



# THE EVENING HATCH



March 2024

Pike-Wayne Chapter 462 Trout Unlimited

[www.pwtu.org](http://www.pwtu.org)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring is upon us, time to check our rods, clean lines, and change leaders. It is a time to volunteer to stock the Lackawaxen River. March 21 Meeting Place- Dollar General in Hawley Time 1:00. April 1, Meeting Place Dollar General in Hawley Time 1:00" For full stocking schedule go to the Pa. Fish and Boat Commission website This year our Annual Banquet/ Fundraiser is April 13 at Lukan's Farm & Resort 539 Long Ridge Rd. Hawley. Tickets are \$45.00 per person. For tickets contact John Hochreither at (570) 226-4574.

## PROJECTS

Lackawaxen River Clean up April 14. We are participating in the Keep Pa Beautiful Program Meeting place: Mile Marker 110 on the Tow Path. 10:00 am to 1:00 pm  
Introducing River Keepers Youth program to Community-based programs in Pike County  
This year we will be providing \$500 stipends to graduating seniors from four area High Schools Majoring in Environmental Studies, or related fields  
Teaching campers at the Lacawac Sanctuary how to fish, Providing Fly Casting Demonstrations and Lessons at the 11th annual Canal Fest in

White Mills. Volunteering at Casting for Recovery at Sky Top Lodge, and much more.

*President Paul Ranello*

Ps. This year take a friend fishing

## PIKE-WAYNE CALENDAR 2024

(General meetings: **SECOND TUESDAY** of the month, at 6:00 p.m. Board Meetings held before General Meeting .)

**March 12- Cora's Bistro-fly tying**

**April 6-Opening Day-Trout**

**April 9- Cora's Bistro**

**April 13-Annual Banquet-see [pwtu.org](http://pwtu.org) for ticket availability**

**April 14-Lackawaxen clean-up meet mile marker 110-10am**

**May 14-meeting--Lackawaxen R.-Mile Marker 110**

**June 11--Lackawaxen R.-Mile Marker 110**

**July 9--Lackawaxen R.-Mile Marker 110**

**August 13--Lackawaxen R.-Mile Marker 110**

**Sept 10-TBA**

**Oct 8- Cora's Bistro -Hawley**

**Nov 5-Election Day**

**Nov 12- Cora's Bistro -Hawley**

**Dec 10-Christmas Party-Cora's Bistro-Hawley**

*(Check [www.PWTU.org](http://www.PWTU.org) for schedule changes and updated Chapter info)*

## **NOTE:**

***Learn Fly-Tying at our January, February, March Meetings-Bring your own equipment if you like and show us your favorite flies.***

## Annual Conservation Banquet

**PWTU will hold its Annual Conservation Banquet on April 13, 2024**

There will be raffles and prizes and, of course, the great food Lukan's serves.

Don't miss it...get your tickets now. Contact Lukan's for tickets...570-226-4574 or email [lukans@lukans.com](mailto:lukans@lukans.com) or see [www.pwtu.org](http://www.pwtu.org) for ticket information

## Vote for the Lackawaxen!

It has been an amazing year for the Lackawaxen River and all those who care for it. We have seen new ways to access the river come online in White Mills and, soon, Honesdale and Indian Orchard. Now, the river which runs through Wayne & Pike counties and empties into the Delaware River is in the running for 2024 River of the Year! (from the Lackawaxen Trail Project)

"On October 27, Lackawaxen River Trails opened a river access site at White Mills. It features an ADA walkway, parking and a concrete boat ramp, signage, composting bathrooms, fencing and benches and trash receptacles."... "This is the first handicap-accessible kayak launch on the river"

( from PA Trout Unlimited Winter 2024- Paul Ranello's report to PATU)



**Vladi Worm Fly or Worm**

Is this a true fly or a Worm? You tell me. I do not take any credit for this fly. Poland's Vladi Trzebunia,; as far as I know developed the thing. To me it represents a worm or aquatic what.

Tied with lead & latex on a bent streamer hook. The humped bend where the weight gets applied causes the fly to invert and this reduces hang-ups. This feature makes the fly literally bounce off rocks and other solid debris on the bottom.

I use this fly as my "anchor" or point fly on my dropper rig for early season high stain water.

The Czech or Polish style of Euro nymphing helps make my presentations more effective providing weight and feeling the bottom. When I need a fly to get me deep and fast, I often use *this anchor worm as my confidence*.

*<https://youtu.be/eTGKNIhMS9I> Euro Nymphing system anchor fly, the infamous Vladi Worm as tied by Vladi. incredible worm pattern by Vito La Penna*

## Trout Season Notes

- Opening day of trout season – Saturday, April 6
  - Statewide Mentored Youth Trout Day – Saturday, March 30
  - Fish for Free Days – Memorial Day (Monday, May 27) and Thursday, July 4.
- Fishing licenses for 2024 are now available for purchase from the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission. An annual license for a Pennsylvania resident will cost \$26 and senior resident annual licenses go for \$12.50



Above; 2024 PWTU Christmas Party-  
Below; Tony, Santa. Cora and Paul



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



**PWTU RIVER MEETINGS**  
April to August (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month) meetings are on the Lackawaxen River-6 p.m. to whenever-**at the 110 mile marker** (upriver from intersection of 590 and River Rd). Just look for a lot of cars and a happy group of guys. We have food and beverages. **Make sure to bring a folding chair for yourself.**

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