



ADAMS ANGLER

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STREAM RESTORATION ALONG THE Conewago Creek-fly fishing only section

In 2017, we will once again connect with our Southern Partner Northern Virginia Chapter of Trout Unlimited working side by side placing rock on habitat projects in the fly stretch. Our partnership with NVTU started in 1982 when cows waded freely in the water and with siltation everywhere. The early restoration efforts partnered the chapters to enjoy our 35th year working together. The essence of what Trout Unlimited Chapters are all about-working together to protect and restore a great fishery.

WORKDAY PLANS for the chapter

July 10-13 remove existing falling stone from stream then make room for new decking for mudsill. **July 15** rebuild mudsill with 2x6x8 oak decking using bolts. Utilize stone on upper bank to backfill decking. **July 29** utilize backhoe to build low flow device using R6 riprap also backfill area of erosion. Any of these devices can be moved ahead of



schedule if time and volunteer help permits us. Above Larry Hartlaub and Dave & April Swope determine the a few areas of concerns for workday 2017. Volunteers r needed.

Classroom experience pays off for these students



A few years back the chapter was approached to setup equipment for a fly fishing class for students utilizing their classroom as a backdrop for learning about aquatics, trout, fly tying and fishing techniques. A definite win/win for the next generation and the chapter's role to reach more kids.

Gettysburg Middle School teacher Justin Klinger's students combined their practice during the school year to a test at a local farm pond through a friend of Richard Lewis. Boy, did they prove themselves as students who were eager, able and determined to catch fish. (see pics above). The chapter would like to thank Richard and April Swope for participating and helping to instruct those students and for sure the generous landowner opening his property for fishing.

Southcentral Outdoors for Youths was held at the York Adams Club as a new club sponsor with 146 kids attending. Joe Whitmore-chairman mentioned the program is setup with 12 outdoor stations for the kids to rotate every 25 minutes. Below are the kids getting educated from a group of ACTU members on the Art of Fly Tying. Special thanks to all who participated in reaching the next gen. Next generation making a difference GO Jeremy.

A Fun Day Involving Kids



Awards Nominations are due by July 31st to Pa. Trout--Many hours of volunteer work are performed annually by Trout Unlimited chapters and individual members that could be recognized at the September meeting of Pa. Trout. If you feel you know someone in your chapter please check out the awards program in the last issue of Pa. Trout or their website.

Chapter Schedule

No July meeting

July 15 work restoration 7:30 am Ziegler's Mill Road-lunch provided

July 29 work restoration 7:30 am Ziegler's Mill Road-lunch provided

August 15 Chapter Meeting 7:00 pm Gettysburg, PA

September 19 Chapter Meeting- Nominations 7:00 pm Gettysburg, PA

September 23 PA Council Fall Meeting Pleasant Gap, PA

October 4 ACTU Fall Stocking of the Conewago 11AM

October 17 Chapter Meeting- Elections 7:00 pm Gettysburg, PA

November 11 Board Meeting 7:00 pm TBA

ADAMS COUNTY WATERSHED CONFERENCE



Adam McClain opens the Adams County Watershed meeting explaining the topics for the program including surface and ground water source, impaired streams, dirt and gravel roads, storm water management, riparian buffers on public property, pollution reduction for impaired waterways, etc. April and Dave Swope attended with a local restoration repairs display of years of restoring the Conewago Creek and the Conocoheague Creek Restoration for the chapter.

A Fun Day Involving Kids

The chapter again teamed up with Senator Rich Alloway to promote fishing with kids by helping to host the event at Hoffman Home in Adams County on a beautiful Saturday morning. The kids were excited about having instructors so qualified to help them reel in fish and that they did. The kids enjoyed lunch with pizza, drinks and snacks and ACTU awarded prizes in numerous categories.

Special thanks to Hank, April and Rachael for their efforts.



Trout in the Classroom connects together eleven schools at Strawberry Hill Reserve Center to release their fish and spend the day learning educational topics about our great outdoors. Below some of ACTU best Richard Lewis-left and Joe Whitmore-right demonstrates fly and spin casting techniques to the students. Wayne Belt on right explains aquatic life living in the stream and prepares the students to perform “kick screening” to capture, view and determine the bug classifications.



ANNOUNCEMENT: TIC Adam McClain located a replacement for the Fairfield Middle School for 2017-2018 Trout in the Classroom Program which will be Bermudian Middle School. The board of directors added to their budget and will again support Trout in the Classroom as one of the major activities in reaching the next generation.

Some of the most recent educational and outdoor activities provided by the chapter in 2017 are: trout stocking, Southcentral Outdoors for Youths, Latimore and Carroll Valley fishing derbies, Justin Klinger’s students “Take me Fishing”, Senator Alloway fishing with under privileged kids at Hoffman Home, stream restoration designs & permitting, posting signs, watershed conference, streamside picnic, etc.

Board Meeting Minutes: Present Dean Stum, Dave & April Swope, Richard Lewis, Chris Plesic and Hank Rajotte. Topics included: stream coordinator resignation, stream restoration project and cost approval, family fun night planning and fundraising.

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http://shop.jamcoembroidery.com/Adams_County_Trout_Unlimited. Items can be shipped directly to you, or you can save shipping costs by picking up the items at a chapter meeting.



Gary Stone and Joe Whitmore discuss Youth Field day and TIC at Strawberry Hill Nature Preserve while our gracious landowner is giving out secret fishing spots. Becky has my attention on family fun night planning.

June is our month, to get along the stream and relax with friends with our annual cookout. Chapter streamside picnic renewed our friendship with the Murray's who happen to be in town. The Murrays played a vital part in constructing the Gladys Rodgers Pavilion in honor of the late Gladys Rodgers.



Mr. Rodgers, our gracious landowner, loves to be with us as we enjoy his friendship. Hey, Ricky is back from College and also likes TU and loves talking with our AC Watershed Specialist.

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

NVTU Vice President Kiki Galvin was honored as “Angler of the Year Award” at the fly fishing festival. At the awards dinner Kiki stated her early goals was to be the best teacher, educator, guide and volunteer she could be. Looks very much like she attained her goals early. Hats tipped to Kiki.

President's Message-Dean Stum

One of my main reasons for joining actua is their involvement and focus on stream restoration projects. In the past few years the chapter has been active in repairing some of the older devices on the Conewago Creek and basically just scratching the surface (so to speak) in what needs accomplished in the Conewago and many other of our trout streams. Well I will soon be getting my feet wet doing what I really feel is putting something back to this fishery.

Somehow the chapter needs to reach out to the public for new members in building our membership and getting more hands-on deck. We cannot continue to move forward and expand our efforts without connecting with the next generation. So, if you are available and want to be a part of rolling a few rocks or putting together a mudsill "come on out" July 15 or July 29 and give us a hand.

Monthly Chapter meetings are held at the Adams County Conservation Building on 670 Harrisburg Road, across from the Adams County Bank.

PATU-NEWS

PATU requests chapter involvement in adopting wild trout streams. Yes, its official, so many hurdles even within our ranks that PATU has requested each chapter to select a stream that supports wild trout to eliminate the stocking of hatchery trout. The management committee thinks the stocking of hatchery trout over wild trout slows the bio mass of wild trout reproducing because of the competition within.

If this is the case, PATU is suggesting that each chapter adopt a stream to be removed from the PFBC stocking list and try to convince authorities to approve their request. If a chapter chooses to adopt a wild brook trout stream or a stocked Class A stream, so much better, but many Class B and C streams would also be worthy candidates for this initiative.

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