

# Trout Unlimited

## Little River Chapter



Supporting our waterways is about  
discovery for all kids, big and small!!

## President's Thoughts

The June meeting is scheduled for the 22nd at Calhoun's in Maryville. Social hour starts at 6:00pm and the meeting at 7:00.

Yesterday, June 9 was a day spent cleaning up Nolan Creek for the upcoming trout camp. Volunteers for our local TU chapters came together and did a lot of good work and had an enjoyable day. The creek is now very fishable and it is surprising the number of large trout for such a small stream. The campers should have a good time.



Next Meeting

Thursday  
June 22nd

*Calhoun's*  
**Maryville**



This month Walter  
Babb will be working  
his magic with what  
regular folks would  
call scraps.

Speaking of trout camp, I would like to thank Steve Young and all the volunteers who are helping with the camp for their efforts this year. It takes a lot of dedication and a lot of man-hours to put on such a great program.

School is out. There are a lot children and grandchildren who need to go fishing. The Smoky Mountain Park is beautiful and the streams are perfect. Get out there with your kids!

The July 27 meeting will be at River John's Outfitter Island. For those who have never been there, a map is available at [riverjohns.com](http://riverjohns.com). Come early, bring a rod and chase some smallmouth bass. Remember to bring your comfy picnic chair to lounge in and a covered dish to share with others.



## Trout Camp is On!

By the time you read this the 7<sup>th</sup> annual TN Council TU Trout Adventure Camp will be in full swing. This year we are hosting 14 boys (still working on getting girls!). Eleven of the campers are from Tennessee with 7 from the Knoxville/Maryville/Sevierville area and another from east Tennessee. 3 of these campers have some financial support from Tennessee Trout Unlimited Chapters; we thank them for their support! Over 40 volunteers are making the camp go—without their support none of this could happen. Of these 40 or more volunteers are representatives of 6 different Trout Unlimited Chapters in East Tennessee (Overmountain, Cherokee, Little River, Smoky Mountain, Clinch River, Appalachian). If you want to follow



along with camp activities please go to our facebook page, Smoky Mountains Trout Adventure Camp; we will be posting pictures every night of activities of that day.



## RUPUNUNI RIVER, INTERIOR OF GUYANA

THE ARAPAIMA, THE WORLD'S LARGEST FRESH WATER FISH, CAN BE FOUND IN THE ESSEQUIBO AND RUPUNUNI RIVERS AS WELL AS THE AMAZON RIVER BASIN. ARAPAIMAS EAT OTHER FISHES AND ARE TOP FRESHWATER PREDATORS. AS SUCH, THIS FISH IS IMPORTANT IN REGULATING THE POPULATIONS OF OTHER FISH SPECIES IN RIVERS AND WETLANDS. THEY ARE BEST SEEN IN ISOLATED NUMBERS IN PONDS DURING THE DRY SEASON, FROM SEPTEMBER TO APRIL.

### **Trout in the Classroom**

by Joyce Frey

All of our schools released their rainbows during the first three weeks of May. That was 11 schools, 500+ students and over 1,000 rainbows raised and released. I want to thank everyone for participating in the spring season - teachers, TIC coordinators, students, the KOA campground and the volunteers. Without all of you this wouldn't have happened.

The fall season will start in September with the tanks being set up and a new batch of eggs early October.

One of the schools has decided to no longer participate in the program. That means that there is a tank setup available for a new school. If anyone has a school that they would like to see join our program and be a TIC coordinator, or has someone that would agree to be a coordinator, let me know. I'll get the ball rolling.



## TIE 'N LIE: YELLOW PALMER

Tie and Lie will be on June 26 at 6 pm at The Casual Pint in Maryville. We will be tying an old southern standard The Sheep Fly. This is a wet fly and it is normally tied large and fuzzy.

### Sheep Fly Recipe

Hook: nymph hook, 4x long, size 10 or 12

Thread: Black 6/0

Lead wire: 0.025 or 0.030

Tail: brown hackle fibers or golden pheasant tippets

Body: gray dubbing

Wings: grizzly hackles tips

Hackle: brown hackle wet fly style

