Chapter Meeting Recap 8/20/03:
by Scott Trefny

The August DTU Meeting was held at the Hopeland Farms environmental center in Northern Lancaster County. This meeting was a joint meeting of DTU and the Doc Fritchey Chapter, a picnic, and a Fly Fishing EXPO featuring local fly shops and two of our own fly tiers, Bob Geibe and Ed Kraft. Hopeland Farms is set up as an environmental teaching and learning center. Segloch Run and Furnace Run flow through the property. It also includes meadows, forested areas and a pond. The buildings include a barn, a lovely sandstone house and a conference center. These surround a large lawn on which all of the day’s activities were centered. It was a lovely setting for the event. DTU provided free food for the 125 attendees that came to see the activities. Bill Billett, Dave Chalfant, Kevin Fausey and Henry Bazella kept the hot dogs and hamburgers coming as the guests filled their plates. I don’t think anyone went home hungry.

The Fly Shop vendors, TCO, The Evening Rise, Quiet Times and The Golden Witch all brought items for sale as well as demonstration. The Evening Rise and Quiet Times had fly rods available to cast as well as company representatives to explain the attributes of each rod. I was especially impressed with the Orvis T3. This light and powerful rod was a joy to cast and I would love to have it in my collection. I didn’t ask the price!

Inside the conference center, Ed Kraft and Bob Geibe entertained the attendees with their fly tying skills as well as their great stories. I love to watch all the people gather around the tables and watch these two perform! They are so patient and try to answer all of the questions, even though they have heard them hundreds of times. We are lucky to have them as DTU members. Thank you to Ted Downs for organizing this event. It was fun for all involved. And a big thanks to all the board members for all the set up work as well as Ken, Tony, Paul, Nick, Donegal Fish and Conservation and the guys from Quiet Times. I hope they can all return next year. A special thanks to Hopeland Farms for the use of their site.
WHAT’S EMERGING!

President’s Report:
by Bob Wyble

The Fly Fishing Expo was a successful event. A total of 125 participants signed in for a beautiful evening at Hopeland Farm to check out fly fishing rods, talk fishing, and meet some new (and old) faces. It was great to see a large contingent from the Doc Fritchey chapter come and share a wonderful evening with members of the DTU chapter.

I would like to thank all of our DTU friends who set up displays to share with us. Nick DelleDonne and Paul Milot from Evening Rise. Doug Bear from Orvis. Tony Gehman from TCO on The Tulpenhocken. Jim Smeltz and Jim Bacher from Quiet Times. Ken Reinert from Golden Witch Custom Fly Rods, and fly tiers Ed Kraft and Bob Geibe. Also thanks to Kurt Enck from Donegal Creek.

I would be remiss without a very special thank you to Doug Weidman for granting us permission to use the beautiful facilities at Hopeland Farm. And thank you to Vic Brutout who spent the whole day helping me and other DTU members set up for the Expo and remain available until late into the evening to help close out the Expo.

How can we improve the expo next year? Should we keep the expo on a week day evening or move to a Saturday? Should we meet in August or move to a different time of the summer? What can we change to improve the expo next year? If you have some ideas about how to improve the expo for next year please send me an email at wyble@ptd.net.

We have lots of activities coming up this fall. We need volunteers to help with the Special Olympics on September 13. Please contact education chairman Dave Chalfant at chalfant@redrose.net, or Faye Haering at 391-9719 if you can help with this program. Watch the newsletter for information on projects coming up on Swar’s Run, Shearer’s Creek, and on the Banta farm. When grants come through for these projects we will set dates and set up some work parties. Mark your calendar now for the October Fest on October 15 and plan to join us for a fine dinner at the Four Seasons golf Course.

As we move into the fall season we need to begin thinking and making plans for projects for next year. If you have a concern about a cold water stream in Lancaster County please let us know. We will review your concern and do the best we can to take action.

October Fest
by Gary Roulston

This year’s October Fest is on Wednesday 10/15, at 6 PM (social hour), with dinner starting at 7 PM. The location is the Four Seasons Golf Course Clubhouse on Church Street in Landisville. DTU will again subsidize the meal, to hold the cost at $15 per person so we can attract as many attendees as possible. There will be a great raffle featuring a premium fly rod, plus other fly fishing tackle items.

The program will be the “Essence of Fly Fishing” presented by Greg Mentzer. This presentation describes the aspects which make fly fishing a lifetime sport. The program is set to a musical sound track and utilizes two projectors with one image dissolving into the next, viewed on one screen. The program quality is outstanding.

Greg and his wife Carol own and operate Montana River Guides, a fly fishing guide service, based in Craig, Montana. Greg has been a fisherman for over 40 years, specializing in fly fishing Montana trout waters since 1978. He’s a licensed Montana fishing outfitter, a Federation of Fly Fishers certified fly casting instructor, an outdoor writer and a photographer.
COMMITTEE REPORTS

Program Committee
Chairman: Ted Downs

September’s Program will feature Dr. Bob Bachman. He will present the results of his pioneering behavioral study of wild and hatchery brown trout in Spruce Creek. He performed this study while at Penn State University and it has been widely cited in professional papers, magazine articles, and national publications such as the New York Times and Newsweek. Dr. Bachman will show slides and motion pictures of how wild brown trout feed, how they fight with hatchery trout and each other to establish dominance hierarchies and discuss the mechanisms by which hatchery trout harm wild trout populations. Included in his presentation will be a discussion of management implications due to the results of this and other behavioral studies. His article in the 1985 Winter Issue of Trout, “How Trout Feed” won him the C. E. Orvis award “Best published how-to fly fishing magazine story”.

Dr. Bachman holds a doctorate in behavioral ecology from Penn State University, a Bachelor of Science degree in Oceanography from the University of Washington, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Marine and Electrical Engineering from the United States Naval Academy. He retired from Maryland state government in 1999. During his thirteen-year service with the state of Maryland he served in a number of fisheries-related positions including: Director of Fisheries (inland and marine), Director of Fish and Wildlife and Chief of Freshwater Fisheries. Throughout this period he supervised, among other things, Maryland’s coldwater fishery and in such capacity was instrumental in establishing environmental and regulatory changes resulting in the creation of at least four nationally recognized trout fisheries in Maryland.

Membership Committee Report
Chairman: Jim Stephens
Where has the summer gone? After sharing a burger or two and a few fishing stories at our outdoor summer meetings, it is time to move indoors. I hope all the new members and current members plan to take advantage of the informative programs scheduled for our indoor sessions.

Chapter membership continues to grow; this month’s total stands at 503. Welcome to the following new members:
From Lancaster: Michael Eckhart, John Zook, Bruce Kline; From Elizabethtown: Charles Deiter, Andy Simione; From Lititz: Dan Zimmerman; From Ephrata: Jack Harf; From Manheim: Connie Kline; From Willow Street: Gerald Hess; From New Providence: Charles Pletcher.

Newsletter Committee Report
Chairman: Matt Kofroth
The newsletter committee wants to remind all DTU members that they can still register to receive the monthly Mayflyer by e-mail or to check it out online. This simple act will help DTU by defraying cost for printing and mailing copies to all members. If this sounds like something you would be interested in please contact us so we can get your e-mail and take you off the mailing list. You will be helping us save money and more importantly you will be conserving our natural resource with less paper products. Thanks in advance.
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**Fly Of The Month**

"Swimming Prince"

Created by: Bill Fowler

**Recipe:**

- **Hook:** #8-14 TMC 200RBL
- **Bead:** Spirit River Bright Bead 5/32" or 1/8"
- **Thread:** Olive 6/0 Danville
- **Tag:** Pearl mylar tinsel
- **Tail:** Brown grizzly marabou with two strands of golden olive Krystal Flash, one on each side
- **Rib:** Gold Holographic Flashabou and gold wire counter-wrapped
- **Underbody:** .015" lead wire for #12 - #14, .020" for #8 - #10
- **Body:** Peacock herl
- **Collar:** Medium brown hen back
- **Wing:** White small round rubber
What’s New at:

Lancaster County Conservation District:
by Matthew Kofroth, Watershed Specialist

With the end of summer upon us and the days growing shorter this can be a discouraging time of year for some outdoors enthusiast. At the same time late summer and early fall is usually primetime to carry out stream or watershed restoration work. This year is no exception, especially in Lancaster County waterways. Below are several projects DTU members should look out for to see the great work being done in the area.

Mummau Park Project
The Chiques Creek Watershed Alliance is slated to start their first stream project this September. The project area is just west of Manheim Borough off of Route 772 in Mummau Park. The project is on a tributary stream of Chiques Creek named Rife Run. The group with the assistance of a local consultant and contractor will be restoring several hundred feet of this stream to create better aquatic habitat and floodplain areas. The stream is currently located in an unused pasture to the west of the park. The stream segment has several hundred feet of vertical streambanks that need to be reattached to the streams floodplain. One the project is complete the Alliance will then be planting native trees and shrubs in the pasture to create a natural riparian buffer area. This small project will go a long way in demonstrating what the Alliance and the municipality can do when their efforts are combined. Good luck.

Wetland Farm Project
If you travel east on Route 772 from the Mummau Park project through the town of Lititz you will come upon yet another stream project going in this fall. This project will be above the intersection of Route 772 and Lititz Run in Warwick Twp. The Lititz Run Watershed Alliance will be conducting a stream relocation and wetland enhancement project along the banks of Lititz Run. The scope of this project is much larger then the Rife Run project but looks to achieve the similar benefits. Currently the stream at this location is a slow moving, algae fill channel. The goal is to relocate the stream to once again attach it to the floodplain, create more aquatic habitat, and create several wetland environments in the area. DTU will be involved in this project by contributing in-kind services toward the end of the project so keep your open on how you can get dirty and help out.

Swarth Run Project
Finally last but not least is a project that has been out there for about two ½ years, the Swarr Run project in East Hempfield. The project in question is on State Road and is west of Route 283 and east of Harrisburg Pike, near the Kellogg Manufacturing plant in Landisville. Many of you may have driven by this site and noticed severely eroded and vertical stream banks that have been created due to livestock in the area. The Lancaster County Conservation District is working on “fixing” the stream reach through several options. First streambank fencing will be installed in the open pasture to exclude livestock from the stream, roughly 0.7 miles worth of fence. After this is installed native trees and shrubs will be planted inside the fence through the efforts of many volunteer groups. DTU will be assisting the District by installing several cattle crossing areas in the fenced out area. Finally, the stream section closest to State Road will undergo some streambank stabilization techniques to reshape several of the vertical banks and create some much needed aquatic habitat. Because the project is in such a highly visible area hopefully this will spur others to look at their stream from a more resource friendly way.

If you are out this September and want to see some interesting stream restoration work stop by and watch us help Mother Nature along.
### Montana On A Shoestring

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Oh! Did I forget to tell you about the fishing? The Boulder River runs approximately 60 miles. Starting on the northern side of Yellowstone National Park, it runs north until it's confluence with the Yellowstone River at the town of Big Timber. On its way, there are canyons, meadows with long runs, riffles and deep fast runs that hold exceptional fish. During our July trip, we encountered hatches of PMDs, Western Quills, Olives, Grey Drakes, Caddis and large Stoneflies. Since this is not considered a “blue ribbon” stream, it hasn't over by hoards. The fish are pound, but that's healthy river. A Rainbow is very an "18 inch" trophy. A lot of ask; “What do all those fish?”, would never

been taken of fisherman. eager to take 75 fish day is Not all the your heart a sign of a 16 inch common, with b eing a people always you do with Of course, we think of harming a scale on such a beautiful creature and return everything back to the river. If you’d like to see some photos, go to the Donegal TU website at www.donegaltu.org. Last year, fellow DTU member Kevin Fausey ventured to the Boulder with us. We may have an opening in 2004 (if you have lots of flies). So, if you like roughing it a little, like nature, like catching lots of fish, good camaraderie and great campfire food, I can help fulfill your lifetime dream.

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**From L to R: Joe Veghts, Ed Legarsky, Henry Bazella**
Well the three amigos ventured out to Montana's Boulder River again this year. We've been doing this for 12 years and every year is better than the last. My long time high school and fishing friend “Ly'n” Ed Legarsky who lives in Bloomsburg, and "Honest" Joe Veghts from Pittsburgh, have gotten this trip down to a science and on a very small budget. In fact, even with rising costs, we have found ways to recycle our basic camping needs. We don't have anything against staying in a nice camp or lodge, but it just isn't the same as pitching a tent on the riverbank and having the soft sound of the riffles put you to sleep. There are 5 National Forest campsites along the Boulder. We like “Chippy Campground”. The old-timers say it was named after the ladies of the night who worked the gold mine town up on the mountain and stayed in a cabin at the Chippy Campground site during the winter months. The Feds charge $5.00 a day for camping. We each pack a small tent and inflatable mattress and purchase sleeping bags in Billings for $10.00 each. Since the campground is 35 miles of bad road from civilization, going to town for ice everyday is out of the question. We load up in town with canned goods, breakfast bars, a few loafs of bread and other essentials and concentrate the rest of the time on catching Boulder River Rainbows and Cutthroats. The biggest expense is airfare and rental car, but if you shop around you can save $100's of dollars. This year we rented a new Chevy Suburban, that for 10 days cost us $140 each. Camping equipment such as stoves, lanterns, coolers, pots & pans, silverware, etc. used to be a hassle to pack in our duffel bags each year. We solved that problem with duct tape. We simply pack all our equipment in the coolers and totes we purchased a few years back, duct tape them tight and hide them high in the mountains where most humans fear to tread. Next year we climb the mountain and "voila", there's our gear. That's the basic plan. For around $400 dollars, excluding airfare, you can do a fishing trip to Montana. 

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