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Newsletter

May 15th, 2014 Meeting

7:00 PM

Fishing Quote of the Month

“That old story about the little boy with the pin-hook, who catches all the fish, while the gentleman with modern improvements, who stood alongside of him, kep’ throwing out is beautiful flies and never got nuthin’, is a pure lie.

Fran Stockton

Presentation: Wendell “Ozzie” Ozefovich

“Not Just Trout”

Ozzie Ozefovich is a native of Pennsylvania and grew up fishing the streams of northeastern Pennsylvania. His special love of for Brook trout and for trout fishing started with his first fishing experiences at age six. It has grown ever since.

After serving time in the navy Ozzie worked in the power industry where he developed his expertise in hydrodynamics (water movement). He has subsequently combined his loves of trout fishing, knowledge of hydrodynamics and interests in movie making to study the feeding behavior of trout. Ozzie has made several films about how trout feed and the complexity of life in a trout stream. Thursday’s presentation, “Not Just Trout”, will focus on the overall experience of trout fishing to try to answer the question, Why do we fish?.

Last month's meeting

Tying and fishing with CDC

Rick Nyles, of Sky Blue Outfitters, gave a very interesting presentation on tying and fishing CDC flies. CDC, Cul de Canard feathers grow near a duck's preen gland. Naturally waterproof and buoyant, they are incredibly lifelike on the water. These feathers can be added to many dry or wet patterns and increase the "breathability" and lifelike character of the fly.

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Insect of the Month

Cinnamon Caddisflies (*ceratopsyche* sp)

Cinnamon Caddisflies, also called Cinnamon Sedges, are found to some extent in most of the Pa. trout streams. On most trout streams in the nation, the *ceratopsyche species* and the very similar *hydropsyche* species, would represent the majority would even represent the majority of the food the trout have to eat. This is especially true of tail-waters or any stream with a higher pH level.

These caddisflies need plankton to survive and acidic, freestone streams that don't have a lot of plankton is about the only trout streams that don't have them in decent quantities. To make this simple for you, consider this. If you find the rocks in the stream you are fishing are slick and you have trouble wading without slipping down (think Brodhead and Big Bushkill), you can be assured that there will be a good population of net-spinning caddisflies in the stream. In the Eastern United States and parts of the Mid-west, most of these net-spinners will be species of the *ceratopsyche* genus of caddisflies. There are many species of them in this genera but they are all very similar.

Keep in mind that where they are plentiful, they are very important.

The different species hatch at different times from about the middle of April until the middle of September, depending on what part of the nation you are fishing.

Another reason for their importance is the fact trout eat them in three stages of their life. They eat the larva, pupa and adults. The Cinnamon Caddis flies are available for the trout to eat most of the time. The larvae don't build cases as such, rather shelters. They expose themselves on silk lines extended from near their shelters to enable them to feed. They catch their food in tiny nets that filter the water.

If you fish for trout just about anywhere in the eastern or midwestern part of the nation, it's almost assured that you will need to be able to imitate these caddisflies. They are very plentiful and very wide spread in distribution.

Up coming events.

Camping trip May 30th to June 1st.. (Members are welcome to bring guests but there will be a 20 dollar charge for the club diner on Saturday night)

Coburn trip June 6th to 8th Steve Larson

Steve Larson was able to lock in reservations for the club at the Feather hook for June 6th to 8th. To make room reservation please call The Feathered hook direct at 814-349 8757. The web address is : <http://www.thefeatheredhook.com/> . All questions can be directed to Steve at: steve@mainlineflytyers.net or phone (H) 215-822-1511 (C) 610-662-9041. If they let me know they have made the reservation, I will send updates on the trip as I get them. Note that the number of rooms/reservations is limited.

**Directions to Club Meeting Site:
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

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.

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