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President's Corner

Mike Bryant (mjbryant@email.com)

Last July, I built a 4 wt. fly rod for my wife, Jan to be used on our upcoming trip out to Montana. As I was wrapping the guides, I started thinking about how much I've learned about fly fishing from B.U.F.F. over the past eight years. I learned how to build graphite fly rods from Gene Armstrong, my first flies from Jerry Snider and Bob Jones, my first net from Paul Feldman, how to fish for salmon in Michigan from the late Mike Suo, and casting instructions from Tony Kalbli. The list goes on and on. I am very grateful for the time and generosity these folks (and many others) have given to me. Without a doubt, I'm still actively involved in the sport of fly fishing due to their unselfish support. I believe many of you feel the same way. We have a truly wonderful club whose members give so generously. We have a great education program that continues to grow. I believe it's the heart and soul of who we are. I hope you can appreciate that we have something very special here with B.U.F.F.

In August, we held our annual B.U.F.F. picnic. I believe everyone had a good time. It was a time to relax and enjoy the summer. Despite the threatening conditions all around us, the weather cooperated. Several folks took the opportunity to fish the Little Miami (with mixed results). Many of us took the opportunity to sit on the bank and watch the canoes float by. Everyone had plenty to eat with Raffel's serving another great meal. Many thanks to Bob Miller for coordinating the picnic this year.

But with September now here, our dinner meetings are back inside. We will again be meeting at Raffel's in Evendale. We have a great set of speakers, Kurt Wiemeyer and Brian Hunterlaw of Okeechobee Outfitters, lined up to discuss fishing in Florida's Lake Okeechobee and the Everglades. Even if you never had the desire or opportunity to fish in Florida, you'll still learn something about warmwater fishing. So please join us as we kick off another season of indoor dinner meetings. Please remember to make reservations via the website or phone.

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September Meeting Program

Kurt Wiemeyer and Brian Hunterlaw of Okeechobee Outfitters will be the presenters at the BUFF September 14th meeting. Both Kurt and Brian are experienced fishing guides. They will discuss fly fishing opportunities and experiences on Florida's Lake Okeechobee and the Everglades. Specifically, they will cover, the best times of the year to fish, what equipment to use, the different types of fish to go after and what flies to use to catch them. Kurt guides in Florida during the winter months and resides in Milford Ohio. Brian is a full time guide in Florida from October to May and then does instructional fishing from June to September in the Ohio area. The Okeechobee Outfitters web site is: www.lakeokeechobeeoutfitters.com

As I mentioned in the beginning, Jan and I traveled out to Montana in August. I'm serving on the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF) Board of Directors this year, so I needed to attend two days of Board and committee meetings in Livingston. So Jan and I headed out west for ten days. Not a bad deal – two days of meetings, eight days of fly fishing!! We fished seven different streams. Most were smaller streams that were easy to wade. We went a float trip with Mike Geary (Lewis & Clark Expeditions) on the Missouri River. The temperature reached 98° that day! While the fishing was slow, we did catch trout. Jan managed to land a 16" brown and I landed a 16" rainbow. In the other streams, we managed to catch fair numbers of trout, mostly cutthroats. Since it was August, hoppers were the fly of choice, though we did have some luck with nymphs. I lost track of how many times I stopped fishing to marvel at the beautiful streams and countryside and to give thanks for the opportunity just to be there.

As for the Board meeting in Livingston, FFF continues to reform and grow. The leadership continues to drive focus into the organization (something it lacked in past years). There is recognition that in order for FFF to grow into a powerful, influential national and regional voice for the sport of fly fishing, the organization needs to build its budget and membership base. I'll discuss this in more detail in a separate report.

With the coming of fall, our annual fall trips are now underway. The fall salmon trip is already booked. But we still have trips planned for western North Carolina, Arkansas, and northern Ohio. The fall steelhead run for the Lake Erie region will be starting soon. More to come on the fall trips at the September and October meetings. But check the calendar for the actual dates so you will not miss an opportunity.

This fall we have multiple opportunities for fly tying. During the weekend of September 10-11, B.U.F.F. will be sponsoring a fly tying seminar with the guys from Glenn River Fly Co. A salmon fly tying seminar will be conducted on Saturday, September 10, followed by a tying seminar for trout flies on Sunday, September 11. Starting at the end of October, B.U.F.F. will conduct an advanced fly tying seminar. And every month we have our Tie & Lie East and Tie & Lie West classes. So consider taking advantage of the upcoming opportunities.

Be safe, and I hope to see you at the September meeting.

2006 BUFF Banquet

Roger Corrado

Seem early, not really. Our banquet will be held in March at the Receptions Conference Center in Fairfield. We are changing the format slightly this year and in addition to our regular live auction, we plan to introduce "silent auctions" where items can be bid on throughout the evening. There will also be some other changes to make the evening interesting and exciting. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and the profits help fund many of our events throughout the year. We wanted to get started early this year and are asking all BUFF members to donate one or more raffle/auction items or make a cash donation for the Banquet. A couple of people have asked me what they should donate – I told them if they were going to donate items to make them something that they would appreciate getting if they won the items. Items can be fishing related or not – your choice.

You can start bringing any donations to me, Roger Corrado, or Bob Miller at the meeting or call one of us and we will arrange to pick up your donations.

If you would like to help on the Banquet Committee please call me at 741-8411. We plan to have our first planning meeting at 6:15pm before the September BUFF meeting – it should only last about 10 or 15 minutes, come if you are interested.

We will be giving you more info as we get closer to the event.

I took my son and 3 grandchildren fishin' on Lake Michigan for Salmon

Don Hogue

Last Sunday, my son, Ken, his son and daughter, Jake & Katie, and Stacey's daughter, Aja, left for Manistee, Michigan at 12:15 pm, after church. Marilyn had lined up some games, and she had little prizes wrapped up. The first one....1st person to see a water tower, then, a pink car, then, a lavender 14 wheeler, then, a mask. We gave out 3/4 of the prizes on Sunday, so we closed the game!

We arrived in Manistee at 8:30 pm, and had enough light to locate the harbor and the Capt Hook boat. We went to bed at 9:30 pm. It seemed like I didn't sleep all night. The alarm was set at 4:30 a.m., but I got up at 3:45a.m.!! At five after 4, I started saying, "All hands on deck". They came right out of those beds! We had orange juice, doughnuts and bagels.

We went to the boat at 5:15 am. (The captain was a little late due to a miscommunication.)

We were on Lake Michigan before sunrise. We drew straws to see the order in which we took our turn, when a fish was on. I was second and I lost the only fish lost that day!. So, Jake was soon one salmon up on me, and it was a biggee.(18 -20 pounder) When it comes around to my second turn, I pull in an 18 lb lake trout! About 9:00 a.m. the winds came up and so did the waves, Aja got a little green, but when it was her turn to reel in a fish, she was right there. Ken and I had to assist the kids with keeping their rods up. We were allowed 15 fish. We ended up with 2 Lake trout and 10 Salmon. We got back on land at 1:00 pm. When we got in, we realized that our boat had done pretty well. Several boats caught none, one boat got 4, another 6, but we had the mother load! Our captain really worked hard. The guide gave us a lesson in cleaning salmon. We didn't want the eggs. He gave us recipes, and told us how to freeze them in water, as well as differing ways to cook them. Some he left the skin on, and others, he took it off. He showed me how to remove the mud vein. He said not to allow the flesh side to touch the skin side of another piece of fillet.

By the time we iced the fillets down, and had a picnic lunch, it was three o'clock, Sunday afternoon. Ken drove into Ohio, and I started driving for a couple of hours. Ken took over the wheel at Sydney, and brought us home. Aja and I got home about 1:15 am,. Ken had to work on Tuesday!

It was a good grandpa outing, and I think everyone enjoyed it. I know I did!!

THE EDUCATION CORNER

Lou Haynes

Parkys Farm Program: Our Parkys' Farm Kids Fishing Program starts Friday September 9th and will run each Friday though October 14th. Bruce James and Bill Huber are co-coordinators for the fall program. They will need a few BUFFers to help the kids fish from 10am to 2pm each Friday. Please call Bruce (683-0429) or Bill (891-5694) if you would like to participate on one or more Fridays. Helpers are invited to show up early and/or stay late to fish. The pond is full of "big" largemouth and has lots of bluegill which are easy to catch on dry flies or nymphs Tweeny nymphs work great!!

Aquatic Insects Poster: At the September general meeting we will present a poster showing the relationship between stream water quality and the aquatic insect life supported by the stream. Stop by and take a look.

Hot-Off-The-Press: Debbie Hampton caught her first fish on a fly rod the other night (8-24-05). The fish, a bluegill, measured a whopping 4 3/4", was taken on a Tweeny nymph from the "Voice of America" pond which was recently opened to the public for catch and release fishing. When you next see her, give her a hug or high-five for her accomplishment!!! Great Job Debbie!! Now Debbie, all you need to do is overcome your fear of touching the fish you catch.

Editor's Note: This article was taken from the BUFF archives. Enjoy it again, or for the first time!!

Collecting Old Fishing Reels, Rods, Flies & Lures

by David French

I have always enjoyed collecting old things. My wife can attest to this. Collecting fishing tackle has been very enjoyable in many ways. For this article I would like to discuss collecting cane rods. When I find an old cane rod made by a certain maker I look forward to the researching part and finding the rod's value.

Cane rods were first made in the 1840's by Thomas Aldred of London, England. According to A. J. Campbell in his excellent book *Classic and Antique Fly-Fishing Tackle*. This first rod was made of cane in three strips. Many rods had a butt section made of ash, lancewood, or hickory and the tip was cane. Of course finding a rod like this today would be very rare and worth quite a bit. Calcutta cane became the material of choice for rod making.

You can still find many old cane rods today. Around this Tri-State area most rods are found in the 9' length. The usual manufactures are Montague, Horrocks and Ibbotson, South Bend, Heddon and Shakespeare. Although these were common makers of cane, these rods still fish great. If you can find the shorter 7' footer then you have an even better and more valuable rod.

Common rods sell today in the \$ 50.00 range depending on condition and the shorter ones go for \$150.00 and up. A Heddon 7' rod in excellent condition with original bag and tube would sell for about \$500.00. Heddon was one of the finer makers of fishing gear. Some of the famous U.S. rod builders were Orvis, Leonard, Granger, Phillipson, Payne, Divine, Paul Young, Winston and several others. Most of these makers were located in the east. Their shorter rods sell in the \$1000.00 plus range.

Finding used fly rods can take some time and searching. The internet is probably the fastest for locating one. Ebay.com has more fishing gear than you could ever imagine. New and used. Several great auction houses in the east have several fantastic fly rods at auction. Lang's Sporting Collectables located in Boxborough, Mass. (978)263-8701, is the best for this. They have two auctions a year, spring and fall. Local auctions, flea markets and sometimes friends and relatives may have them.

If you have or purchase a cane rod in good condition you'll want to store it properly in a cloth bag and stiff tube. Putting the rod in a consistent temperature like your home will also help to maintain the varnish finish. After fishing you should placing it in the cloth bag and hang it vertical to dry. After a couple of days drying, place it in its protective tube to keep the rod sections straight.

Rod restoration is a very important area. Most all the cane rods can be restored. If your rod was made by one of the finer rod makers, then you would want to locate an expert who can restore the rod back to its original finish and wraps. There are some great used fly rods for sale all over the country. Most of them don't even need restoration.

Collecting fly rods and fishing gear can be fun and rewarding in many ways. I always enjoy talking with the individual who used the fly rod many years past. His stories are great to hear and I pick up some new fishing tips too.



2nd TURKEY RIDGE DAY TRIP

Wednesday, September 28, 2005

Turkey Ridge Hunting & Fishing Club in Burlington, Kentucky

Trip Coordinator – Patti Howell

Brian Lane of Turkey Ridge Lodge has invited BUFF members back for ANOTHER day of fishing (complimentary - No Charge!) at the Turkey Ridge Hunting & Fishing Club in Burlington, Kentucky – **just 30 minutes from Cincinnati**. Turkey Ridge is located on 583 secluded acres of privately owned property. The 21-acre lake and 5 additional ponds are stocked with trophy bluegill, bass and channel catfish. The entire property is professionally managed. With multiple manmade fish attractors and lots of natural cover, it is a bass angler's paradise!

We will have access to a covered pavilion overlooking one of the ponds. This facility includes a grill, picnic tables, a refrigerator, running water and restrooms. You can fish the banks or feel free to bring your canoe, kayak, float tubes, pontoon/belly boat, etc. (ONLY trolling motors allowed). Also, please bring your own lunch and drinks. We can fish until dark.

No Sign-Up and No Schedule – just show up whenever you want to on Wednesday, September 28th.

YOU MUST HAVE A 1-DAY KY FISHING LICENSE – which can be purchased online at www.fw.ky.gov for \$7.42 (VISA, MasterCard, Discovery Card accepted)

Any Questions? Contact Patti Howell at 513-683-7138 or phowell@fuse.net

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Burlington, KY 41005
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Directions from Cincinnati:

I-75 South
Get on I-275 West heading towards the airport
Get off on Exit 11 Petersburg (KY-20)
Continue on KY-8 South (1 mile)
Turn LEFT on Petersburg Road (KY-20 East)
Bear RIGHT on Idlewild Road (KY-338)
Turn RIGHT on Lizmark Drive
Go all the way down Lizmark and continue on to the gravel road

Calendar of Events

September

- Sep 1 **Tie & Lie West** 7-9 pm General fly
Tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor
- Sep 9 **Parky's Farm** 10am-2pm
- Sep 10 **Turkey Ridge Day Trip**
- Sep 14 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7-9 pm
Raffel's on Reading Rd.
Social hour 6 pm
- Sep 16 **Parky's Farm** 10am-2pm
- Sep 18-22 **Fall Salmon Trip**
- Sep 21 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7-9 pm Church of
Ascension & Holy Trinity,
334 Burns Ave, Wyoming, OH. Members welcome
- Sep 22 **Tie & Lie East** 6-8 pm General fly
Tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop
- Sep 23 **Parky's Farm** 10am-2pm
- Sep 24 **Great Outdoors Weekend** 9am - 2pm
- Sep 28 **Turkey Ridge Day Trip**
- Sep 30 **Parky's Farm** 10am-2pm

October

- Oct 6 **Tie & Lie West** 7-9 pm General fly
Tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor
- Oct 7 **Parky's Farm** 10am-2pm
- Oct 7-9 **Rockwell Springs Trip**
- Oct 12 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7-9 pm
Raffel's on Reading Rd.
Social hour 6 pm
- Oct 14 **Parky's Farm** 10am-2pm
- Oct 19 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7-9 pm Church of
Ascension & Holy Trinity,
334 Burns Ave, Wyoming, OH
Members welcome
- Oct 20 **Tie & Lie East** 6-8 pm General fly
Tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop
- Oct 27 - 30 **Roger Lowe Fishing Trip**
- Oct 28 **Advanced Fly Tying Class**

November

- Nov 3 **Tie & Lie West** 7-9 pm General fly
Tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor
- Nov 3 - 6 **Little Red River Trip**
- Nov 4 **Advanced Fly Tying Class**
- Nov 9 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7-9 pm
Raffel's on Reading Rd.
- Nov 11 **Advanced Fly Tying Class**
- Nov 16 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7-9 pm Church of
Ascension & Holy Trinity,
334 Burns Ave, Wyoming, OH
Members welcome
- Nov 17 **Tie & Lie East** 6-8 pm General fly
Tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop
- Nov 18 **Advanced Fly Tying Class**

December

- Dec 1 **Tie & Lie West** 7-9 pm General fly
Tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor
- Dec 14 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7-9 pm
Raffel's on Reading Rd.
Social hour 6 pm
- Dec 15 **Tie & Lie East** 6-8 pm General fly
Tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop
- Dec 21 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7-9 Church of
Ascension & Holy Trinity,
334 Burns Ave, Wyoming, OH
Members welcome



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September Menu

Marinated Char Grilled Chicken Breast

Baked Lemon sole

Broccoli with Cheese

Baked Potatoes with Butter and Sour Cream

Tossed Salad with Dressings

Rolls & butter

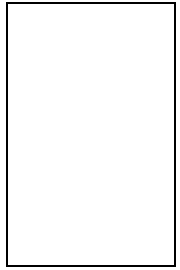
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8/2005 BUFF Financial Report

Beginning Balance	\$13339
Total Receipts	\$3
Total Disbursements	\$680
Ending Balance	\$14022
Petty Cash	\$100
Trip Escrow	\$500
CD	\$5,154



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Next Monthly Meeting – Wednesday – September 14

CALL 779-4489 OR SIGN UP ON LINE AT WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM 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 7)

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.

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