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Donegal Trout Unlimited



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What's Emerging

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MILLPORT CONSERVANCY

You may have heard or read that Franklin and Marshall College became the owner of The Millport Conservancy. The Wolhsen Family also is endowing a science center at Franklin and Marshall. We were curious about any possible impact to Donegal Trout Unlimited's continuing access to Millport Conservancy.

We share the Lititz Run badge program with Millport Conservancy. We have our monthly board meeting there. Our tree nursery is located at the Conservancy. We have hosted students and instructors from both Franklin and Marshall and Elizabethtown College for environmental programs. We also help to support the Warwick Township Watershed Day program for Warwick school district's 5th graders. We also host our June picnic there every year in conjunction with the Conservancy.

Well, the good news is Lynn Myers, Executive Director of Millport Conservancy, has assured us this partnership will continue as it has in the past. We will have continued access to Millport Conservancy. All programs will remain in place.

This is a marvelous area to have in the midst of our county and we are pleased that our relationship will continue.

BOARD OPENINGS

Several years ago the Board imposed term limits for board members. The intent was to insure that there were new people with fresh ideas and approaches on the board. The board will have 5 positions turning over this October.

The board is responsible for setting the direction of our organization and keeping us in compliance with National T/U's policies.

We have at-large members and members who have specific assignments as chairs of committees such as membership or the nursery.

If you want to consider serving on the board give me or Ted Downs a call.

WEBSITE

It seems like every week I get one or two inquiries from our Contact Us banner on our website. While most of these are local we do get some from out of state folks asking questions.

If you have any questions about the chapter, that is an easy way to get them to us.

BIG BROTHERS AND SISTERS EVENT

This annual event had to be canceled this year because the Martin Fish Hatchery in New Holland has decided to stop raising trout. So we were left without a place to hold the event. We are looking at alternatives with the Big Brother and Big Sister organization.

DTU RECEIVES \$9,000 GRANT FROM JOHNSON AND JOHNSON

We are delighted to announce that Donegal Trout Unlimited has received a \$9,000.00 grant from Johnson and Johnson. The grant is for \$4,622 spent on rock for stream work on Lititz Run in 2006. The remainder is for future work on Lititz Run.

We wish to thank Charlie Souders of Johnson and Johnson who was instrumental in securing the grant.

It is encouraging to see that a major national corporation supports our mission to protect our coldwater resources locally.

GLEN

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Evan Smiga, the son of a DTU member was accepted to the Rivers Camp at Allenberry and will be sponsored by DTU. Peter Sheetz has been selected as an alternate member of the USA Youth Fly Fishing Team. The competition is in Portugal this year.

<http://www.usyouthflyfishingteam.com/index.html>

June 18,
@ 6:00 PM
Millport
Conservancy

Summer
Picnic

DTU/Foxchase
Fish & Golf
Tournament
June 12, 2008

Foxchase
Golf Course



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JUNE

7th: Youth Field Day Milton Grove Sportsmen
11th: 7pm Board Meeting Millport Conservancy
12th: 5:45am DTU/Foxchase Fish & Golf Tournament

18th: 6pm Chapter Meeting Foxchase Golf Course
Millport Conservancy

June 24: 5pm Doc Fritchey Chapter Memorial Lake, Indiantown Gap "Summer Picnic"
"Picnic"

JULY

9th: 7pm Board Meeting Millport Conservancy
16th: 7pm Special Olympics Dr. Hugh Wenger Farm
Mt Joy, PA

AUGUST

13th: 7pm Board Meeting Millport Conservancy
20th: 6pm Chapter Meeting Bachmann Residence
Rheamstown, PA

"Picnic"

SEPTEMBER

10th: 7pm Board Meeting Millport Conservancy
17th: 6pm Chapter Meeting Guthrie Residence
Bender Mill, PA

"Phil Gay
Casting Instruction"

OCTOBER

8th: 7pm Board Meeting Millport Conservancy
15th: 6pm Chapter Meeting Four Seasons Golf Club
Landisville, PA

Oktoberfest



Fly on the Run Ram on the Rampage

This ram terrorized a number of anglers during the morning fishing on Lititz Run, but none quite so badly as this chap. Ram took advantage of a downhill charge and lifted him up and several feet out into the stream. Maybe there was a reason they were told not to fish those beats from that side of the stream.

Corner

Volunteer

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING PROJECTS:

Youth Field Day
June 7

Special Olympics
July 12

Check the DTU [website](#) for more information or contact Faye Haering 717-285-2572.

Committee Reports



PROGRAMS

JUNE

June 18, 2008 at 6:00 PM (watch the time change here) Millport Conservancy.

We will have the annual DTU Summer Picnic at Millport Conservancy. Don't miss this fun event on the banks of Lititz Run. Food and drink will be provided.

Come early and fish. Lititz Run is full of fish because of the "One Fly" contest on May 15, 2008. Come and get them!

JULY

No meeting. Come to Special Olympics Fishing Derby instead July 12, 2008.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS FISHING DERBY



It's that time again!

Donegal Trout Unlimited along with education chairman, Scott Trefny, will be hosting the annual Special Olympics Fishing Derby, to be held on July 12th, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the pond of Dr. Hugh & Kathy Wenger at 403 Trail Rd. North, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

The fishing derby will be a combined effort with DTU, and the family coordinators, Ray & Sharon Meyers, with assistance and guidelines provided by the PA Fish & Boat Commission officers, and PFBC volunteer, Mike Skurecki, who will be joining us again this year.



We anticipate again having volunteers from the Ranck United Methodist Church.

The derby is open to 30 athletes, and it is our hope to have an equal number of DTU volunteers for a one-on-one participation.



Lunch and beverages will be provided, as well as equipment and bait. Please bring forceps, water, chair or blanket, hat and sunscreen. A smile will be painted on.

Information and directions will be posted on our website at www.donegaltu.org.

Your time and efforts will be greatly rewarded as you experience the pleasure received by the athletes when they catch a number of sizeable fish in addition to receiving awards for numerous categories.

We hope to have a casting contest this year as well as the fishing. Last year they were catching so many fish, that there wasn't time.

Please contact Faye Haering at 717-285-2572 to volunteer or e-mail me at fayeonthefly@comcast.net.

RUSS GUTHRIE - PROGRAMS

NEWSLETTER

As you can see, we've changed the format of the Mayflyer, giving it a new look. These changes will allow for more content, easier, and hopefully better layout and a more graphic-intensive feel. Frankly, it will look best in full color and this is yet another reason for more of you to switch to the "online" version which is posted on our website. You can download and read it on your computer or print a copy yourself if you'd rather. Producing the newsletter is one of DTU's biggest recurring expenses, and by switching to the electronic version you'll put that money into coldwater resource work, as well as saving paper, ink & the energy consumed in producing and delivering it to your mailbox. It's a greener way to go. Simply contact Wayne by email (bluedun@comcast.net) or telephone (610.942.4931) & tell him you'd like to switch.

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*Thank you, DTU,
for your continued
support and volunteers!*

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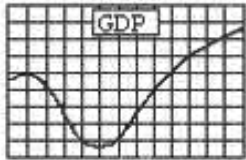
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Fly of the Month

Itty-Bitty Emerger



Hook: Tiemco 2487 (or equivalent light wire scud hook)
#18-#26

Thread: Olive

Abdomen: Hare's cheek (dyed medium olive)

Ribbing (optional): Very fine dark copper wire

Downwing/wingcase: Brown' partridge (dyed olive) The butt
of the feather becomes the wingcase

Legs: Dyed olive pine squirrel guard hairs, tied in using
Reverse Splay technique

Thorax: Hare's face (dyed medium olive)

Tying instructions:

Attach thread immediately behind the eye and run it well
into the bend. Optionally tie in the wire rib. Make a thin
dubbing rope or touch dub to form a slender, slightly tapered
abdomen. Rib with wire, if applicable.

Make a tiny 'V' in the tip of a small partridge back feather by
snipping the stem. You do not want any stem for the length
of the downwing. Pull the feather through thumb/finger to
somewhat bunch it up, then tie it in on top of the hook in
front/partly on top of the dubbed abdomen. Pull gently on
the butt to slide/coax the downwing to the desired length,
and hugging the top half of the hook shank. Secure with a
couple of tight wraps. Cover the thread wraps with a _small_
amount of dubbing. Now fold the feather back over the
abdomen.

Cut off a small amount of hair from the back of a pine
squirrel pelt. Remove most, but not all of the underfur.
Measure to desired length and tie in the squirrel hair, tips
pointing over the abdomen, tight up against and on top of the
folded back partridge feather.

Make a thin dubbing rope, lift up partridge butt/squirrel to
sneak one turn of dubbing behind/under, and use remaining
dubbing to form the thorax. Do not make the thorax too
bulky and make sure you leave sufficient space near the eye
for the head.

Now for the fun part! Push down gently with the edge of your
thumb on the squirrel tie-in point to split the bunch in equal
halves and pull the partridge butt forward. If the chemistry is
right you will be rewarded with a near 360 degrees splay of
the hair.

Tie the partridge feather down and trim. Complete the fly
with a whip finish a drop of varnish.

6th Annual PA Fly Fishing Heritage Day

Sponsor: PA Fly Fishing Museum Association
Saturday, June 14, 2008 — 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM, Rain or Shine
Allenberry Playhouse and Resort, Boiling Springs, PA
On the Banks of the Famed Yellow Breeches Creek

Register Online: www.paflyfishing.org

PPFMA is excited to once again host the Annual Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Heritage Day. This has a great tradition of being a gathering of fly fishing enthusiasts of all ages, interests, and skill levels coming together to celebrate Pennsylvania's Fly Fishing Heritage.

\$12 – Registration now and guarantee a buffet lunch, by June 11

FREE – Youth (15 years old and younger) + FREE Youth Drawing with great prizes

\$7 – Day of event (a few lunches will be available for \$8); Youth: FREE

Bring a Friend — Tell/Email Others

Fly Casting – One-on-one instruction and demonstrations. Improve your casting skills or try casting for the first time with expert fly casting instructors such as Bobby Clouser, Ed Jaworowski, Scott Loughner, Dave Rothrock, and Emily Zeiders from 9am to 3:30pm.

Remembering George Harvey (1911-2008) - Joe Humphreys will provide a special presentation about this remarkable legend.

“Split and Glued by Vincent C. Marinaro” – Meet the authors, Bill Harms and Tom Whittle, of this exciting new book.

Fly Casting Competition – NEW. A fun and friendly competition for accuracy and distance organized by Dave Rothrock and Eileen Baltz.

Women's Fly Fishing Network - There will be a session devoted to women fly anglers to meet and discuss fly fishing opportunities.

Colonial Angler – The Colonial Angler, Ken Reinard, will be present in character and in costume to show you what fly fishing in the 1770s was all about.

PA Fish & Boat – The Commission will have an exhibit and distribute information.

Fly Tying Demonstrations - Watch notable fly tiers demonstrate their favorite patterns.

Aquatic Insects – Stream-side sessions on aquatic insect identification presented by Greg Hoover, specifically tailored for anglers.

Casting Cane – Meet cane rod builders and try casting various split cane rods.

Antiques “MeadowShow” – Like the Antiques RoadShow, Jerry Girard, an expert in appraising vintage bamboo rods and tackle, will be on hand to look over your treasures.

Rubber Fish Race – The fundraiser for the PPFMA is this fun and exciting Rubber Fish Race in the Yellow Breeches at 12:30, patterned after Rubber Ducky Races and the Kentucky Derby. \$500 cash grand prize! You do not have to be present to win.

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“We & Us” Always Works Better Than “I & Me”

The Donegal Chapter of Trout Unlimited just completed a 600', 12 device fish habitat improvement project on the West Branch of the Little Conestoga at Bender Mill in Manor Township, Lancaster County. It was a “team” effort with the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission's “Adopt-A-Stream” program and DTU.

The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission recognizes the need for riparian and aquatic improvements and restoration in and along the waters of Pennsylvania and the desire of private and public organizations to participate in such projects. The Cooperative Habitat Improvement Program provides the opportunity for assistance, support and guidance to those organizations or individuals willing to enhance and restore particular waterways that will benefit from such projects.

The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission has established this cooperative program, which provides technical assistance in planning, supervision of construction and a limited amount of financial assistance for materials to the cooperator of an approved project.

The program strives to accomplish the following:



Improve, restore and enhance the aquatic and riparian habitats of Pennsylvania's Waterways. Provide organized conservation groups, agencies, private individuals and landowners the

Environmental Choices Class

On Saturday April 26th the Millport Conservatory and DTU hosted the Environmental Choices Class which is offered by Elizabethtown's Center for Continuing Education and Distance Learning.

Thirteen students and David Radcliff, the instructor, met at the Millport Conservatory with 5 DTU members and Lynn Myers of the Conservatory. The session educated them in the purpose and goals of Trout Unlimited and the Millport Conservatory. This adult class also spent part of the day working in the DTU nursery potting new plant arrivals. Chuck Elmer explained how to properly pot the plants and Kevin Fauzy, Scott Trefny along with Jesse Wilson, son of Greg Wilson, helped the students with their chores. The students then were shown some of DTU's stream work at Millport and were able to watch some trout feeding as well. This is the 3rd time we have hosted this class from Elizabethtown College and this class is scheduled to visit twice with us in the Fall.



TED DOWNS



Ten Prizes ...Ten DaysTen Dollars

Help support our ongoing stream improvement projects. Donegal TU is currently offering a raffle ticket with **TEN PRIZES!** Prizes will be given out starting October 16 for **TEN DAYS** in a row! Cost per ticket is just **TEN DOLLARS!**

Prizes include two rifles, two shotguns, two fly rod/reel combos, kayak, canoe, gas grill and a \$500.00 Bass Pro Gift Card— **WOW!**

Tickets are available for purchase immediately. You can get tickets at the monthly chapter meetings and DTU events now through the Octoberfest meeting. You can also contact Bob Albright to order tickets directly @ 717-468-4215. Please support DTU by purchasing some tickets today.

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We & Us, continued



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DTU had a \$9,000 budget of which \$4,000 came from the PBFC. You get a permit good for 3 years and up to \$2,000 a year to help pay for logs and stone. DTU picked up the equipment and operator costs. It only took from April 27, 2007 (the day Karl Lutz of the PFBC did the stream review) to July 31, 2007 for DTU to have all the paper work in hand to start the project. WOW! And that was everything they needed, all the way to the Army Corps of Engineers.

Work was done on Jan. 24, 25, 2008 and Feb. 14, 15, 2008 (when the ground was frozen) and it was all done except for planting of grass and the trees for the riparian buffer. That work is scheduled for April 15, 2008. It took 38 man hours of DTU volunteer time and 80 man hours of operator time to date.

DTU gives special thanks to the following "worker bees" for their part in the project: To Doug Funk of DH Funk & Sons for the heavy equipment; To Karl Lutz and Mark Sausser of the PFBC for design work; To Henry Barley and Russ Guthrie landowners. (A 10 year "open to the public" fishing easement is part of the legal paper work.) And to DTU project managers Greg Wilson and Bob Kutz.

More pictures and information on the project can be found at the "national award winning" DTU web site.

<http://www.donegaltu.org/libraryDTUPhotos.asp?cat=28&parent=18>

