Barry & Cathy Beck will be presenting at our Octoberfest fundraiser. Based in the mountains of Northeast PA, their love of fly fishing is sensationalized in their exquisite photography. As superb fly fishing enthusiasts they have traveled the world in search of some of the most picturesque fishable water. Their panoramic photos capture water and fish in a very alluring fashion. Their fly fishing school has been written up in many fishing magazines. For more information on Barry & Cathy go to www.barryandcathybeck.com. As well as the usual outstanding buffet, our evening raffles will offer several rod & reel combos, a new line of DTU clothing, catch & release landing nets and an array of Hardy & Gray’s fishing ‘must haves’. It’s a great evening to share stories and partake of good food. We anticipate a big crowd so get your reservation in early. To confirm your seat send $30 by October 12 to Tim Suloff at 859 Salisbury Ct., Lancaster, PA 17601. Info and directions will be posted on our website.

Hardy & Grays will host our September chapter meeting at their warehouse off the Centerville exit of route 30 west. DTU will partner with them to provide a barbecue, including drinks and more. One of their guide/presenters will offer a presentation and casting demo with a new line of Hardy & Gray’s rod & reels. Participants will be able to try their hand at casting the new product line. Again Hardy & Grays will be offering discounts to DTU members. We will begin about 5:30 with some casting opportunities and plan to eat at about 6:00. Bring your own chair and a big appetite. In the event of rain everything will be held inside.

Badges for fishing Millport Conservancy in 2012 are still available. Purchase them at a meeting for $20 or contact me for mailing instructions, at a cost of $22.50 including postage. Check or money order only. Current members of Donegal TU or Millport Conservancy only. Contact Faye Haering at fayeonthefly@comcast.net or 285-2572.

Volunteers are needed for our Special Olympics event on September 22. Please see article on page 3 for further information. Contact Faye Haering at addresses above.
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PROGRAMS

AUGUST

We wrap up summer at 6 pm on August 15th with a second picnic, this one at Bob Bachman’s home on Blue Lake in Reinholds.

Directions to Bob’s place are as follows. From Lancaster take US 222 North to the PA Turnpike exit. Turn left on Spur Road and then right on PA Rt. 272 (North) to PA 897. Turn left onto PA 897 and take it (North) through Reinholds to Blue Lake Road at the Mennonite Meeting House. Turn left onto Blue Lake Road and go to the end at the intersection with Peartown Road. Turn left and you’re there.

SEPTEMBER

Join us at 5:30 pm on September 19 at the headquarters of Hardy/Grey USA (1260 Corporate Blvd, just off Rte 23 west of Centerville) for a picnic and review of what’s new in both product lines. Cast one of the new Sintrix flyrods from Hardy, or try one of the very affordable Streamflexes from the Greys lineup. There will be a cookout and drinks so bring a chair and talk with friends about the fishing opportunities cooler weather will bring.

The cost is $30. Please confirm your reservation by October 12 with

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Maps to each of these meetings will be available on the website.

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Good news to report on the Stream Restoration front. Work was completed on the Melvin Myers farm located in the Conowingo Creek Watershed. This was our first project working with the PA Fish & Boat Commission on this stream. Work started with Flyway Excavating Inc. doing the construction phase in late June. They completed the work within 10 days. The design called for adding 1 cattle crossing along with 9 structures to help stop erosion as well as build fish habitat features along the way. We still have some stream bank fencing to complete.

Also, we started on this year’s major Conowingo Creek project, that being on the Daniel Smucker farm along the Conowingo Road. The Smucker Farm is located just downstream from Tanglewood Golf Course. We will be repairing over 6,000 lineal feet of stream. Flyway Construction has started this project in July with a September finish date in mind. This will be our biggest project this year as the construction costs will exceed over $250,000. I will have more information and photos in my September report.

Following completion of the Smucker Farm, Flyway will commence work on Tanglewood Golf Course itself. Tanglewood has 2 streams running through the Course, the main stem as well as an unnamed tributary, that have severe erosion problems. Again, structures will be added to prevent the erosion as well as increase fish habitat.

DTU will be working on 2 more county stream projects this fall. On September 10, we will be working at the Landis property on Fishing Creek. Fishing Creek is located, as is the Conowingo Creek, in the southern end of the county below the town of Buck PA. The Landis property is located just downstream from River Road on Scaly Hollow Road. The project should take about 2 days to complete with the help of Flyway again. We will then move the equipment to Charles Run, the main tributary to Donegal Springs Creek, to work on the Vera Stoltzfus farm along Musser Road in Mt. Joy. We should be able to complete this project by September 15th.

In summary, we will complete 5 projects this year with an outlay of close to $400,000 to complete them. The conservation committee is currently working on, and has identified 5 other projects, for next year. We have put the design costs together & will be submitting them to PA DEP for consideration. Keep “tuned” for more updates.

BOB KUTZ
CONSERVATION CHAIRMAN

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

The Thirteenth Annual Lancaster County Special Olympics Fishing Derby, Saturday September 22nd, 2012 with Raindate of Saturday 29th, will be held at Dr. & Mrs. Hugh Wenger’s Pond from 9 am until 12:00 pm. The address is 403 Trail Road North, Elizabethtown, Pa 17022-8430. Hosted by Lancaster County Family Coordinators Ray & Sharon Meyers and the Chapter Volunteers from Donegal Trout Unlimited.

Volunteers are needed by 8:00 am until approximately 2:00 pm. We will need help transporting gear and athletes from the home to the pond and back. All equipment & gear are provided and lunch will be served at noon in the picnic area, followed by award presentations. Please bring forceps and a hat, sunglasses, chair and a smile.

Check out our website at www.donegaltu.org for directions and further updates and information. I will ask you to share your cell/home number & e-mail for updates on weather/cancellations or other problems when you register. Please contact Faye Haering at 285-2572 to volunteer or faveonthefly@comcast.net.

You are making a difference in up to 30 athletes’ lives and your own with your time and efforts. Looking forward to seeing you again this year for another successful fishing derby.  

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Please contact Glen Nephin at gnephin@ptd.net or 271-9208.
On the first Saturday in June for the past 17 years the Lancaster County Sportsmen for Youth has held its annual Youth Field Day. This year the Youth Field Day was held at the Southern Lancaster County Farmers and Sportsmen Club located just outside of New Providence, PA. The Field Day starts at 8 AM when 13 groups of 10 – 15 children visit various stations to learn about rifle shooting, trap shooting, bass fishing, trapping, canoeing, duck hunting, turkey hunting and fly fishing. The groups spend about 35 minutes at each station and then rotate to the next throughout the day. The day ends around 5 PM.

For 16 of the 17 years, Kevin Fausey has been the chairperson for the Donegal Trout Unlimited’s station. Kevin organizes the 35 minutes into three parts, starting with an overview of Trout Unlimited in which he stresses the Chapter’s cold water conservation mission and programs. He then divides the group into two groups. One group hears Tim Suloff make a presentation about fly fishing and sees Nancy Suloff demonstrate the techniques of fly tying. The other group is taught how to cast a fly and practice what they’ve learned on the Club’s pond. This year Wayne Boggs, M J Fitzgerald, Tom Hall, Scott Trefny, and Andy Wyatt taught fly casting the entire day. Garry Longenecker and Jim Wellendorf taught in the morning sessions. While it is a long day, all of the volunteers agree it is a rewarding one.

Youth Field day is an excellent way for Trout Unlimited to reach young children. As Kevin said, Trout Unlimited should “take pride in knowing we have exposed the sport and conservation concerns to children ages 10 to 15”.

Jim Wellendorf
June 4, 2012
The directions to Dr. Wenger’s home: From Lancaster take Pa-283 west and take the exit toward Rheems/Elizabethtown 0.2mi. Turn right onto Cloverleaf Rd. 0.8mi. Stay straight to go onto Greentree Rd. 1.4 mi. Turn Right onto E-town Rd. 1.5 mi. Turn left onto Trail Rd N 0.7 mi. End at 403 Trail Rd. N.

LADIES’ FLY FISHING CLINIC

This event has now been rescheduled for cooler weather on October 13th or 20th. We’ll need a minimum of 10 ladies to sign up to make this happen. Two sites are in contention for a locale, dependent on final date and number of participants.

This clinic will include Casting Instruction with various casts and methods, appropriate to the skill level of participants. It will also include line structure, leader building & knot tying. There will as well be a brief overview of Entomology (the life cycle of aquatic insects). The clinic will be approximately 6 hours in length.

All of these elements are essential to the sport of fly fishing and catching fish. The cost of this excellent introduction to the art of Fly Fishing by two professional Guides and Instructors, Bill Billet and his brother Marc, is $80 and includes a lunch.

It would be hard to get a better deal than this. Call Faye Haering at 285-2572 or fayeenthefly@comcast.net if you or a female friend or relative really want to learn more about fly fishing