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Next Meeting  
Thursday June 19th, 2008

## Yellowstone on the Cheap



The next meeting of the Main Line Fly-Tyers will be at 7pm on June 19th at the Greater Plymouth Community Center. Be sure to mark your calendars and join us. This month's guest speaker will be Bob Ballantyne.

Bob is a former outdoor writer for the Pottstown Mercury. Currently he is a member of the Pennsylvania Outdoor Writer's Association and he contributes to the Pennsylvania Outdoors Magazine. He will be presenting a program entitled "The Fish and Fisherman in Yellowstone".

The program will focus on fishing Yellowstone National Park. He will share tips on doing so inexpensively. Bob will also cover many aspects of Yellowstone biology and the latest research in the area of fisheries biology in the Park.

# Upcoming Events



June 19th	Main Line Fly-Tyers Monthly Meeting Guest Speaker: Bob Ballantyne Program: "The Fish and The Fisherman In Yellowstone."
Sept. 5th-7th :	Trip to Upper Delaware River
Sept. 18th	Main Line Fly-Tyers Monthly Meeting Program: TBD
Sept. 18th-22nd	Missoula Montana Trip (Sign up at meeting or contact Mike Mancke)
Sept. 25th	Fly Tying Class begins at Upper Moreland High School (classes will run for 6 Thursdays)
Oct 7th	Fly Fishing Tactics Class begins at Upper Moreland High School (classes will run for 5 Tuesdays)
October 4th:	Lake Fishing Day (date tentative)
November 6th:	Cast and Blast Outing (date tentative)

## **Only at the June Meeting ! Preview “The Edge”**

A printed copy of “Fly Patterns An Edge Above the Rest” Edition II will be available for folks to preview at our June meeting. Members will be able to place orders for their own copy. This second edition has been expanded to over 80 pages, which is a 25% increase over the first edition. The 30+ patterns have been honed to an 'edge' by Sam during his thirty plus years of Angling with a Fly. Many folks consider the 30-30 Winchester a classic for hunting Whitetail Deer. Well this collection of the 30-30 flies is sure become a classic for catching wild trout. Don't miss this chance to secure a copy for yourself .

## **Long Time Club Friend Retires !**

A long time friend of the Main Line Fly-Tyers, Frank Theobald has retired and closed up his fly tying business which he ran out of the basement of his home in Glenside for many years. Frank was a cornerstone for many club members who frequented his shop in search of tying tools and materials. He was very good to our club, donating many raffle prizes over the years. Frank not only supplied us with goods, but also shared his wisdom with us. For many of us when just starting out Frank taught us how to use that “tricky” whip finishing tool. He also demonstrated some of his favorite fly patterns and tying techniques. We thank him for his many years of kindness and generosity to the club and wish him the very best.

While Frank has retired, his shop lives on ! One of his long time patrons George Orlowitz has purchased the inventory and has set up the business which he will run out of his law office in Elkins Park. In honor of Frank, he will continue to operate the new venture under the name “Frank's Fly Fishing Shoppe”. For now, George says he'll be operating very similarly to the way Frank ran the business. Patrons can call ahead and George will meet them at his office which is only a couple minutes from his home.

His office is located 7906 High School Road (second floor around the back) in Elkins Park. George can be contacted at the following numbers 267-475-6055 or 215-635-0500 (law office number). The email address is ffshoppe@comcast.net. George has informed me that he will be offering a 10% discount to all Main Line Fly-Tyers club members. He hopes to join us at our June meeting this Thursday and says he looks forward to doing business with us.

## **New B&B on Penns Creek**

On a recent trip to Penns Creek I was unable to secure lodging at the Feathered Hook B&B as owner Jonas Price advised me he was booked solid. He was kind enough to refer me to a new place that opened just around the corner on Penns Creek road. I contacted the new establishment called the Reel-Em-Inn B&B and lucked out as they had a vacancy.

The Inn is owned and operated by Cam Hironimus with the help of her husband Jim. This century old home has been beautifully restored and sports a fishing theme in its décor. The place was meticulously clean and very comfortable. I awakened each morning of my three day stay to a very hearty breakfast that included fresh baked goods and local fare (I had fresh maple syrup one morning!).

Cam and Jim went out of their way to make sure my stay was extremely pleasant. I'd recommend the Inn in a heartbeat for anyone looking for lodging while fishing in Central PA. It would also be a great place to take that special someone for a get-away weekend. You can get more information by checking out their website [www.reeltheminn.com](http://www.reeltheminn.com) or by calling Cam at 814-349-5875.

# Fly of the Month



This pattern is out of the book “Fly Patterns An Edge Above the Rest”. Which was written by Sam Vigorita with help of Mike Ebner. An updated revision of the book will be available for preview at our June meeting.

Now onto the fly ! Sam assures me that this is a deadly fly particularly in June and July when the Cahills are hatching. Use larger flies on the larger waters. Its also a very effective attractor pattern later in the season.

Hook: Mustad 9671 or 9672  
Sizes: #14 to #6  
Thread: primrose or yellow  
Body: fawn colored fox or rabbit  
Hackle: creamy ginger  
Rib: yellow carpet thread  
Wing: wood duck

We could really use some help with the Fly of the Month section for future newsletters. I'm calling on ALL club members to step up and share a fly or two with the rest of us. All that needs to be done is for you to tie a fly or two. Bring it (or email a picture) to me, Frank Howard along with the recipe. Any additional comments (see above as an example) would be an added bonus. If its not your recipe you can always give credit along with your submission, though you will receive the credit for tying the fly and submitting it to the newsletter. If everyone pitches in this would become a very interactive and informative area of our newsletter. Thanks !

# Book Review



Book review ? Who has time for book reviews ! Even the nerds are out fishing now. I'm just kidding. Anyway, I really hope that you avid readers within the club will take a few minutes and give us a review of any books you may have recently read. Many members including myself have really appreciated the reviews that we have received thus far. The critique of the book doesn't have to be long. A few sentences detailing what you thought of it would be adequate. I look forward to seeing those write-ups piling up in my in-box in the next few months. Thanks again to all those that have taken the time to share with us so far.

# For Sale !

Mike Ebner is helping a recent widow whose husband died a couple months ago. He told her to sell all his fishing stuff and power tools when he died. Here is a list of items for sale - if you are interested please contact Mike. There is also a modest amount of fly tying materials - nothing major. Although he fished for quite some time, he only started tying his own flies when he retired a few years ago. Ed Emery is helping package up the materials for sale at the June meeting along with any of the following items still available. Email or call Mike at 610/955-9885.

RODS	LINE WT.	LENGTH	PRICING
SAGE - SP - 3PC	3	7' 6"	\$ 282.50
SAGE - SP - 5PC	4	8' 9"	\$ 340.00
SAGE - SP - 5PC	5	8' 9"	\$ 342.50
SAGE - XP - 4PC	5	9' 6"	\$ 340.00
SAGE - EP - 4PC	7	10'	\$ 300.00
SAGE - XP - 4PC	8	9' 6"	\$ 287.50
SAGE - SP - 2PC (custom)	6	9'	\$ 250.00
Custom by Chuck Roberts (unknown blank) - 4PC	4 / 5	?	\$ 50.00
Custom by Chuck Roberts (unknown blank) - 2PC	4	6'	\$ 50.00

REELS	MODEL	LINE	
ABEL	0.0 PORTED	4	\$ 185.00
SAGE - GPX	3100	3	\$ 137.50
ISLANDER	LX3.6	7	\$ 247.50
ORIVS Rocky Mtn III & xtra spool			
Pfleuger Medalist & xtra spool (~\$30)			\$ 20.00

OTHER GEAR		
SIMS GUIDE WT BREATHABLES	medium/king	\$ 75.00
BAILEY BREATHABLE HIPBOOTS		\$ 42.50
2- FLEECE PANTS		\$ 50.00
WADING JACKET		\$ 50.00
Fishing Net #1		\$ 35.00
Fishing Net #2		\$ 35.00
2- CABELAS GEER BAGS		\$ 40.00
CABELAS 20 COMPARTMENT FLY BOX		\$ 18.48
CABELAS 50 COMPARTMENT FLY BOX		\$ 29.98
RENZETTI TRAVELER SERIES VISE - Pedestal		\$ 100.00
REGAL VISE		\$ 70.00
L.L.BEAN ROD BAG		\$ 20.00
L.L.BEAN WADER BAG		\$ 20.00

Power tools - they following 'big items' are also for sale - but they are in the Pocono's someplace.

Delta Plate Jointer  
 Delta Chisel Mortiser  
 Big Bandsaw  
 Full size Drill Press  
 Dewalt Planer

# General Information

Website: [mainlineflytyers.net](http://mainlineflytyers.net)



## Meeting Location:

Greater Plymouth Community Center  
2910 Jolly Rd  
Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

## Driving Directions:

From Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-276)

Take Exit 333 (Norristown - old exit 25). At the end of the ramp, turn left onto Plymouth Road. At the light, turn right onto Germantown Pike West. Continue approximately one (1) mile, through four (4) traffic lights (not counting the left hand turn light at Sandy Hill Road). At the fifth light, turn right onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

From Blue Route (I-476)

Take exit for Germantown Pike West (Exit 20). Continue on Germantown Pike west for approximately one (1) mile, through five (5) traffic lights (not counting the left hand turn light at Sandy Hill Road). At the fifth light, turn right onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

From Route 202

Follow Route 202 to Germantown Pike. Travel EAST on Germantown Pike, through five (5) traffic lights. At the next traffic light, approximately half a mile, turn left onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

## Club Officers:

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