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Breakfast on the Tully

Submitted by Ron Weidner

Tulpehocken Chapter Trout Unlimited, Inc. holds a breakfast on the 2nd Saturday of each month during the summer. We have one more breakfast planned for September 10th.

On July the 9th our normal cooks were on vacation and had a scheduling conflict. We are very fortunate to have excellent members that were willing to volunteer, help buy the food, cook the food and have fun doing it. We also had one member, Dave Biegel that sponsored this breakfast.

We started organizing between 6:30AM and 7:00AM. By 8:30AM people started to arrive, we had the coffee brewing and
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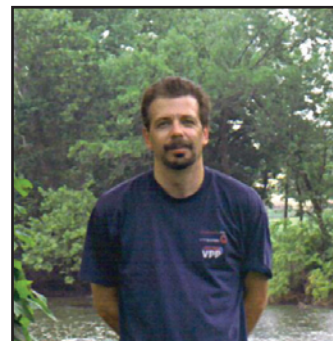
Your Local Chapter of Trout Unlimited

by Ron Weidner

A number of people have asked us if we obtain funding from National Trout Unlimited. The answer is we do receive a so called "rebate" of the dues paid to National Trout Unlimited. We have approximately 361 dues paying members in our local Chapter at the present time. There are various levels of membership and dues paid. If we use an average amount of dues being paid to National of \$25 multiplied by 361 members, National would receive \$9,025.00 annually. (Continued on page 5)

Tully Talk *by Gene Markle*

We just went through a heat wave and the temps were well over 100 degrees so fishing was not on my things to do list. So I spent one of the hottest days of the year in a 110 degree garage under the hood of a car I'm restoring while our fish in the local streams were doing their best to find cool, well oxygenated water. Some of our members have also taken time away from chasing trout to help with some recent projects in the area.



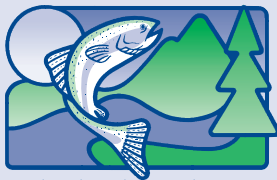
Ron Weidner organized a recent project on the Tulpehocken creek delayed harvest area. The project included repairing some of the sign posts the chapter had placed along the creek a number of years ago. The repairs included replacing and staining the cedar roof shingles. See page 7 for before and after photos.

Another recent project was spear headed by Leonard Good who heads our resource management committee. Some repair work was needed on Punches Run, a small stream that runs through Nolde Forest. The work included bundling and placing some tree saplings as well as cleaning up some debris that was impeding stream flow.

Our chapter currently has 359 members which is the most we've ever had as an organization. We have a lot of events going on that we would love to see some of our members attend. They include breakfasts on the Tully, Italian dinner night; monthly meetings with great speakers, meet and fish days, yearly clean up and of course stream projects. I look forward to seeing some of our members at our events and of course cooler weather.

Tight Lines, *Geno*





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Currents

Sept. 5 • PA Fish & Boat Commission Fish for Free Day

Sept. 10 • Breakfast on the Tully
Served from 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM
\$4.00 Donation Suggested
Held at the Tully House

Sept. 17 • Fly Fishing Clinic - 8:30 AM
Meet at Red Bridge Park
Contact Rick Bell for more info
(wbellcaddis@aol.com)

Sept. 21 • TCTU Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
All members are welcome

Sept. 28 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM
Jennifer Dronebarger, Senior at Schuylkill Valley High School
Macro-invertebrate analysis of the Cacoosing Creek

Oct. 7 • Tully Stocking - 1:00 PM
Meet at the Stilling Basin

Oct. 15 • Italian Night on the Tully
Check www.TullyTU.org for details
Held at the Tully House

Oct. 15 • Willow Creek Project Work Day
Volunteers Needed!
Contact Jeff Schronce for info
(evmocas@gmail.com)

Oct. 19 • TCTU Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
All members are welcome

Oct. 22 • Willow Creek Project Work Day
Volunteers Needed!
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Oct. 26 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM
Rick Hartlieb, Forester PA DCNR
Forest Insects & Invasive Insects

Please Note: Because of the holidays the December and November meetings are held a week earlier than normal. The December meetings will be held on the same night.

Nov. 9 • TCTU Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
All members are welcome

Nov. 16 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM
Program to be Announced

Dec. 14 • TCTU Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
All members are welcome

Dec. 14 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM
Program to be Announced

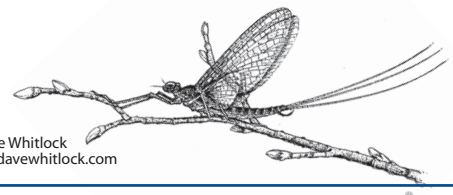
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Jan. 18 • TCTU Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
All members are welcome

Jan. 25 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM
Program to be Announced

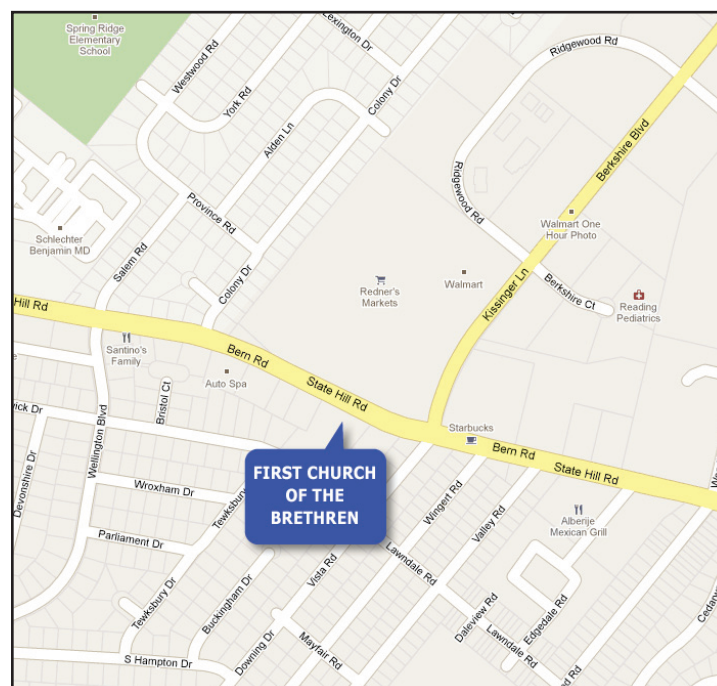
Feb. 15 • TCTU Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
All members are welcome

Feb. 22 • TCTU Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM
Program to be Announced



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UNLESS NOTED EVENTS ARE HELD AT THE FIRST CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
2200 State Hill Road, Reading, PA 19610-1904



DIRECTIONS TO THE TULLY HOUSE:

Take the Bypass (Route 422/222) going West from Reading. Exit on Broadcasting Road. Go North on Broadcasting Road (follow the signs to Penn State, Berks Campus). At the bottom of the hill turn right onto Tulpehocken Road. Turn left to enter Grings Mill Recreation Area (across the street from Penn State). Make the first right toward the tennis courts. Go to the end of the parking lot and down the gravel road to the house. If the park is closed, enter at the secondary gate, just South of the main entrance. Please be prompt. The gate will be open 15 minutes prior to and 5 minutes after the meeting time.

BREAKFAST ON THE TULLY *(Continued from page 1)*

the food almost ready for everyone. We served right up to about 10:15AM for the last arrivals, we then got everyone into the clean-up mode. Didn't take long and we were out of there by 11:15AM. It was great listening to all the compliments that were received.

A few of our members stayed and fished the Tully in front of the Tullyhouse. Don't know if they caught anything, you can ask them at the next breakfast, bring your friends and your fishing equipment, enjoy fishing the Tully before or after breakfast or just relax and enjoy the sounds of flowing waters. Thanks again to everyone, hope to see new faces along with our regulars in August.

Come and join us at the next breakfast. It's a nice experience and the fishing stories are.... ..well, interesting



Breakfast on the porch of the Tully House. A great way to spend a relaxing Saturday morning! Don't miss the last breakfast of 2011 to be held on September 10th.

If you would like to receive notifications by email whenever new issues of the TullyGram are available, please send your name and email address to us at info@TullyTU.org. Also make sure you "white list" this address in any spam filters you are using.



Photo by Steve Fabian

HELP PROTECT OUR STREAMS!

If you witness poaching, pollution, or other problems on the stream, do not confront the violators. Please call the Berks County non-emergency dispatch at (610) 655-4911. Enter this number into your cell phone so you have it when you need it.

Gloria's Korner Kitchen

by Gloria Barnett

Hello from my Korner Kitchen!

What great weather for fishing we have had this past week. The trout you catch are perfect for the grill.

A grilling basket is best for the trout due to it's delicate nature - this way it will not fall apart on your grilling grates.

If grilling fish directly on an oiled grill - use a large, thin spatula. This will work well when time to turn your fish over, and it should eliminate your trout from breaking into pieces, if a grilling basket is not available.

Gloria

Print, cut out and add to your recipe file!

Grilled Trout

Gloria's Korner Kitchen

- 4 medium trout, heads off
- 4 strips bacon
- 4 sprigs fresh thyme
- 1 lemon

Oil and pre heat your clean grill. Rinse out trout, pat dry with a paper towel. Place a sprig of thyme in each trout. (a pat of butter can be placed inside with the thyme) Wrap the trout with a bacon strip and secure with a toothpick. Place trout in an oiled grilling basket or on an oiled grill. Cook 5 to 7 minutes on each side. (Depends on the size of your trout) When fish is opaque and easily flakes, it is done. Remove from grill and unwrap and discard the bacon. Squeeze fresh lemon juice over the trout and serve. Sprinkle salt and pepper to taste lightly over the fish before wrapping in the bacon, or if you prefer, you can add the seasonings inside the trout cavity - it is really your choice.

Note: You will find the bone is easily removed after grilling the fish.

Chapter News



TCTU ITALIAN NIGHT ON THE TULLY

The Chapter is holding a four course Italian dinner at the Tully House on October 15th. This event has been very popular in past and usually sells out. Watch www.TullyTU.org for information on how to make a reservation.

BREAKFAST SPONSOR CLUBZ

We would like to thank ClubZ an "In House Tutoring Service" for sponsoring our July 2011, Tully House breakfast and Rick Nyles, SkyBlue Outfitters for his previous sponsorship.

ClubZ Mr. Dale Biegel, Area Director of ClubZ can be contacted at: 64 East Uwchlan Ave., #229, Exton Pa. 19341-Phone 484-524-8597 www.clubztutoring.com. Other sponsors are needed (See page 5 for details). TCTU can only continue it's good work with the support of our members and friends. We are a 100% volunteer organization, all of our funds go to support mainly conservation and education.

"CAUGHT AND RELEASED"

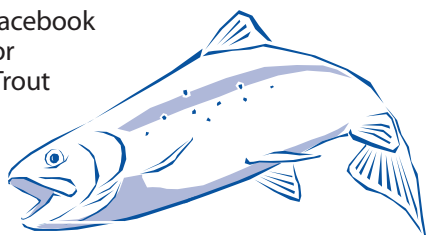
We like to include photos of fish caught by our members in the newsletter. Please forward any current picture with your name and a short statement of where, when, and how the catch was made, along with confirmation that the fish was released unharmed. Thank you, looking forward to your participation. Send them to Newsletter@TullyTU.org.

LIKE FISHING & WRITING?

We are looking for enthusiastic writers and photographers to submit images and pieces for use in our monthly on-line newsletter to members. Because we will be accepting articles we must point out that the views in the TCTU On-Line newsletter do not reflect the views of TCTU but rather the views of the writer.

TCTU IS ON FACEBOOK!

Log into your Facebook account and search for "Tulpehocken Creek Trout Unlimited."



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

TCTU has three new volunteer positions available.

Your organization is doing well; all of our Board Member positions have been filled for the past two years, and, we recently added two volunteers who will act as co-chairman of a Banquet Committee. However, we continue to need additional volunteers and have recently added the following three new volunteer opportunities.

1. Newsletter Designer

The responsibilities of this position would be to work with the newsletter editor to produce the TullyGram. You can go to our website at www.tullytu.org and download past issues of our newsletter to see the current layout. Experience with Adobe InDesign or similar publishing application is required.

2. Volunteer Coordinator

We have many projects and events throughout each year, but we are always in need of more volunteers. The Volunteer Coordinator's responsibility is to maintain a current list of potential volunteers to assist with events and projects as needed. That would include contacting various colleges, schools, Boy Scouts, environmental groups, etc.

3. Fundraising Coordinator

The main responsibilities of this position is to obtain additional income for the organization by obtaining advertisements in our newsletter, searching for sponsors for events as outlined in our Strategic Plan and assisting in obtaining donations for raffles, banquets and other fund raising events as they develop.

Remember this is not a men's club, we would love to have women volunteers too!

Please contact us if you have interests in any of the above positions. We are an "all volunteer conservation organization", so you would not be working alone. All our officers and Board Members are deeply involved in everything we do. Contact us through our website (www.tullytu.org) or if you have questions on the three postings do not hesitate to contact Ron Weidner at rlwrlw2222@yahoo.com or call 610-370-1733.

REDNER'S "SAVE-A-TAPE" PROGRAM

Redner's is committed to the communities that they are part of. They have committed to help out the non-profit organizations whose members shop in their stores.

How it works:

Each member must stop at the store office or Customer Service area to get a Save-a-Tape card. By using this card each time you purchase merchandise at Redner's your receipt will be designated as a Save-a-tape customer receipt. Forward those tapes to support your Tulpehocken Chapter Trout Unlimited. The organization will receive 1% of the total of the total of all the Save-a-tape totals on the receipts. Proceeds from these funds will be used to help protect our streams, education and other conservation projects.

An Example of how you can help:

Lets say 50 of our 300 plus members spend an average of \$75.99 per week in supermarket expenditures. If it was all spent on the save a tape program and submitted to us. The organization would receive \$1,950.00. There is not time limit and no limit. Please start saving tapes today and support the efforts of our chapter.

YOUR LOCAL CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED

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Tulpehocken Chapter is rebated mainly based on new members that join our local Chapter. The rebate has averaged about \$90 per year the past two years. Not nearly enough to maintain your organization and support our many conservation programs needed, our education programs, along with the many social events that we have in our Strategic Plan.

In the past we were able to put on an annual Banquet. The Banquet provided enough income to support our annual projects and events. The past two years we were not able to put on a Banquet due to many reasons including the present poor economy and the lack of volunteers to make it happen.

Our only financial support the past two years has been from savings, income from our annual raffle and a few sponsors. We want to thank everyone that supports our annual raffle and sponsors our events.

We have a limited budget right now due to the above. Our budget this year amounts to approx. \$8,500.00. Our one annual raffle brought in between \$2,500.00 and sometimes closer to \$3,000.00. We have been trying different ways to close the gap. Last year our volunteers manned a fruit stand at the Heritage Festival in Joanna Furnace. That raised approx. \$500. Unfortunately, the amount of work compared to the return was not worth it so we are looking for other ways to generate dollars. We are planning our annual spaghetti dinner held at the Tullyhouse and hope to make around \$300 from it. We continue to look for ways to fund the shortfall and to support our conservation efforts.

Remember, your organization is run strictly by volunteers. People like you that hold a full time job that believe in giving back to protect and preserve our cold water streams.

YOU CAN HELP

Below is a list of some of our annual projects and events, outlining our cost. If some of you could sponsor a planned event we can close the gap between our income and expenses and continue to do good things in our community.

Projects in need of sponsors are as follows:

Trout in The Classroom – This project combines a grant from the Pa. Fish Commission and funds from our chapter to provide an aquarium and other necessary supplies for our local schools to raise Brook Trout by the students. The students get to release the trout at the end of their project. Not only do they learn from a wonderful conservation project, but they have fun doing it. Total cost is approx. \$1,000.00 per school, with a Fish Commission grant our cost is \$500 to \$600.00 for each school. This cost would cover the first year. Future expenses have been covered by the school and participation continued. This has become a very popular program other schools have asked us, we are trying to fund one school per year, but our funds are limited.

Education – Each year we do our best to sponsor two students to attend the Don Hartman Leadership and Conservation School. Cost to us is \$190 per student or \$380.00

We also sponsor two students to attend the RCFFYCamp another important and excellent Conservation based camp for

students. Cost to us is \$175.00 per student or \$350.00

Annual Raffle - We need good donations each year for our annual raffle. Please consider helping us obtain those donations, they would be eligible as a tax deduction.

Monthly Social Breakfasts - Each month, during the summer, we hold a breakfast at the Tullyhouse for our members and friends. This has been a good way for members to meet others that have the same interests and to attract new members. We do ask for a donation to cover our costs which has helped, but we need sponsors in order to make a few dollars. Total cost to us is \$125 to \$150.00 for each breakfast. Please consider sponsoring a breakfast.

Tullyhouse - The Tullyhouse is where we hold all our social events. We lease it from Berks County Parks Dept. We have been able to cut our costs each year by winterizing the heating and water systems and using volunteer labor to maintain it. Our annual Cost is approx. \$750.00 which covers Electric, Insurance, Maintenance and misc. expenses.

The above covers our main projects and events with the exception of Conservation and Stream projects. We would love to expand this area, however, our present limited funds restricts us to small projects. If we could find sponsors for the above we would have extra dollars for more stream projects and our streams need improvement. Check our newsletters for the Stream Projects completed this year.

We have eliminated mailing of our newsletter the Tullygram which has saved us a lot of money. If you or your friends do not receive our newsletter please provide us with your email address. We do not share your email address with anyone.

And last of all, no volunteer organization can survive without willing volunteers. We presently have more members than at any time in the past with approx. 361 members. However, all the work is being done by a few Board members and a few volunteers. You could let us know if we could add your name to our volunteer list for events in the future,

It amazes me when I see all the fly fishermen and ladies and other fishermen fishing locally and know that if only a small percentage of those people would give us a few hours of their time we would be able to accomplish a lot more in support of the sport and improvements to our cold water streams.

Visit us at each monthly meeting or contact us through our website www.tullytu.org. Thank you for any consideration.

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How Flies get Their Names and How They Get Changed.

By Rick Bell ©2011

We know most of the frequently seen flies of trout waters by several names. Most of the time the common names of natural flies are based on the name that someone has given the artificial tied to imitate it. If the natural has been described in the scientific literature, it has a Latin name with two parts, the name of the genus and that of the species. In theory, the scientific name is the stable one – the one that all scientists will be able to recognize whenever they encounter it and it is changed only according to very precise rules. That name means the same insect species everywhere. The common name on the other hand may vary from one region to the other and one angler may not know what another means when, for example he calls some mayfly a Michigan Caddis.

All organisms are named by Linnaeus' system. Prior to Linnaeus, plants and animals were given scientific names consisting of an unwieldy collection of a Latin noun accompanied by a usually long list of descriptive Latin adjectives. Linnaeus, a Swedish naturalist, in the early eighteenth century simplified things with a system of two names, hence binomial. Linnaeus' goal was to give every organism on earth a scientific name. He and his followers have not yet finished the job. Linnaeus was helped by both amateur and professional naturalists who sent him specimens from all parts of the world. My mother in the course of doing some family genealogy, discovered that a Colonial botanist in Virginia, John Clayton whose specimens were transmitted to Linnaeus, was an ancestor of my father. Actually I lie. His sister is our direct ancestor, but I still figure I can make the claim that botany runs in the family. Linnaeus named a genus of flowering plants and an additional species of fern for Clayton. The common Spring Beauty's name is *Claytonia virginica*. The fern is the equally common Interrupted Fern, *Osmunda Claytoniana*. There is a minor point to be made here. Botanists in sometime in the last century have decided to no longer to name plants after people. Zoologists apparently continue to memorialize their peers with occasional Latin names. There is an example that many of you will recognize below.

The Latin name of an insect or any other organism begins with an actual specimen. The naming of any living organism is done by an investigator who already has a thorough familiarity with the family of his specimen well. It is much too daunting a task for anyone who has a limited knowledge of any group. The person who has decided to name it, goes into the literature and figures out whether it fits the description of an insect that has or has not already been described and while at it, decides if it fits the description of any previously described genus, the first of the two scientific names. If it is different from any known insect, and does not fit into any existing genus, this person is permitted to construct a new genus and species for the bug. He publishes a description in an appropriate scientific journal reviewed before publication by other scientists. The description is in Latin and accompanied by a translation in the namer's native language. The insect is kept and becomes the Type specimen, and its new name is now the type species for the new genus.

Sometimes a person who classifies them (called a taxonomist) discovers that a bug doesn't fit into a genus in which it has been placed and rearranges things by placing it into a new genus. An example that you probably know about is The March Brown. It was once called *Stenonema vicarium* and had a very

similar cousin called *Stenonema fuscum*, the Grey Fox. Not only did Mr. Bednarik decide they were not *Stenonema*, but that both species were similar enough to be considered the same species. There are still a number of species remaining in the genus *Stenonema*, The new species which now includes the both the March Brown and Grey Fox is now called *Maccaffertium vicarium*. Bednarik named it for his coauthor and presumably his mentor, Purdue entomologist Patrick Maccafferty. Why did this come about? According to my information, Bednarik decided that these insects were sufficiently different from the other *Stenonema* species to warrant a new name. From this he gets a publication and gets his name in the scientific literature. Some of the evidence for the lumping of two previously separate flies may have been from DNA evidence. The portions of DNA that were examined, if any, were apparently nearly identical for both.

As fly fishermen, this whole issue is of little import unless you are one of those people who insist on spouting off scientific names to impress your cohorts, a practice to which I plead guilty. I claim this is a carry-over from my botanical training where occasionally it really was important to know and use these names. There is nevertheless a reason for some concern about the presumed identity. We can all tell a March Brown from a Grey Fox. I have an idea that the flies can tell each other apart too. Have you ever seen a boy March Brown flirting or even trying to mate with a girl Grey Fox? I suspect not. I also suspect that they don't even try. Have you ever seen an intermediate hybrid between the two which would suggest that this has happened? I haven't looked at enough specimens of either to have found any, but if I had, I'm pretty sure I would not have found them, even in a huge sample.

One of the ideas implicit in the species concept is that all the members are at least potentially capable of breeding with each other. There is an interesting exception to this general rule. In some very large and extensive populations that range across continents, when adjacent groups mate, fertile offspring are produced. If investigators take specimens from the extremes or the species' range, two possibilities often occur. Either the distant members cannot mate or when they do, the offspring are sterile. This is evidence that mutations in the extremes of the species range are not being transmitted through the entire population and the distant members are on their way to becoming separate species.

I suspect that March Browns and Grey Foxes are somewhere along this process and we may ultimately discover that they can no longer interbreed. If this happens, I'm sure someone will come along and give them different scientific names and get a publication out of it. But you hereby have my permission to tie different sized and different color flies and call one of them a March Brown and the other one a Grey Fox because both you and I suspect that the trout can tell the difference too.



SIGN AND HOUSE MAINTENANCE

TCTU Work crews recently refurbished the signs for the delayed harvest area on the tully and cleaned up the Tullyhouse. At the Tully House shrubbery and trees around the house and in the driveway were trimmed. Two missing "Regs Area" metal signs were replaced. Several sign kiosks were completely refurbished with new roofs, plywood, and staining.

Participants included Jim and James Howe, Drew Parenti, Bill Eggeston, Nate Shaeffer, Charlie Boetcher, Ron Weidner, Rick Bell and Len good. Thanks guys and sorry if we missed anyone else who helped.



Sign Kiosk before repairs were made



Sign Kiosk after repairs were made

Tricos on the Tully!

Photo by Rick Nyles - www.SkyBlueOutfitters.com

