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New President's Corner

Mike Bryant

In my first month as President, I would like to start out by personally thanking each and every one of you who so unselfishly have given their time and talents in supporting B.U.F.F. over the past year. Without this dedication and energy, we would not exist as an organization. For us to continue and thrive as an organization, your continued support will be an absolute necessity.

In 2003, some of our most talented and giving members have asked for a break after serving so unselfishly on the Board for many, many years. Dave Uckotter, Louise Goldsberry, and Tony Kalbli will be taking a break from the Board in the upcoming year. They have helped grow and shaped our organization. Every one of us has benefited, directly and indirectly, from their unselfish service to B.U.F.F. over the past years. Without them, we would not be as strong and vital club. Thank You!!

As far as the upcoming year is concerned, I truly thrilled with the officers and board of directors who have agreed to serve this year. Initially, we have some housekeeping items (budgets, near term programs, vacant roles, etc.) to take care of before addressing next year's focus areas, including education, conservation and having fun!

We have a right to be proud of our organization. We have a great organization full of some of the most talented flyfishers in the region. We will continue to find ways to share our talents, experiences and maybe a fish story or two. In that spirit, we will try some new activities, new programs, new events, new trips, etc. Some will work, some may not, but we will work hard to make fly fishing more enjoyable, friendly and educational for all of you.

Finally, as President I will be working on more open communications, starting with access to me. If you have a comment, concern, or question, please feel free to call or email me. You will always be able to find my phone number and email on our website (www.buckeyeflyfishers.com) and in every issue of the Buffer. This invitation especially applies to new members and those who are new to fly fishing. We want you to enjoy the sport as much as we do, and want you to have access to as many resources as possible.

It's going to be a great year. Be safe and go fishing! ←←←←

February Meeting Program

Noted fly tyer **Dennis Potter**, will share some of his tricks and techniques for making his world renowned "durable flies". Dennis has agreed to conduct a class before dinner for up to 20 tiers. Reserve your place (see article on page 4). Even if you don't ever intend to tie a fly, this is a meeting you just can't miss! ←←←

A Successful Banquet!!!

Jim LeBlond

Well, another great year has come and gone. We had a wonderful and successful banquet, and we really need to thank the people that pulled it all together. Patty Howell took the lead in collecting, sorting and logging the prizes and much more. Ken West contacted all the vendors that attended our Sport Show. Joe Guenther took the Manufacturers. Dave & Jayne Uckotter, and Bob & Louise Goldsberry focused on the auction, administration, credit cards, transportation, set up and forms. Phil Pursley led the efforts to contact the membership. Debbie Hampton created the brochure, tracked the items in spreadsheet and mailed all the thank you letters. Jon Kennard & Joe Panfalone are working to recognize the donors in our Buffer and on our Website. Lou Haynes took care of Roger Lowe, made his reservations, organized the tying classes, took care of the visual aids and made Roger feel welcome. Dave Jones secured the location to hold the classes. Jim Terlinden, Mike Bryant, and more helped along the way. But most important was the help from the membership during the actual night of the banquet. We can't thank those that bought tickets, brought friends, or donated prizes nearly enough. It was a tough, tough year for prize recruitment, and the membership really came through. Without you, this event wouldn't have been possible. And lastly, I must thank my wife, Jeanne, for not strangling me for taking on the job for another year. But, we all had a great time. It was a lot of fun. You really get out BUFF what you put into it. If you haven't ventured out and volunteered, you really need to. Your efforts and friendships will be rewarded many times over. It's a great organization - we really need your help in the upcoming year!

Outgoing President's Corner

Dave Uckotter

Being the president of Buckeye United Fly Fishers has been very rewarding for me, and I have enjoyed working with my board who put forth a great deal of time and effort on behalf of BUFF. I have made a commitment in Florida that will take us away from the Cincinnati area for long periods of time, but during the summer months when we are back, I'll look forward to joining any club activities that I can. BUFF is a premier club, because of the efforts of many members and the dedication of our new board. It can't do anything but move forward.

"If fishing interferes with your business, give up your business...the fish do not rise in The Cemetery!"

Tight lines, Dave →→→→

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Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show

Mike Bryant

What better way to introduce someone to the great sport of fly fishing than to attend the Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show on Saturday, February 15, 2003. Start by giving them the enclosed brochure and inviting them to come along. This year's Show will have something for everyone. Glenn and Terry Gunn of Lees Ferry, Az. will provide a presentation of their fly fishing adventures as a family. There will be presentations on smallmouth fly fishing, huge rainbows at Lees Ferry and how to get started in fly tying. We will have ongoing demonstrations, exhibitors and seminars on fly tying. Fly shops, equipment rep's, state wildlife resources, clubs, and others will be in the exhibitor area. A Kid's Corner will provide fun and information for our children. This is guaranteed to be more fun than shooting fish in a barrel!!!

Check out B.U.F.F.'s website (www.buckeyeflyfishers.com) for more exciting details.

The price of admission will be only \$10 per person, and children 12 and under are still admitted free. Parking is free. Make sure you bring your friends, family members, and especially kids to the show.

The Fly Fishing Show will be held at the Receptions Conference Center, located off of Route 4 in Fairfield (only minutes from I-275). We moved to the Receptions to accommodate larger crowds, allow for more exhibitors and provide a more central location. **The date is the third Saturday in February (February 15, 2003). Hours for the Fly Fishing Show will run from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

This is a great way to shake off the winter blues and prepare for the spring fishing. Make sure you mark your calendars!!

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Don't Miss the February Meeting!

Stop the presses, hold the phone, we've got a February speaker that you just don't want to miss! We are truly fortunate to have the one and only **Dennis Potter**. Dennis is a first class fly tier, he's been spinning deer hair (or dear hair if you prefer) for nearly thirty years. He's taught fly tying for twenty years and he commercially ties around 12,000 flies a year. Dennis has developed his own series of flies know as "river god" flies. His "river god emerger" is an incredible fly with a phenomenal track record. Dennis is an Umpqua Feather Merchant Fly Designer, 1999 FFF Educator of the year, TU Life Member, Guide for the Ausable, Past President of the West Michigan Chapter of TU, founding member of the Anglers of the Ausable, Member of the Fly Girls, Founder of the Pathological Tiers and a Whiting Farms Pro Team Tier. But, what makes Dennis unique is truly his personality, and his unique ability to explain and demonstrate how to tie his wonderful flies. Dennis is not only a great tier, he's also first and foremost a fisherman. Therefore, he will share some of his tricks and techniques for making his world renowned "durable flies." Even if you don't ever intend to tie a fly, or you're brand new to the sport, this is still a meeting you just can't miss. He will show you what to look for in a durable fly, and you will soon learn that all flies are not created equal. He also has a state of the art video display system, so you don't need to worry about not having a great seat to see all the action. And as a very special last minute addition, **Dennis has agreed to conduct a class before the dinner for up to 20 intermediate tiers.** So if you can, be sure to register on the Website, bring your gear and come early, say about 5:00 PM. I hope to see you there!!!

Wendy Gunn Fly Tying Seminar

Mike Bryant

At the Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show, we are offering a fly tying seminar to be conducted by Wendy Gunn. Wendy and Terry Gunn will be at our Show providing several presentations. Come to the Show and enjoy all the great experiences. Bring your fly tying equipment and spend some time learning new patterns from Wendy. The cost of the seminar is only \$25 / person. Wendy will be conducting a fly tying class focused on different and proven tailwater fly patterns used on Lees Ferry and other tailwaters. Fly tying is what hooked Wendy on fly fishing. She has been tying fresh and saltwater flies for over sixteen years. Selected flies will most likely include:

Deer Hair Scuds, Unbelievables (floating dead scud), Zebra Midges, Dyed Pheasant Tail, Micro Glo Bugs, The Dirty Worm

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See map on back page

Winter on the Mad River

Nick Rizzo

On Saturday, Jan 11, Jeff Fox Bill Riehle and I attended the TU planning meeting at Spring Run Trout Club in Dayton to discuss the issues concerning the Mad River, and the new projects that are planned for his year.

There will be lots of work days scheduled this year for everyone to get involved with Mad River. We will be scheduling them on Saturdays and Sundays, so everyone has a chance to come along. Some of the projects will be habitat restoration - like placing boulders in the stream and anchoring fallen trees to make happy homes for the resident trout. There will be some base stream monitoring being done in areas where we will be putting habitat to see the before and after effects of the hard work being done.

We discussed putting together a map of the Mad River that will show public access points and areas that are off limits. The maps hopefully will be ready before our Buff Show, and will be sold at the TU booth - along with the Mad river fly box loaded with all the fly's that are needed on the Mad. This is a TU fundraiser to raise money for all the projects that they have planned. It costs money for cable, clips and anchors, and other equipment to do the job right. This will give you a chance to help without ever getting your hands dirty! However, if you want to get your hands dirty, that's fine too!

I'm putting together a Mad winter trip for the end of February. I will have a sign-up list available at the February meeting, and then will coordinate the trip with the interested people. NKFF will also be conducting a trip up to the Mad in February, and so I want to make our trip special. I talked to Tom Frick at the Rusty Drake, and he is willing to open early for us so people can get flies and supplies before we head to the Mad. There will be no excuse this year for not fishing the Mad! I will be your guide for those of you who don't feel comfortable traveling to an unknown place to fish. Let this year be your year for catching Ohio trout. Tightlines. — —



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Beginner's Fly Tying Classes

Lou Haynes

Mark your calendars on March 7th, 15th, 22nd and 29th (Friday nights) for the beginner's fly tying classes. The classes will be held in the Municipal Building at the corner of Miami and Euclid Avenue in downtown Madeira. Instruction will begin at 7 PM and run to about 9 PM. Our first class will focus on tying tools, so if you currently don't have tools you might want to wait until after this meeting before buying some. The remaining classes will lead you through basic tying techniques and you will actually tie some simple patterns to use this spring.

Believe me, there is a great feeling when you catch your first fish on a fly you tied yourself!! As you will find out, fly tying is a very rewarding part of fly-fishing. I encourage all of you who haven't tied flies to take part in this wonderful part of our sport.

Tom Baker is organizing these classes this year. He will pass around a sign-up sheet at our general meeting in February. You can also sign-up by calling Tom (513-697-7342) or by e-mailing him (tombaker237@hotmail.com). We can accommodate about 25 students. Classes filled up quickly last year, so reserve your spot early.

Thanks for the Flies

Dave Jones

I would like to thank those members who overwhelmingly responded to my request for flies to make up welcome packets for our new members. In this club if you need help, just ask!

Float Tube Trips

Joe Panfalone

Personal watercraft are becoming more and more popular with fly fishermen. Most of us, though, are in the same boat (sic) in that we have the boat, the desire, but no one to go with. If you are interested in doing some float tubing with your fellow BUFF members, go to our website and fill in the sign up sheet. Otherwise provide your information, (see below), and mail it to me:

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FEBRUARY

- Feb.6 **Rod Building Class** 7pm-9pm - John Doscher
- Feb 6 **Tie and Lie West.** General fly tying and story telling. Springdale Community Center 7pm-9pm
- Feb.8 **Net Building Class** 9am.-12pm. - Paul Feldman
- Feb.12 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7pm.-9pm
Raffel's on Reading Road
Social Hour 6pm-7pm
- Feb.13 **Rod Building Class** 7pm-9pm - John Doscher
- Feb.15 **Greater Cinti.Fly Fishing Show** at Receptions in Fairfield
- Feb.19 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7pm-9pm
Outdoor World Members welcome
- Feb.20 **Lie and Tie** at Hardee's in Batavia 7pm-9pm.General fly tying and story telling
Bob Goldsberry

MARCH

- March.6 **Tie and Lie West** 7pm-9pm
General fly tying and story telling
Springdale Community Center
- March 7 **Beginners Fly Tying Class** 7pm-9pm
Madeira Municipal Bldg
- March 8-9 **Michigan Fly Fishing Show** Southfield, MI
- March 12 **BUFF monthly meeting** 7pm-9pm
Raffel's on Reading Road
Social hour 6pm-7pm
- March 14 **Beginners FlyTying Class** 7pm-9pm
Madeira Municipal Bldg.
- March 19 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7pm-9pm
Outdoor World Members welcome
- March 20 **Lie and Tie** in Batavia, 7pm-9 pm
- March 21 **Beginners Fly Tying Class** 7pm-9pm
Madeira Municipal Building
- March 28 **Beginners Fly Tying Class** 7pm-9pm
Madeira Municipal Bldg.
- TBD **East Fork Stream Monitoring**

APRIL

- April 3 **Lie and Tie West.** General fly tying
And story telling. Springdale Community Center 7pm-9pm
- April 9. **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7pm-9pm
Raffel's on Reading Road
Social hour 6pm-7pm
- April 12 **East Fork River clean up.** Sycamore Park, Batavia 8am-4pm - Bob Goldsberry
- April 16 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 pm-9pm
Outdoor World Members welcome
- April 17 **Hardee's Lie and Tie** at Hardee's in Batavia 7pm-9pm General fly tying and Story telling
Bob Goldsberry
- April 19 **Day Trip Brookville Tail Waters**
- April 26 **Earth Day** at Eastgate Mall - Bob Goldsberry
- April 26, 27 **Rockwell Springs/Glen River Trip**
Fly Tying at Chris Helms' Fly Shop
- April 27 **Casting Class for BUFF Instructors**
Tony Kalbli - Cottell Twp. Park 1pm-4pm
- TBD **GLC Steelhead Trip**

2003 Calendar of Events

*The **BUFFER** attempts to provide up-to-date information on club events. Check the calendar each month & call the contact person for the event for potential changes. If you notice errors, please contact The **BUFFER** editor.*

Do you have an article for the **BUFFER??**

Send it to Jonkennard@fuse.net.

February

Beef Stroganoff

Chicken Cordon Bleu

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Buttered Corn

Tossed Salad
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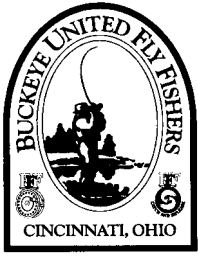
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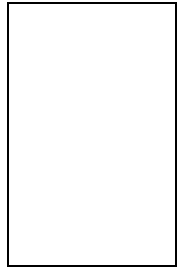


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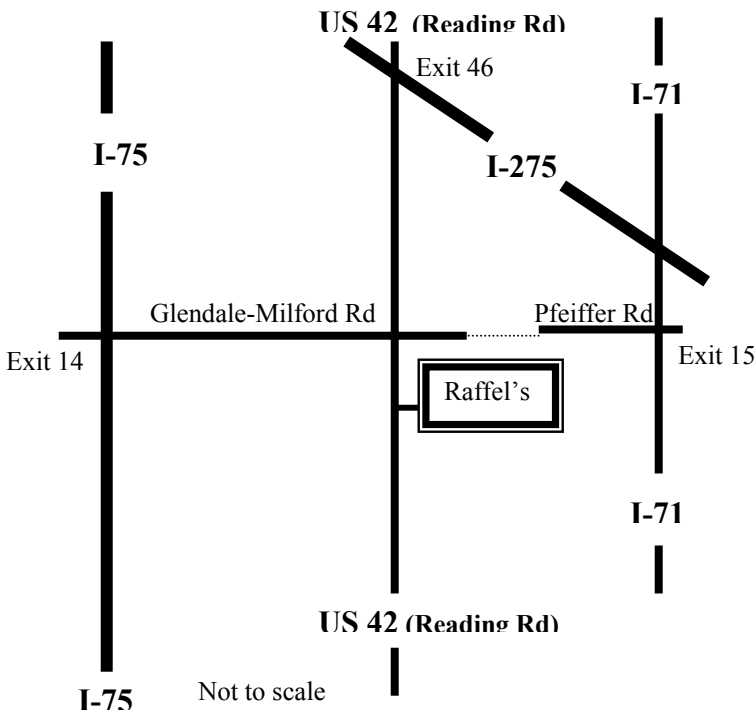
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Next Monthly Meeting – Wednesday -- February 12

CALL 732-0735 FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN 10 PM OF THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING. DINNERS ARE \$10.00 / PERSON FOR A CATERED MEAL. DOORS OPEN FOR SOCIAL HOUR AT 6 PM – DINNER SERVED AT 7 PM. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED - DON'T WAIT - CALL NOW! (SEE THE MENU ON PAGE 7)



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