



The **BUFFER**

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The President's Notes

Jeff McElravy

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I would like to wish you Happy New Year's! We have so many things planned for next year. First at our next meeting we have Officer and Board of Director elections and Fly Fisher of the Year selection. Both will be announced at the Banquet and presented at the March meeting. Our Education is kicking off with Knot Tying Class Jan. 24. Advanced Fly Tying, Rod Building, and Net Building will start in February.

The trips season is busier than it has ever been and Steve Bailey tells me there may be more in the works. You will notice in May there are two trips scheduled overlapping and another one close to the others. We have a membership over 400 and feel these trips can be filled. They fill different opportunities for fishing. The Hazel Creek trip is a camping trip with more physical activity than other trips. The Sunnybrook Trout Club Trip is at a bed and breakfast, with plush facilities, good food, and great sight fishing. This is one of the best ways of checking out your technical and maybe not so technical fishing. The Carolina Trout Quest is a favorite for our new and experienced fly fishers. There is a lot of great water in the area that can be fished. This is usually one of our largest trips.

The Greater Cincinnati Fly Show is Feb. 4. This our largest public education program and a great time too. We have a large vendor area and fly tying space. Mark Ringlstetter and Roger Corrado have been putting this together. If you would like to be part of the fly tying area, please contact Ken Dixon. We like to have a number of our tyers show tying from basic ties to advanced. We need to show some basic tying for those coming that are beginners or are considering what do with their cold non-fishing time.

BUFF January 2012 Program

Steve Claxton, owner of Smoky Mountain Adventures, Inc., will share his insights on fishing for wild trout in the Great Smoky Mountains. He will also talk about some of his more memorable experiences during his days in the backcountry, and explain some of the most common mistakes made by folks while fishing for wild trout in the Smokies. Steve will also update the club on upcoming BUFF trips to the Smoky Mountains.

Cabin Fever Relief Banquet is March 3. This is our major fund raiser of the year. We need to have as many members as we can attend and enjoy the event. We have a great speaker for the whole family this year. Ken Reinard is the Colonial Angler and will show us how it was done at the founding of our country. Make your reservations and buy your raffle tickets. We are also looking for donations for our raffle tables. You can purchase something to donate or better yet make something. And yes, cash also works. Remember not all of us attending are fly fishers, so items not related are welcome. Please bring these items to the meetings or contact Debbie Hampton. These donations are tax deductible. Remember; make your reservations early and **BUY THOSE RAFFLE TICKETS!**

Our first two meeting at Voice of America Metro Park have been great. The dinners provided by At Your Service have been outstanding. We need everyone to do their best to make their reservations so that everyone has the opportunity to appreciate quality of their food. The facility is outstanding and will get better with more temperate weather. It will easier to provide early arrival activities and maybe wet a line (for a small fee).

One thing I do need to mention. Our agreement with VOA and their license with the State requires that **all alcohol consumed must be purchased at the cash bar. We are not permitted to BYOB.** With everything else going for the location, this shouldn't be a problem.

Jeff

Library Info

A list of all DVD'S AND BOOKS are located on our website WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM In the upper left hand corner hit "club info" which will bring up a link to both libraries. If you are looking for a particular book or DVD this list will help you in your quest. Also, a list is available at the library table at all meetings for your assistance. If I can be of help look me up and we'll go from there.

Bob Mackey
Librarian

BUFF MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2012

If you haven't paid your BUFF dues yet, NOW is the time.
Don't get dropped from the membership roles!!!

Membership dues run from January 1st of each year to December 31st and should be paid by January 1st.

Single memberships are still \$25.00/year.

Family memberships are still \$30.00/year.

Make your checks payable to B.U.F.F. and mail them to:

B.U.F.F., P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242 Or pay at the monthly dinner meeting.

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

Thanks for your help.

Regards,
Steve



Buckeye United Fly Fishers Annual Cabin Fever Relief Banquet, Raffles, and Auction! Saturday, March 3, 2012

Receptions Conference Center, 5975 Boymel Drive, Fairfield OH 45014
(Off of Route 4 in Fairfield, North of I-275)

- 6:00** Social Hour with Cocktails and Music, Silent Auction Begins
- 7:00** Dinner Buffet with Slide Show and Music
- 8:00** BUFF Awards and Recognition Ceremonies
- 8:30** Guest Speaker(s)
- 9:30** Blind & Silent Auction winners announced
- 9:45** General and Grand Raffles

Schedule subject to change; times are approximations

Banquet Reservations*:

Really Early Bird Resv.	(Until Dec. 16 th , 2011)	\$30 each	X	_____	=	\$ _____
Early Bird Reservation	(by Jan. 12, 2012)	\$35 each	X	_____	=	\$ _____
Regular Reservation	(after Jan. 12, 2012)	\$40 each	X	_____	=	\$ _____
Raffle Strips (w/ reservation)	(by Jan. 12, 2012)	4 for \$25	X	_____	=	\$ _____
Raffle Strips	(after Jan. 12, 2012)	3 for \$25	X	_____	=	\$ _____
Raffle Strips	(any time)	1 for \$10	X	_____	=	\$ _____
Donations				_____	=	\$ _____
						Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Really Early Bird Discount limited to 200 persons

Attendee's Name(s):	1.	
(Name is required for each reservation) Circle for Full Table reservation – 8 persons	2.	
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Please make checks payable to "Buckeye United Fly Fishers, Inc." and mail to:
Debbie Hampton, Reservation Chairman, 6083 Sugartree Court, Liberty Township, OH 45011

This form must accompany the reservation!!

The real heart and soul of a stream lies below the surface.

The winter may be a slack time for a fly fisherman, but it is a different story in the creeks and rivers. All kinds of insects (invertebrates) have sprung to life thanks to the annual bounty of leaves that are a food source for a multitude of life forms. As soon as a leaf lands in the water, aquatic fungi and nitrogen-fixing bacteria start breaking down the organic matter, leaving a coat of slimy algae for a group of invertebrates called grazers or scrapers that feed on the slime. Examples of scrapers include snails, flathead mayfly larvae, waterpenny beetle larvae, and stone-casebuilding caddisfly larvae. Another group of invertebrates that feed on the leaves are shredders. They are equipped with jaws or pinchers to tear apart and eat the leaves. Examples of shredders are crane fly larvae, casebuilding caddisfly larva, stonefly nymphs, scuds, and sowbugs. Being rather sloppy eaters, the shredders spill pieces of the leaf that are readily grabbed by collectors that filter the water by using things like hairy gills, hairy legs, or by spinning a web. Examples of collectors are brush-legged mayfly larvae, net-spinning caddisfly larvae, midges, and blackfly larvae. Meanwhile predator type invertebrates eat other invertebrates. These include the dobsonfly, crayfish, beetles, water bugs, dragonfly nymphs, and some stoneflies. A ludicrous addition to this symphony of life is the arrival in late spring of the clumsy homosapien, splashing about in bulky waders and waving a silly wand.

Steve Lilly



If anyone has an idea for a future article, or would like to submit one of their own, please contact Steve Lilly at sjlilly@fuse.net or Jon Kennard at jonkennard@fuse.net

BUFF 2012 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.

January 2012

- Jan 11 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Jan 18 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm 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

February 2012

- Feb 1 **Rod Building** John Doscher
- Feb 4 **BUFF Fly Fishing Show**
- Feb 7 **Advanced Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr.
- Feb 8 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Feb 14 **Advanced Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr
- Feb 11 **Net Building** Paul Feldman.
- Feb 15 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
- Feb 18 **Net Building** Paul Feldman
- Feb 21 **Advanced Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr.
- Feb 22 **Rod Building** John Doscher
- Feb 28 **Advanced Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr.
- Feb 29 **Rod Building** John Doscher

March 2012

- Mar 3 **BUFF Banquet**
- Mar 6 **Advanced Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr.
- Mar 7 **Rod Building** John Doscher
- Mar 13 **Advanced Fly Tying** Springdale Rec. Ctr.
- Mar 14 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Mar 14 **Rod Building** John Doscher
- Mar 21 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
- Mr 21 **Rod Building** John Doscher
- Mar 27 **VA Fly Tying** Dave Jones 6:30-8:30 pm

April 2012

- Apr 5-8 **Spring Steelhead Trip** Chagrin Falls, OH Tom Herr
- Apr 11 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Apr 13 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
- Apr 18 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
- Apr 20 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
- Apr 27 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
- Apr TBD **Casting Tune Up** TBD

May 2012

- May 3-6 **Hazel Creek Camping Trip** Bill Schroeder
- May 4-6 **Sunny Brook Trout Club Trip** Ken Dixon
- May 4 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
- May 9 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- May 9-13 **Carolina Trout Quest** Pete Moore and Gary Cummins
- May 11 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
- May 16 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
- May 17-20 **Elk River Trip** Rodney Louke and Lee Chambers
- May 18 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
- May 22 **VA Fly Tying** Dave Jones 6:30-8:30 pm
- May 21-25 **Spring Creek Trip** Phil Pursley
- May TBD **Fly Fishing 101 Outdoor Fly Fishing Lab for Beginners** TBD



June 2012

Jun 7-10 **Elkhorn River Trip** Marty Foltz and Charlie Montgomery
Jun 13 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
Jun 20 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
Jun 26-28 **Sunnybrook Trout Club Trip**, Ken Dixon
Jun 27-30 **Au Sable River Trip** Steve Bailey

July 2012

Jul 11 **Little Miami River Day Float** Donn Rubingh
Jul 11 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
Jul 18 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
Jul 19 **VA Fly Tying** Dave Jones 6:30-8:30 pm

August 2012

Aug 8 **BUFF NKFF Combined Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park?
Aug 15 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
Aug 25-Sep 1 **Au Sable River Trip** Steve Bailey

September 2012

Sep 7 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
Sep 12 **Little Miami River Day Float** Donn Rubingh
Sep 12 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
Sep 14 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
Sep 16 20 **Pere Marquette River Fall Salmon Trip** Joe Guenther
Sep 17 **VA Fly Tying** Dave Jones 6:30-8:30 pm
Sep 19 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
Sep 21 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
Sep 23-28 **Catskills Trip, 5 Rivers in 5 Days** Steve Bailey
Sep 28 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
Sep 28-30 **Sunny Brook Trout Club Trip** Ken Dixon

October 2012

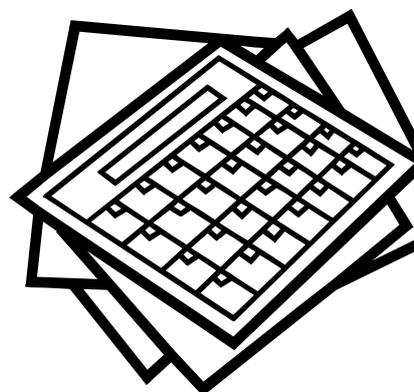
Oct 5 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
Oct 10 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
Oct 10-13 **Smoky Mountains Trout Trip** Jerry Schatzman
Oct 12 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am – 2 pm
Oct 17 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
Oct 18-21 **Hazel Creek Camping Trip** Bill Schroeder

November 2012

Nov 2-4 **Fall Steelhead Trip** Tom Herr
Nov 14 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
Nov 21 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center
Nov 26 **VA Fly Tying** Dave Jones 6:30-8:30 pm

December 2012

Dec 12 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
Dec 19 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-8:30 pm Springdale Community Center



January Menu

Dinner Menu

**Beef Tips and Noodles
in a Brown sauce**

**Peppers, onions and mushrooms
Dijon Chicken Breasts, pan seared**

**Homemade Creamy Mashed
Potatoes**

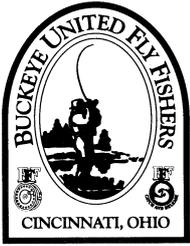
Green Bean Amandine

Dessert

**Decadent Chocolate Cake
And
Lemon Cake**

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

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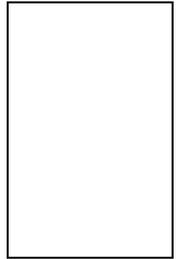


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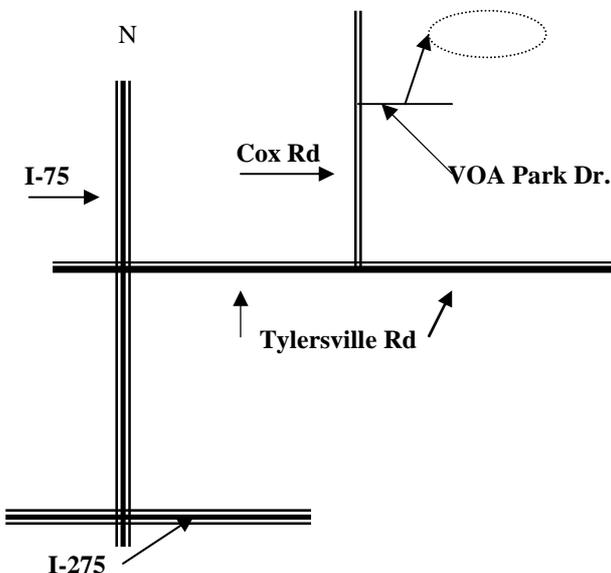
FIRST CLASS MAIL

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 – January 11

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.