



Main Line Fly Tyers 2010-2011

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Special points of interest:

- **First meeting Thursday September 16th.**
- **Enrollment for fall tying classes begin.**
- **Help Needed.**

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The New Meeting Season Begins !!!

The Main Line Fly Tyers will be kicking off the 2010-2011 meeting season at 7pm on Thursday September 16th at the Greater Plymouth Community Center. Directions on back page of this newsletter.

George Daniels will be this month's guest speaker. He'll be sharing his program titled: Trout -Top to Bottom.

George grew up in Potter County, PA and has been fly fishing since age 6. He's been seen on ESPN and OLN while competing in the Great Outdoor Games and the Fly Fishing Masters and is a certified FFF Fly Casting Instructor.

George's passion is in



Fly Fishing Education and teaching others to enjoy this leisure activity. He logs over 200 days a year on trout waters near and far from his home in Lock Haven, PA.

George is currently working on his first book with Headwaters Press and will be available January 2011. The title of

the book will be "Dynamic Nymphing."

He currently resides in Lock Haven with his wife, Amidea and their one year old daughter, Evangeline along with their two golden retrievers that answer to the names Baetis and Madison.

Visit our website: MainLineFlyTyers.net

Upcoming Meetings and Events

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| September 16th | MLFT Meeting | Guest Speaker : George Daniels |
| September 21st | Fall Tactics Class Begins at UM (5 Tuesday nights thru 10/19) | |
| September 23rd | Fall Tying Class Begins at UM (6 Thursday nights thru 10/27) | |
| October 15th-17th | Fall Coburn Trip (Penns Creek) | |
| October 16th | Lake Fishing Day | |
| October 19th | Fall Tying Class Begins at LP (6 Tuesday nights thru 11/23) | |
| October 20th | MLFT Meeting | Guest Speaker : Don Baylor |
| November 6th | Cast and Blast | |
| November 18th | MLFT Meeting | Guest Speaker : Kurt Thomas |
| December 16th | MLFT Meeting | Annual Holiday Party and Auction |
| January 20th | MLFT Meeting | Guest Speaker : Al Smeraglio |
| February 17th | MLFT Meeting | Guest Speaker : TBD |
| February 17th-20th | Sportsman Show Oaks PA | |
| March 5th & 6th | Fly Fishing Show Valley Forge PA | |
| March 17th | MLFT Meeting | Guest Speaker : Christine Sharbaugh |
| March 26th | Calvary Outdoor Expo | |
| April 9th | Learn to Fly Fish Day | |
| April 16th | Opening Day on the Brodhead | |
| April 21st | MLFT Meeting | Guest Speaker : Lefty Kreh |
| April 23rd | Stick Day | |
| May 6th-8th | Spring Coburn Trip (Penns Creek) | |
| May 19th | MLFT Meeting | Guest Speaker : Ray Miller |
| June 3rd –5th | Upper Delaware Trip | |
| June 16th | MLFT Meeting | Guest Speaker : TBD |

Fall Classes Are Starting

Very little is more satisfying than hooking a trout on a fly, particularly a fly that you've tied yourself. Members of the Main Line Fly Tyers are involved in teaching fly tying classes through a couple of different programs. Both classes are set up to instruct to beginner and intermediate tyers. The class at Upper Moreland also teaches to an advanced level.

At both locations, first timers will be shown equipment, materials, and some techniques the first night and will be tying flies in the second class. Through the courses, even experienced tyers can gain new insights to raise their craft to a new level. So, if you are just starting out, or are already an avid tyer, why not consider signing up for one of these courses.

Sam Vigorita and Dave Shillington conduct a class thru the Upper Moreland Parks and Recreation program in Willow Grove PA. This class meets beginning September 23rd for six Thursday nights (thru October 28th) from 7pm-9pm. Course fee is 47.00. Registration can be done through the Upper Moreland website: uppermoreland.org/departments/parks/recreation.aspx or by contacting the Parks and Recreation office at (215) 659-3100 x1039 Ed Emery and Mike Ebner conduct their class



on Tuesday nights thru the Lower Providence Parks and Recreation program in Eagleville PA. That program starts on October 19th and runs for six Tuesday nights thru November 23rd. It's a two hour class beginning at 7:15pm. The cost is 42.00 for resident and 52.00 for non-resident. Registration for this course can be made through the Lower Providence website: lowerprovidence.org/parks_recreation.htm or by contacting the Parks and Recreation office at (610) 635-3543

Also, Sam Vigorita teaches a Fly Fishing Tactics course thru the Upper Moreland Parks and Recreation Program. Learn strategies to improve your fly fishing skills. The course also covers topics such as selecting and organizing your gear. Even experienced anglers will come away having learned something new through this class. Use the contact information mentioned earlier in this article to sign up for this course.

As stated above there are fees for these courses. A portion of the fee goes towards the organizations/facilities hosting the programs. The part paid to the instructors, which are all MLFT members, have always been graciously donated back to the club. Members signing up and taking the courses help to support club.

Important Reminder



Please remember that annual membership dues are expected to be paid no later than the Oc-

tober meeting. The dues remain at \$50.00. If for some reason you are experiencing financial difficulty and are unable to pay all of your dues, but would like to remain an active member of MLFT, please see or contact the club treasurer for assistance. Also, if you are unable to make either of the first two meetings you can still get your dues in on time by mailing a check to the

club treasurer at the following address:

Jim Costello

1252 Stanwood Street

Philadelphia, PA 19111

Email :

treasurer@mainlineflytyers.net

In accordance with club by-laws a \$5.00 late fee will be assessed for late dues.

Attention Anglers

The following is being presented as an FYI and is not to be construed as any position being taken by the Main Line Fly Tyers.

Recently the EPA was petitioned by several conservation groups to ban the use of lead in ammunition and fishing tackle. The petition was rejected with regards to ammunition, but the EPA is still reviewing the issue

related to fishing tackle.

Information on this topic as well as guidance on how one can voice their concerns to the EPA and other representatives can be found on the angler advocacy website for Keep America Fishing (KeepAmericaFishing.org).



Help Needed

Kathleen McKenzie, one of the key people who is responsible for keeping us happily nourished and hydrated each month won't be able to attend the first four meetings because of a scheduling issue with grad school. Thus we have a void to fill. We are looking for

someone to step up and assist Jerry Usatch with the refreshments at our monthly meetings. This would include picking up snacks, drinks, and supplies as well as making coffee, setting up and cleaning up after each meeting. There seems to be a supportive cast that ALWAYS

is there to help out with the duties at the meetings (thanks Elsa and Steve E !). If interested please contact the club president at :

president@mainlineflytyers.net

so we can get things coordinated before the first meeting.

Say Rick, Welcome Aboard !

Late last spring an urgent call went out to the membership seeking someone to fill the vacancy we had in our position of club secretary. The one response received was from a newcomer to the club.

Let me introduce Rick Say as the new Secretary of the MLFT. Rick comes to us with many years of management and accounting experience in the cor-

porate world. His organizational skills will definitely be a benefit to the club.

He assumed his role as club secretary at our planning meeting which was held in August. Rick was an active participant in all aspects of the session. Shortly after the meeting he provided the officers and board members with a very detailed transcript of what transpired.

We'll be calling upon Rick to assist with various administrative tasks such as keeping up with the membership and email lists, name tags, and recording highlights of each club meeting.

Please take a moment at the next meeting to stop by and introduce yourself to Rick and thank him for stepping up to help out the club.

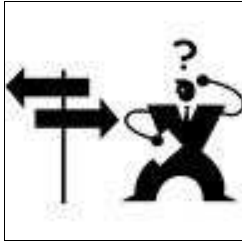


Tyers Wanted

We have a long standing tradition of having tyers at our meetings each month. It's important that we keep that alive. Volunteers are needed to tie flies at the beginning of each month's club meeting. You need not be an expert, just someone willing to show off one of their favorite patterns. We are only looking for one or two people to tie for approximately 30 to 45 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Please contact the club president if you are willing to help out :

president@mainlineflytyers.net





Directions to:

Greater Plymouth Community Center
2910 Jolly Rd, Plymouth Meeting PA 19462
610-277-4312

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

Club Officers

President : Frank Howard
 Vice President : Mike Ebner
 Treasurer : Jim Costello
 Secretary : Rick Say
 Web Guy : Mike Ebner
 Newsletter : Frank Howard



Board Members

Steve Nack
 Ed Emery
 Steve Birkenmaier
 Ray Miller
 Dave Shillington
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