



STREAMLINES



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December Program

PVFF Travelogue by Jon Thames

The travelogue is one of my favorite annual programs because it shows just how diverse and involved our membership is in fly fishing. Please join me at the December 11th meeting to hear and see what the members have been doing this past year in the pursuit of fly fishing and our natural waters. The evening program will include presentations by:

- Tim Gibian** – fishing the North Platte River, Wyoming
- Don Fine** – fishing the North Branch of the Potomac
- Heather Montgomery and Devin Angleberger** will each present on “my first year with the club”
- Dan Neuland** – fall steelhead fishing in New York
- Chuck Dinkel** – travels in Arkansas

Fly Tying Roundtable by Don Fine

The December Fly Tying Roundtable will be led by Jeff Brubaker. Jeff will lead the tying of his version of the Hornberg, a streamer pattern known to be effective throughout the USA.

Tyers scheduled for **2013** include:

- January** - Dale Reed – pattern TBA*
 - February** - Tommy Marks – warm water pattern
 - March** - James Harris – articulated bass fly
 - April** - Andy Simmons - prince nymph
 - May** – Tom Scally – TBA*
 - June** – Devin Angleberger – TBA*
- * *Pattern or tyer to be announced*

Our monthly turnout and interest in learning fly tying continues to grow at the monthly PVFF Roundtable.

As in past months, the roundtable starts promptly at 6:30 p.m. at Hobbytown, 919 East Street in Frederick. We welcome new tyers to the PVFF Roundtable, as well as those who just want to observe and learn. New tyers: if you need equipment to get started tying, PVFF can loan you a set of tying tools. Call Don at 301-371-5617.

<u>MONTHLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u>	
Dec 11 th	PVFF monthly meeting Tuscarora High School, Frederick 7:00 PM
Dec 19 th	Fly Tyers Roundtable Hobbytown USA 919 East Street Frederick, MD 6:30 PM

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Announcements :

(Editorial note: In the best interest of our membership, the Announcements Section of the monthly Streamlines, rather than email, is the primary vehicle for dissemination of information for club-sponsored activities as well as activities promoted by "outside" not-for-profit organizations. Those wishing to use Streamlines to announce an activity will need to provide a brief description of the activity, dates of the activity and contact information to the editor one week prior to the monthly Streamlines publication date, i.e. the last day of the month. Announcements will be edited to fit the Streamlines format.

PVFF Membership & Dues

by Ruby Fine

Just a reminder that 2013 dues are to be paid by the end of 2012. At the December meeting there will be a drawing for a one year free PVFF membership for those who have already paid their 2013 membership before or at the December 11th meeting. Maybe you'll be the lucky one to get another year's dues paid for free.

Advanced Fly Tying Roundtable by Don Fine

Notice: A one-day fly tying roundtable for advanced fly tyers is tentatively scheduled for January 5th to be held at the Beaver Creek Fly Shop. Details of the event will be distributed to the club membership by mid-December.

Conservation Corner/Plastic by John Brognard

Plastic was a wonderful invention that is used in almost everything we touch each day. We drink our water out of plastic containers, and we use plastic to carry our groceries and most items that we purchase home. Plastic is in our cars, computers, appliances, clothing and building construction. I'm sure you can add many examples to this list.

The problem is that plastic is NOT biodegradable and we are now seeing the effects of our many years of using plastics in our daily lives. The problem is that, we (humans) are not very good at disposing of plastic after it has served its designated purposes.

In previous articles I have expressed concern about the massive floating islands of plastic found in both the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans and about the deterioration of plastic into small particles that small fish eat, which are eaten by bigger fish and even bigger fish, that we humans eat. This problem is of serious concern for those that consume fish on a regular bases.

Now the problem hits even closer to home. "The Great Lakes are swimming with tiny specks of floating plastic, posing threats to both wildlife and human health." Please take the time to read the article in Discovery

News (<http://news.discovery.com/earth/great-lakes-plastic-bits-121128.html#mkcpgn=emnws1>).

We “mankind” can no longer ignore problems like global climate change, pollution of our fresh water and plastic in our food. Please take the time to express your concerns to our representatives. Tell them that we ARE concerned and we expect them to step forward to make changes here (in our nation) and to influence change elsewhere on our planet. And please, the next time you are out on the stream, or in the woods, if you see plastic, pick it up and put it in your home recycling container.

"BIG HUNTING CREEK RAINBOW"
Limited edition print by Dan Neuland.



Dan Neuland has donated the above painting to PVFF for PVFF to print the original as a 100 print-limited edition. Dan will sign and number the print that you purchase and PVFF will receive all the profits from the sale of the print with money going to conservation efforts of the club.

Jon Thames will have prints to view and purchase at the December 11th meeting and

available until the edition sells out. Because it is Dan's first print, it will truly be an art collector and flyfisher's treasurer. The image size will be 11"x14" with a cost of just \$30.00.

Consider this as a great holiday gift to someone you fish with, or for yourself because you deserve it. Any questions or to order a print contact Jon Thames or attend any regular meeting to pick up your signed copy. Jon Thames can be contacted at: 301-788-2482 or email blkpoole@aol.com

PVFF OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2012

President	Lou Stohlman
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Secretary	Karen Baker
Treasurer	Larry Forte
3yr Director	Bill Kelly
2yr Director	Don Fine
1yr Director	Jeff Brubaker
Past President	John Brognard

Did You Know by Don Fine

For the past several months leading up to the Presidential election all we heard was what each candidate would do to improve the U.S. economy. Whether any of our elected representatives do anything positive remains to be seen.

However, did you know what hunting and fishing (conversely hunters and fishers) does in terms of supporting the U.S. economy?

The following facts were put forth in an article (by Cole Henry, Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation) in the November 2012 issue of Wyoming Wildlife.

“Expenditures by hunters and anglers on licenses, excise taxes on equipment, the tax from small engine fuel, and membership dues for conservation organizations contributed \$3 billion toward on-the-ground conservation and restoration efforts in 2011—that's over \$95 every second. This does not include their own (*the sportsman*)

habitat acquisition and restoration work for lands managed for the purpose of hunting and fishing which would add another \$11 billion to the mix.”

PVFF Steelhead Outing (November 16-19th)

(text and photos by Dan Neuland)

The fall PVFF trip to New York State began with a day (Friday) at Oak Orchard Creek in Albion, NY. Many fish were hooked with several landed. Oak Orchard Creek is having an incredible year with good numbers of fish.



Heather Montgomery with her first Oak Orchard Brown Trout

On the following days (Saturday/Sunday) the PVFF crew fished Cattaraugus (Catt) Creek in Springville, NY. The fishing was uncharacteristically slow for the excellent water levels on the Catt for this time of year, but a few steelhead were landed. Ken Johnson took a beautiful chrome hen with his spey rod, his first on the Catt. Long hours of fishing did not guarantee hook-ups as the numbers of steelhead appeared to be low. The weather was warm in the afternoon and cold at night. However, lots of camaraderie and great friendships make it all worthwhile!



Ken Johnson and his chrome Steelhead



Devin Angleberger and Dan Neuland on Oak Orchard.

Last Cast by Lou Stohlman

This is my last “Last Cast” submission. Starting in January our next president will take over. Thank you to everyone who helped and supported me over the last two years. Working with the club membership and the Board has been rewarding. I am also looking forward to filling the position of past president through 2013. I know the club has a good year planned for 2013. Jon Thames has booked speakers for our membership meetings for the first half of the year. Regarding club outings in 2013,

we will introduce a new June program; a club outing combined with a cookout. It should be lots of fun. The club used to do some sort of outing for the June meetings and, as I recall, those outings were well attended. In addition, we will have the usual outings and hopefully add one or two new ones. For example, I will be coordinating another pickerel trip in late winter/ early spring. Stay tuned for more information on all the outings.

It is hard to believe it but Christmas is almost here. I hope everyone has some fly fishing gear on their Christmas list. I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, happy holidays and a safe and peaceful New Year.

Here's hoping you find the fish of your dreams at the end of your line on your first cast.

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**POTOMAC VALLEY FLY FISHERS
MEMBERSHIP and RENEWAL APPLICATION**

The purpose of the Potomac Valley Fly Fishers is (1) to promote fly fishing as the most sportsman-like and enjoyable way of fishing and the most consistent with the preservation and wise use of our resources; (2) to provide advice, suggestions and assistance to club members; (3) to publicize the best practices and techniques of fly fishing, fly tying, fly casting and other related subjects; and (4) to maintain liaison with other organizations of sportsmen and conservationists.

The undersigned being in agreement with the above purpose does hereby apply for membership/renewal in the Potomac Valley Fly Fishers.

Applicant's Name: _____ Date: _____
(Last) (First)

If family membership, other names: _____

Home Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (ZIP)

Home phone: _____ Business phone: _____

E-mail address (for e-mailing newsletter) _____

Applicant's signature: _____

Are you a member of the Federation of Fly Fishers? Yes No **Membership Dues:** \$12.00 single or \$17.00 family

How did you hear about PVFF? Outdoor Show Website Friend Newspaper Other

Please make check payable to Potomac Valley Fly Fishers or PVFF and mail with completed form to:

**Ruby Fine, PVFF Membership
8712 Baltimore National Pike
Middletown, Maryland 21769-9401**

Dues for calendar year Jan 1-Dec 31, 2013
Check # _____ Dated _____ Cash _____
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