



# ADAMS ANGLERS

## First of 2017



Fall 2016 Stocking

Husband and Wife

Beautiful Rainbow Trout

### **A CATERPILLAR CAPER** by April Lee Swope

Ahh! The sun feels so good, especially on my back, as the gentle breeze moves across my spine as I rest on what I've heard people refer to as the Russell Tavern bridge. It is Tuesday, October 4, 2016, about 11 a.m., and I am watching the beautifully colored fall leaves effortlessly wave from side to side as they descend from the trees bordering the Conewago to their new home in the crisp clear water below.

All of a sudden, my antennas are aware of the vibrations from cars, trucks, and footsteps of humans. Realizing that I am in eminent danger, I pick up the pace of my multiple tiny feet underneath my slim pale body. I manage to go undetected as I watch intently as the humans, although few in number, enjoy the activity of transferring from the truck, nets of nice sized trout, human to human, then along the well-worn path down the steep bank to the one float box being filled in the calm water, still below me.

Then, I observe these three men navigate the slippery rocks under their feet as the water engulfs them. A few moments later, I sense a bit of relief as I view the humans get smaller in size as their distance from me increases. What was that? I can't see! A flash of light? I've been caught on camera to my surprise. I thought I was safe in my hiding place as I blended in with the natural color of the concrete bridge. Was it my tiny black spots that gave me away? Or, was I just moving too fast that I suddenly became noticed?

Then, I remembered I saw a new face today. I heard she was the wife of the man, Chuck, who delivered the 300 fish from the Huntsdale Hatchery, and is now Adams County's newly appointed WCO, Rachael Thurner-Diaz. I also overheard that their beloved Dave Keller would be retiring soon.

Somehow, I managed to get out of sight before the men disappeared around the bend as they continued down the creek depositing the brown and rainbow trout until they finally reached the ford area on the Rodger's farm.

I remember the humans discussing their need for more volunteers to help float the boxes when they stock the streams in Adams County in 2017. They were thankful for the 70 degree weather, and greatly anticipated the fun they would have later casting a few flies and landing some of those big ones. I heard that two of the helpers actually let their lines out, but, you'll have to ask each one for their story. I hope the fish stay in the local area so I can see them again in the Spring when I return as a butterfly. I think next time it will be harder for you to recognize me because like the leaves, I will enjoy the wind under me as I try to float effortlessly and quietly by. Did you notice me in the above picture?

### **TROUT TRIVIA**

1. What trout now common to Pa. is originally from Europe?
2. What was the creel limit of trout in 1925?
3. Pa. 1<sup>st</sup> fish hatchery was established in what year?
4. What was the cost of Pa. 1<sup>st</sup> fishing license?
5. How many streams in Adams County are approved trout streams? Can you name them?

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**Latimore Fishing Derby**-The derby is planned for May 6<sup>th</sup> time of the event is 7:30 AM until 11 AM. The derby is open to all children to the age of 12. Rules will be posted at the registration booth. Numerous volunteers will be available to help the children if necessary. Trout will arrived at 7:30 and children will be permitted to help stock those trout.

**Waterways Conservation Officer (WCO) retires** - David Keller announces his retirement from the Pa. Fish and Boat Commission starting January 1<sup>st</sup> 2017. David served in Adams County for 23 years. In 2008 Dave was selected as "officer of the year". His loyalty, service and professionalism to Adams County was outstanding. The chapter says thanks and wishes Dave a happy retirement.

**Special thanks** - to Bob Marchio and Amy Stum -I know over the years I thanked Bob and Amy for their volunteer efforts on designing and putting together a great monthly newsletter. Now I know just how many hours, time and dedication it takes.

## **CHAPTER MEETINGS**

**Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> – 7pm**      **"From Mud flats To Native Brook Trout" – by R. Lewis and D. Swope**  
**Adams County Natural Resources & Agriculture Center**

**Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> – 7pm**      **Adams County Natural Resources & Agriculture Center**

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**Family/Women Coordinator:** Vacant

**Fundraising Coordinator:** Vacant

**Nominating Chair:** Vacant

If you are interested in more information about any of the vacant positions, please contact Dean Stum.

## LEGISLATION CORNER

Senate Bill 30                      2017

Pa. Fish and Boat Commission-License fees

Currently, the PFBC's fees are established by legislation. As an independent administrative agency that is not supported by General Fund revenues and relies on user fees to pay for almost everything it does, the PFBC has a vested business interest in setting a fee structure that generates sufficient revenues to sustain its work on behalf of anglers, boaters, and aquatic resources while having the least possible negative impact on participation and sales.

## ADAMS COUNTY TROUT UNLIMITED

**Conserving, protecting, and restoring cold water fisheries and their watersheds for future generations.**

### TROUT TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Brown Trout
2. 25 trout per day limit
3. The first was Marietta Hatchery in 1893
4. In 1919 the cost was \$5.00
5. Eight approved streams (Bermudian, Conewago, Latimore, Little Marsh, Marsh, Middle, Opossum, and Toms Creek)



# MAY 6, 2017

7:30a.m. till 11:00a.m.

(7:30 Stocking / 8-11 Fishing)

**Latimore Valley Fairgrounds**  
**Children 12 & under**



- No Entry Fee
  - Prizes awarded for largest trout in 4 age groups
  - Keep your Catch
  - Bait Fishing Only
  - Lunch Provided
- Activity!**
- Door Prizes & Raffles



**A Great Family**

*Trout provided by Yellow  
Breeches Anglers &  
Conservation Association*



**10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHILDREN'S TROUT FISHING DERBY**  
**Sponsored by: ADAMS COUNTY TROUT  
UNLIMITED, CHAPTER #323**

**DIRECTIONS:** Travel North on US Route 15, 2 miles North of York Springs, PA, turn right (east) on Latimore Valley Road. Go to first stop sign (old US 15 or Harrisburg Pike) turn right. Cross bridge, Baltimore Road, turn left. Latimore

Fairgrounds  
is a special  
regulations area.

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ADAMS COUNTY TROUT UNLIMITED #323



Managing Streams for Future Generations

WEBSITE: [www.adamscountytu.org](http://www.adamscountytu.org)

## Trout In Classroom Program

### @ STRAWBERRY Hill Nature Preserve - Mt. Hope Road

May 4<sup>th</sup> High School Release - Thursday 8:30AM-1:30PM

May 10<sup>th</sup> Middle School Release - Wednesday 9AM-2PM

May 11<sup>th</sup> Elementary School Release - Thursday 9:30AM-2:30PM

### ADAMS COUNTY PFBC STOCKING LIST 2017

STREAM	PRE-S	TIME	Section	Place	IN-S	TIME	Section	PLACE	
MARSH CREEK	3-3	10:30	Sec 2	CASHTOWN	5-9	10:15	Sec 2	CASHTOWN	
LITTLE MARSH CREEK	3-3	10:30	Sec 2&3	CASHTOWN	5-9	10:15	Sec 3	CASHTOWN	
BERMUDIAN CREEK	3-29	10:15	Sec 2&4	FAIRFIELD	4-4	10:30	Sec 2	CASHTOWN	
OPOSSUM CREEK	3-24	10:30	Sec 2	BENDERSVILLE	5-9	10:15	Sec 2	CASHTOWN	
LATIMORE CREEK	3-24	10:30	Sec 2	BENDERSVILLE	4-4	10:30	Sec 2	CASHTOWN	
TOMS CREEK	3-29	10:15	Sec 2	FAIRFIELD	4-4	10:30	Sec 2	CASHTOWN	
MIDDLE CREEK	3-3	10:30	Sec 2	CASHTOWN	5-9	10:15	Sec 2	CASHTOWN	
CONEWAGO	3-11	10:30	Sec 2&3&4	ACNB	4-19	10:30	Sec 2&3&4	ACNB	(FALL )

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Southcentral Outdoors for Youth (SOY) Day at York & Adams Rod & Gun Club June 3**

**Latimore Fishing Rodeo May 6**

**McSherrystown F&G (Fairfield) TBA**

**Adams County Trophy Trout Stocking-TBA**

**Mentoring Youth Day March 25**

**Carroll Valley Fishing Derby April 22**

**Opening day of trout season in South Central Region April 1**

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**One of the major steps in filing for a permit is performing the PNDI search and knowing its purpose.**

**Q. What is PNDI?**

**A.** PNDI stands for Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory which is the Environmental Review (ER) function of the Pennsylvania Natural Heritage Program (PNHP). It is set up to help identify impacts to threatened, endangered or rare plants, animals, natural communities, and geologic features throughout Pennsylvania. The four Jurisdictional Agencies of the Heritage Program review the project to determine if there will be any impacts to species or resources of concern. These agencies are PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (Bureau of Forestry) (DCNR), PA Game Commission (PGC), PA Fish & Boat Commission (PFBC) and US Fish & Wildlife Services (USFWS).

**Q. What do I need from PNDI to submit with my grant application?**

**A.** All you need to submit with your grant application is a signed and dated, PNDI Receipt to show that you have coordinated with PNDI. If your project classifies as a “Large Project” complete a PNDI Form and mail a copy to each of the four Jurisdictional Agencies; and submit a signed and dated copy with your grant application.

**23<sup>rd</sup> Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp**

**Held at Messiah College on Sunday through Friday June 18-23, 2017. The application period is closing on March 31, 2017. This is a co-ed camp for ages 14-17 cost is \$400 which includes tuition, room and board. Three meals per day and classes are evenings after fishing. Campers receive all materials, books, a camp shirt, hat and flies. No equipment is necessary. For more information to apply visit [www.riverscamp.com](http://www.riverscamp.com). Two local students if selected will get reimbursed from the Adams County Chapter**