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## 2018 B.U.F.F. Banquet

Buckeye United Fly Fishers will host our Annual Banquet  
on Wednesday, March 14, 2018

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## THE LEGEND OF MOBY STEEL

(THE LEGEND OF MORD STEEL)

### THE TRIP THAT LURE ARE MADE FROM

By Hugh O'Donnell

Once Upon A Time (OK Spring 2017), there was an adventuresome group from BUFF who traveled in quest of the great steelhead monster in the wooded land of Ashtabula. It was a warm spring but unbeknownst to the merry pack of fishers, it was about to change. The sea of Erie was swept with such a wind that chop encompassed the water as far as the eye could see.

The merry band did find refuge from the wind and found pack after pack of the steelhead monster. Everyone battled multiple steelhead until weary. For doing such fine deeds, they were knighted for heroics and bravery in the face of the swift moving sea monster. A celebration ensued that night and the scotch and grog did flow.

For three days the merry group battled the steelhead until one got the better of Sir Bob. This Moby Steel did grab Sir Bob from the foot and spill him into the drink. After what seemed like a fortnight, Sir Bob did land upon firm ground again. Upon regaining his wits, Sir Bob realized that the keys to his chariot were in the river of the steelhead and were swallowed in depths beyond a commoner's reach. All seemed lost.

Ah but then riding in on his trusty steed, Prince Josh of The Chagrin arrived. Quickly assessing the situation, Prince Josh jumped to the rescue. Drawing a dragon size net from the saddle of his steed, Prince Josh sloshed into the depth of the ice cold steelhead river. With steadfast determination and exacting moves of an experienced warrior, Prince Josh pushed on for twenty minutes. When all other were losing hope, Sir Bob's chariot spoke a single 'Beep' to our knights. We jumped and realized that the key fob had not drowned and still had life. Prince Josh had touched the only spot in the river that mattered. With a holler from our now merry group, we cheered on the search. Within a

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minute, Prince Josh netted the fob and returned to the safety of land.

The only deed left was to ensure that a shivering Sir Bob change from wet armor to dry armor. Alas, the dry armor was 40 minutes back at the castle. Sir Bob had to ride his chariot, quickly, to change from his wet armor before the icicles formed. Sometime later, Sir Bob rejoined our merry band of fishers and a legend was born.

Now whenever Sir Bob talks to new fishers, he tells the tale of swimming with Moby Steel and living to tell the yarn. The new fishers are always on the edge of their seats with wide open eyes listening to the adventure. Sir Bob always finishes the tale with this advice.



- Always keep your chariot's key fob in a safe dry place -

- Always keep a change of clothing in the car in case Moby Steel gets you! -

## April Presenter Wanda Taylor: "Hey Honey, you wana,go for a ride?"

by Phil Pursley

It is early for me to be advertising for the BUFF April meeting. However, this is such a special meeting that I want to make sure you reserve the late afternoon and evening for it. We are bringing in a star angler and presenter for both a casting clinic and a presentation. Wanda Taylor from the northern area of Georgia will be our presenter. You will have an opportunity to register for the clinic or you can just watch and listen to Wanda as she gives instruction about how to cast those tight loops and make effective roll casts. Wanda has a long list of credentials from the early years of her life right up to the present. Currently she is a pro Staff member of TFO Rods. Also, she is the 1st woman certified by the International Federation of Fly Fishers as a Master Certified Casting Instructor in the world.



Wanda's website: [www.wandataylorflyfishing.com](http://www.wandataylorflyfishing.com)

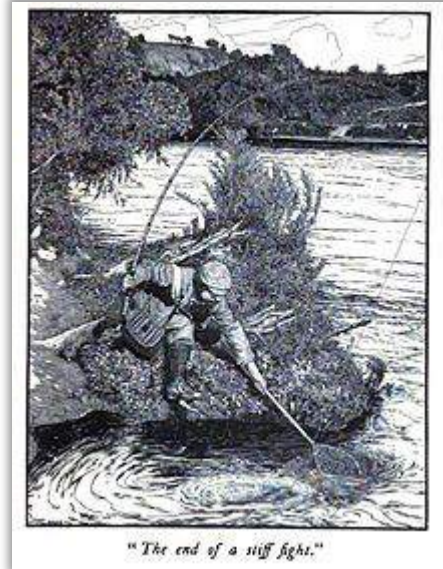


## Women's Programs for March & April

by Cari Vota

**March 24th** – Women's Gear Maintenance Workshop. This session will provide essential skills to help ensure that your gear is well maintained and ready for fishing! Poorly maintained gear is responsible for lost fish as well as costly repairs. Join me and save yourself heartache and money! Session will be held at Cari Vota's house. Available for sign up now.

**March 29-April 1** - Women's Spring Fly Fishing trip to the Clear Fork. We have 2 cabins reserved at Mohican State Park for 3-nights for 2-full days of fishing. Each fully furnished cabin sleeps 6. Nestled half way between Cleveland and Columbus, this is one of the (3) stocked trout streams in Ohio.



Ladies, consider joining us on the Spring Trip not far from home. Sign up for this trip now on the BUFF website.

**April 19** - 1st Women's After-Work Fishing Outing. Put all of these on your calendar NOW! Our Women's after-work fishing outings, which are the 3rd Thursday each month, run from April thru September. These are typically wading trips. Some will be on the West-side of town and some on the East-side. We have some NEW spots this year to add to your growing list of places to fish. These outings are a good way to build basic on the water skills, learn something new, gain confidence, expand your horizons, and make new fishing friendships. All outings will include Q&A time and mentors. We meet at about 6:00 pm, answer any questions, and hit the water.

Our 1st outing is at Triple Creek, a pond just off 275. This pond will be our fallback spot this year in case of high water. This way we always get to fish. Directions and more info on the BUFF calendar page.



The following excerpt is from "The Riverman" by Stewart Edward White

*Water-bugs skated hither and thither in apparently purposeless diagonals. Once in a great while the black depths were stirred. A bass rolled lazily over, carrying with him his captured insect, leaving on the surface of the water concentric rings which widened and died away.*



## Fishing Licenses—When to Renew

*Cari Vota, Director at Large*

### Fishing licenses - When to Renew

All of these States have on-line new/renewal fishing license websites.

#### Ohio

Licenses effective March 1 to February 28. A fishing license is not required of persons who are less than 16 years of age. Free Licenses for Ohio residents born on or before December 31, 1938.

#### Kentucky

Licenses effective March 1 to February 28. Trout fishermen must also have a trout permit.

#### Indiana

All annual licenses and stamp privileges are valid from April 1 of the current year through March 31 of the following year. To fish for trout/salmon, the trout/salmon stamp is required in addition to a fishing license.

#### Michigan

Licenses effective March 1 to February 28. A fishing license is not required of persons who are less than 17 years of age.

#### North Carolina

Unless otherwise specified, privilege licenses are valid for 12 months from the date of purchase. Trout Fishing Privilege licenses must be obtained in addition to the appropriate basic license.

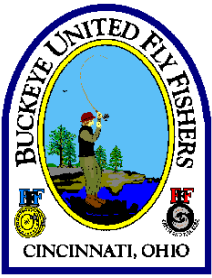
#### Pennsylvania

Annual licenses are valid from Dec. 1 through Dec. 31. While fishing, your license must be signed in ink and must be displayed on an outer garment. Trout/Salmon Permit required in addition to a fishing license.

#### New York

Annual License is valid one full year (365 days) from the date of purchase. Open Season for Trout (brook, brown and rainbow trout and hybrids of these species; and splake) is April 1 through Oct 15. A person may not fish for a species (even if immediately released) during the closed season for that species on given water.





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