



# TullyGram

The Newsletter of the Tulpehocken Chapter of Trout Unlimited



*"To Conserve, Protect, and Enhance the Quality and Quantity of the Cold Water Resources of Berks County, Pennsylvania"*

Vol. 15 Issue 3 - Fall 2009

- Oct. 28 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM  
**Wes Osborne - The impact of DIDYMO on our streams and rivers  
!!! The TCTU Raffle Drawing !!!**
- Nov. 11 • TCTU Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
- Nov. 18 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM  
**Speaker to be announced**
- Dec. 9 • TCTU Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
- Dec. 16 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM  
**Rick Nyles - Fly tying and fishing Montana streams**

----- **2010** -----

- Jan. -20 • TCTU Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
- Jan. 27 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM  
**Speaker to be announced**
- Feb. 17 • TCTU Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
- Feb. 24 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM  
**Speaker to be announced**

**Unless indicated otherwise all meetings are held at the First Church of the Brethren, 2200 State Hill Road, Wyomissing, PA**

## TULLY TALK *by Gene Markle*

In the famous words of Alice Cooper School's Out For Summer...

Well, It's that time of the year. Time to watch our kids go to the prom, graduate and move onto being adults in the world. But this year's graduating class is a bit unique. You see they spent their whole life in the Hamburg School District, specifically in a tank in Mrs. Bucheit's science class in the Hamburg High School.

Mrs. Bucheit's science class was involved in a unique program known as "Trout in the Classroom". It is a program organized and partially funded by Trout Unlimited to raise awareness and learn about trout. The class raised Brook Trout from fertilized eggs and learned about trout, their habitat and how critical water quality is to their survival. The students were involved in feeding and caring for the Brook Trout as well as monitoring the water temperature, quality, and keeping the nitrate and ammonia levels low, to ensure survival of the fry. Of the 300 eggs received, 13 were released as fry in a local stream. The class had a problem with ammonia levels over the Christmas holiday and lost some of the fry.

The program was a great hands on learning experience for the students and is something Mrs. Bucheit is looking forward to doing again. The fish were released in a local stream by some of the students in the spring. Mrs. Bucheit hopes to improve on the survival rate next year when the program is run again.

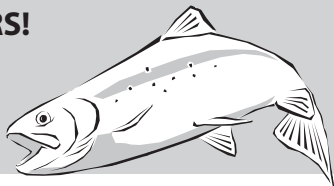
This year, 94 school districts in Pennsylvania participated in the program including Oley Valley and the Hamburg School District in Berks County. For more information on Trout in the Classroom program, visit [www.troutintheclassroom.org](http://www.troutintheclassroom.org).

*Gene*



## PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS!

**Berks County Conservancy** - (610) 372-4992  
**Snyder Insurance Agency** - (610) 929-9428  
**Tulpehocken Creek Outfitters** - (610) 678-1899  
**The Evening Rise** - (717) 509-3636



## IMPORTANT NOTICE

To save money we have decided to discontinue the printed version of the *TullyGram* and go to electronic delivery. Future issues will be posted on the Chapter website at: [www.tullytu.org/newsletter/](http://www.tullytu.org/newsletter/) as pdf files.

If you wish to be notified when the next issue is available please send your email address to [newsletter@tullytu.org](mailto:newsletter@tullytu.org) and we will add you to the mailing list. Printing and mailing of the *TullyGram* is the largest single expense in our budget. The money we save will allow us to put more resources towards stream projects, scholarships, and educational programs.

## TCTU COMMITTEE CHAIRS

**EDUCATION** - Rick Bell (610) 374-5750  
[wbellcaddis@aol.com](mailto:wbellcaddis@aol.com)

**RESOURCE MGMT.** - Len Good (717) 445-6194  
[lrgood@dejazzd.com](mailto:lrgood@dejazzd.com)

**FUND RAISING** - Tom Garlow (610) 927-1185  
[tomgarlow@comcast.net](mailto:tomgarlow@comcast.net)

**COMMUNICATIONS** - Gene Markle (610) 621-2548  
[69pony@comcast.net](mailto:69pony@comcast.net)

**FINANCE** - Ron Weidner (610) 370-1733  
[rlwrlw2222@yahoo.com](mailto:rlwrlw2222@yahoo.com)

**MEMBERSHIP** - Bill Eggleston (610) 404-7278  
[weggleston@dejazzd.com](mailto:weggleston@dejazzd.com)

**PROGRAM** - Tom Garlow (610) 927-1185  
[tomgarlow@comcast.net](mailto:tomgarlow@comcast.net)

**SOCIAL** - Tom Garlow (610) 927-1185  
[tomgarlow@comcast.net](mailto:tomgarlow@comcast.net)

**HOUSE** - Elliott Barnett (610) 372-1660  
[007gunslinger@comcast.net](mailto:007gunslinger@comcast.net)

**EASTER BROOK TROUT JOINT VENTURE** - Aaron Fabian (610) 698-6421  
[fabiana@mounties.mansfield.edu](mailto:fabiana@mounties.mansfield.edu)

**NEWSLETTER** - Steve Fabian (610) 678-8335  
[stevefabian@comcast.net](mailto:stevefabian@comcast.net)



**Tulpehocken Chapter  
Trout Unlimited, Inc.**

PO Box 91  
Shillington, PA 19607

NON-PROFIT  
ORGANIZATION  
U.S. POSTAGE

**PAID**

Permit No. 595  
Reading, PA