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Hard Work Always Pays Off By Robert Bergamaschi



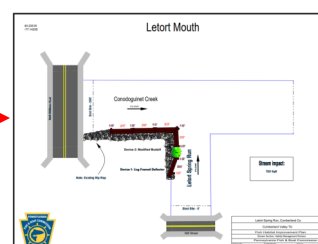
Thanks to the hard work of several board members and chapter members, there will be two conservation projects taking place in 2023. The first project will take place at the Barnitz Church property, and will include in-stream work starting around June 26th. In stream work will include bank stabilization (see circled area in picture below) and focusing on creating channels mid-stream.

Later this fall, we will be improving the riparian buffer area with a diverse mix of native trees, shrubs, and wild-flower seed mixes.



Photo Courtesy: J. Daniels

In early September, a bank stabilization project at the mouth of the Letort where it feeds the Conodoguinet Creek will be started. Special thanks to board member Neil Sunday and chapter member David Stone for working with local residents as well as the Fish and Boat Commission.



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Upcoming Meetings:

June 21st—(Messiah College on the Banks of the Yellow Breeches)—Rivers Conservation Camp

July 19th– Bosler Library– Ms. Kristen Hoke, Wetlands Restoration Specialist for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation

August 19th—Chapter Family Picnic– Stay tuned for Details!

Keeping Tight Lines Strong

Robert Bergamaschi - Editor



Calendar of Events

2023

June 21st

Chapter meeting at
Messiah College

July 19th

Chapter Meeting
Bosler Library

August 19th

Chapter Family Picnic



~ Thank you to those who contributed content to this issue, it is much appreciated. In addition to content for *Tight Lines*, we are always looking for your ideas on presenters at our chapter meetings. If you have seen presentations you think would be good for the chapter, or have ideas, please send them along. I invite you to contribute or offer recommendations for content you'd like to see in *Tight Lines* or at a future chapter meeting. Please feel free to email me ideas, content, etc. at rjberg42@gmail.com

Robert Bergamaschi

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President's Message

From the President, John Zazworsky

Cumberland Valley Chapter Officers and Directors (term)

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Membership Chair:

(Open)

Limestoner Banquet:

Gary Leone (24)

Online Auction:

Garrett Kieffer (23)

At Large:

Tom Baltz (23)

George Reilly (23)

Eric Naguski (24)

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Zoe Metro (25)

Springtime is prime time for many of us to pursue our fly fishing hobby. It's also the time of year when the hard work of winter planning produces our many chapter activities. Here's what your chapter's been up to.

Fund Raising and Recognition

The annual Limestoner Banquet in March and the following on-line auction raised funds to prepare for future chapter activities. Attendees all enjoyed some great fellowship, and recognized our annual award winners: Limestoner - John Leonard, Order of the Quill - Biff Healy, and Rising Trout - Fly Fisherman magazine editor-in-chief Ross Purnell --congrats to all and, more importantly, thanks for all you do on behalf of conservation and the sport of fly fishing!

Conservation

The Barnitz Church and Letort mouth stream projects are scheduled for work in late June and September respectively. I encourage all of us to check out the work in progress and the final results, to see first-hand the results of our collective efforts. We remain involved in the community-wide discussions regarding restoration of the former mill lake on Mountain Creek. and continue work on our Letort properties, as well as in-stream work adjacent to those areas.

Education

The annual wintertime fly-tying classes were well-received by the attendees. To stay engaged with the class members, we organized both weekday and weekend introduction to fishing classes throughout the spring. This initiative helped fly fishing newcomers better understand their new sport. Even better, we made connections with other families in our community and expanded the network of conservation-minded citizens.

Investing in the Future

The Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth camp at Messiah University will start in a couple weeks. If you're one of the many volunteers who help make this camp a success each year--thank you! If you've never helped with the camp before, I encourage you to visit the morning or evening fishing sessions to talk with camp staffers and see tangible results of what our chapter supports.

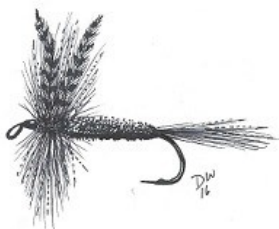
The best way to join the overall effort is simply to attend one of these events or a monthly chapter meeting, seek out current or past board members, and learn more about where your skills, interests and experience can best help. I look forward to seeing how you can fit into our chapter's activities!

Tight Lines,

John



Photo Courtesy: D. Weaver



Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp By Clark Hall

For those that have tied flies for camp and have not turned them in yet, please drop them off at either TCO or Precision Fly Shop, and send an email to Clark Hall (chall2636@verizon.net) to let me know when and where to retrieve them.

We are also in need of gillies for the 10 fishing sessions for the camp. Evening fishing begins at 6 PM and ends at dark. Morning sessions begin at 5:30 AM and end at 8:00 AM.

Volunteer gillies wear their own vest and carry their own favorite flies to insure they have everything to make the session a successful one for the student. We do ask that gillies NOT carry a rod. Working with these young people is a rewarding and memorable time. We hope you will join us as often as your schedule permits.

To sign-up for any or all fishing sessions, contact Biff Healy at biffer1966@hotmail.com, or call 717-254-7386.



Photo Courtesy: J. Daniels

Messiah University
Grantham, PA

28th Year



Sunday Through Friday
June 18-23, 2023

Feet In The Stream (FITS) Work Report By Neil Sunday

An ambitious FITS crew assembled under cloudy and slightly rainy skies on Saturday May 13th to work on the CVTU property at Trego's Meadow on the Letort Spring Run.

Seven shovel and rake wielding conservationists cleared fallen logs, trees, and branches from the Letort, allowing more current to continually move sediment out of the system.

The fallen branches were strategically placed along certain eroded banks with hopes that these areas will strengthen over time and stabilize. If you'd like a break from monotonous yard work, join the FITS crew and help restore one of our prized streams here in the Cumberland Valley.

Stay tuned to chapter communications for upcoming work parties, no experience necessary!



Photo Courtesy: Neil Sunday



CVTU Launches Service Partnership By Robert Bergamaschi

CVTU is starting a service partnership program to share the joy and peace of being on the water with active duty military, veterans, police, firefighters, and first responders.

This partnership will help to expand the chapters reach into the community by offering an outlet for conservation, support, friendship, and opportunities to work alongside other members in education and outdoor projects.

Special thanks to CVTU member and Army veteran David Bowerman for stepping up to lead a team to get our program up and running. David, along with a small group of volunteers, have met a few times to develop a plan to get the chapter service partnership launched.

Our first test of the water will be a welcome expo event at the Army War College on August 9th where we will have the opportunity to engage with active duty members of the Army and gauge their interest in joining and participating in chapter activities. This test will give the chapter a good sense of our next steps as we expand in other areas of the service partnership.

David will also be participating in a discussion panel at the upcoming Mending the Line movie screening at Allenberry on June 3rd.

If you have an interest in helping, please contact David Bowerman (Davidsbowerman@gmail.com) and let him know, the team can use your help! As usual, no experience necessary!



2023 Orvis Lifetime Achievement Award

Thomas E. Baltz
By Robert Bergamaschi

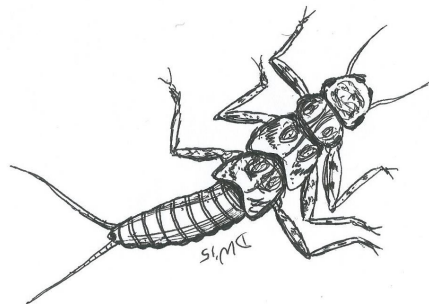
CVTU is proud to announce that Thomas E. Baltz is the recipient of the 2023 Orvis Lifetime Achievement Award.

Tom's accolades are many, and well deserved. Some of Tom's other awards include:

- Limestoner Award—for his leadership in conservation and CVTU chapter functions
- Rising Trout Award—for his work in promoting and educating fly fishing in the Cumberland Valley
- Order of the Hat Award—for his articles and works as a contributing author to The Mid Atlantic Fly Fishing Guide



Photo Courtesy: Jin Park and provided by Tom Baltz



CVTU Intro to Fishing Update

By Robert Bergamaschi

Following on the success of the winter fly tying courses, the chapter kept the interest and momentum going by inviting recent class “graduates” to several intro to fishing events.

Those new to fishing, some new to fly fishing, were joined by many experienced chapter members at South Middleton Park.

Experienced members shared knowledge, expertise, and tips with the students, and even accompanied them down to the stream to assist.

Special thanks to Jonathan Daniels for organizing the outings, and many thanks to the experienced members who came out to help!



Photo(s) Courtesy: J. Daniels

Yellow Breeches Trout Stocking

Contributed By Sam Rob

On March 25th, CVTU and YBAC members partnered to stock a section of the Yellow Breeches. The hearty crew braved a miserable rain but got the job done!

The fish stocked were a combination of browns and rainbows and were between 8-12” in size.

The float box pictured below was once again provided by Ken Okorn.



Float box used for the safe transport of fish (provided by Ken Okorn)

Doug Brown and Mark Leonard in action!



Doug and Mark finding that perfect spot

Photo(s) Courtesy: S. Rob