



PFFMA Newsletter

The 55th issue email newsletter for the Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum Association

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FINAL NOTICE

2025 PFFMA Banquet & Museum Open House

1st Lifetime Achievement Award - Joe Humphreys

First Weekend in November Fundraising Banquet and Open House

We will kick off the weekend with our annual fundraising banquet on Saturday, November 1st. Joe Humphreys will be receiving the PFFMA first lifetime achievement award. This will be a special event and we hope everyone will consider joining us.

Registration and more details are below and also available thru our website, paflyfishing.org.

Banquet Date: Saturday, November 1, 2025

Location: West Pennsboro Volunteer Fire Company, 20 Park Road,
Plainfield, PA 17081

Event Time: 4:30 - 9:00 pm

Click on Registration Button below to Register

***(ONLY 10 seats remain - Register Today).
Registration closes October 24th or when we sell out.***

If purchasing more than one banquet ticket - a PFFMA volunteer will contact you to acquire the names of the additional registrants.

Banquet Registration

Museum Open House, Sunday, November 2nd

The PA Fly Fishing Museum is happy to announce we have been working on a few new displays. Everyone is invited to the Pa Fly Fishing Museums **Open House on Sunday November 2nd starting at 11:00 am.** We will be unveiling the new Pa Bamboo and Wood Rod Makers Display. The display will have thirty-six bamboo and wood rods dating almost as far back as the Civil war, to the present time. This display will also have several rods built by Vincent C. Marinaro from Mechanicsburg, PA.

We also will be **unveiling our fishing vest display. All of the vests were manufactured in PA**, including vests made by the former C.H. Masland Company in Carlisle, PA. The vests range in age from the 1940's to the 1970's. Thanks to Ken Okorn for his help with this display.

There will be a short presentation, time to cast a few rods on the grass outside museum, and to meet some of the rod makers and donors that helped make these displays possible. Light refreshments will be served. We hope you will be able to join us at this free event.

No RSVP required.

Update: PA Rod Builders Display

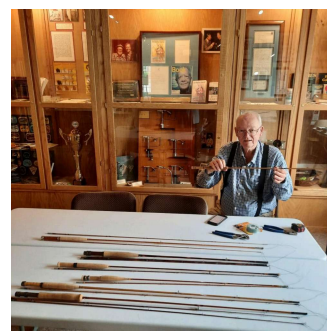
The PA Fly Fishing Museum would like to thank the following individuals for all of their work in building this beautiful display:

Don Albright

Tom Smithwick

Ed Bosley

Bill Skilton



PFFMA Newsletter Readers,

If you have any content contributions or book recommendations (for future 'Streamside Tippets' feature), I will enjoy hearing from you.

The museum is also looking to **expand our reach throughout Pennsylvania** - if you have a group interested in staying in touch with the museum contact me at mcsmoy@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your support - happy reading.

Best regards,

[Mike Smoyer](#), PFFMA Board Member

About the Museum:

*The **Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum Association** promotes and preserves the history and heritage of fly fishing in Pennsylvania. It is a federally recognized non-profit and all-volunteer organization.*

The Association is dedicated to preserving the rich heritage of fly fishing in all of Pennsylvania and to educating the public about the rivers, streams, and lakes of Pennsylvania and the importance of the aquatic life within them. PFFMA meets its goals through collecting, preserving, and curating fly fishing artifacts and developing educational exhibits.

*You can **help the museum by sharing this monthly newsletter with your fly fishing network** and have them sign up to receive museum updates.*

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Become a PFFMA Member

By becoming a member and supporting the museum association, you will be providing valuable assistance in us reaching our goals by:

- Significantly expanding the displays throughout the Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum,
- Funding research for exhibits, oral histories and video projects, building a research library to discover and document more of the Pennsylvania fly fishing influence and history,
- Providing environmental exhibits and programs that educate the public about the significance of the health of Pennsylvania rivers, streams, and lakes
- And much much more.

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