

# April 2015

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

The meeting opened at 7:05 pm with prayer by President, Dave Swope.

Elk Springs Resort provided a presentation about the lodge and fishing opportunities.

Changes to procedures for Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's report – reports will be available in hardcopy for meeting attendees to review and raise any changes/corrections. Following approval of the minutes, the minutes will be posted to the Chapter website.

March meeting minutes were approved as-is.

Treasurer's report – correction noted to the PA Trout donation amount of \$500 instead of \$800, no changes to the total. Report approved/accepted – motion by Richard Lewis; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Whitmore

## Membership:

- Discussed membership drive of \$5, continuing to offer to first time TU members
- Select group will be contacted by Board members for feedback. Call script and list of members to be contacted by Board members

## Newsletter:

- Board approved newsletter changes; 10 newsletters to be published per year; January & February will be combined; November & December will be combined.
- Mail Chimp service implemented with April newsletter
  - Statistics on email: 162 emails sent; 74 were opened and 43 readers clicked on the newsletter link.
  - 0 recipients requested to unsubscribe

## Website/Facebook Page:

- 162 site hits in the 2 weeks prior to the monthly meeting; approximately 1/3 of website views are utilizing the mobile version
- Facebook page is up to 45 likes; Jig celebration postings reached over 180 people

Ladies Fly Fishing class – final session on 4/26, will be held at the Conewago

## Latimore Fishing Derby:

- Dave has applied for the permit and requested expedited processing; typically requires 60 days lead for approval.
- Volunteer support requested; Sue confirmed everything is on target.
- Fish will be delivered at 7 am.

## TIC:

- Elementary & Middle School events scheduled 5/19 & 5/20
- Jetsy coordinating volunteers
- Biglerville school is also interested in starting TIC program in 2015-2016 school year; Bermudian & HACC are also on schedule to begin program in 2015-2016

## SOY:

- Meeting held on 4/13; everything on target
- 99 pre-registered as of 4/13 meeting; highest number pre-registered at this stage
- Volunteers needed; Joe circulated a sign up sheet.
- Volunteers needed starting at 7:30 am; event starts at 8 am
- No previous fly tying experience needed

#### Stream Reports:

- Conewago: stocking scheduled 4/22, meet at Russell Tavern bridge @ 12 noon
- Toms Creek: 200 fish stocked previous Saturday
- Conococheague: successful celebration event hosted by ACTU on 4/11; Thank you to Richard Lewis for coordinating the activities. Stocking finishes Thursday.

#### Old Business:

- Conewago stream clean up needs to be rescheduled; Dave to contact Steve Abma to determine availability
- Logo designs and tag lines – submissions due by 6/1; will be reviewed and voted at June board meeting
- DHALO Proposal by PFBC closed for comment and was withdrawn
- Fishing with kids scheduled by Senator Alloway; ACTU to provide 2 prizes and provide 3-4 15 min demo sessions. Dave to follow up regarding timing of when 100 rods will be received to coordinate pole prepping. Start at 7:30 am; need at least 6 volunteers
- List of chapter equipment: Dave requested anyone with property owned by the Chapter send the information to him to compile a consolidated list. Adam will send a list of TIC property to Dave as well. Ed to provide list of shed equipment by May meeting.

#### New Business:

- Teen Summit – Quinton Nace interested; application deadline was April 18; selection notifications by May 1.
- Shotrock for the Conewago needs ordered; workday to be set after June 15<sup>th</sup>
- TU Regional Meeting – scheduled June 6 & 7 in Frederick MD; Dean & Amy Stum plan to represent the Chapter
- Amazon Smiles – Board approved sign up of Chapter for Amazon Smiles program. 0.5% of purchases is donated to the Chapter with the customer selects ACTU as their charity. Information posted on website, Facebook, and included in monthly newsletter.
- Stream Restoration project for Carbaugh Run- dates are TBD; help requested by volunteers. Drawings have been completed
- Andy Murray resigned as Chapter Treasurer effective May 1; Becky Plesic has accepted the position for the remainder of 2015.
- Discussion regarding purchase of display screen (i.e. TV, etc) for Chapter use. Following discussion, motion by Richard Lewis and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary Toner – enables Chapter Board to purchase screen not to exceed \$500. Research options to provide the greatest flexibility for guest speakers and displaying chapter information/pictures at events.

#### Communications:

- A Thank You note was received from Warren Elliott (PA Fish and Boat Commission) to the Chapter for the Birch Run Celebration; it included a Chapter donation

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm; motion by Richard Lewis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Fair.