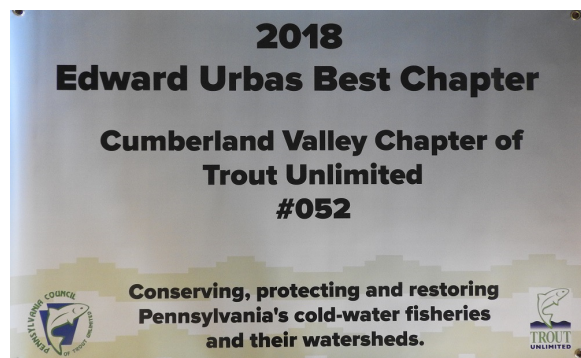
Cress Farm Dedication—Mission Accomplished By Dave Weaver

After many years of fundraising, the Central Pennsylvania Conservancy has completed its acquisition of the old cress farm property on the upper Letort. CVTU has been a partner in this worthy endeavor along with several other conservation organizations. A recent dedication event was held to mark this achievement. CVTU will be working to evaluate this area and consider some potential projects and improvements that will fit with a larger upper Letort project that will unfold in upcoming years.



Meeting Venue Change By John Leonard

We're going to give it a whirl. Beginning in January, we're going to begin a three-month trial of holding our membership meetings at the Appalachian Brewing Company on the Carlisle Pike in Mechanicsburg. They have a meeting room large enough to hold our group. We held our August board meeting there. The food was excellent, as was the beer. They have a full menu for those that would like to arrive early and eat or just have a beverage/coffee and dessert. There's plenty of parking here, too. We think this venue will allow for more members to mingle and get acquainted...general fellowship. More details and directions will be in January's *Tight Lines*. If you have any questions or comments, please e-mail me at president@pacvtu.org.



Chapter awards received by CVTU in 2018.
For more info, see the President's letter on p. 3.
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