

Stanley Cooper Sr. Trout Unlimited E-Bulletin October 2010

At home in the beautiful rolling valley of Northeastern, Pennsylvania, the Stanley Cooper Sr. Chapter encompasses the Greater Wilkes-Barre Area.

Drawing in more than 200 members, the chapter meets at the VFW Anthracite Post 283, 757 Wyoming Ave. in Kingston at 7:30pm on the second Tuesday of the month.

(September through May; no meetings are scheduled during June, July or August)

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Upcoming Meetings:

- October 12, 2010: Monthly member meeting, 7:30pm at VFW Anthracite Post 283, 757 Wyoming Ave. in Kingston
 - October's meeting will feature a Fisherman's Flea market—Set up a table to sell your unwanted fishing equipment, No Table Fee. For more information contact Philip Mancini at 570-451-0248 or LoveTheArts@verizon.net
 - Notice to members: As stated in the Bylaws of SCTU an election of board members and officers will take place at the October 12, 2010 meeting.
- October 19, 2010: Monthly meeting of the Wyoming Valley Fly Tyers, , 7:30pm at VFW Anthracite Post 283, 757 Wyoming Ave. in Kingston
 - Gary Silverstein will present photos and flies from his trip to Tasmania. The “Red Flag” will be the featured fly; bring your vise and materials. The “Red Flag” recipe can be found at <http://sctu.org/wvft.html>. All fly tyers are welcome!
- November 2, 2010: Monthly board meeting, 7:30pm at VFW Anthracite Post 283, 757 Wyoming Ave. in Kingston

News:

- SCTU E-Bulletin
 - Welcome to latest edition of our E-Bulletin. To submit information to this publication, email your article, notice, or information to Kim Mancini at KimLMancini@verizon.net.

- New Bill Would Reinsert County Conservation Districts Into Marcellus Shale Oversight

Rep. Karen Boback (R-Columbia) announced her intention this week to introduce legislation to restore county conservation districts' authority over erosion and sediment control in the Marcellus Shale region.

"When it comes to protecting our water, air and other natural resources, I say the more oversight, the better," said Rep. Boback. "Conservation districts have historically been active in implementing programs for pollution and sediment control, and I believe they have a valuable role to play as the natural gas industry in Pennsylvania continues to develop."

County conservation districts have acted as the primary local government unit responsible for the conservation of natural resources and implementing programs to address soil erosion, storm water management and flood control. In 2009, the Department of Environmental Protection assumed some of these responsibilities, effectively eliminating the role of conservation districts in the process.

"It is all about protecting the environment and the health and safety of our citizens," said Rep. Boback. "This legislation is about reinserting local oversight into the drilling process. Decisions about our local environment should not only be in the hands of officials in Harrisburg."

Rep. Boback noted that she is committed to upholding the Pennsylvania Constitution's guarantee of clean air and water.

She also noted her opposition to forced pooling and other policies that would usurp the rights of individual landowners. Forced pooling would allow drilling companies to extract gas under un-leased properties.

Rep. Boback has introduced [House Bill 2630](#) requiring 5,500 feet between fracking operations and a water supply and [House Resolution 729](#) directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to review current law and regulations governing the development of natural gas within the Marcellus Shale formation.

Article submitted by John Stegura



- SCTU President Featured in Everhart Museum Exhibit

Philip Mancini, President of SCTU, is featured with the students from the Audubon Elementary School. Philip taught the students about the aquatic life of their local stream, "Roaring Brook." His day with the student is featured in the Everhart's SPARCS exhibit.

From Everhart Museum's website: "The Gallery One exhibit Everhart SPARCS: Raising Awareness about Water in the Ecosystem is a community-based project highlighting collaborative science education programs with Audubon Elementary School and Howard Gardner School of Discovery. Over the course of the 2009-2010 school year, students engaged in a hands-on program focused on how all forms of life depend on water for survival. Both in the classroom and at the Museum, they learned about conservation issues and how they can make a difference. In addition to projects at the Everhart, the students explored local water resources including Nay Aug Gorge, learned about recycling and

pollution control, and visited Lackawanna State Park. Partial underwriting for this exhibit was provided by a grant from Pennsylvania American Water.” For more information click on the link, [Everhart SPARCS: Raising Awareness about Water in the Ecosystem](#) the exhibit runs from September 24 through December 31, 2010.

- Project Healing Waters

After a busy and productive season with the Veterans, Project Healing Waters will hold a party for the participants at the VAMC in Wilkes Barre on October 20, 2010 in the Silver Area-8th floor, Room C8-50. Volunteers are always welcome, please call Heide Cebrick at 570-675-4881 or email heide@baut.com if you are interested in helping area Veterans through Project Healing Waters.

- Lackawanna RiverTour 2010

Join the Lackawanna River Corridor Association (LRCA) in a Fall Tour of the Lackawanna River on October 16, 2010. You will learn about, Trails and Recreation Opportunities, and the Current and Past Industrial Impact on the Lackawanna River. Order your tickets electronically at <http://lackawannarivertour.eventbrite.com> (processing fee will be applied). Review details or download a registration form to mail at www.lrca.org. Contact the LRCA at phone: (570) 347-6311, email: lrca@lrca.org. Proceeds will help support stewardship of the Lackawanna River Watershed through the work of the LRCA. Northern Car & Truck Rental Tour Vans leave from the Ice Box parking lot located at 3 West Olive Street, Scranton across the street from Scranton H.S.

- Date: October 16th (rain date: October 23rd)
- Check-in: 9:00 AM – 9:30 AM
- Tour: 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM
- Tickets \$25 pp – \$5 discount for LRCA members, enter 'member' at <http://lackawannarivertour.eventbrite.com> checkout or let us know you are a member when you snail mail, email or call.
- Includes box lunch from Heavenly Ham, vegetarian options available

- Want to Help Rebuild a Forest?

The Countryside Conservancy is taking an active land management role on Quarry Ridge Preserve by removing invasive species and planting 200 evergreen seedlings in a previously logged area. Buy a tree for \$5 or consider the package deal of owning 3 trees for \$12. Each additional tree is \$3. If you cannot plant your tree, you may still buy one and we will plant it for you.

- When: Saturday, October 16th 9:00 am
- Where: Meet at Meadowsweet parking lot on Lily Lake road – site of the Annual Tailgate Picnic
- What to bring: Shovel, or mattock/pick, gloves, water (for you or your tree).
- Your tree will be waiting for you when you arrive.

To participate, email Bill Kern, Executive Director at william.kern@keystone.edu or call 570.945.6995 with the following information:

- Number of trees:
- Name:
- Whether or not you will attend the planting

Checks can be made out to the *Countryside Conservancy* and mailed to: **Countryside Conservancy, PO Box 55, La Plume, PA 18440** More information can be found at www.countrysideconservancy.org

- Raffle

- Tickets are now on sale for the **SCTU-WVFT Rod Raffle**: Only 100 tickets will be sold!
 - Prizes
 - 1st Orvis Helios 9', 4 weight, 4 piece
 - 2nd Sage VT2 486, 4 piece
 - 3rd 50 Gift Certificate-AA Outfitters
 - Donation \$10 per ticket
 - Drawing Date: December 21, 2010 at the WVFT meeting 7:30pm at VFW Anthracite Post 283, 757 Wyoming Ave. in Kingston