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## STREAMS OF THOUGHT - NOTES FROM THE CHAPTER PRSIDENT



Trout in the Classroom needs you! We have several classes in schools in our area that need a TIC Tank Coordinator. This program, along with our Great Smoky Mountains National Park programs is a premier conservation communication program for the Chapter. Arguably it is the Chapter program with the most direct link to the future of conservation; youth of today are the conservationists of tomorrow. It only happens if someone (YOU?) step forward and volunteer. The program does not involve rocket science but a commitment to help students develop and maintain a school of trout from eggs to parr in a 60-gallon tank through the course of a semester. There are a number of experienced coordinators that can assist you with any issues. The program requires a part of one day a week (and usually less early in the semester). We have tanks in grades K – High School with most in the

elementary levels. If interested contact James Jeswald <u>jmjes711@gmail.com</u> or Steve Young <u>steve\_y@earthlink.net</u>.

On a personal note, it frankly distresses me that this wonderful program is struggling to find help from an organization that prides itself on getting the message of conservation out through volunteering. Give this plea some thought!

Tight Lines!!—Steve Y

# MEETING - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 @ BLUETICK TAVERN IN MARYVILLE

Social hour starts at 6:00, Meeting starts at 7:00, Program follows

Cody from Tellico Outfitters will be here to talk about fishing and catching this beautiful area. Located in Tellico Plains, this is the gateway to the Tellico River, Bald River Falls, North River, countless mountain trails and over 300 miles of wild and native trout streams

Located at 109 Scott St. in Downtown Tellico Plains. 423-253-2231





#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

October 27 - tbd

November - no meeting

December - date tbd, auction focus

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

# **GSMNP Fishery** opportunities:

Nov 19-20 - Bi-monthly acid deposition sample (NC & TN)

Contact <u>Richard Barnes</u> (TN side of the Park) or <u>Mike Kesselring</u> (NC side of the Park) for more information.

# LITTLE RIVER CLEANUP SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

Our annual Little River Cleanup is scheduled for **Saturday**, **September 24th**. We will begin by meeting at Metcalf Bottoms Picnic Area in the Park at 9am. After a safety talk and a couple of hours of trash pickin' we will meet back at the Bottoms for lunch. Come join us!



**GSMNP Stream Barrier Survey Training** opportunity:

October 14 and 15 at the Sugarland Visitor Center Contact <u>Bernie Maloy</u> for more information.

# GSMNP 3-PASS STREAM SURVEY ON LITTLE RIVER AT METCALF BOTTOMS

Several volunteers participated in this survey this past Monday. I heard the water was a bit high and rough with almost everyone going for a swim at least once.











# LITTLE RIVER CHAPTER BY-LAWS

Ernie Frey has agreed to review the Chapter's by-laws and to present his findings to the Board for their approval. One or two Articles of the By-Laws will be presented in each month's newsletter for the Chapter Membership to review. If you wish to make any comments, please forward them to <a href="mailto:lrctu.newsletter@gmail.com">lrctu.newsletter@gmail.com</a>.

# **Article VIII - Annual Reporting and Recognition**

**Section 1**. The Chapter shall submit the annual report to the State Council and the National office. The Annual Report shall consist of:

- A. Financial Report;
- B. Action Plan (the Chapter's goals and objectives for the fiscal year); and
- C. Activity Report (evaluation of the Chapter's accomplishments over the preceding

fiscal year).

NOTE: The Chapter/Council Handbook sets forth the reporting form for these reports.

**Section 2**. The Annual Report shall be submitted no later than November 15th of each year.

**Section 3**. Chapter recognition via awards programs conducted by Trout Unlimited National shall be contingent upon receipt of the Chapter's Annual Report by the Council Chairperson and the Regional Vice President. Awards shall be based on the accomplishments documented in the annual reports and nominations shall be based upon the joint recommendation of the Council Chairperson and the Regional Vice President to the Awards Committee.

**Section 4**. Trout Unlimited's Board of Trustees may authorize exclusion of chapters from National programs, may withhold rebates, and may revoke a chapter's charter with due cause by deliberating and deciding upon these sanctions upon the joint recommendation of the respective Council Chairperson and the Regional Vice President.

**Section 5**. The Chapter's Board of Directors may create and award recognition to members or others in the community as deemed appropriate.

#### Article IX - Fiscal Year

The Chapter's fiscal year shall be the same as that of Trout Unlimited.

## **Article X - Amendment of Bylaws**

The bylaws may be amended at a monthly Chapter meeting, upon proper notice given, by a two-thirds majority vote of those present. Those present must constitute a quorum (not less than five percent (5%) of the members in good standing). Proxy voting is permitted upon any issue that has been included in the notice of the meeting

# **Article XI - Bylaws Provisions**

Any of these bylaws that may be in conflict with the Articles of Incorporation, bylaws or policies of Trout Unlimited will be void.

Proposed changes to Article VIII, Section 2 - change to May 15. This is in

accordance with the change in the Fiscal Year dictated by TU National.

Proposed changes to **Article X** - change to "The bylaws may be amended at a monthly Chapter meeting after being submitted and approved by the Board,...."

# TIE AND LIE - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 @ CASUAL PINT, MARYVILLE - 6:30 - ?

Ernie Frey will be demonstrating the White Death Zonker streamer as we prepare for steelhead season. This fly represents a dead shiner and could be fished just about anywhere and any size. You need to bring 2 bobbins with orange florescent and black threads. Ernie will provide the rest of the supplies. If there is a specific fly you'd like to tie, or learn to tie, let me know at <a href="mailto:lrctu.newsletter@gmail.com">lrctu.newsletter@gmail.com</a> and I'll pass it on.



# **FALL CAMPING TRIP IS BACK ON!**

Since the Cattaloochee camping trip was rained out, reservations have been made at the Deep Creek campground in Bryson City. Group site 201 has been reserved for October 7 - 9. Check-in is Friday the 7th after 1:00, check out is Sunday the 9th by 11:00. This is a great opportunity to fish Deep Creek and Nolan Creek and wading may be possible in the Tuckasechee if the water is down. For those that

might want to visit Bryson City for the day instead of fishing, there are plenty of things to do. The Smoky Mountain Trains Museum and Railroad ride; GSMNP Deep Creek Hiking Trail, the Tunnel to Nowhere, the Fly Fishing Museum of the Southern Appalachians and much more. With several motels in town and close to the campground, this is a great opportunity for our non-camping folks to join us for our group Saturday dinner, campfire and socializing. Hamburgers and dogs will be provided by the Chapter, bring a dish of your favorite sides or dessert.

Please let Larry Davis know you are planning to attend. He can be reached at <a href="ledavis97@gmail.com">ledavis97@gmail.com</a> or text at 865-748-7026

# **LRCTU LOGO SHIRTS**

Shirts will be available for pickup at the October 27 meeting.

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Patricia Bowman Steve McClanahan Adam Moore

Welcome to the Little River Chapter of TU (LRCTU). Our Chapter was established years ago as a nonprofit volunteer organization committed to protecting and restoring cold water resources and watersheds in and around the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. We hope to able to offer you plenty of activities to join us in our mission. As a member, you will receive our monthly newsletter issued around the 15th of each month. as well as email notifications of any activities that may be happening during the month. Our live meeting is the 4th Thursday of the month (with the exception of June, August and November) held at the Bluetick Tavern in Maryville. Social hour starts at 6:00 with Chapter business starting at 7:00 and the month's program immediately following. Feel free to visit our website at <a href="mailto:lrctu.newsletter@gmail.com">lrctu.newsletter@gmail.com</a> or any of the Board Members listed on the website for information.

## MEMBERS OUT THERE FISHING

Ernie Frey's big brown from Spring Creek, Gunnison, CO. Joyce Frey's brown from East River, Gunnison, CO. (I couldn't get my camera hand back far enough to get his head:)





Jeff Lavender (a life-time member) sent these pictures of his sons fly fishing for the first time on the Chattahoochee near Helen, GA. Andy on the left, Clint on the right. Nice job for first time!!





Happy fishing,

# Joyce Frey, Newsletter Editor







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