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## President's Notes

Jeff McElravy ([jmcelravysr@cinci.rr.com](mailto:jmcelravysr@cinci.rr.com))

As I recover from Thanksgiving with friends and family, I would like to wish you all Happy Holidays and a Merry Christmas. May Santa bring you that new rod (or/and reel) that will catch your record fish next season. I hope that we have a good early spring with plenty of water but no floods. I also hope to see a lot of you on the various trips that are being considered. These are some of the best times. I hope the fish rise to our flies and are sometimes challenging, but not frustrating.

This also the season that our Membership Chairman is his busiest. This is the time for Membership renewal. Please renew your membership at the December 11<sup>th</sup> meeting or mail a check to us at PO Box 42614 Cincinnati, OH 45242. Our membership as of the last Board of Director's Meeting was 292 memberships. I hope that we can keep expanding our club to new members.

We are entering the time of year that a lot of fly fishers put away the long rods till next spring. You are missing out on a lot of good fishing. I will grant you that the warm water fish are in the deep slow moving water and have slowed down their need for feeding, but our cold water fish feed all year round. This is some of the best time to fish for large browns in the Mad River. Dress for the weather. Dig out the wicking underwear, the fleece, and the neoprene gloves. Find the heavy wool socks and the chemical foot and hand warmers. Make sure to take your wading stick for this is not the time to float your hat. You may not catch as many fish as other times of the year, but the ones that you do catch will be memorable. Good time to try the flies and techniques that Mike Schmidt talked about at our last meeting. Perfect time to fish Mike's big articulated flies. Another way is to use midge dries and midge pupae. Midges hatch year round and the pupae are always good. Depending on the water, nymphing could be a good choice. You might try the cooking product Pam in the rod guides to slow down ice in the guides. One thing is for sure, the streams won't be as crowded as other times of the year.

The Banquet Committee is meeting and coming along quite well. As of this writing, they are looking for someone to coordinate the Table Sponsor recruitment. The volunteers to help out our various activities will be recognized again this year. Leaders please send to me any lists of volunteers for the past year. We have started taking reservations for the Banquet. The last time for the early bird is the December Meeting. Please make your reservation for you and your spouse for the Banquet.

The Fly Show is working out the details. They will still need help with the day of activates. We need to promote the show any way we can. Hand out flyers where you live and around where you work. Working at Bass Pro Shop, tying flies and handing out flyers helps a lot. Let's make this the biggest show ever.

Jeff

## Rattle Snake Creek

Steve Lilly ([sjlilly@fuse.net](mailto:sjlilly@fuse.net))

Niagara is the second largest falls in the world, surpassed only by Victoria Falls in southern Africa.  
Wikipedia



Photo by Mark Birkle: Paint Creek Watershed, Highland County, Ohio

The rock structure responsible for the Niagara Falls originated in a tropical sea that stretched from Hudson Bay to the Gulf of Mexico some 420 to 440 million years ago. The sea left behind a rock formation, appropriately named the Niagara that included a thick layer of dolomitic limestone called dolostone that overlies softer more easily weathered rocks. The erosion of the soft rock undercuts the more resistant dolostone resulting in some very dramatic land forms. The Clifton Gorge in Greene County near Yellow Springs is an example. The Niagara formation underlies much of

Highland and Adams Counties where among other scenic land forms is the seventeen foot waterfall pictured above. Except for a matter of scale, it is exactly the same as the more notable Niagara Falls with the same identical rock structure. As this local "Niagara" erodes its way upstream it leaves behind a gorge where the well oxygenated water flows over bedrock, riffles, and around boulders to create the perfect environment for small mouth bass.

## **December 11, 2013 BUFF program *Dave Dreves***

Pete Moore ([petecontact1@gmail.com](mailto:petecontact1@gmail.com))

Speaker: Dave Dreves,

Dave will give a presentation providing a brief background on trout management at the Lake Cumberland tailwater and talk about the impacts to the trout population due to the recent Wolf Creek Dam rehabilitation. He will also discuss the reconstruction and extension of Hatchery Creek. The expectation is to create a one mile trout stream adjacent to the Cumberland River that will have stable flow and be regulated as a catch and release only trout fishery.

Dave grew up in northern Kentucky and graduated from Northern Kentucky University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology. He earned a Master of Science degree in Biology from Murray State University (MSU) in 1997 with a concentration in Fisheries Biology. He first job was with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources as a fisheries biologist in Albany, GA. In 2000 He started working for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) as the Assistant District Fisheries Biologist. In 2011, he became Program Coordinator and work on research projects with cool- and cold water fisheries. Dave's technical contributions include (either as an author or co-author) three peer-reviewed journal articles and numerous technical presentations and agency publications. He has been a member of the American Fisheries Society (AFS) and the Kentucky Chapter of AFS since 1993 (past president of the Kentucky Chapter). He is a member of the Fisheries Management Section of AFS and the Southern Division AFS Trout Committee (past chair). He currently hold AFS certification as a Certified Fisheries Professional.

Dave is married with two children. His hobbies and interests obviously include fishing (including fly fishing and fly tying) as well as golf, hunting, and other outdoor activities. He is also an avid Cincinnati Reds, Bengals and UK basketball fan.

## **2014 Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show Update**

Bob Gustafson ([j.r.gustafson@att.net](mailto:j.r.gustafson@att.net))

The 2014 Fly Show is shaping up to be our best ever--over 40 exhibitors are already in the fold, and the show is well on its way to a sell-out of exhibitor booths. The Cincinnati fly show has become one of the best in the Midwest over the years and is drawing unprecedented interest in new and returning exhibitors.

The show will have a superb lineup of speakers, casting demonstrations, and fly tying demonstrations. Show headliner is A K Best, a top name in fly fishing and tying circles and the author of many magazine articles and books. Speakers include:

A K Best – two presentations: “Fishing with Too Much Water” and “Fishing with Little Water”

Dane Law, Southeastern Anglers – “Trout Fishing the Southern Appalachians and Beyond”

Frank Willetts, Pere Marquette River Lodge – “Steelhead vs. Trout”

Jon Ray, Hawkins Outfitters – “Smallmouth on the Fly”

Jerry Darkes, Angling Consultive Services – “New Fly Fishing Gear for the Coming Year”

There will be featured fly tying demonstrations by top notch tiers: A K Best (two presentations), Glenn Weisner of Glenn River Fly Co., Mike Schmidt of Angler’s Choice Flies, and Kevin Compton of Performance Flies as well as top tiers from regional fly fishing clubs, including BUFF, Northern Kentucky Fly Fishers, Miami Valley Fly Fishers, and Mohican Fly Fishers.

Casting demonstrations at the Casting Pond will be conducted by Dave Leonhard from Orvis Streamside, Traverse City, MI and Kevin Howell from Davidson River Outfitters in Pisgah Forest, NC as well as BUFF casting instructors. This year there will be more time for public access to the casting pond to try out rods for sale at the show and for Boy Scouts to work on Fly Fishing Merit Badge requirements.

Putting on a world-class fly fishing show takes a lot of work. BUFF is fortunate to have a dedicated team of volunteers working hard to prepare for the show. To date, 28 BUFF members have volunteered to serve on the Fly Show Committee or to work the day of the show. We need more volunteers. Please see any member of the committee or email Bob Gustafson at [j.r.gustafson@att.net](mailto:j.r.gustafson@att.net) or Bob Miller at [bob.miller@alta-gila.com](mailto:bob.miller@alta-gila.com) to volunteer.

The show will be Saturday, February 1, from 9:00 to 4:00 at The Oasis Conference Center in Loveland. Admission is \$10 for adults. Children 12 and under and Scouts in uniform are admitted free. Parking is free at The Oasis.

### 2013 Show Pictures



# Notices and Reminders

Tom Smith ([tsmithconsulting@cinci.rr.com](mailto:tsmithconsulting@cinci.rr.com))

**2014 Buffer dues are due and can be paid at the Dec 11, meeting.**

**2014 Fly Show date is Feb. 1, 2014. The show chairman is still seeking volunteers to help with show production activities during the show. Please volunteer to help the club**

**2014 Club Banquet is March 8, 2014. Reservation can be made and paid for at the December meeting. The banquet also needs volunteers**

**Don't forget to submit your nomination for Fly Fisher of the Year**





#### November 2013

- Nov 5 **Project Healing Waters**, 9:00-4:00 pm Parky's Farm Tom Scheer
- Nov 7 **Tie and Lie**, 7:00-9:00, Bass Pro Dave Jones
- Nov 13 **Buff Monthly meeting**, 6:45-9:00 pm VOA Park
- Nov 15 **Tie and Lie**, 7:00-9:00, Bass Pro Gary Begley
- Nov 19 **Project Healing Waters**, Lake Isabella, Tom Scheer
- Nov 20 **Buff board meeting**, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

#### December 2013

- Dec 5 **Tie and Lie**, 7:00-9:00, Bass Pro Dave Jones
- Dec 9 **Project Healing Waters**, 3:00-5:00 pm, VAMC auditorium Tom Sheer
- Dec 11 **Buff Monthly meeting**, 6:45-9:00 pm VOA Park
- Dec 18 **Buff board meeting**, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
- Dec 20 **Tie and Lie**, 7:00-9:00, Bass Pro Gary Begley
- Dec 23 **VA Tying**, 3:00-5:00, VAMC auditorium Dave Jones

Buckeye United Fly Fishers  
Monthly Meeting  
Wednesday, December 11,  
2013

Voice of America  
5:00 pm- 9:00 pm  
65-100 Guests

*Sliced Herb Roasted Pork Loin  
Accompanied by Demi Glaze Sauce*

*Slow Cooked to Perfection  
Sliced Thin Tender Flank Steak*

*Harvest Roasted Potatoes  
Red Skin, Yukon and Sweet  
Potatoes*

*Glazed Spiced Apples*

*Sweet Buttery Corn*

#### Dessert

*Assortment of Fruit Pies and  
Pumpkin*

## 2013 B.U.F.F Officers/Board of Directors/Key Positions

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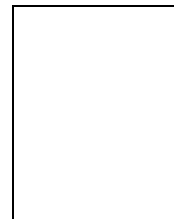
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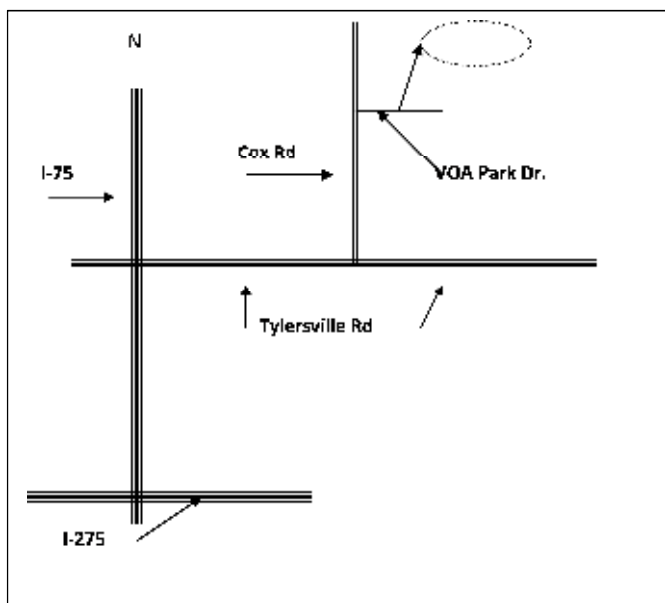
**NOTICE:** Dues are \$25 (Individual), \$30 (Family), with a onetime \$5 Initiation Fee for new members. New members will pay a prorated membership amount according to month of initial membership for the first year. Annual dues are due January 1. Refer to BUFF website for further information. B.U.F.F.,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

Mailing Address

### Next Monthly Meeting – December 11, 2013

Call (513) 683-0286 or sign up on line at [WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM](http://WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM) for reservations no later than midnight on the Sunday before the meeting. Dinners are \$15/person.

Sign up from the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month through the Sunday evening before the monthly meeting!



#### 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.