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The President's Notes

Jeff McElravy (jmcelravysr@cinci.rr.com)

Two Super Events in a row. First, the Fly Show, and then our Banquet. George Fraley and Bob Gustafson and their Committee did an outstanding job in putting together the new format for the Banquet. The motor that drives BUFF is the volunteer labor put forth by our membership. You can have all kinds of ideas, but without the people to put it together, it doesn't happen. A major thrust of the Banquet was to recognize those who got it done. The Banquet Committee tried to get a list of all volunteers that helped out in all our activities throughout the year. Each member who was not on the Board of Directors and attended the Banquet received a fly stand with flies after having their names read off. The Officers and Board of Directors were called up and recognized with a laser engraved wooden fly box. It was a pleasure working with you all in the last year. I am looking forward to working with the new BOD this year. Jim Hampton and Dave and Kathy LaDow received the President's Award. Ken Dixon received the Board of Director's Award. Bob Gustafson was awarded the Fly Fisher of the Year Award. Congratulations to all. You have certainly earned your recognition.

From everyone that I spoke to, I heard that the faster paced program was appreciated. The Magician was quite entertaining. I am still working on how some of those tricks worked. I think that the fewer but better raffle prizes worked well. Randy Clark and the Prize Patrol did very well. I don't remember as many trips being available for the silent auction before. If you won a trip, please contact the vendor and thank them for their donation, and, remember they aren't making anything off of it, when you give them your tip. We hope to keep good relations with them in the future.

Activities are keeping us busy. We recently had an Introduction to Fly Tying class. It was a one night class at Springdale Recreation Center. It was a good start for the new tiers until they can start going to the Tie and Lies. Starting April 2, I am holding a Fly Fishing 101 Course at Springdale RC. It will run every Tuesday night from 6:15 to 8:30 in April. There are still a few openings available. If you are interested, please contact me by email, and I will slot you in until the class is full. I will start a waiting list at that point. You should only need note taking materials for the class. The end of the course we will be casting and maybe fishing. If you don't have equipment we will make arrangements for you. These classes were not on the regular schedule, but the recent new members requested them, and we are trying to help get them started.

Ed Jones, our Education Chairman, has a number of activities planned for this year. He is always looking for help in putting these classes on. We can use the help. You can contact any Officer or Board Member using the information found on our Web site under "About Us".

Our trip season has already started with the Spring Steelhead trip. I heard that it went quite well with a lot of hook ups and 20 caught fish. That is a bunch for 10 fishermen. Pete Moore and Tim Minton were the trip leaders for this trip, and they will be doing the late fall trip, also. The Spring Carolina Trout Quest, hosted by Pete Moore and Gary Cummins, is coming up soon. If you are going, you need to contact Pete no later than the April meeting. He has reservations held open now, but will close them soon. This is a great trip to go on whether you are new to fly fishing or an old hand. There is a lot of water to fish in the Bryson City area.

The late, very late Spring has put a damper on the local fishing, but it should put up soon. If you haven't started getting ready, you might eat into your fishing time. Hope to see you on the stream, if not at the next meeting.

Jeff

The following organizations have supported the BUFF banquet by purchasing sponsorship tables at the levels indicated. We thank them, and BUFF members are encouraged to support these organizations.

Gold Level (\$100 or higher) CDS Associates Jeff Wyler Honda Truepoint, Inc. UBS FTB Group UBS Mike Kern Group Union Savings Bank Wood & Lamping, LLP

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<u>Bronze Level (\$50)</u> State Farm Insurance, Howard Agency Vares Construction Co.

BUFF April 2013 Program —"The Fishing Gods"—

George Douglas will share his knowledge of fishing philosophies, techniques and flies of the elite fishing guides across North America. George personally interviewed sixteen of the best fly fishing guides such as Scott O'Donnell, April Vokey, Lori-Ann Murphy, Loren Williams, and Bob Clay just to name a few. Collectively, they floored George and challenged him in ways he never new. He would like to now convey that message to BUFF members. The name of his latest book and the presentation is, The Fishing Gods.

The BUFFER to be Cost Effective and Efficient

Most all of our members read the BUFFER monthly newsletter on line and that is good. Thank you.

The Board believes the time has come to have all members with an email account and internet access to do the same. To process and prepare and mail the BUFFER costs \$17.40 per year for each (That's 70% of the member's dues); not to mention the work that entails. Also, a web based BUFFER would allow enhanced graphics and timely delivery.

A motion has been made by your Board of Directors to announce the availability of the current BUFFER each month via email, and ask the membership with email and an internet connection to access the BUFFER from our web site. The Buffer would still be mailed to those without these resources.

Please let one of your Board Members know if you have questions, concerns or comments.

Our web site is an incredible communication tool. You can receive the most up to date information, late breaking news as well as very detailed specifics on trips, programs and opportunities for conservation, education and service. You can find stream access points as well as water levels. Let's please focus on our great web site and make the BUFFER cost effective and efficient.

Fishing at Parky's Farm 2013 Ed Jones, (jonesee@miamiOH.edu)

BUFF has had a partnership with Parky's Farm for several years, and it's a significant win for us on numerous fronts. If you like to fish at a location with concentrations of quality warm water fish, it's a win. If you like the camaraderie, of fly fishers with similar interests, it's a win. If you like to introduce kids or adults to the best outdoor sport ever, it's a win. We get access to a special place that has little fishing pressure and contains sizeable largemouth bass and big, broad bluegills. It might be a little intimidating for those who think fly fishing is all about pan fish or 10" trout, but if the prospect of a 6# bass or big bull bluegill doesn't frighten you, leave the three-wt at home and come to Parky's with some heavier gear. I use a six-wt, but if you want to cast big fluffy bass flies, better make it at least a seven.

Our responsibilities on Parky's 100 acre educational "traditional" farm are enjoyable and productive. Among my most fulfilling experiences is the opportunity to introduce my favorite sport to children – especially if the odds for success are favorable. On Fridays in May and October, from 10:00-2:00, our fly fishing is occasionally interrupted by small children eager to catch their first fish. We lay down the fly rods, pick up some telescoping poles, bait up a bare hook and help them dangle it in the water to see what happens. Whatever takes the bait, it's an exciting moment for a youngster and an opportunity to instill some early interest in fishing. Parents are quick to whip out their cameras for a memorable photo shot, and the kids go home with a trophy picture to show friends and siblings.

Another BUFF activity at Parky's is part of Project Healing Waters, where we have the honor of sharing time on the pond with a few who have served and sacrificed for our country. Watch for announcements of dates when we will get together with a great bunch of veterans who truly enjoy the opportunity to be there with us.

If you need help finding the way, my suggestion is to punch "10073 Daly Road, Cincinnati, OH" into your GPS and go. If you do not use a GPS, directions to Parky's may be found on the BUFF website and Parky's website (http://greatparks.org/parks/parkys-farm.html). I'm looking forward to seeing you there!

Black flies are not usually regarded as important trout fare, but scientific studies of some rivers have shown that their larvae make up the majority of the trout's diet. Troutnut.com

Black fly larvae are around 3/8" inch long and are found in flowing water where they filter tiny bits of detritus, algae, and bacteria through a fan like brush around their mouth. The larvae attach themselves to rocks, woody debris, vegetation, litter and anything solid lying in the stream and often exist in dense mats with their bodies packed tightly together. They produce a sticky silk from their mouth that they dab on a solid object, then with small hooks on their posteriors attach themselves firmly to the object. Should they become detached, they can let out a string of this sticky silk and use it like a lasso to grab anything passing by. After 3-10 weeks of larval development it is time to pupate and the larvae prepare a rigid sack-like cocoon with the open end facing downstream that they back into. Then in two to eight weeks a fully formed adult emerges inside an air bubble that keeps them dry and quickly floats them to the surface where they immediately go airborne. The emergence of adults is somewhat random, and there is no real black fly "spinner fall" but they will often rise up in enormous numbers. Female black flies may swarm and lay their eggs on a relatively small section of a stream. One stretch of water had an estimated 3 million eggs. With that many eggs and four or more generations in a season, it shouldn't be a surprise why black fly larvae comprise a large part of a fish's diet.

Steve Lilly



BUFF Notes:

Sign-up for BUFF casting class will be at the April meeting -- Gary Begley

Spring Trout Quest Trip

The spring Trout Quest Trip to North Carolina is scheduled for May 15 through 19. We have plenty of room for more attendees. But we must have your name and \$100 deposit (checks only) by April 10 (at the next club meeting). You can contact Gary Cummins or Pete Moore at the cell numbers listed below.

You can still join us on this trip if you decide to go later, but you may have to arrange for your own accommodations. Please access the trip description on the BUFF web site at <u>http://www.buckeyeflyfishers.com/trips13/index.htm</u>. Gary Cummins 513-477-9131 Pete Moore 513-382-9632 Please note that this calendar is only current as of the latest Buffer, and is accurate based on inputs from BUFF oprs. Efforts are made to ensure accuracy, but be sure to verify dates and times of those events that interest you. Ed.

BUFF 2013 Calendar

April 2013

- Apr 1 **Casting Tune Up** Springdale Rec. Ctr, 6 8 pm Gary Begley loopdude1@hotmail.com
- Apr 2 Fly Fishing 101 Springdale Rec. Ctr .Rm. B 6:15 8:30 pm Jeff McElravy
- Apr 4 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7-9pm D. Jones
- Apr 8 Project Healing Waters VAMC auditorium 3-5 pm Tom Scheer
- Apr 9 Fly Fishing 101 Springdale Rec. Ctr. Rm. B 6:15 8:30 pm Jeff McElravy
- Apr 10 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Apr 16 Fly Fishing 101 Springdale Rec. Ctr Rm. B. 6:15 8:30 pm Jeff McElravy
- Apr 17 Indian Hill HS Education Intro. Casting and Tying 1 2:30 pm Ed Jones
- Apr 17 **BUFF Board Meeting** 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Apr 19 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7 9 pn Gary Begley tyer1@hotmail.com
- Apr 23 Project Healing Waters Parky's Farm 9am 4 pm Tom Scheer
- Apr 23 Fly Fishing 101 Springdale Rec. Ctr Rm. B. 6:15 8:30 pm Jeff McElravy
- Apr 30 Fly Fishing 101 Springdale Rec. Ctr Rm. B. 6:15 8:30 pm Jeff McElravy

May 2013

- May 2 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7-9pm D. Jones
- May 3 **Parky's Farm** 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- May 3-5 Sunnybrook Trout Club Trip Ken Dixon
- May 8 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- May 10 Parky's Farm 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- May 14 Project Healing Waters Parky's Farm 9am 4 pm Tom Scheergeorgewf@fuse.net
- May 15 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- May 15-19 Carolina Trout Quest Trip, Gary Cummins/Pete Moore
- May 16-19 Elk River Trip Rodney Louke/Steve Alexander
- May 17 Parky's Farm 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- May 17 **Tie & Lie** Bass Pro 7 9 pn Gary Begley tyer1@hotmail.come
- May 19 BUFF Casting Class Cottell Park 1 4 pm Gary Begley loopdude1@hotmail.com (Prior sign-up required)
- May 21 Project Healing Waters Parky's Farm 9am 4 pm Tom Scheer
- May 21 VA Tying VA Medical Ctr.7pm D. Jones
- May 24 Parky's Farm 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- Maay 31 Parky's Farm 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing

June 2013

- June 2 BUFF Casting Class Cottell Park 1 4 pm Gary Begley loopdude1@hotmail,com (Prior sign-up required)
- Jun 2-6 Hazel Creek Back-Packing Trip, Bill Schroeder
- Jun 3-7 Spring Creek Trip, Phil Pursley
- Jun 6 **Tie & Lie** Bass Pro 7-9pm D. Jones
- Jun 6-9 Hazel Creek Camping Trip, Bill Schroeder
- Jun 6-9 Elkhorn Creek Trip, Marty Foltz/Charlie Montgomery
- Jun 9 BUFF Casting Class Cottell Park 1 4 pm Gary Begley loopdude1@hotmail.com (Prior sign-up required)
- Jun 11 **Project Healing Waters** Parky's Farm 9am 4 pm Tom Scheer
- Jun 12 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Jun 19 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Jun 20 NKFF Kids Fest at Old Coney 9 am noon; 1 4 pm
- Jun 21 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7 9 pn Gary Begley tyer1@hotmail.com
- Jun 24 Project Healing Waters VAMC Auditorium 3-5 pm Tom Scheer
- Jun 25-27 Sunnybrook Trout Club Trip, Ken Dixon
- Jun 26 Fly Fishing Youth Class with Green Acres
- Jun 28 Project Healing Waters Parky's Farm 10 am 3 pm CRC demonstration Tom Scheer



July 2013

- Jul 4 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7-9pm D. Jones
- Jul 9 Project Healing Waters Parky's Farm 9am 4 pm Tom Scheer
- Jul 10 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Jul 13 Little Miami River Day Float Donn Rubingh
- Jul 13 Sporting Women Program 9:15 10:45 Eastern Hills Rod & Gun Club, Gary Begley
- Jul 17 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Jul 18 VA Tying VA Medical Ctr.7pm D. Jones
- Jul 19 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7 9 pn Gary Begley tyer1@hotmail.com
- Jul 20 VOA Regatta Fly Tying, Fly Casting/Fishing (no contact person yet)
- Jul 22 Project Healing Waters VAMC auditorium 3-5 pm Tom Scheer

August 2013

- Aug 1 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7-9pm D. Jones
- Aug 2 Project Healing Waters Parky's Farm 10 am 3 pm CRC demonstration Tom Scheer
- Aug 14 BUFF Monthly Meeting 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Aug 16 **Tie & Lie** Bass Pro $7 \overline{9}$ pn Gary Begley
- Aug 21 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center

September 2013

- Sep 5 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7-9pm D. Jones
- Sep 7 Project Healing Waters ODNR Fish Hatchery, Castalia, OH 9 am 3 pm
- Sep 10 Project Healing Waters Parky's Farm 9am 4 pm Tom Scheer
- Sep 11 BUFF Monthly Meeting 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Sep 11 Little Miami River Day Float Donn Rubingh (NOT Confirmed)
- Sep 16 VA Tying VA Medical Ctr.7pm D. Jones
- Sep 18 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Sep 20 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7 9 pn Gary Begley tyer1@hotmail.com
- Sep 21 Parky's Farm 6 9 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- Sep 23 Project Healing Waters VAMC Auditorium 3-5 pm Tom Scheer
- Sep 27-29 Sunnybrook Trout Club Trip, Ken Dixon)
- Sep 28 Great Outdoor Weekend, IWLA Lodge, Loveland, time tbd

October 2013

- Oct 3 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7-9pm D. Jones
- Oct 4 **Parky's Farm** 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- Oct 8 **Project Healing Waters** Parky's Farm 9am 4 pm Tom Scheer
- Oct 9 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Oct 11 **Parky's Farm** 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- Oct 9-13 Smoky Mountain trip Jerry Schatzman
- Oct 16 **BUFF Board Meeting** 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Oct 18 **Parky's Farm** 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- Oct 17-20 Hazel Creek Brown Trout Trip, Bill Schroeder, (NOT Confirmed)
- Oct 22 **Parky's Farm** 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- Oct 25 **Parky's Farm** 10 am 2 pm come early/stay late for more fishing
- Oct 28 Project Healing Waters VAMC Auditorium 3-5 pm Tom Scheer

November 2013

- Nov 5 **Project Healing Waters** Parky's Farm 9am 4 pm Tom Scheer
- Nov 7 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7-9pm D. Jones
- Nov 13 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Nov 20 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Nov 25 VA Tying VA Medical Ctr.7pm D. Jones
- Nov 25 Project Healing Waters VAMC Auditorium 3-5 pm Tom Scheer

December 2013

- Dec 5 Tie & Lie Bass Pro 7-9pm D. Jones
- Dec 9 Project Healing Waters VAMC Auditorium 3-5 pm Tom Scheer
- Dec 11 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Dec 18 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Dec 23 Project Healing Waters VAMC Auditorium 3-5 pm Tom Scheer

April Menu

Italian Night

Spaghetti with Marinara Sauce

Italian Meatballs

Penne Pasta with Alfredo Sauce

Topped with Grilled Chicken and Fresh Vegetables

Sautéed Whole Green Beans

Roasted Potatoes

Garlic Bread Sticks

Desserts

Homemade Cannoli's

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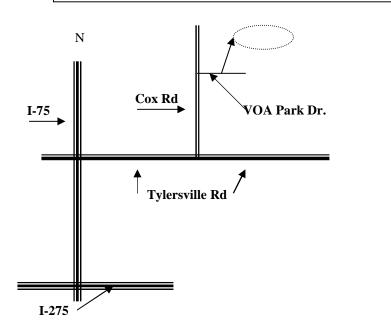
NOTICE: Dues are \$25 (Individual), \$30 (Family), with a one time \$5 Initiation Fee for new members. New members will pay a prorated membership amount according to month of initial membership for the first year. Annual dues are due January 1. Refer to BUFF website for further information. B.U.F.F., P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, OH 45242

FIRST CLASS MAIL

Mailing Address

Next Monthly Meeting – April 10

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