

# The BUFFER

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# **President's Corner**

## Mike Bryant (mjbryant@email.com)

By all accounts, our club has had a very busy and successful summer. One of true highlights of the summer was the Casting For Recovery Retreat held last August. B.U.F.F. sponsored this retreat that enabled fourteen women who are recovering from breast cancer an opportunity to put the burdens of life aside for a weekend and learn about fly fishing. It was truly a wonderful experience for everyone involved and displayed the abundant, giving spirit of our club and members. Though many B.U.F.F. members gave of their time and talents, without a doubt the Retreat was a success due to the leadership and personal efforts of Debbie Hampton. At the September meeting, I presented the President's Award to Debbie for her outstanding leadership and giving to B.U.F.F. In addition to her efforts with CFR, she is the Co-Director of the Outreach Programs, manages the monthly dinner reservations, co-chaired last year's Banquet (and again in 2005) and numerous other club activities. Thanks Debbie!

## **New Directions**

Last August, I traveled out west to W. Yellowstone to attend the annual Federation of Fly Fishers National Board of Directors meeting. This was my first Board meeting. My timing was just right. Sweeping changes to the leadership structure were approved by the Board. The essence of the change is to move the FFF organization from a big club to a true non-profit organization capable of influencing and leading the direction of fly fishing and conservation in the years ahead. I voted for this change. The changes will take time, but I believe that for the first time in a long time FFF can begin to live up to it's potential as a voice for all fly fishers by "Conserving, Restoring and Educating Through Fly Fishing". I sent a letter outlining the changes in more detail to the President of FFF / Ohio Sub-Council which is now posted on our website. As always, I appreciate your questions and comments

#### Giving Back

As we move into the Fall season, it's time to begin working on the 2005 Banquet (March 5, 2005) and Gr. Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show (February 12, 2005). The Banquet is our major fundraiser and the Fly Fishing Show is a major education event for our club. Both events require help from membership to be successful. I will again be the Chairman of the Fly Fishing Show, but will need help from all of you in the following subcommittees:

- Exhibitor subcommittee
- Presenters subcommittee
- Fly Tiers subcommittee
- Advertising subcommittee

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# October Meeting Program

Todd Adrien and Dave Halblom (a mf'g. rep. for Bucks Boats) will discuss pontoon boats and their safe operaton for fly fishing in ponds, lakes and streams. Areas to be covered include: features of various pontoon boats, their costs, where and how to use them, & Ohio registration and licensing requirements. Float tubes will be included in the discussions. This will be a good time to ask any questions you may have on this topic.

If you are interested and willing in helping please contact me at 513-697-9576 or email (<u>mjbryant@email.com</u>). The work is not demanding of your time nor is it difficult. Any help will be appreciated and rewarding.

We also need your help in organizing the Banquet. Help is needed in soliciting gifts, advertising, and organizing the event. If you are interested, please contact Debbie Hampton at 513-779-4349 or email her at (flyfisher@zoomtown.com). As with the Fly Fishing Show, any help is appreciated and rewarding.

Finally, it's time to begin planning for next year's Board of Directors. If you are interested in helping move B.U.F.F. forward, please consider being a Board member. The pay isn't very good, but you'll be guaranteed to have a good time!!

## Having Fun

It's been a busy summer, and but for me the Fall brings an opportunity for some great fly fishing. I am looking forward to going back to the mountains of western North Carolina for several days of trout fishing. I love this part of the country, the streams are beautiful, the country is incredible, people friendly, and the fishing is great. B.U.F.F. has multiple club trips lined up this Fall, including trips to North Carolina, northern Ohio, Michigan and Arkansas. It's a great time to be a member of B.U.F.F. Be sure to take advantage all the B.U.F.F. has to offer. And consider giving back some of your time and talents so others can benefit as much as we have.

As the summer comes to a close, I want to say to everyone how very proud I am of our club. Our generosity and giving spirit has been very evident this year in all that we have accomplished through our education programs, trips and outreach. I'm excited about the possibilities still to come.

# Parky's Farm

# **Ken West**

As we wind down for the summer it's nice to sit back and think about the great times we had at the farm this spring and fall. I don't have the exact count on fish, or people but I feel pretty safe in saying that we helped over 500 kids catch a fish, and some for the first time. We represented our club and our sport very well, and along the way we made a lot of people, both big and small put on a smile, and that is pretty cool!! We also improved our casting and our fly fishing abilities and made some friends while we were doing it. I just wanted to say how proud I am of everyone. Some helped near every week, others as they had time, but all came with the energy and enthusiasm that B.U.F.F. members are known for. Thank's to all.

Along the way some of us learned some valuable things both about ourselves and about people and life in general. Some of the lessons are:

Usually small children stop screaming once they catch a fish [usually].

It takes an open loop to cast a hot dog. This I seem to do very well.

Sometimes matching the hatch could mean cheddarwurst.

Large bass can be caught with the top half of a \$4.99 cane rod.

Artificial bait no matter how bad it smells doesn't always catch fish.

That certain phrases don't always mean what they sound like... For example, shrimp fly. You would think that this is some sort of complicated affair that only a few could tie. Not so, this was designed and perfected by one of our members Bruce James. It has served us well during our time at the farm. Fish that weigh in excess of five pounds have been caught using this method. Now purists may want to close their eyes for the rest of the paragraph while I give the recipe.

Cut off both leader and tipet and put on about six feet of eight-pound test line.

Tie on a large bait hook, pinch the barb but leave the barbs on the shank.

Slide one large hunk [yes I said hunk] of shrimp over the barbs that are left.

Some have already guessed the rest, you just....LET HER FLY.

# N.K.F.F. Banquet

Northern Kentucky Fly Fishers would like to invite all BUFFers' to our annual banquet. Join us for a night of fun and festivities and the fastest raffle east of the Mississippi.

\$1000's of items will be raffled off that night; come and claim your share.

## **WHEN**

November 6, 2004; 6-10 PM

#### WHERE

The Point Pavilion in downtown Covington, Ky. 620 Scott Street, one block east of Madison Ave. Free parking at the US Bank lot across the street or the Covington city garage on 7<sup>th</sup> Street. A parking attendant will be on hand to direct you.

## **QUESTIONS OR RESERVATIONS**

Call Tim Guilfoile at 513 232 8330 or visit our website: www.nkyflyfishers.org

## ON LINE RESERVATIONS OR EMAIL QUESTIONS

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### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Your reservation entitles you to dinner and one strip of raffle tickets. The strip includes one grand prize raffle chance, one early bird chance (if your reservation is made by Oct. 15) and 7 general raffle chances. Additional chances may be purchased ahead of time or at the banquet. Extra strips are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. If you prepurchase 3 or more extra strips with your reservation we will pre-print your name on the raffle tickets.

Last year there were 15 grand prizes and 12 early bird prizes, 5 card raffles, bid and buy items plus hundreds of general raffle prizes.

## **SPEAKER**

Dave Shuffett of the Kentucky Education Television show's "Kentucky Life".

## **TOPIC**

A travelogue of Kentucky.

## **DETAILS**

Cost: \$ 35 per person

Dress: Casual

You must prepay by 10/25/04. No money will be taken at the door

Please bring an item(s) for the raffle tables

#### **MENU**

Top round of beef and roasted turkey breast, salad, vegetable, potatoes and dessert Drinks: Beer, wine and pop are included. Mixed drinks are extra



## **Fall Brown Trout Trip 2004**

November 4, 5 & 6 (Thursday - Sunday)

## Patti Howell - Trip Coordinator

The **Fall Brown Trout Trip** will bring us to the foothills of the Ozark Mountains in **Arkansas**. We will be fishing the **Little Red River**, home of the world record brown trout (40lb. 4oz.). The Little Red River is a tail water fishery, flowing from the base of the JFK Dam that forms Greers Ferry Lake. The Little Red offers world class fishing for rainbow, cutthroat, brook and brown trout 12 months of the year.

Wade fishing should be great, and for those who prefer to float, haul your boats/canoes with you or utilize the available guide services. A 4-5 weight fly rod is ideal for fishing the Little Red. Both 6X and 7X fluorocarbon leaders and tippets are highly recommended. Lots of the big, smart, active fish are mostly interested in small flies. Some good patterns are bead-head sow bugs in size 18 (black, gray, olive), gold ribbed hare's ear and pheasant tail in size 18-24. Some small emergers and dry fly patterns will also work. Fishing deep pools from a canoe or boat with large, heavy nymphs and streamers is also very productive.

Once again, the accommodations are going to be awesome! We will be staying at **The Anderson House Inn** located in Heber Springs, AR, just north of Little Rock. The Anderson House is a Bed & Breakfast with 15 guest rooms. All rooms are equipped with queen-sized beds, have private baths, air-conditioned & ceiling fans, and are furnished with handmade quilts & country antiques.

The room rate is \$65.00/night (we stay for 3 nights) for a single OR double room; this includes a full breakfast each day. That's a GREAT price! The Inn also serves scrumptious gourmet dinners (w/ desserts!) for \$10, and they can prepare lunch or box lunches for you each day. There are also numerous quality restaurants within walking distance from the Inn.

## A \$65 deposit is required when you sign up (made out to "The Anderson House Inn").

You can find more trip details on our website under "Trips". If you would like to join us on this beautiful **Fall Brown Trout Trip** - contact the **Trip Coordinator**, **Patti Howell** at **513-683-7138 or phowell@fuse.net** as soon as possible so we can secure our reservations. There will be a sign-up sheet at the October general meeting.

# THE EDUCATION CORNER LOU HAYNES

Do you have trouble tying flies onto your tippet while on the stream or beside the pond? If you are like me with fumble-fingers and less than optimum eyesight, it usually takes a lot more time to change patterns than it did a few years ago. This is especially true when I'm in low light situations. Sometimes when I'm using very small patterns the time it takes me gets downright embarrassing.

Carl Schmidt has developed a neat approach to minimize this problem. He pre-ties all his patterns at home where lights are good and fishing time is not impacted. He cuts a 24" piece of tippet, ties his fly of choice on one end and a loop on the other. These are then wound onto a tackle tamer, a device used to hold the pre-tied flies neatly until needed. Each tackle tamer will hold about 5 pre-tied fly conveniently without tangling. Carl carries 5 - 6 of these tamers in his vest so he has 25 - 30 patterns at his disposal. When he is ready to change patterns all that is required is changing a loop-to-loop connection that he uses on the end of his tapered leader – no knot tying required! We will have Carl's approach on display at the October meeting. Stop by and take a look.

In addition, I recently purchased a neat net shirt that keeps mosquitoes and other annoying bugs off. It's lightweight and can be easily carried in a vest for use when the bugs come out. This shirt will be at the education table as well.

# **Casting For Recovery 2004 Retreat**

# **Debbie Hampton**



- "The generosity and caring of the organization and volunteers was truly heartening."
- > "This experience was absolutely fantastic, far exceeding my expectations; the food, the surroundings, the staff were absolutely wonderful. The caring and kindness shown to us was so above anything I have ever experienced."
- "This was one of the greatest weekends since my diagnosis."
- > "I just wish you all could some day know how the weekend impacted and helped the participants."

These are just a few comments from participants and staff from the recent CFR retreat held at Deer Creek Resort in Mt. Sterling, OH, on August 27-29, 2004. It took over 8 months of preparation to make this event happen. The tremendous amount of time that the team put into making this all possible was truly amazing.

The team consisted of Mary Smith, Barbara Simpson, Amy Malcom, Patti Howell, Joyce Fugate, Jim LeBlond, Jeanne LeBlond, Bill Schroeder, Dotty Crowley, Cindy Doscher, Cecelia Hard, and Judy Cole. This was the team that led the efforts in fundraising, outreach and actual staffing of the event. I truly thank each and every one of you!!

I'd be remiss if I did not mention my River Helpers and the generous donation of their time on Sunday. River helpers were Jim Hampton, Jim LeBlond, Joe Guenther, Nick Rizzo, Ed Jones, Mike Bryant, Patti Howell, Ken West, Susan Balch, Lou Haynes, Mary Smith, Linda Nelson and Gary Begley. These wonderful people gave these 14 ladies the time of their lives in a wonderful setting. We were privileged to have the use of some private access to parts of Deer Creek through the generosity of several landowners. Yes, that's right, these ladies fished where few individuals have the opportunity to fish. The storm Saturday night made the waters very muddy, but the beautiful locations made up for the lack of fish.

It is just not possible to share with you how wonderful the weekend truly was. Please check out the CFR section of the BUFF website as pictures of the retreat will be posted there. I know that without the support of all the generous donations, both in-kind and financial, and the wonderful moral support that BUFF members and so many others provided it would not have been possible. So to all those who helped in so many different ways, from myself and the 14 ladies who experienced each of your kindness and generosity we say THANK YOU!!!!

"There is certainly something in fly-fishing that tends to produce a gentleness of spirit and a pure serenity of mind."

Casting for Recovery is a national non-profit support and educational program for women who have or have had breast cancer.

CFR provides an opportunity for women whose lives have been profoundly affected by the disease to gather in a beautiful, natural setting and learn fly-fishing, "a sport for life." Just as importantly, we offer an opportunity to meet new friends and have fun.

# **Library Update**

# **Bob Mackey** 513-831-4180

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At September's meeting I spoke in reference to outstanding items that we need returned to our library. The following books, videos, and DVD's are missing from our library...they are AWOL!! Let's all check again to see if you have any of the listed items, and make an extra effort to locate and bring them to the October membership meeting. I am going to list the title and the person whose name appears last on the index card. You may have the item or not...but please check your home, office or car just in case. If I spelled your name incorrectly, I apologize, but some are hard to read!

## **BOOKS**

- "Trout Magic" Nan Shirley May mtg
- "Fly Tying Tips" Gary Cummins Feb mtg
- "Smallmouth Bass" John Morabito Feb mtg
- "Lake Fly Fishing Guide" John Morabito Feb mtg
- "Nymphing Techniques" John Dosher May mtg
- "Wisconsin and Minnisota Trout Streams" Bob Muro May mtg
- "The Fresh Water Angler-The Art of Tie Flying" Tim Findlay May mtg
- "In Praise of Wild Trout" Nan Shirley" May Mtg
- "Canoeing and Kayaking Ohio Streams" Ed Jones May mtg
- "Bluegill Flyfishing and Flies" Lost and no name attached to an index card
- "The art of Tying the Bass Fly" Donn Rubingh Feb mtg
- "Trouble Shooting the Cast" Dick Lee June mtg
- "Flies for Bass and Panfish" Lost and no name attached to an index card
- "Smelt Fly Patterns" John Morabito March mtg
- "River Journal- Pierre Marquette" Pat Hider July mtg
- "River Journal- Pierre Marquette" Richard Smith March mtg
- "Lake Erie Walleye" Butch Schaub March mtg
- "Fish Michigan 50 Rivers" Clyde Everson June Mtg
- "Tennessee Atlas and Gazetteer" Tim O'Melin June mtg
- "Fish Michigan 50 More Rivers" Roger Corrado March mtg

## **VHS Videos**

- "Dennis Potter Ties Durable Flies for Catching Trout" Joe Buechel Nov '03
- "Handcrafting Effective Flies: Saltwater" Lost and no name attached to index card
- "Tying Trout Flies with Gary Borger" Tim Findley May mtg
- "Basic Flyfishing-A Beginners Guide" John Morabito Jan mtg
- "Tying Caddis Flies" Ken West June mtg
- "Tving and Fishing Tube Flies for Smallmouth Bass" Matt Tomaszenski?? July mtg

### DVD's

- "Knots" Nan Shirley Feb mtg
- "Beyond the Basics and Reading Waters" John Morabito Feb mtg



# 2004 Calendar of Events

#### **OCTOBER**

**Casting Instructor Class** 

Oct 3

Nov 4

Oct 7 Lie & Tie West 7-9 pm General fly tving and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World Oct 7 Lie & Tie East 6:30 -8:30 pm General fly tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop Oct 7-9 **Roger Lowe Trout Trip** Parky's Farm Field Trip Day Oct 8 **BUFF** Monthly Meeting 7 – 9 pm Oct 13 Raffel's on Reading Rd. Social and education hour 6 pm Oct 15 **Advanced Tying Class Day Trip Mad River** Oct 16 Oct 20 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome Oct 22 **Advanced Tying Class** Oct 29 Advanced Tying Class Oct 30-31 Rockwell Springs fishing trip

## NOVEMBER

Lie & Tie West 7-9 pm General fly

tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor
World

Nov 4

Lie & Tie East 6:30-8:30 pm General fly
tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop

Nov 4 - 7 Arkansas Red River Trip

Nov 10

BUFF Monthly Meeting, 7-9 pm
Raffel's on Reading Rd
Social hour 6 pm

Nov 17

BUFF Board Meeting 7 - 9 pm

#### **DECEMBER**

Outdoor World Members welcome

Dec 2 Lie & Tie West 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World

Dec 2 Lie & Tie East 6:30-8:30 pm General fly tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop

Dec 8 BUFF Monthly Meeting, 7-9 pm Raffel's on Reading Rd Social hour 6 pm

Dec 15 BUFF Board Meeting 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome

## Three Hours on the Cumberland River

## **Dave Jones**

On a recent trip to Lake Cumberland State Park, I had the chance to fish the Cumberland River. I had talked with Steve Groome about locations where wading would be available, since I would only have a few hours to fish. He suggested Helm's Landing as the place and what a place it was.

I fished about three hours and caught four rainbow trout in the 9-10 inch range. I had two other hits but I was either sleeping at the switch or admiring the scenery. For the better part of my time, I used a wooly bugger with and without a bead head in black, green, brown, yellow and white. I also tried the elk hair caddis but it didn't produce either. Finally, I switched to a Variation Clouser Nymph and began having the fun noted above. This was my best outing fishing a nymph.

Power generation started at noon and the increased flow was to arrive at Helm's Landing around 1PM; it came at 1:10PM. It is scary and amazing how quickly the water rose. The website indicated the flow at over 21000 cubic feet per second; that is a lot of water! It is no place to fish alone.





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Scott Cunningham Lead Guide

#### **Year 2004 Key Positions**

Mike Bryant **Future Leaders** Fly Fishing Show

FFF-OSC Director

Debbie Hampton Dinner Admin./

Reservations

Outreach Co-coord.

Tony Kalbli Casting

Jim LeBlond **Intermediate Casting** 

Coordinator

Dave Uckotter **Beginning Casting** 

Coordinator

Open Fly Tying

Bill Fischer Club Mail

Jim Boude **Hart Show** 

Jim Hampton Monthly Raffles

**Club Assets Owner** Lou Haynes

**Fishing Show** Advertising FFF-OSC Director

**Club Historian** Open

**Don Prince** Club

Health/Recognition

Patti Howell Outreach Co- coord.

**Don Hogue Membership Health** 

Steve Lilly **Program Support** 

Open Fly Fishing Show

Chair - Fly Tying

Fly Fishing Show Open

Chair - Exhibitors

**Banquet Co-Chair Debbie Hampton** 

Roger Corrado **Banquet Co-Chair** 

Please note that there are open positions!! If you would like to get more involved, volunteer for a job!!!

## **OCTOBER MENU**

Baked cod with crab topping

Hot sliced roast beef in gravy

Twice baked potatoes

Seasoned green beans with onions, tomatoes, & ham

Tossed salad with dressings

Rolls and butter

Assorted fruit pies

## 10/2004 B.U.F.F. Financial Report (rounded to dollar amount)

Beginning Total	\$12753
Deposits	
Membership	\$450
Dinner	\$730
Raffles Aug/Sept	\$695
Interest	\$3
Casting Class	\$80
Barothy Lodge	\$690
State of Ohio - Cast. For Recovery	<b>\$</b> 500
<b>Total Deposits</b>	\$3161
Disbursements	
Csting for Recovery	\$2000
Picnic	\$127
Recognition	\$22
Education	\$20
Underwrite NC Trip	\$1400
Buffer Stamps	\$88
Buffer	\$203
Raffels – Dinner	\$750
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	\$4610
Ending Total	\$11304
North Carolina Trip- Balance Due	\$1400
Barothy Lodge –Repaid in Full	\$00
Petty Cash	\$100
CD	\$5043
Trips Downpayment Acct	\$500
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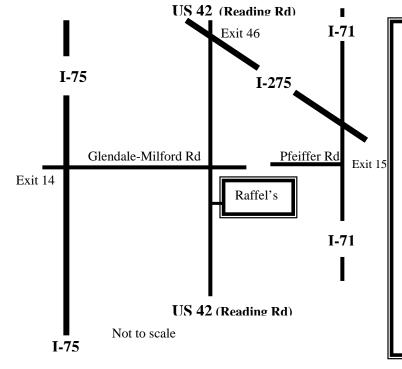
## FIRST CLASS MAIL

**NOTICE:** Please check dues expiration date on lower right corner of mailing label. If dues have expired, please remit \$25.00 for an Individual Membership or \$30.00 for a Family Membership to B. U.F.F., P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, OH 45242

**Mailing Address** 

# Next Monthly Meeting – Wednesday -- October 13

CALL <u>779-4489</u> OR SIGN UP ON LINE AT <u>WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM</u> FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN 10 PM ON 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 A 7 PM. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED – DON'T WAIT – CALL NOW! (SEE THE MENU ON PAGE 8)



## **Directions:**

From I-275 – Take Exit 46, (US 42), south for three miles to Glendale-Milford Rd. -- Continue south and RAFFEL'S will be on the left approximately 3/10 mile.

From I-75 -- Take Exit 14, east, on Glendale-Milford Rd. until the intersection of US 42, (Reading Rd). Turn right (south) on US 42, and RAFFEL'S will be on the left approximately 3/10 mile.

From I-71 -- Take Exit 15, west, Pfeiffer Rd. & this becomes Glendale-Milford Rd.. At the intersection of US 42, (Reading Rd), turn left, (south) on US 42, and RAFFEL'S will be on the left approximately 3/10 mile.