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Notes from the President

J.R. Jackson

Ugh, how many more of these things do I have to write? I kid, I kid. I did receive a lot of nice comments about my previous President's Notes, so thanks to all of those who passed along kind words. Kathy LaDow assured me that she did, in fact, find it to be at least slightly funny. It's the little things...

I'm writing this article as we're approaching the home stretch for the Fly Show, and the team is really going full-force. One of the first things I learned when I joined the board was that the Fly Show Committee puts in a LOT of work to make the show everything it is. Bob Gustafson once told me about the success he and Wendy's son Mike had running track in high school. At the start of one of Mike's early races, Bob saw him leave the starting line and thought it looked like Mike wasn't even trying to run hard. Bob was so busy wondering why Mike wasn't trying harder that he almost didn't notice Mike passing the other runners and winning the race by a mile. Turns out he was just an incredibly smooth runner who made running laps around the competition look effortless. I thought the story was particularly interesting because the way Bob described his son running a race is the same way I've seen Bob run a fly show (and live his life).

I suppose the other big news (in my world, at least) is that I've accepted a job in Albany, NY, and will be relocating there over the course of the next month. I will start work as a Process Scientist at Regeneron Pharmaceuticals on February 13, growing cells that produce antibodies for new drug development. Importantly for my BUFF brethren,



I'll be living less than a two hour drive from both the Catskills and the Adirondacks, as well as living a little over an hour from Orvis World Headquarters in Vermont. Once I get settled there, I'm planning to lead a BUFF trip to the area, so be on the lookout for that. Additionally, I would like to see lots of familiar faces from home, so if you've ever wanted to fish NY, please don't hesitate to contact me to arrange a visit. It's been a long time coming, but sure feels good to be landing in a place that seems like it's going to be such a great fit. Hopefully it lives up to my imaginings.

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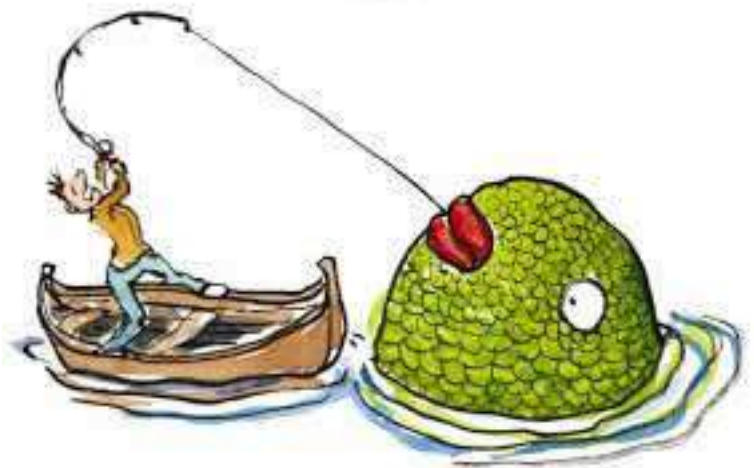
Having a Goal for 2017

Cari Vota



People who set goals achieve more with higher levels of satisfaction than those who don't. The alternative is to just "go with the flow" or perhaps, wait for someone else to set a goal that you can latch on to. Even that is a decision. A goal is a powerful commitment that will align your actions in a productive direction. *Start NOW!*

Catch a giant fish



Set Your Goal(s)

To try something new this year. What will it be? Maybe to try fishing for a new species. Find a new local river. To fish at dusk or at daybreak. Plan a trip out West or maybe to Michigan or Northern Ohio.

To improve your skills. What is your weakest skill? Will it be working on your casting skills? Or to get better at nymphing. Learn to better read the river or stream. Try tying streamers or bass bugs.

To fish with old and new friends. Safety tells us we should always fish with someone. Who will it be this year? Did you meet someone new to the club at the last meeting? Who do you miss the most from previous outings?

To find a few more hours to fish. Plan a couple trips this year. What would it take to get out once a month? Where would you go fishing to get out once a week?

Choose goals that inspire you to action. A specific goal is tangible. It embodies clarity and focus. The more you fish, the happier you will be. What's your goal?

February Presentation & Speaker

"Casting for Recovery & Project Healing Waters" Debbie Hampton & Brent Miller

Mike Rubush

BUFF expends a significant amount of time and energy to serve our community with programs that grow and develop the sport of fly fishing and, most of all, help many folks that otherwise

would probably not have the opportunity to experience the joy of fly fishing and the friendship they can have with fellow fishers. This type of program is to help BUFF members understand, appreciate, and support these programs. This is particularly important the new members that have joined BUFF in the past few years.



In addition to the rewards to the targeted participants by these programs, you will hear about the rewards received to by those of us that manage and administer these programs.

Program Presenters:

- Debbie Hampton will speak about the Casting For Recovery program
- Brent Miller will speak about the Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing program

Don't miss this presentation to learn more Casting for Recovery and Project Healing Waters programs.

FEBRUARY Calendar

2/3	Fly Show Tying Workshops
2/4	Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show
2/7	PHW Fly Tying Brent Miller
2/8	BUFF Monthly Meeting
2/14	Valentines Day
2/15	BUFF Board Meeting
2/21	Intermediate Fly Tying Jim Neckers
2/21	PHW Fly Tying Brent Miller
2/28	Intermediate Fly Tying Jim Neckers



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I also want to extend my thanks to all of those in the club who've offered support and kind words during my bout of unemployment. Thanks to you, I'll be able to look back with fondness on a time in my life that in other circumstances would have been a pretty rough stretch. Thanks again. JR ➡

Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show

Bob Gustafson

BUFF has been hosting fly fishing shows in the greater Cincinnati area since 1989 when Tom Mench and Tony Kalbli organized the first BUFF Conclave, held at the Kings Island Inn. In subsequent years the show (and associated banquet) moved to various venues including the Shrine Oasis, Eastgate Holiday Inn, Blue Ash Clarion Hotel, and Receptions, Fairfield. In 2003, the show and banquet were separated and the show renamed the “Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show”. For 10 years the show was held annually at Receptions, until it outgrew the space and moved in 2013 to the current venue, The Oasis Conference Center in Loveland.

The Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show has grown over the years and is now the largest fly fishing show in this region. Exhibitor feedback indicates that our show is a favorite, owing to the enthusiastic participation of our club volunteers—thank you! (If you haven’t done so yet, please sign up to volunteer by emailing Bob Gustafson at j.r.gustafson@att.net).

This year’s show will be Saturday, February 4, 2017, at The Oasis Conference Center. There will also be fly tying clinics with Ian Rutter and Mike Schmidt on Friday before the show and a clinic Saturday morning at the show with Kevin Ramsey. Signup for the clinics at the BUFF website: www.buckeyeflyfishers.com.

Preparations for the 2017 show (the 28th?) are wrapping up and exhibitor booths sold out three times (layout Guru Ken Dixon kept figuring out how to find more space). We will have a record number of exhibitors including many familiar names, plus a few new ones:

- R & R Fly Fishing
- Great Lakes Fly Fishing Company
- ReelFlyRod/Sugar Creek Fly Shop
- Canoe Kentucky
- Emergence Angling Services
- Golden Rule Fly Shop
- Footloose Products (Frog’s Fanny)
- Hook & Hackle
- Knee Deep Expeditions
- River Traditions
- Brookhaven Lake
- Hog Creek Furled Leaders
- Studio E Outdoors
- Tightlines Jewelry
- Smith Fly Designs
- Steelhead Stuff/Huron River Flies
- Loveland Canoe & Kayak
- Float Master Products
- Bass Pro Shops
- Ripple Guide Service
- Elk Springs Resort & Fly Shop
- Orvis Kenwood
- Mountain Troutfitters
- Tuckaseegee Fly Shop
- Otter Creek Bamboo Fly Rods
- The Fly Guy Fly Shop
- Delamere & Hopkins
- Rocky Top Anglers
- Eggman Flies
- Cumberland Drifters Guide Service
- Mangan’s Cast a Fly
- Mad River Outfitters
- Davidson River Outfitters
- CF River Products
- Fuller’s North Branch Outing Club
- Angling Consulting Services
- Great Lakes Fly Fishing (Brian Meszaros)
- Temple Fork Outfitters
- L.L. Bean Kenwood Collection
- Cumberland Bottom Ticklers
- Streamside Furled Leaders
- Jerry’s Custom Tackle
- Eric Austin Fly Dresser
- Angler’s Choice Flies
- Kevin Ramsey Fly Tying
- Glenn River Fly Co
- Frankenfly
- Joel Stansberry Fly Tying
- Lance Kekel Fly Tying
- Rick Landis Fly Tying
- Little Miami Conservancy
- Miami Conservancy District

Plus area fly fishing clubs, state wildlife organizations, and non-profit organizations.

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There will be, as usual, outstanding presentations from fly fishing experts, fly tying demonstrations, and casting demonstrations. Show brochures are available from Jeff Georgan or online at the BUFF website. Pick up (or print) a bunch and pass them out to your friends or at work—help grow our show and the sport we all love.

See you at the show!

2017 BUFF Banquet Is Coming Soon

Bryan Tudor

It's that time of year where we get together to enjoy each other's company, have a chance to win wonderful prizes and trips, and recognize fellow members for their volunteer services. There will be chances to win trips and prizes via general raffle, grand raffle, or silent auction. Our banquet is Friday, March 24th 6-10 pm at Mill Race Banquet Center (Winton Woods) 1515 West Sharon Road Cincinnati, OH 45240. Our banquet is our only fundraiser which allows us to provide various activities to the community like:

- We support "Fishing Has No Boundaries" with both time and finances. This organization provides a day of fishing for the handicapped every spring.
- We actively support "Project Healing Waters". Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, Inc. is a volunteer, non-profit organization that serves military personnel who have come home wounded or injured to aid their physical and emotional recovery by introducing or rebuilding the skills of fly fishing and fly tying and by using and enjoying these skills on fishing outings and as lifelong recreation. We provide both volunteer support as well as significant financial support for this organization.
- B.U.F.F. sponsors a Casting for Recovery Retreat every year that provides fly-fishing retreats tailored for women who have or have had breast cancer. CFR provides retreats at no cost.
- B.U.F.F. Volunteers teach Fly Tying to Disabled Veterans at the Cincinnati V.A. Hospital
- B.U.F.F. Volunteers teach children how to fish at fishing days in cooperation with Hamilton County Parks.

Meal tickets are \$25 which will include appetizers, hors d'oeuvres, dessert, and non-alcoholic drinks. General raffle tickets are \$5 and grand raffle tickets are \$10. Reservations are limited to 110 due to limited seating. Reservations will end March 15, 2017.

Registration forms for the banquet can be found on our website and will be available at our general meeting.

Hope to see you there!



More Information...

BUFFER Newsletter

The BUFFER Newsletter is published monthly and can be downloaded from the BUFF website. Back issues are available for download too.

Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings are held the **second** Wednesday of each month. Check the website for details, including guest speaker & presentation, buffet menu, and calendar updates.

Annual Dues

Annual dues are \$25 (Individual), \$30 (Family), plus a one-time \$5 Initiation Fee for new members. Annual dues are due January 1. Refer to BUFF website www.BuckeyeFlyFishers.com for more information.

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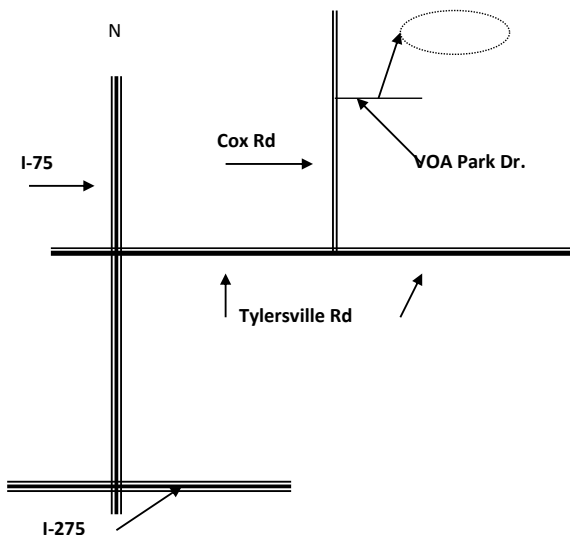
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Promoting the Sport of Fly Fishing Through Education and Conservation

Meeting Location & Directions

Meetings are held at Voice of America Park in the Ronald Reagan Lodge. [Please register online if you would like to attend.](#)

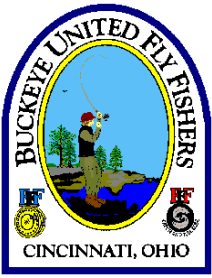


Directions:

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 Mason, Ohio 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.



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