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The President's Notes

We have a lot of activities coming up in the last quarter of the year. Parky's Farm is starting back up will run through October. It is a great time working with young kids helping them catch what is usually their first fish. Both the kids and their parents get a kick out of it. The fishing before is pretty good too. The Smoky Mountain Trout Trip and the Hazel Creek Trip are great opportunities for some fine fishing and good fellowship. Starting in the end of October and going into December will be the Beginning Fly Tying Classes headed by Ken Dixon. This is a great starting class where you don't need to have any tools or materials. If you don't have a vise and tools, wait to purchase them after you have had a chance to learn more about them. If you have them bring them along and we may be able to help you fine tune them. Materials will be provided. Project Healing Waters is a national program working with wounded veterans headed for us by Tom Scheer. This is a year round program

The Fly Show and BUFF Annual Banquet (Cabin Relief) will be early next year. Both of these committees will need added help before the event. Some of what they need is help just before, during, and just after the event. Please contact the Co-Chairs of these events to help.

A few of the Board of Directors and Officers will be stepping back from their present positions or leaving. We will need to fill these positions. One of these positions is the BUFFER Editor. Jon has done an outstanding job for many years, and it is time for him to work on something else. If you have interest in serving, please let me know, and I will try to give you all the information you may need. It would be nice to have an actual election, not just an approval of a slate. We will also soon be looking for Fly Fisher of the Year Award nominations. These elections will happen at the January meeting.

Finally, we are getting some rain and the temperature is starting to drop. Fall is here and the fish will be getting active again. The hoppers are still out, along with the beetles and ants. The fishing should be good until the leaves start to drop. The fishing should still be good, but it becomes a lot harder to find that fly among the riff-raff. Those white, yellow, and orange posts blend in with the leaves. I have gone to putting a little fluorescent orange Z-lon (it looks bright pink to me) in my posts along with the white. I can always find the fly year round, even when I manage to put it in a tree. I may not be able to get it back out, but I least I know where I put it. By the way, black mixed in with the white makes a highly visible post in glare and a late just before dark. The last color we lose seeing in darkness is green, so this is a good one at dusk. Many of the members I have talked to haven't gotten out to fish as much as they would like to this year. Now should be the time until Thanksgiving to try to catch up. Good Luck!

Getting ready to leave tomorrow for the BUFF NY Trip!

BUFF MEMBERS DUES FOR 2013

It is time to start thinking about renewing your BUFF membership for 2013.

Member's dues cover 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 BUFF and mail them to: P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242 Or.....Pay at the monthly dinner meeting. Checks, cash or credit card will be accepted at the dinner meetings.

BUFF October 2012 Program

Ohio's Brown Trout and Stocking Program

Have you ever fished the Mad River or Clear Fork Branch of the Mohican and drifted a fly past a perfect spot over and over to never catch a fish? You think to yourself "Are there any fish in here? Do they even stock this place anymore? If only I had a magical wand that would show me what's really under the water." No longer wonder, come see for yourself. The Ohio Division of Wildlife has such a wand, and we have the pictures to prove it! Come hear about the recently started research project on Ohio's brown trout program. Ethan Simmons, fisheries biologist with Ohio Division of Wildlife, will discuss the overview and goals for the project and get into some details regarding what they have found over the first couple of sampling seasons. If you have ever or will ever fish the Mad, Clear Creek or Clear Fork Rivers in Ohio you won't want to miss this presentation!

Ethan is a fisheries biologist with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife at the District One office in Columbus. Ethan started with the Division as a part-time Creel Clerk on Hoover and Delaware Reservoirs in 2004. Ethan has also held internships with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Ohio River Valley Sanitation Commission, and The US Fish and Wildlife Service, where he learned a great deal about the diversity and resilience of Ohio's great fishery resources. Ethan is in charge of stream management for District 1 and has spent many hours in the cold waters of the Mad River. In his spare time, if he is not on his patio barbequing, he can be found on Hoover Reservoir dipping jigs for crappies or dragging worms for saugeye.

Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show Preview

Buckeye United Fly Fishers will host the annual Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show on Saturday, February 2, 2013, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at a new location--the Oasis Conference Center, 902 Loveland-Miamiville Road, Loveland, OH. Check the BUFF website for directions and the latest show information. The show this year will be greatly expanded to take full advantage of our fabulous new venue.

Headlining the show will be **Skip Morris**, the down-to-earth author of twelve books on tying flies and fly fishing (including the best-selling beginner's book, *Fly Tying Made Clear and Simple*), and **Carol Ann Morris**, whose artful photography and detailed watercolors have been published in major fly fishing magazines (*Gray's Sporting Journal* and *Fly Fishing & Tying Journal*), and also in Skip's books and articles. The Morris's are a husband-and-wife team who've been fishing together for twenty years, and love sharing their passion for fly fishing. Skip will make two fishing presentations at the show and two fly tying demonstrations as well as lead two fly tying clinics on Friday before the show. Carol Morris will make a presentation on outdoor photography at the show and both will be available at the show to sell signed copies of their books.



2012 Show - David French photography

Additional top-flight speakers scheduled for the show

- Dane Law Southeastern Anglers
- Glenn Weisner Glenn River Fly Co.
- Kevin Morlock Indigo Guide Service
- Mike Schmidt Anglers Choice Flies
- Steve Kuieck RiverQuest Charters
- and more to come!

If you've never been to The Oasis Conference Center, you will be in for a treat and this year's show is shaping up to be our best ever:

- Over 21,000 sq ft of exhibition, demonstration, and presentation space
- Something for all fly fishers from beginner to advanced
- Over 50 exhibitors vendors, fly tiers, DNR booths, and others
- Educational fly fishing speakers
- Casting Pond casting instructions and/or try out a new rod from one of the vendors
- Fly tying demonstrations with a special kids tying area
- Kids area for painting fish designs on T-shirts
- Fishing guides and fishing lodge representatives
- Canoes, kayaks, pontoons, and other watercraft
- Raffles and door prizes
- Snack bar sandwiches and drinks

So mark your calendars now for the 2013 Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show, Saturday, Feb 2, 2013.

BUFF Banquet and Recognition Dinner

SAVE THE DATE MARCH 2, 2013

The annual BUFF Banquet and Recognition Dinner will be held at 6:00 pm on March 2, 2013 at Oscar's Event Center in Fairfield, OH. The Oscar Event Center is located at Jungle Jim's on Rt. 4.

Many changes are planned for this year's event, but attendees will still recognize many features from past banquets. So, what's returning from prior years? To name just a few, there will be a buffet supper, silent, live and blind auctions, raffle tables and a table with grand raffle prizes.

What will be different? For starters, we will have an entertainer instead of a speaker. Magician Phil Dalton will entertain with astounding illusions. The raffles will be done in a very different manner and the cost of raffle tickets will be \$5 just as they are at the general monthly meetings. We will have drawings for the tables throughout the evening instead of having all drawings at the very end. We will take time to recognize those who have helped BUFF in all of its activities in 2012. The program will be faster paced with a planned completion time of 9:45 pm. And the venue will be different. Oscar's Event Center is a high quality facility providing excellent atmosphere and outstanding food.

The cost for the evening will be \$40 per person. Early birds (i.e. those registering by December 12, 2012) will receive a free \$5 raffle ticket. Everyone will receive one grand prize raffle ticket with their registration. More details will be shared at the October general meeting on October 10.

The annual banquet is the primary fund-raising activity for BUFF and the funds raised allow us to continue to provide quality education, conservation and support for a variety of charitable causes. So, mark your calendars and plan to join with your fellow BUFF members for what should prove to be a fun-filled evening.

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.

October 2012

- Oct 4 Lie & Tie Bass Pro 7-9 pm Dave Jones
- Oct 5 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am 2 pm
- Oct 10 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Oct 11-14 Smoky Mountains Trout Trip, Bryson City, NC Jerry Schatzman
- Oct 12 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am 2 pm
- Oct 16 **Project Healing Waters** 9 am 4 pm, Parky's Farm, Tom Scheer
- Oct 17 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Oct 18-21 Hazel Creek Camping Trip Bill Schroeder
- Oct 19 Lie & Tie Bass Pro 7-9 pm Gary Begley
- Oct 19 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am 2 pm
- Oct 23 Parky's Farm, 10 am 2 pm
- Oct 26 **Parky's Farm**, 10 am 2 pm
- Oct 29 Project Healing Waters 3-5 pm VA Auditorium, Tom Scheer

November 2012

- Nov 1 Lie & Tie Bass Pro 7-9 pm Dave Jones
- Nov 6 Project Healing Waters 9 am 4 pm, Parky's Farm, Tom Scheer
- Nov 14 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Nov 16 Lie & Tie Bass Pro 7-9 pm Gary Begley
- Nov 19 Project Healing Waters 2:30 4:30 pm VA Auditorium, Tom
- Scheer
- Nov 21 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Nov 26 VA Fly Tying Dave Jones 6:30-8:30 pm

December 2012

- Dec 3 Project Healing Waters 3-5 pm VA Auditorium, Tom Scheer
- Dec 6 Lie & Tie Bass Pro 7-9 pm Dave Jones
- Dec 12 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 9 pm Voice of America park
- Dec 19 BUFF Board Meeting 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Dec 21 Lie & Tie Bass Pro 7-9 pm Gary Begley

2012 Beginner Fly Tying Classes

The 2012 Beginner Fly Tying Classes will begin in late October, continuing through mid-December. Classes will be held at the Sharonville Community Center on Tuesdays, from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM, as per the following schedule:

Class 1 – Oct. 23:	Introduction to Fly Tying – Part 1 Vises, Tools, Knots, Tie two simple patterns		
Class 2 – Oct. 30:	Introduction to Fly Tying – Part 2 Threads, Hooks, Tie two simple patterns		
Election Day – Nov. 6	No Class		
Class 3 – Nov. 13:	Introduction to Fly Tying – Part 1 (Repeated Class) Vises, Tools, Knots, Tie two simple patterns		
Class 4 – Nov. 20:	Introduction to Fly Tying – Part 2 (Repeated Class) Threads, Hooks, Tie two simple patterns		
Class 5 – Nov. 27:	Tie Flies – Streamers		
Class 6 – Dec. 4:	Tie Flies – Nymphs & Emergers		
Class 7 – Dec. 11:	Tie 3 Flies – Dry Flies		

The format is a little different than in past years. True beginners must take either Classes 1 and 2 or Classes 3 and 4 that cover the essential basics of fly tying. If you are already well versed in the basics, you can forego these classes. Classes 5 through 7 require that you have a basic knowledge of tying and these classes will concentrate on tying different types of flies.

If you wish to take these Classes, please sign up at the October BUFF Meeting or contact Ken Dixon at <u>krgjdix@fuse.net</u>.

A clam can be a "canary in a coal mine".

Usually a pollutant is discovered only after a fish kill. By then it is often too late to learn what it was and where it came from. An affordable electronic sensor that can continually monitor all potentially toxic substances is not available, but there is a solution. Normally clams have their shell open. Should something foreign pass by, such as a chemical or physical contaminant, they immediately clam-up. It is fairly simple to attach electronics to a shell that will send a signal whenever the shell closes. To account for any normal or random closure, a dozen or more clams in one location can be wired and an alarm sounded should all of them clam-up at once. An investigation can then begin before the pollutant is washed away.

Their nature to clam-up when something strange passed over them had decimated huge numbers of clams. A boatman would drag a brail over the beds and they would clamp onto the brail hooks and not let go, even as they were hauled in and harvested to make buttons. Now buttons are made of plastic.

Steve Lilly, Deborah Kendrick



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



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FIRST CLASS MAIL

Mailing Address

Next Monthly Meeting – October 10

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



Directions:

From I-75 -- Follow 1-75 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.