Chapter Meeting Recap 1/15/03:
by Scott Trefny

The January Meeting was held at the Quality Inn and Suites on the Oregon Pike in Lancaster with 27 members and guests present. This was the last meeting for Bob Kutz as President of Donegal TU. Bob did a wonderful job as the leader of our organization and we sincerely thank him for his efforts. He will still be on the Board of Directors as Past President. Another order of business was the election of Officers and Board of Directors. See the article on Page 2 for a complete listing of those elected and their terms. Feel free to contact any Officer or Board Member if there are any questions or problems. See Bob Wyble’s President’s Message in the Insert for a complete listing of our Committees and their Chairmen. Please volunteer and join a committee. We need more support from the chapter membership to accomplish the work of DTU.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Karl Haensel from the PA Fish and Boat Commission. His official title is the Regional Aquatic Programs Specialist. The region covers a large area from Philadelphia west to Altoona and he deals with trout fishing on streams ranging from the Pennypack and the Wissahickon to Penn’s Creek and the Little Juniata. Karl lives in Hershey and has an office at the Fish and Boat Commission building at Speedwell Forge Lake north of Lititz.

The first part of Karl’s talk dealt with the first ever “Pennsylvania Trout Summit” hosted by the PFBC on September 27-28, 2002. The forum brought together individual trout anglers, representatives of the state’s sportsmen’s organizations, conservation interests, elected officials, educators and natural resource managers from all over the country. The forum featured presentations and round table discussions on the topics of fish disease, hatchery wastewater discharge standards, stocking programs and funding for the various programs.

The second day of the summit focused specifically on Pennsylvania’s trout programs. Presentations were followed by focus group sessions where attendees shared opinions on subjects like stocking policies, habitat improvement, funding for programs and wild trout management.

Karl then opened the meeting to questions and answers. Members of DTU asked Karl about wild trout, the stocking programs and the problems with the state hatchery system. It was obvious that there are many diverse opinions about these matters and not all persons in the state agree with the philosophies of our members. One third of all funding comes from license sales! There has not been an increase in fees for many years. The politics of this matter is difficult. If the money is not there then the programs cannot be funded. But some groups fight any increase. All of us would like to see the expansion of delayed harvest areas. That may be coming soon. More fingerling stocking may start up in suitable limestone streams but not freestone streams. And the hatchery systems will be upgraded, but it will take time and a lot of money. Some good things are coming but we have to be patient. Thank you Karl for an interesting presentation. If you have further interest go to the PFBC web site at www.fish.state.pa.us and click on “Trout Summit Files”. You can read for a week! Have fun!
WHAT’S EMERGING!

2003 DTU Chapter Elections:
Chapter elections for Officers and the Board of Directors were conducted at the January Chapter Meeting.

Officers elected were:
President - Bob Wyble
Vice President - Bill Billett
Secretary - Scott Trefny
Treasurer - Wayne Boggs

The President, Vice President, and Secretary will each serve a one-year term, with the possibility of up to one successive one-year term. The Treasurer will serve for a two-year term with the possibility of up to one successive two-year term.

Board Members elected were:
Three Year Term Limits
Henry Bazella; Dave Chalfant; Matt Kofroth; Jim Stephens

Four Year Term Limits
Ted Downs; Kevin Fausey; Bob Kutz; Gary Roulston

Five Year Term Limits
Joe Besecker; Dan Brandt; Bob Habig; Greg Wilson

These term limits were established by lottery for this initial election in order to create three classes of Directors so that there will be progressive retirement, ensuring continuity on the Board. For this one-time initial election, these Board Members will not be eligible for any successive terms. The normal term limit for a Board Member is one three-year term with the possibility of up to one successive three-year term. There can also be up to 3 “Board Members At Large”, in addition to the 12 Board Members listed above. Board Members At Large can be nominated and elected beginning in January 2004.

February Chapter Meeting:
by Ted Downs
The speaker for our February Chapter Meeting is W.S. “Ozzie” Ozefovich. In this the third and newest presentation of “The Underwater World of Trout”, he deals with why what you see isn’t what the trout sees. You’ll learn to interpret what you actually see, to better understand what really is happening underwater. Ozzie wowed us with his last presentation in October 2001! Make your plans to attend what will surely be an interesting and entertaining presentation. See page 8 for further details.

2003 DTU Annual Banquet:
by Bob Kutz
Our 24th Annual Banquet will be held on March 29th at the Quality Inn & Suites on Oregon Pike. Time, cost and menu to remain the same as last year – see your registration form for details.

Dan Brandt, our new banquet chairman, has a few “new surprises” for games and prizes. Here is a list of the confirmed items:

? Premium Bucket – Winston Rod Outfit “LTX” 9’-5 wt. a $1,100.00 value
? One Week Montana Fishing Trip
? One Week use of a Condo at Myrtle Beach, NC
? Golf Package including Bulle Rock Country Club
? Beach condo for 3-4 Days
? Custom Rods (Orvis T-3 Blanks) made by Chuck Elmer & Gary Trostle
? Many “Guided Fishing Trips”
? New Family & Ladies items

Also, look for your letter containing your registration form and your tickets for the $1000 Evening Rise Fly Fishing Outfitters Gift Certificate. It is very important for you to sell every ticket in your envelope, as the tickets are our main fundraising tool. Take them to work, school, sporting events or any other social gatherings. Call Bob Kutz at 393-0478 for more tickets or pick them up at our monthly meetings.

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Mayflyer
Lancaster County Conservation District
by Matthew W. Kofroth, Watershed Specialist

Well with the drought emergency no longer a concern for Lancaster County Watershed groups their focus turns to getting funding for next year’s projects. The dark dingy winter months are very important to local groups because this is when these groups look to acquire funds from various funding sources in the state. The largest source they are tapping for funds is Pennsylvania’s Growing Greener (GG) Program. GG is a program that former Governor Ridge enacted in 1999 to protect and preserve the natural resources we have in PA. Fortunately for us a great deal of this funding goes toward watershed projects. An even better fact is that a lot of this money comes to Lancaster County because of the great groups we have in the County. In this article of the Stream Report I would like to focus on some projects the Growing Greener Program has funded in recent years throughout the county.

1999 Growing Greener Projects
Lancaster County started off using the GG funds for two worthwhile projects in Northern Lancaster County. Funds were used to restore a segment of the Hammer Creek that had been an overused meadow area with highly erode-able banks. The project reshaped the banks, narrowed the stream, planted trees and shrubs, and created a very nice bass fishery in the process. GG funds were also used in the Lititz Run Watershed to create a riparian buffer area along a ½ mile stretch of a tributary to Lititz Run. The Santo Domingo tributary was planted with native trees and shrubs to create a more natural setting. In the process a small stormwater wetland was created and planted to enhance groundwater recharge in the basin.

2000 Growing Greener Projects
The GG program recognized in 2000 that Lancaster County had real needs and gave us more money in year two in which the groups in the County took full advantage of. Numerous projects took off in this funding round. Two local groups received money to “start-up” their local watershed groups, the Little Conestoga Watershed Alliance and the Chiques Creek Watershed Alliance. Start-up cost for a group usually involves setting up the group as a non-profit group. This means legal forms and fees that attorneys must be hired for. Other start-up costs consist of creation of letterhead for the group, creating a brochure about the group, making maps for public relations, and other related costs. The Little Conestoga Watershed Alliance also received GG funds for a stream project on an unnamed tributary to the creek. The project dealt with a small stream in a fairly residential neighborhood that had serious erosion issues. The project reshaped the vertical stream banks, created a riparian buffer, addressed stormwater flows, and also created fish habitat structures. Finally, GG funds were used on an educational/stormwater/pond project in the Elizabethtown area. Elizabethtown College had some serious stormwater issues and was looking to solve these issues with the installation of a large stormwater pond. The pond was installed and wetland plants were planted along the fringe to increase the water quality of the entire watershed. The school now uses the pond for educational instruction and for an outdoor laboratory setting.

Future Projects Under Growing Greener
The above reference projects are all ones that were completed before writing this article. There are a lot of other GG projects yet to finish in the coming months and years. Projects like; stream restoration projects in Columbia Borough, on Landis Run in Manheim Twp., on Stewart’s Run, and Rife Run, stream relocation projects on the upper Pequea Creek, Hammer Creek, and the Cocalico Creek, dam removal project on Eshleman Run, a watershed-wide assessment of the Little Conestoga Watershed, and starting up additional watershed groups in the Conewago Creek watershed and the Furnace Run/Segloch Run Watershed. As you can see Lancaster County has taken full advantage of the Growing Greener funds thrown our way. If you every wanted to be a part of something big in the conservation community, now is the opportunity to get involved in your local groups and join the bandwagon.

Hammer Creek Watershed Association Workshop
“Bayscape – Landscaping with Native Plants”
The Hammer Creek Watershed Association would like to invite all DTU members and Lancaster County residents to a native plant landscaping workshop on March 8th at the Lititz Public Library. The Workshop entitled “Bayscape – Landscaping with Native Plants” is being put together by the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay. The Hammer Creek Watershed Association and the Little Conestoga Watershed Alliance are sponsoring the event. The workshop will help local landowners plan the garden of their dreams using native PA trees and shrubs. If you have ever done any planting around your house or are looking for a native approach to educate your kids stop out and get some hints for your own backyard garden project. The workshop will run from 9:00 am till noon on March 8th. Registration is free and will start at 8:30 am. Refreshments will be provided. So get an early jump on this years spring gardening and stop out to a great event.
Ken Reinard, our catalog manager, has spent months turning one room in our shop into a fly tying room that is sure to please discriminating fly tiers. It’s filled to the brim with fly tying materials and we have even more on the way for spring of 2003. In addition to the tying materials, Ken has decorated the room with his personal collection of capes and pelts—it’s almost like walking into a museum. The room is brilliantly lit by full-spectrum bulbs that allow you to study the tying materials under light that is nearly as bright as sunlight. To best preserve the vivid colors of the materials, we have a dim light system that is used at all times except when we have clients in the shop. In addition to the new tying room, we have a classic tackle room that features a number of new and used cane rods, reels, and vintage rod hardware. As always, we inventory the largest supply of rodmaking tools and components in the region. We cordially invite you to visit our shop. We’re open by appointment, Monday-Thursday, 8-4. Beginning in February, we’re starting Open Shop Fridays...just walk in 8-4 each Friday. Ken is confident that you’ll discover that the effort you put into locating our hidden shop will be well rewarded. Just drive down the 1560/1570 Driveway, located on Kleinfeltersville Road, about a half-mile prior to entering the Middle Creek Refuge (Project 70). The shop is the first building on the right.
President’s Message:
by Bob Wyble

I look forward to a term as President of the Donegal Chapter. I agreed to serve as your President because I believe the most effective way to improve coldwater streams is through grass roots organizations with volunteer help, and I can’t think of a finer group of men and women I would like to work with. I want to thank Bob Kutz for the excellent leadership he has provided for the Donegal Chapter, both as a volunteer and as President, for many years. Take a break Bob but don’t relax too much. We will be calling on you for advice and counsel.

As your President I pledge to organize the Donegal Chapter according to the committee structure set up in our By-Laws. I look forward to this challenge with a sense of duty, but in a spirit of camaraderie. The task of coldwater stream restoration and watershed maintenance requires serious effort, time, and energy, but we need to have fun also. We need to enjoy each other’s company in order to keep an otherwise mundane workload light.

I invite you to come join me and numerous other volunteers to carry out all the things that need to be done to keep our chapter strong and healthy. We have an excellent newsletter in the Mayflyer, which is vital to our health as a volunteer organization. Most recently we have developed a web page to communicate with those inside and outside of our chapter. I am very pleased to announce that you can now read the Mayflyer on our web page (www.donegaltu.org) by clicking on “News and Activities” and then on “Chapter Newsletter”. You will find the Mayflyer there, complete with color pictures. This is a first for Donegal TU.

We still have work to do on Lititz Run to improve the quality of water to a level capable of sustaining a population of trout year round. Other coldwater streams in Lancaster County also need work to improve their water quality. We have a fly tying class coming up in March. In June we will work with youth in the Lancaster County Youth Field Day and in the Big Brother/Big Sister Fishing Derby.

The Annual Spring Banquet is coming up on Saturday, March 29th. Mark that date on your calendar. You won’t want to miss the banquet. This is your opportunity to have some fun, dine with good friends, and open your checkbook for all the neat things you can purchase to use in the stream and around your house. If you have been to our banquet you know what I’m talking about. If you’ve not yet been to our banquet, please come and check it out. We have a bucket auction, a silent auction, a bidding auction, games of chance, trips, fly rods, etc., etc. All proceeds go to improving and maintaining water quality in Lancaster County’s coldwater streams.

Our chapter has grown from approximately 290 members in 1996 to 479 members in January 2003. As is the case in many volunteer organizations, a small percentage of DTU members carry out a large portion of the workload in the chapter. All members in the chapter have something to contribute to coldwater conservation in Lancaster County and we are asking for your help.

The Board of Directors has developed eleven committees to encourage broader participation in chapter management. Each board member, excluding officers, is responsible to chair a committee. To function properly each committee needs a minimum of two members in addition to the committee chair. We need at least 25 chapter members to serve on committees to carry out the business of the chapter. Please review the committees listed below. The chair of each committee is listed with a telephone number and an e-mail address. Think about which committee you would like to serve on and contact the chair by telephone or by e-mail. The chair will describe the function of the committee and answer any questions you may have.

The most pressing need is for someone to publish the Mayflyer each month. Various members write the articles, but we need someone to use desktop publishing software to prepare the newsletter for the printer. If you are comfortable using word processing and or have prepared PowerPoint presentations you have the skills you need to publish the Mayflyer. We will train you and assist you with software as needed. If you are interested in helping us with the newsletter or have any questions, e-mail me at wyble@ptd.net or call me at 733-4939. We do need your help. Please call one of the committee chairs below and learn what you can do to help us.

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“Flame Thrower”
by Marc Procopio
October Mt. Guide Service

Description:
Flame Thrower was designed as a Steelhead fly for fishing on overcast days. Also, this color combo has been deadly for all species of fresh water Salmonids. When using the Chuck & Duck method for Steelhead Pull on the line about a foot when its in the center of the channel and let it drop back. Hold on for Dear Life!!!

Recipe:
HOOK: # 4-6 TMC, 700 or similar
THREAD: Flourescent Pink, Orange, or Red
TAIL: Blood Red Marabou overlaid with copper crystal flash
BODY: Flourescent Fire Orange Med. Chenille
HACKLE: Hot Orange Schlappen
FACE: Yellow Saddle
RIB: none
UNDERBODY: none

Tying Instructions
Pad the hook and tie in Red Marabou tail. Then overlay the Copper Crystal flash. With the thread above the hook point, tie in the Med. Chenille, then the Hot Orange Schlappen by the tip! Wrap the chenille forward to the eye following the thread. (Make sure you take one turn of chenille behind the body hackle). Wrap the Hot orange body hackle forward through the chenille segments. Wrap a face of Yellow Saddle (3 turns) and Whip Finish.
Donegal TU:

2003 Millport Conservancy Badges:
by Ted Downs

The 2003 Millport/DTU badges are now available from The Millport Conservancy and DTU. The badges permit fishing on the private land of the conservancy for the calendar year of 2003. Trout were stocked there the past two years by DTU and many members have taken advantage of the opportunity to fish there. We ask for a $20 donation so that supplemental fish food can be purchased, and so that an escrow can be maintained for future stocking costs. Maintenance of the stream also involves any structural repair of stream banks and fencing if needed. Signage has been erected to identify the land as private so that the experience is pleasant for the members, and so that the rules of barbless hooks, and catch and release are adhered to.

We will conduct a stream survey sometime during the winter (weather permitting) to ascertain the amount of carryover trout in the stream. Mark Metzler of Rettew Associates and Matt Kofroth of Lancaster County Conservation District will direct the survey. Any DTU members interested in obtaining a badge should see Ted Downs at our monthly Chapter Meetings. Millport Conservancy members should contact Lynn or Logan Myers.

2003 Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp
by Bill Billett

Dates: June 15th – 20th, 2003
Open to boys and girls, ages 14-17
Camp Location: Allenberry Resort - Boiling Springs, PA
Cost of Camp: $275 - Paid by Donegal Trout Unlimited
Total Camp Enrollment: 32
Applications must be accompanied by a written essay explaining why the applicant would like to attend the camp, along with the name address and telephone number of a science teacher or counselor reference.
Applications must be received by Feb. 22, 2003.
Send applications to:
Bill Billett
602 Longview Drive
Ephrata, PA 17522

Donegal Fish and Conservation Association:

Spring Sports Show

The Donegal Fish and Conservation Association, along with the Donegal Middle School Fly Tying Club will be holding its annual Spring Sports Show on Saturday March 8th, 2003, from 4:00 until 9:00 p.m. in the Donegal Middle School gym located in Marietta, PA. The show will feature exhibits from area sporting goods stores, fly tyers, rod and tackle makers and conservation groups. Cortland Line Company professional casters will be giving casting demonstrations.

This year’s featured speakers will be Dave Welk and Dwayne Keiffer of Wild Trout Fly Fishing Adventures located in Denver, PA. Dave and Dwayne will be presenting a slide show on fishing for steelhead, salmon and brown trout in the Great lakes tributaries. All proceeds from the show will go towards continuing stream restoration work on the Donegal Creek as well as supporting the club’s cooperative nursery and the kid’s fishing derby held in the Spring.

Any questions concerning the show or for information about setting up a display or booth should call Kurt Enck at (717) 492-1928 or E-mail him at fishmagic@earthlink.net. There is no charge for setting up a display or booth!

PA DEP:

Keystone Watershed Monitoring Network Conference

Pennsylvania’s third statewide summit for volunteer watershed monitors will be held at the Penn Stater Conference Center in State College on February 21st and 22nd and will be sponsored by DEP’s Growing Greener Program. This year the title is “Excellence in Monitoring: The Network in Action”. Anyone with an interest in volunteer monitoring including: volunteer monitors, members of watershed associations, Senior Environment Corps participants, wildlife organizations, municipal officials, conservationists, sportsman, anglers, students and educators can attend the conference.
Costs, information on lodging and a registration form as well as an abstract of activities can be obtained by reaching the POWR’s website at www.pawatersheds.org/conference.asp. or call (717) 234-7910 and ask for Susan Brockman.
3 Month Chapter Planner

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DTU Membership Corner

The Membership Corner: by Jim Stephens
Our membership seems to be on hold at 479. We would like to welcome new member Henry McQueen of Lancaster. Now is the time to encourage that friend or fellow worker who has always talked about joining TU to do it. National TU is currently offering a special reduced rate to first time members. The membership rate is $15 and the new member receives a free book on Trout Stream Insects (a $16.95 value). To take advantage of this offer, go to the TU website at www.tu.org and click on membership.

Henry McQueen

FOR SALE: Aluminum Chest Fly Box; 4-trays lined with cork; Painted black, extra tray; $50.00 - Call George Myers at 464-3797
Every angler knows the frustration of lining a fish. After finding that big fish actively feeding, we make a cast where we think it should be, and - quick as a flash -- it’s gone. What you forgot about was the law of refraction. That fish wasn’t quite where you thought it would be. You thought it was six inches below the surface. But how deep was it, - one foot, two feet, - or was it deeper? How large was it’s “circle of vision”, and does it matter?

Sound confusing, well it’s surprisingly easy once you understand what is happening. Refraction has an impact on how we view a trout and its world, and conversely how a trout views us and our world.

Do trout really have blind spots? How low must you be before they are aware of your presence? Does it matter what you wear and how you move?

You’d be surprised at the little things that will put a trout down. We’ll watch through a trout’s eyes how mayflies and tricos float into the trout’s window - and see what the trout sees first. We’ll see that “imprint”, and the “sparkle” that you only read about. Most important of all, we will also see that “magnification of the fly” that takes place as the fly enters the trout’s window – something you may have never read about. Why are comparaduns so effective - does the reflected double image of a streamer, a wet fly, or an emerger cause a trout to miss? How well can trout see both above and beneath the surface?

In this third installment of The Underwater World of Trout, we explore why what you see isn’t what the trout sees. More importantly, you’ll learn to interpret what you actually see to better understand what really is happening under the water.