

THE EVENING HATCH



July 2022

Pike-Wayne Chapter Trout Unlimited

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

In April we hosted our Banquet/ Fundraiser (first in two years), at Lukan's Farm and Family Resort. I would like to thank our supporters, and attendees for their efforts to make our fundraiser a huge success. The 100 who attended enjoyed an evening of silent auctions, live auctions and tricky trays. Everything from beauty supplies to hand crafted jewelry; custom-made fly rods and hand-tied flies to donated library books; fishing trips to signed prints.

We were able to award two Charlie Bright Awards For their outstanding contribution to Pike Wayne Chapter 462 Trout Unlimited. The 2020 Award to Anthony B Capitano and 2022 Award to John Hochreither. A great time was had by all with a delicious dinner

During April members were involved in River Clean ups and the Pocono clean, We continued to provide community Education with Fly Fishing Demonstrations and instruction In April at Grey Towers, and in June at Bingham Park. We supported Fish for Kids In Newfoundland in May. We provided three \$500 stipends to graduating seniors from area High schools who will major in the environmental studies, or related field. Also in June volunteers will assist fishing instructors at Lacawac Sanctuary. We plan to be at the July 9th customer appreciation day at Hunters Gallery; in August at Lock 31 Canal Fest; and in September assisting Casting for Recovery at Sky Top Lodge. **PRESIDENT--Paul Ranello**

PIKE-WAYNE CALENDAR 2022

(General meetings: SECOND TUESDAY of the month, at 5:00 p.m. Board Meetings held before General Meeting .) June 14-Lackawaxen R.-Mile Marker 110 July 12- Lackawaxen R.-Mile Marker 110 Aug. 9- Lackawaxen R.-Mile Marker 110 Sept 13- TBA-see www.pwtu.org for info Oct 11-TBA- see www.pwtu.org for info Nov 8-TBA- see www.pwtu.org for info Dec 13-Christmas Party-TBA (Check www.PWTU.org for schedule changes and updated Chapter info)

ATTN MEMBERS THIS IS THE LAST PRINT COPY!!!

At the March 2022 meeting Jim Furno, Editor of the newsletter, stated that printing and mailing the newsletter had gone up to \$300 an issue.

The present membership then decided, in view of the lack of sufficient chapter income, and because of other project expenditures, it would be best to suspend the mailing of print copies. Instead the chapter decided to **go digital** and just insert the newsletter on our website, namely www.pwtu.org. This action will allow those who have computers to download the newsletter, or read it on screen , or print their own copy.

For those who do not have a computer you more than likely know someone who does and would print the few pages for you.

<u>Sorry, but inflation is effecting all of</u> <u>us.</u>



AWARDS TO JOHN AND TONY CONSERVATION BANQUET 2022

After a long postponement due to the Covid shutdown, the Pike-Wayne TU chapter restored its Conservation banquet on April 9, 2022 at Lukan's Resort in Hawley, PA. About 100 people were in attendance at the Banquet and, as usual, the food and fun rocked the place.

There were many great prizes among the bucket raffles and the silent auctions as well as the live auction. The auctions featured fishing trips such as trips to the Stretch (Tunckhannock); the Blooming Grove trip; Creamton Fly-fishing Club and a Delaware River float trip. There were fly rods, reels, flies all kinds of accessories and non-fishing items in the bucket raffles.

Two chapter awards were handed out. The first award went to **Tony Capitano** who was past President and whose award had been held back due to the Banquet delay. Tony was a great President for the chapter and richly deserves the award.

The second person to receive an award was John Hochreiter who did many things for the chapter particularly hosting the banquet at his Resort restaurant in Hawley(Lukan's Resort).

Thanks to all the members who helped to create the Banquet this year and to all the businesses who donated prizes. (See our sponsors in the newsletter)



THE BANQUET ROOM



BINGHAM PARK PARTICIPANTS



BINGHAM PARK FLY CASTING



BINGHAM PARK INSTRUCTION

On June 4, 2022 the Chapter joined in with others to engage in a fly casting instruction event. This event took place at Bingham Park in Hawley, PA. on a perfect weather Spring day. Grant Genzlinger from Trails and Waterways provided lunch. Georg Simon, gave the lecture and demonstration along with help from other Pike-Wayne T U members including Don Strathy, Paul Ranello, ; Butch Mulhollem; and Marina Swartz.

Paul Ranello, our President , brought in 2 full drink coolers; 4 folding chairs; a table; two tent canopies; ordered lunches; made contacts with instructors; emailed everybody and organized the tables. Participants were loaned practice fly rods and cast on the park grass. The event ended with a contest where the participants had to cast into and hit a ground target with a minimum number of casts. There were three gift certificates donated by Housefly Fishing in Hawley.

Participants were Ed Meredith; Hailee Evans; Jaime Bryan; Heley Estus; Ulia Karnyeva; Katie Schkolenko and Stefanie Brannigan.

The event was very successful but we can always use more volunteers at these activities.

(NOTE: PWTU PATCHES AND HATS AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT MEETINGS



PWTU RIVER MEETINGS

May to August (2nd Tuesday of the month) meetings are on the Lackawaxen River-6 p.m. to whenever-**at the 110 mile marker** (upriver from intersection towpath and rt. 590). Just look for a lot of cars and a happy group of guys. We have Bar-B-Q; hamburgers; hot dogs, brats, salads and beverages. *Make sure* to bring a folding chair for yourself.

The Creamton Fly Fishing Club

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Our PWTU Mission: The conservation and enhancement of Pike and Wayne counties cold water streams and fisheries.

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