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The President's Notes

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December is the start of the cold and maybe snowy time for us in the Cincinnati area. Our time on the lakes and stream has stopped or really slowed down (Been out lately?). I hope to get out at least once this month to set the tone for next year. My goal is to fish at least once every month and fish more than 125 days. I am really hoping for more but don't want to put in print. My wife might see it. Time to read our books, watch our DVDs, tie our flies, tie our flies, tie our flies, and plan our trip. Check out our Library for new titles. It is such a great asset to our club. Thanks to Bob Mackey for coming up with the idea and managing it with help from Bruce James. If you see any new titles that should be in the Library, contact Bob. He is always looking for new titles. We still have some Beginning Fly Tying Classes going on and the Advanced (at least Beginner II) are going to be starting. Tying is a great way to extend our sport and can save some money. Check out Ken Dixon's schedule at the Springdale Recreation Center for the rest of this year and into next.

I want to wish everyone "Happy Holidays"! This is time to reflect on last year and what we have been able to do and the blessings that we have received. It has been a busy and full year for BUFF. I want to thank everyone that has put in time to make last year the good year that it was. There is a lot that goes into it that is not seen. Often it is not only what you see at the events and meetings, but the support of members in the background that just like to help out. Without that help, these events would become less and less each year. Thanks again for doing your part as you can when you can.

We are in the Nomination season also. The Officers and Board of Directors for BUFF are to be elected at the January General Meeting. As of this time, there are openings in the Board and we are looking for new members to run for Secretary. Actually it would be great if we could really have enough interest that there would be a

BUFF December 2011 Program

Little Miami Incorporated (LMI) is a citizen conservation organization working since 1967 to protect and restore the natural character of the Little Miami National Wild & Scenic River in Southwest Ohio. LMI Executive Director Eric B. Partee has worked for LMI since 1982 preserving the riverfront forests and promoting the river's rebirth. He will highlight the many successes along the way to make the Little Miami one of Ohio's most exceptional warm water streams.

choice. Mike McCracken, Steve Lilly, Roger Corrado, Lou Haynes, and Mike Bryant are stepping back from their positions, but are going to continue in helping out as they can. I want to thank them for their input and support in the last year and the previous years. You can bet I will be giving you some phone calls in the next year. Please consider who you would like to govern BUFF and nominate them or yourself. Nominations due December 31.

We are also looking for nominations for Fly Fisher of the Year Award for 2011. This is the highest yearly award that BUFF presents. You should nominate members that have shown the qualities and effort that have been exhibited by past recipients. Nominations due December 31.

The Greater Cincinnati Fly Show and our Banquet are coming up early next year. We need donations and support for both of these events. Please contact these committees with your help.

Again I want to wish everyone "Happy Holidays" and may next year bring more good to your creel than you expect.

Jeff

Tying Flies This Winter?

Many of you will probably be spending some time tying flies this winter. I want to make sure you are aware of the Buckeye United Fly Fishers Ultimate Fly Box. You can view it on our website by scrolling down the home page and clicking on the icon at the bottom of the page labeled Buckeye United Fly Fishers Ultimate Fly Box. You will see we have nearly 50 flies in the box which are flies submitted by BUFF members that work for a variety of species. I encourage you to read the descriptions which provide a picture of the fly, give tying directions in detail, list species caught, and provide valuable comments on how to fish these flies. Many of these flies have spent a lot of hours being fished on the end of members' leaders and their advice on how to fish these flies will save you a lot of time. And will put fish on the end of your line.

You will also see directions for submitting flies to the Ultimate Fly Box. If you have any flies you want to have included in the Ultimate Fly Box please send them my way. Thanks in advance for your participation.

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2012 Dues Deadline Drawing Near

The deadline for payment of 2012 dues is drawing near.

Member's dues cover January 1st of each year to December 31st, and need to be paid by January 1st.

Single memberships are still \$25.00/year.

Family memberships are still \$30.00/year.

Make your checks payable to BUFF and mail them to:

P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242

Or pay at the monthly dinner meeting.

Checks, credit card or cash will be accepted at the dinner meeting.



BUFF's New Meeting Location

The Board of Directors has unanimously voted to move our general meeting location and to use “At Your Service” as our caterer. Meals, including dessert will be \$15.

We are excited to announce that our new location is:

**Ronald Reagan Lodge at Voice of America Park
7850 VOA Park Drive
West Chester, OH 45069**

Directions:

From I-75 (4 exits North of I-275) Take the Liberty Way exit and go East then turn right on Cox Road. Then left on VOA Drive. Left on first drive and follow road to Lodge

OR

From I-75 (3 exits north of I 275) Take the Tylersville exit and go East then turn Left on to Cox Road. Then right on VOA Drive. Left on first drive and follow road to Lodge

The new location room is beautiful; it will accommodate 200 people. It is equipped with built in Audio and Visual conferencing equipment. There is a private patio that overlooks the lake. We will have a cash bar with beer, wine and mixed drinks.

The lake at the park is a stocked 35-acre pay lake. Fishing costs are reasonable. For example, seniors (60+) - Butler County resident for all day is \$5 (\$7 for non-residents). \$2 for residents AND non-residents (regardless of age) after 6:00PM.

Note: You will NOT need a park pass for the meeting – Tell the attendant at the Gate that you are with BUFF.

**Next Meeting is Wed. December 14
Social time begins at 6:00
Dinner is at 6:45**

**Come early because traffic may be an issue.
Come early to enjoy the surroundings.**

Reservations are more important than ever. Please make your reservation NOW for dinner and plan on joining us at our first meeting at this absolutely incredible location.

Calling ALL Explorers

Have you ever wondered how you could get involved with BUFF, well now is your chance. **NO FISHING EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED** you just need to have the ability to “think outside the box”. I am looking for women, both fishing and non-fishing, to help us come up with items for the March Banquet that others may not think about. Items that I can think of right away would be Salon gift certificates – we all have our favorite and maybe they would be willing to make a donation for the banquet – simply to support something you care about. Maybe it’s a friend or relative that has a hobby and they would like to make a contribution – again, simply to support something you care about.

In the case of these donations “size does **NOT** matter” !!! Some of the most precious items come in the smallest packages.

So for those of you that are reading this thinking -“this is not for me” – what about that special someone in your life that wants to support the club and the sport you so enjoy. That person may be your spouse, your girlfriend, or perhaps one of your children. Just be sure to ask them if they are interested in meeting a couple of times and helping us come up with some wonderful items for the banquet.

If anyone is interested in helping out in this area please have them contact me, (Debbie Hampton), at flyfisher@zoomtown.com .

Hope to hear from you soon. TO FISH IS TO HOPE

TYING AND TALKING WITH THE VETS In 2012

The dates have been set for BUFF members to tie flies with the Vets at the VA hospital located on Vine St. in Cincinnati. The dates will be on the web site and also in the BUFFER.

Month	Date	Day
January	19	Thursday
March	27	Tuesday
May	22	Tuesday
September	17	Monday
November	26	Monday

We arrive at about 6:30 PM to 6:45 PM to get set up. The Vets come down at 7:00 PM and must leave by 8:00 PM.

Since we have a different group each month, we tie either a wooly worm on a hook or either a wooly worm or a foam rubber fly on a safety pen so they can wear it on a cap or some piece of clothing. The Vets really enjoy tying and talking with us and you will hear a lot of “Yes Sir, No Mama and Thanks.” You will feel good when you leave. If you haven’t tied with us before, come give it a try or you can come and just talk with a Vet. If you would like to give it a try, give me a call or an email note.

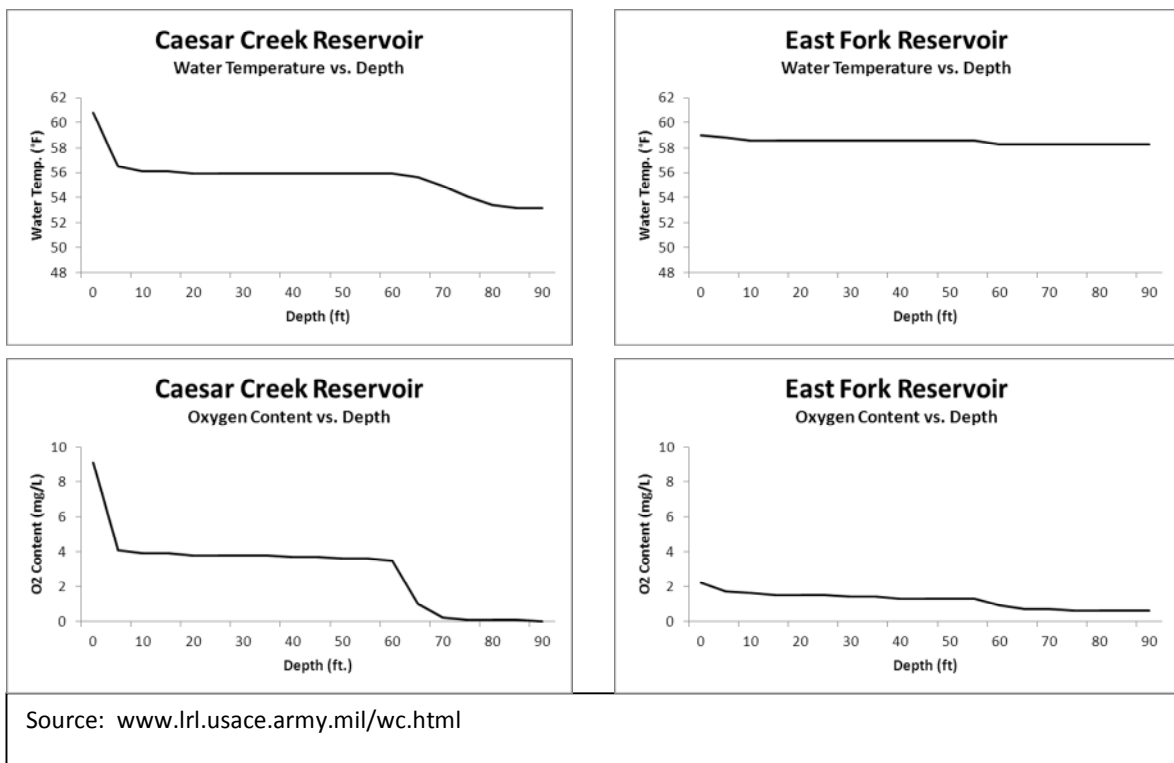
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Things in nature usually make a gradual adjustment to a disturbance. At times, however, the laws of physics demand immediate action.

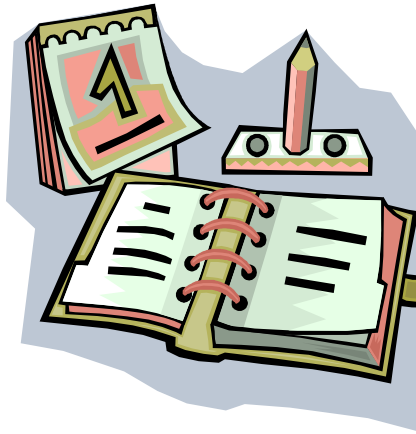
During summer a deep lake or reservoir can stratify into three different layers. The upper layer (epilimnion) is a warm, well-mixed zone with plenty of dissolved oxygen. Below it is a transitional layer (metalimnion) where temperature changes rapidly. The bottom layer (hypolimnion) is colder, usually dark, often completely devoid of oxygen. The middle layer acts like a physical barrier between the bottom and top layers. None of this is apparent and could be ignored if autumn didn't come around. As the upper layer gets cooler and more dense, it may eventually become heavier than the lower layer. The middle layer at this time disappears. The result is a delicate balance with a heavy liquid sitting on top of a lighter liquid. Something such as a strong wind from just the right direction could topple the heavy water sending it to the bottom while the dark smelly bottom water floats to the surface. This is called a **Stratification Turnover** and the lake now is an unsightly, odorous mess.

The reservoirs at Caesar Creek and the East Fork are subject to an occasional and sometimes severe turnover. As of November 1 Caesar Creek doesn't appear to have experienced a turnover. The temperature is a fairly constant 55.9F° to a depth of 65' then it changes and at 85' it is 53.2F°. This temperature change doesn't appear to be severe and consequently any turnover for 2011 is likely to be slight. East Fork Reservoir has a fairly constant temperature with 58.6F° just below the surface to 58.3F° at the bottom. Perhaps a turnover there has already occurred.

Steve Lilly, JR Jackson



BUFF 2011 Calendar



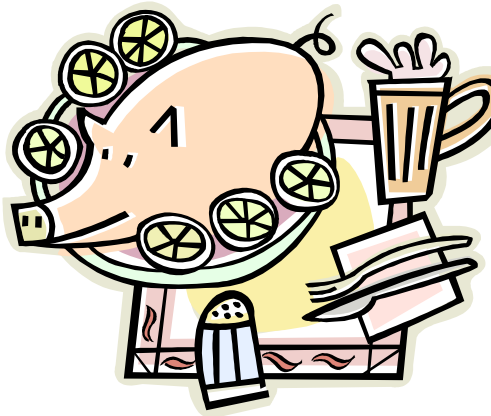
Please note that this calendar is only current as of the latest Buffer, and is accurate based on inputs from BUFF oprs. Efforts are made to ensure accuracy, but be sure to verify dates and times of those events that interest you. Ed.

December 2011

- Dec 1 **Healing Waters** Tom Scheer, 3-5 pm, VA Auditorium
- Dec 6 **Beginners Fly Tying Class**, 6 pm – 7:30 pm Springdale Community Center
- Dec 13 **Beginners Fly Tying Class**, 6 pm – 7:30 pm Springdale Community Center
- Dec 14 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Dec 21 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center

January 2012

- Jan 11 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Jan 18 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30pm Springdale Community Center
- Jan 19 **VA Fly Tying** Dave Jones 6:30-8:30 pm
- Jan 24 **Knot Tying Class** Springdale Rec. Ctr. 6:30 – 8:30 Lou Haynes



December Menu

Dinner Menu

Sliced Herb Roasted Pork Loin
Accompanied by a demi-glace sauce

Sliced BBQ Beef Brisket

Oven Roasted Parsley and Herb Yukon Gold
and Red Potatoes

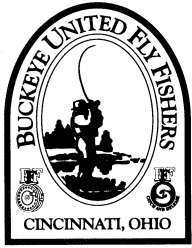
Sweet Buttery Corn with roasted red peppers

Dessert

Homemade Spice Cake with a cream cheese
icing

2011 B.U.F.F Officers/Board of Directors/Key Positions

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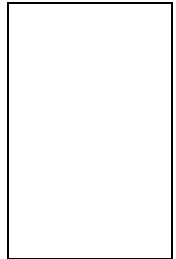


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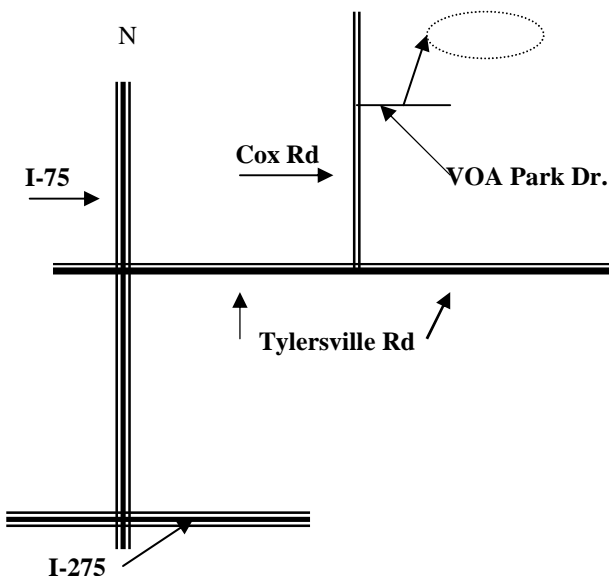
FIRST CLASS MAIL

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

Mailing Address

Next Monthly Meeting – Wednesday December 14

CALL 513 683 0286 OR SIGN UP ON LINE AT WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT ON THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE MEETING. DINNERS ARE \$15/PERSON FOR A MEAL. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED – DON'T WAIT – CALL NOW!



Directions:

From I-75 -- Follow I-75 north to the Tylersville Road exit. Turn right off of the exit ramp onto Tylersville Road and follow to Cox Road. Turn left onto Cox Road and follow Cox Road north to VOA Park Drive. Turn right onto VOA Park Drive. Turn left onto first drive and follow roadway to Lodge

From the Warren County area...

Follow Tylersville Road west to Cox Road. Turn right onto Cox Road and follow Cox Road north to VOA Park Drive. Turn right onto VOA Park Drive. Turn left onto first drive and follow roadway to Lodge.