PA Fly Fishing Heritage Day - June 20th - Allenberry Resort

PFFMA is excited to announce the 7th Annual Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Heritage Day to be held on Saturday, June 20th at the Allenberry Resort Inn & Playhouse at the Picnic Pavilion and The Meadow on the Yellow Breeches Creek in Boiling Springs, PA - rain or shine, 8:30am – 4pm. Heritage Day will include a gathering of fly fishing enthusiasts of all ages, interests, and skill levels to celebrate Pennsylvania’s Fly Fishing Heritage.

There will be presentations and demonstrations by regional and nationally known experts on various fly fishing subjects. In addition, attendees will learn about fly fishing from exhibitors, vendors, fly tiers, bamboo rod makers and other artisans. And there will also be great raffles! Pre-register for a $12 admission fee which includes the price of the buffet picnic lunch. Registration (without lunch) the day of the event is $7.

Attention All Young Fly Anglers: Admission is FREE for anyone 15 years old or younger! You can pre-register for lunch for $6. Plus, as an added bonus, there is a Free Youth Drawing with great prizes.

Below are some of the activities currently scheduled:

- Fly Casting – Improve your casting skills or try casting for the first time with noted fly casting instructors from 9am to 4pm! Frank Angelo, Bobby Clouser, Ed Jaworowski, Scott Loughner, Dave Rothrock, Emily Zeiders.
- Fly Tying Demonstrations – Watch notable fly tiers demonstrate their favorite patterns. Ed Shenk, Tom Baltz, and others.
- Aquatic Insects – Stream-side sessions on aquatic insect identification presented by Greg Hoover, specifically tailored for anglers.
- Casting Cane – Meet cane rod builders and try casting various split cane rods.
- Women’s Fly Fishing Network Session
- Presentations
- Hatches, Patterns and Techniques for Limestone Streams by Mike Heck
- The Fly Fisher’s Wonderful World of Trout by Dave Rothrock
- Fly Fishing in the 1770s by Ken Reinard, the Colonial Angler
- The ever-popular Fish Swim Race is held again this year. Purchase your Rubber Fish as a fundraiser for the PFFMA and cheer your entry along the Yellow Breeches Creek!
- Plus Many Wonderful Fly Fishing Vendors and Exhibitors!

Check our website for more information and to register.

5TH Annual Fish Swim Race – You may have heard of Rubber Ducky Races. Well, we of course, use rubber Fish…bold, tropical little things that hit the Yellow Breeches and race to the finish line for the $500 cash prize. This annual event has created much interest, especially for the youth. Each Fish entered in the race has an owner and a number to identify it. So come out and purchase your Fish and join the crowd who gather for the race event! Buy purchasing Fish swim Tickets you can support the PFFMA fund-raising program and be a part of our Heritage Day event, even if you are not present. We will be glad to mail you the $500 winners check. Simply mail in the pre-registration form with your donation of $10 per fish for the number of fish that you would like to enter in the race. And, you can also purchase your tickets ahead of time and avoid the crowd at the events table.

ATTENTION Mark your calendars: October 10, 2009

11th Annual PFFMA Fundraising Dinner & Auction
Allenberry Resort Inn & Playhouse
Boiling Springs

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM:
All members will receive a membership card, the Museum’s newsletter, and special mailings.

Friend $25
Contributor $50
Sponsor $75
Patron $100
Sustainer $125
Benefactor $250

Make Checks Payable to and Mail to:
PFFMA
P. O. Box 541
Enola, PA 17025

The official registration and financial information of the Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum Association may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within PA, 1-(800)732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

Congratulations to Bob Clouser, Sr., PFFMA honorary board member on his fly, the Clouser Deep Minnow being named #1 in Field & Streams, fishing field editor, John Merwin’s greatest flies of all time.
The Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum Association

Tackle Makers and Retailers of Philadelphia Beginning in the 18th Century

Toolmaker Otto Henze left Ocean City and founded the Penn Fishing Tackle Mfg. Co. in 1932. Mr Hunt, a Penn supervisor, left and joined A. H. Fox Gun Company of Philadelphia during their brief period of producing a line of fishing reels. Penn Reels, acquired by Shakespeare Tackle Company in 2007, is the only fishing tackle manufacturer in Philadelphia today. Penn continues to produce a wide variety of fishing tackle, but ceased marketing fly rods and reels in 2004.

Before the Civil War, only a few businesses regularly supplied fishing tackle. Starting in 1835, John Kriders shop, and later his Sportmens Depot, was a favorite stop for the kings and royalty of the world. This continued through to the 20th century. From the 1880's to the 1930's, a large number of businesses sold fishing tackle, some lasting only a few years; now, only surviving advertisements, catalogs, or letterheads provide evidence of their existence. Others continued into the 1950's and 1960's, finally merging and then fading.

This exhibit offers a rare opportunity to see the progression of America's tackle industry, which started in Philadelphia, and a chance to view not only unique fly rods such as those from Thaddeus Norris and John Kriders, but also rare advertising and documents from many 19th century establishments. A tour of this exhibit will add to your personal flyfishing experience and enhance appreciation of the beauty of the equipment that we use to pursue this art.

Bibliography


Jerry Girard, PFFMA Director

The Fly Fisher’s Club of Harrisburg, Order of the Hat Award

Since 1953, the Fly Fisher's Club of Harrisburg has recognized many men with the Order of the Hat. Some of these men made their mark on our sport as prolific writers, phenomenal anglers, artistic fly tiers and pattern innovators or educators of angling with a fly. The accomplishments of these previous hat honorees would not have been possible were it not for men who have fought for our natural resources; men who had the same attributes as the 2009 recipient.

Fred Bohls, PFFMA Treasurer, received the 2009 Order of the Hat, at the Fly Fisher’s Club of Harrisburg 61st Annual Banquet April 4, 2009. Fred spends a considerable amount of time working behind the scenes to protect the cold water resources we all hold dear. He has done this through hard work and tenacity while fostering an atmosphere of diplomacy and communication between the angling public, state, local agencies, corporations, and other public and private interests. He is a fixture at Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission public meetings and is persistent in fighting for what is right for the sport of fly-fishing and the environment.

In 1994 Fred was influential in forming the Coalition of Concerned Anglers of Pennsylvania. This organization has given all anglers of Pennsylvania a voice to be heard and has opened the door for communication between the angling community and the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission. Fred has served as president of this organization and continues to be active in the organization. He was also a key figure in establishing the Pennsylvania Fly-Fishing Museum and is on its board of directors.

Possibly the greatest influence Fred has had on fly-fishing has been through his work with Trout Unlimited. He has served as his chapter president, environmental chairman, and on the Pennsylvania State Council of Trout Unlimited. Through his local TU council he has worked tirelessly to protect his local streams from the degradation of encroaching development. Without his work the world famous Letort may have been lost when Home Depot and Wal-Mart expanded their operations to Carlisle. With Fred’s guidance the best possible environmental protections were included.

The still fledgling organization needs members, volunteers, and donations to continue its work. For more information: http://www.paflyfishing.org/.

Ed Jaworowski, PFFMA Director

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Number of Attendees: $12 each x _____ = $_____ (Free admission for 15 year olds and younger)
Number of youth Lunches: $6 each x _____ = $_____
Fish Swim Raffle Tickets: $10 each x _____ = $_____

Make Checks Payable to and Mail to: PFFMA, 1240 North Mountain Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112

Confirmation will be by email only or call 717-599-8645
Fish Swim Raffle Tickets will be mailed to you.

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