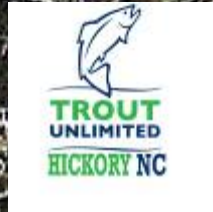


# Hickory NC Trout Unlimited



## April 2017 Newsletter

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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

To Hickory TU Members...I was reminded at our last chapter meeting how fortunate we are to be fly fishermen in North Carolina. We have 4,000 miles of water capable of supporting trout; 2,000 miles of water managed by NC Wildlife with 1,000 miles of stocked trout and 1,000 miles of wild trout. This is a strong message for TU to be active in conserving, protecting and restoring our stream system now and in the future. There is no guarantee that these waters will be available if we sit around and think someone else will take care of them. Public lands are under attack and we need to be very aware of what is happening around us.

On another note... have you ever wondered what happened to those trout that were stocked yesterday and now they are gone. Chris Wood, state biologist, said they have studied stocked trout with transmitters for a number of years and find they can move up to 8-10 miles over a short period of time to find conditions that fit their survival needs. So maybe your favorite hole is just too busy for their liking and they move on.

We need volunteers to help with Kid's Fly Fishing Day on June 3rd... if you can help please let us know if not bring your child or grandchild for a fun day.

Mark your calendars now for Monday, October 23rd, when we will have our annual fund raiser at the Salt Block. We will be showing the Fly Fishing Film Tour (F3T) film in the Drendel Auditorium with a VIP reception in the Art Museum and an outstanding silent auction. More information will be coming regarding tickets.

Thanks for being a Hickory TU member... Fish Tales... Gary Hogue

### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Where to find trout:

*ROCKS rock!  
WOOD is good!  
Made in the SHADE  
Home is where the FOAM is!*

### APRIL MEETING

**When:** Tuesday, April 18

**Where:** Elks Lodge in Downtown Hickory  
356 Main Avenue NW

**Speaker:** Kurt Steinbaugh

#### Program:

6:00 – 6:15 Meet and Greet/ Raffle Ticket Sales

6:15 - 6:30 Brief Announcements

6:30 - 7:45 The Art and Science of Fly Fishing

7:45 - 8:00 Raffle/Door Prizes... Conclusion

The Art and Science of Fly Fishing is a multi-disciplinary class where students examine Fly Fishing from a number of different disciplines and perspectives. The Art of Fly Fishing is the actual art of fishing the river which has been expressed in literature and the visual arts. The Science of Fly Fishing is the fish and stream biology and ecology of river systems. These systems are delicate and at risk.

Students who complete the class will be able to articulate the life-cycles of key insects, stream ecology concepts, and habitat needs of trout. Students will have the skills to catch trout on a fly rod, explain the ecological concepts that affect fish. Students will also be able to identify threats and improvements to our local streams and watersheds.

At each monthly meeting this year we will be giving away a Chapter T-shirt. A random member's name will be drawn and listed in the monthly newsletter. To win the shirt you must be present at the meeting. April's winner is **Ray Plymette**. Congratulations, I hope we'll see you at the meeting to receive your prize.

### FUTURE MEETINGS

April 18-Art and Science of Fly Fishing Kurt Steinbaugh,  
Appalachian State University

May 16-Kayak Fishing, Eric Boyd with Jackson Kayak  
Fishing Team

## 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL WILSON CREEK KID'S DAY

The first, of what we hope to become an annual event, Wilson Creek Kid's Day will be held on Saturday June 3. The program was planned to coincide with the first day of Hatchery Supported trout fishing on the Delayed Harvest section of the stream. That first day, only children under the age of 16 are allowed to fish before noon.

The program will begin at 11:00 AM and continue until 3:00 PM. It will include a light lunch, casting demonstrations and bugs in the stream. There will also be fly tying and knot tying demonstrations. We have volunteers for all but the knot tying demonstration and could use your help. Only a couple knots like the clinch and surgeon knots need to be shown. Please contact Zan Thompson at [HkyNCTUveep@gmail.com](mailto:HkyNCTUveep@gmail.com).

Plan to bring along your kids, grandkids, neighbor's kids, or any one you think would enjoy it. We will also need some general help with meals clean up, etc. so please chip in when you get to the event.

## 2017 FLY FISHING FILM TOUR

Plans are being developed to host the annual Fly Fishing Film Tour (F3T) at our annual fund raiser this fall. The program will be held at the SALT Block in Hickory on Monday, October 23. The program will begin with refreshments in the Art Museum and then move to the auditorium for the movie. Watch future newsletters for the details.



### HICKORY NC TU LOGO GEAR

The Hickory Chapter now has an account at **Lands' End** for clothing and other items with our logo. There are frequent discounts available you can sign up for by going to <https://business.landsend.com/> and signing up. To access the account go to:

<https://business.landsend.com/store/hkynctu/>

## WILSON CREEK DELAYED HARVEST

Wilson Creek is the adopted stream of the Hickory NC TU Chapter. That's not just because it's the closest delayed harvest stream for us, but also because it is one of the most beautiful stretches of trout stream in North Carolina. It was declared a Wild and Scenic River by an announcement in the February 29, 2000 Congressional Record and all of us who have been there understand the beauty of the river.

Mr. SHERWOOD. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1749) to designate **Wilson Creek** in **Avery and Caldwell Counties**, North Carolina, as a component of the **National Wild and Scenic Rivers System**, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1749

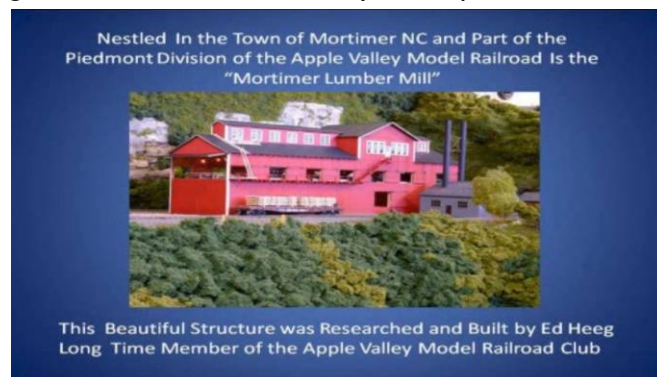
*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

However, Wilson Creek has not always been the beautiful river we visit today. In the 1800s, clear-cut logging operations by the Ritter Lumber Company



devasted most of the area. By the early 1900s, the Ritter Lumber Company and a small cotton mill supported a population of 800

people in the town of Mortimer near where Betsey's general store is located today. The photo below is a



model of the old sawmill that was built by the Apple Valley Railroad Club. The model is built to authentic detail and you can view the construction at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zEPdizZIBPE>.

The lumber company had its own narrow gauge railroad that ran from the sawmill to near the town of Edgemont. Much of the roadbed has disappeared, I



presume replaced by the present-day road. You can still see several concrete abutments along the river like the one shown here just below Betsey's Store.

Just below the high bridge (along the right side of the

river when looking upstream) you can follow the old railroad berm. The Carolina & Northwestern Railway ran from Lenoir to Collettsville and was extended to Mortimer in 1905 and to Edgemont in 1907. The



picture to the left is the old station in Edgemont as it still stands today.

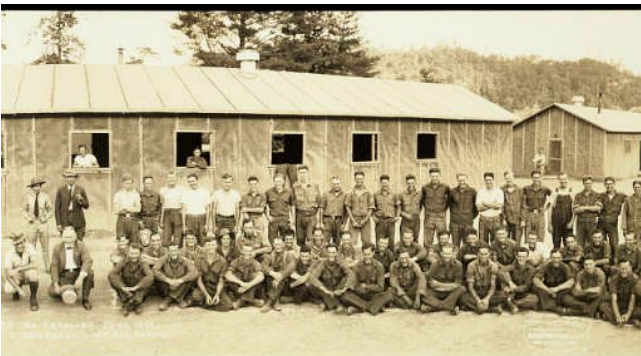
Then in 1916 there was a major forest fire that burned from Grandfather Mountain down to Wilson Creek and not long after a torrential rain. Without the vegetation to slow it, the runoff caused a tremendous flood that wiped out the saw mill and the town of Mortimer.

After a year, the saw mill was rebuilt and a new cotton mill was built. Mortimer again grew to be a large town to support the two mills. This photograph



shows Mortimer in 1929. It's difficult to tell for sure, but where the railroad bridge crosses the river appears to be where the middle bridge is today.

With the Depression of 1929 came the Civilian Conservation Corps. As a trout fisherman growing up in Michigan I felt this was one of the greatest programs the government ever produced and wish they would consider it again today. Like the Wilson Creek area,



the rivers I fished in Michigan were in clear-cut logging

areas. The CCC was managed by the Army and their primary goal was reforestation and soil stabilization. They were dubbed the name "Roosevelt's Tree Army".



But they did many other projects. In Michigan the streams had been ruined by the deforestation and soil run off. The

CCC built wing dams all along the river to create pools for the trout. When I fished there in the 50s

and 60s these were still in place with great pools behind them. The CCC camp in Mortimer was established in 1933. In addition to planting trees,



part of their effort was the beginnings of the Blue Ridge Parkway. The CCC continued until WWII efforts needed the men for the military and the factories.

In 1940 a 20" rainfall brought a flood to Wilson Creek. Imagine the water level at Mortimer being 94'

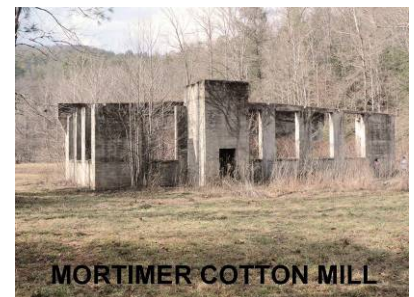


**Betsey's Ole Country Store**

above flood stage! The flood destroyed the town of Mortimer along with the sawmill and cotton mill and several

people lost their lives. The mills were never rebuilt and the town died.

The only thing remaining today in Mortimer are one of the CCC buildings, Betsey's Ole Country Store, and foundations from the cotton mill.



**MORTIMER COTTON MILL**

But that history is what allowed us what we have today. The CCC helped to reforest the land to create the beauty that we see and to get it named as a wild and scenic river and the ability of the stream to support trout. That led in about 2008 to the designation of the upper stretch to become the

Delayed Harvest fishery that we enjoy today and has made it one of the most popular trout streams in North Carolina. Treasure it and help to assure its future.

For additional reading on the history of Mortimer and Edgemont check out the following:

[https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/nc/ne/wsroom/features/?cid=nrcls142p2\\_046741](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/nc/ne/wsroom/features/?cid=nrcls142p2_046741)

<http://www.newsobserver.com/living/liv-columns-blogs/past-times/article10326905.html>

<http://www.appalachianhistory.net/2015/05/north-carolina-ghost-town.html>

<http://web.utk.edu/~jeparks/history.htm>

<http://www.mtnlaurel.com/backroads/379-mortimer-and-edgemont-north-carolina-backroads-tour.html>

<http://touringbackroads.com/journal/wilson-creek-tour>

## ***Standing in the River Carrying a Torch*** / BY LOUIS CAHILL



Photo by Louis Cahill

### ***A different kind of love story.***

Men and fish parted ways a long time ago. You couldn't call it an amiable divorce. The fish got everything. The mountain streams, the lazy winding rivers, the deep blue sea, everything. Men had to pack their bags and crawl, with their heads hanging, out onto the land and they were not happy about it. They learned to breathe air and walk on two legs but they never stopped dreaming of swimming in the dark oceans, nor of the long and lovely fish that had sent them packing. They thought about fish all the time. They made their homes near the water and lurked around the shore, peering into the depths. Men wondered if the fish ever thought about them. Probably not. They saw fish from time to time, sliding gracefully through a pool or leaping a waterfall. They seemed happy. They seemed to have moved on, forgotten about men altogether. Men knew they should be happy for the fish, but they weren't. They

were bitter and moody and often cried at night. Men invented alcohol and that helped. It didn't take their mind off of fish but liquor is a good listener and it doesn't judge or mind if you cry.

"Who needs fish, the heck with 'em", men decided. They turned their back on the water and went to the woods and found animals and for a while it took their mind off of things. They stalked and chased and laid in wait and for a while the pretty little deer were fun, but in time those big black eyes just seemed empty. Men had nothing to talk to deer about. Try to explain to deer about the ocean, about gliding through the waves, your body taut and glistening, one with the current. Deer don't understand what it feels like to rocket up from the depths and break the surface, breaching in defiance of all things that would have you, only to disappear back into the depths. Deer don't know anything. Eventually these encounters became bitter and joyless. There was no more stalking and chasing, no more lying in wait, just that vapid look in the headlights and the thud, thud under the wheels. Again, men found themselves staring at the water.

Men decided that if they couldn't swim, they would fly! "Let's see fish do that" they thought. They made airplanes and took to the sky. They soared and swooped. They glided through the clouds but when they looked down, there was always water. They built better planes. Planes that would take them higher and farther, high enough that they didn't have to see the water anymore. Men flew to the moon. They played golf there and drove dune buggies and it was fun, but when they got back someone noticed that all the photos they had taken were of the Earth. There it was in every photo. That beautiful blue ball with those deep



seductive oceans. Men went back to the moon a few times but got bored with it and stopped going. Golf just wasn't man's game.

It was no secret to anyone what was going on. Even the deer could see it. Men would mope around all week, hardly talking to anyone but liquor. Faces long and attitudes surly. When the weekend finally rolled around it was the same old story. There they were, standing in the river like fools, cold, socks soaked through, trying just to catch a glimpse of fish. Hoping,

maybe this time fish would be feeling nostalgic and maybe be thinking of men. They had good times too, right? Men weren't all bad. Maybe this time fish would let men stay. Maybe for the night or even just for a drink. That would be a start, but it never happened. Sometimes fish were there but they were never happy to see men and didn't hang around. They didn't even say hello. Their eyes were cold and they didn't smile. Men would go home, their socks wet, and look at their old photos of the ocean and cry to their liquor.

Men will always love fish and to love must be its own reward. That's just the way it is and that's the way it will stay. Love is love. It can't be reasoned with or controlled. It doesn't make bargains. It doesn't apologize. It is as unyielding as the river and as moody as the sea. Fish will know what it is to swim and men will know what it is to want. That's just the way of things. Men are coveters, full of wishes and regret. Dreaming of how things were or should be. Fish are beauty and grace, power and speed. They are both Eve and Eden. They live in the home of our unrequited love. For love is a river and fish are the current. Men only stand in the river and dream.

Louis Cahill

### **Gink & Gasoline**

**Afternote:** When I read the article *Standing in the River Carrying a Torch* in the weekly Gink & Gasoline newsletter I had not planned to include it the monthly newsletter. It did touch a note with me and I shared it with a few friends who I knew would understand the feeling. But in the next couple days I read an article that said a school district had solved their ADHD issues by having three outdoor recesses a day. Right after that I received the following two book reviews from Holly Cole that identify the need we have to connect with nature. It seemed that I was being sent a message that this needed to be shared. We all love fly fishing and perhaps that is because of our inner need to connect with the fish, the water, and the rest of nature. Get out there and replenish your soul.

### **BOOK CORNER**

Attention ALL TU members- if you have read and want to recommend a book about fly fishing, nature, conservation, etc. please send your review to Chick Woodward at [hkynctu@gmail.com](mailto:hkynctu@gmail.com) and we will include it in the newsletter.

### **Blue Mind: The Surprising Science That Shows How Being Near, In, On, or Under Water Can Make You Happier, Healthier, More Connected, and Better at What You Do**

by [Wallace J. Nichols](#)

A landmark book by marine biologist Wallace J. Nichols on the remarkable effects of water on our health and well-being. Why are we drawn to the ocean each summer? Why does being near water set our minds and bodies at ease? In BLUE MIND, Wallace J. Nichols revolutionizes how we think about these questions, revealing the remarkable truth about the benefits of being in, on, under, or simply near water. Combining cutting-edge neuroscience with compelling personal stories from top athletes, leading scientists, military veterans, and gifted artists, he shows how proximity to water can improve performance, increase calm, diminish anxiety, and increase professional success.

"Blue Mind" is a fascinating study of the emotional, behavioral, psychological and physical connections that keep humans so enchanted with water. Nichols examines seas and oceans, lakes and rivers, even swimming pools and the contents of our bathtubs in a study that is both highly readable and rooted in real research. Nichols draws on science and art, hard data and anecdote, and plenty of experience, to explain our blue mind in detail.

--Washington Post Book review by Nicola Joyce

### **The Nature Fix: Why Nature Makes us Happier, Healthier, and More Creative**

by Florence Williams

For centuries, poets and philosophers extolled the benefits of a walk in the woods: Beethoven drew inspiration from rocks and trees; Wordsworth composed while tromping over the heath; and Nikola Tesla conceived the electric motor while visiting a park. Intrigued by our storied renewal in the natural world, Florence Williams set out to uncover the science behind nature's positive effects on the brain. In this informative and entertaining account, Williams investigates cutting-edge research as she travels to fragrant cypress forests in Korea to meet the rangers who administer "forest healing programs," to the green hills of Scotland and its "ecotherapeutic" approach to caring for the mentally ill, to a river trip in Idaho with Iraqi vets suffering from PTSD, to the West Virginia mountains where she discovers how being outside helps children with ADHD. The Nature Fix demonstrates that our connection to nature is much

more important to our cognition than we think and that even small amounts of exposure to the living world can improve our creativity and enhance our mood. In prose that is incisive, witty, and urgent, Williams shows how time in nature is not a luxury but is in fact essential to our humanity.

## WILSON CREEK STOCKING

On April 4 the second stocking of the spring season will take place at Wilson Creek. The stocking will include:

Brookies	1880
Rainbows	1880
Browns	940

If you'd like to help out or just learn more about the stocking program, meet at the handicap lot about 10 AM.

## TU WOMEN'S INITIATIVE

**Fly Fishing Orvis 201** (They also have a 101 class that I did not include)

The 201 school is also collaboration between DRO and Orvis. Once you have completed the 101 class or have a little bit of experience, join us for a 201 outing. This three hour long class is designed to build on your casting skills, teach you the basics of fly selection and knot tying, and then get you out on the water for an hour of fishing with some of our guides. This class is designed to deepen your fundamental skills in fly fishing. This class has a \$30 fee and is open to anyone age 10 and older. Participants under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Each participant will receive a coupon for 15% off of any purchase which can be applied to your new fishing gear. Class size is limited to 12 participants call toll free 888-861-0111 or email [info@dauidsonflyfishing.com](mailto:info@dauidsonflyfishing.com) to reserve your spot in the next class.

2017 DATES, All 201 classes are from 1pm-4pm

March 26; April 22; May 7; May 28; June 11; June 25; July 8; July 23; August 20; September 10;

**The Pisgah National Forrest Education Center** is located about an hour SW of Asheville. They offer several classes on fly tying, fly fishing, and Tenkara. Most of these classes are free. Visit the following web site for details. If you would like to attend please make your own arrangements

<http://www.ncwildlife.org/Learning/Education-Centers/Pisgah/Event-Registration>

## TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM

The River Bend Middle School Trout In The Classroom program (TIC) ended as a successful release of 72 young rainbow trout to the Jacob Fork River at South Mountains State Park on Friday, March



31. The program began last fall with the installation of equipment, provided by a grant from the Granite Falls Brewery, at the school science

lab under the direction of Principal Chip Cathey and science teacher Stoney Turner at the school. Stoney's

class was tasked with the assignment of feeding the fish and maintaining the tank and students jumped at the opportunity. The water to fill the



tank was obtained from South Mountains State Park and the eggs came from the NC Wildlife Resources Commission. There were frequent reports in the newsletter that described the progress and the program ended with 72 healthy young trout. If you missed them you can see the past newsletters on our website at [www.hkynctu.org](http://www.hkynctu.org).

The students arrived in the parking lot next to the Jacob Fork River at about 10:00 AM. There they were met by a ranger who welcomed them and told them a bit about the state park program and what it



was like to be a ranger. From there everyone headed over the the bank of the Jacob Fork. All of the students then took turns releasing a few trout from a cup into the Jacob Fork. Most of the trout seemed to retain their native instinct and headed straight to the cover of the overhanging bank, but a few felt the



obligation to stop and pose for the camera for the people who had cared for them the last six months.

After the release the students had lunch in the



picnic shelter and headed back to school. Before leaving, Mr. Turner commented that this had been one of the most successful programs he ever had in his classroom. He said never before had he presented something that the entire class was so interested in.



The Hickory NC Chapter of Trout Unlimited would like to thank Granite Falls Brewery for sponsoring our first program this year, Principal Cathey and Mr. Turner for the effort they put in, and especially the students who assisted Mr. Turner to make this program a huge success. The school has already volunteered to do another program next year and several other schools have asked to be included in the program. If you care to make a donation toward equipment for setting up the other schools, please contact us at [HkyNCTU@gmail.com](mailto:HkyNCTU@gmail.com).

## **HICKORY HIGH FLY FISHING CLUB**

Please welcome the Hickory High School Fly Fishing Club and visit their very impressive website at:

[www.hhsflyfishingclub.com](http://www.hhsflyfishingclub.com)

The club is teaching fly casting and fly tying to its members, but is drastically short of equipment. If you have fly fishing or fly tying equipment and supplies that you can donate to the club, please contact Lisa Barron at [hhsflyfishingclub@gmail.com](mailto:hhsflyfishingclub@gmail.com) or call 828-234-3956, drop them off at the HHS front desk, or bring them to the monthly meeting and we will see that they get them.

## **PREMIER FLY-FISHING SCHOOL**

Have you ever wanted to learn something truly special for this area? The Pisgah Chapter of Trout Unlimited is holding its annual Fly Fishing School on Saturday, April 29, 2017, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm at Harmon Field in Tryon.

Students will receive not only a full day of practical instruction from experienced anglers covering the basics of fly fishing including equipment; casting; line management; and stream tactics; they will also get a ½ day session of “hands on” learning on one of the area’s trout rich rivers or streams. The combination of the classroom instruction and on-the-water guided practice makes this one of the most unique and economical fly fishing schools available in our area.

The cost of the school (which includes lunch on Saturday, the 29th) is \$150 for adults and \$100 for kids (ages 12 – 18). The price for a student of the 5 – Rivers Outreach Program is \$125. Equipment for the class will also be provided.

For more information or to register for the school, please visit the PCTU website at

[www.pisgahchaptertu.org](http://www.pisgahchaptertu.org) or Carole Deddy at [carolededdy@gmail.com](mailto:carolededdy@gmail.com). Class size is limited. Early registration is recommended.

All proceeds from the school help support the various Trout Unlimited educational and environmental programs in Western North Carolina. The PCTU Chapter meets on the second Thursday of the month at the DFR Room at 36 East Main Street in Brevard (beneath Jaime’s Restaurant). Come join us and make new friends.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Eagle Rock Camp is hosting events for the military and needs your support.

August 17, Camp American Legion in Tomahawk Lake, WI (I will reach out to people there)

Sept. 12, Camp Luther Ridge, Arden, NC

Oct 17 and 26 at YMCA Camp Harrison in Boomer, NC

For more information about Eagle Rock Camp visit <http://www.eaglerockcamp.org/>. To sign up to help please contact Gary Hogue at [HkyNCTUpres@gmail.com](mailto:HkyNCTUpres@gmail.com).

## **CASTING CAROLINAS**

A Casting Carolinas retreat is scheduled for the April 28-30. Casting Carolinas provides a comprehensive support and educational program for women surviving cancer. The program includes low or no cost weekend retreats that combine fly fishing instruction with medical education and support. To apply for the retreat, visit [www.castingcarolinas.com](http://www.castingcarolinas.com). For more information you can contact Jackie Greene at [hkynctuwomen@gmail.com](mailto:hkynctuwomen@gmail.com).

Casting Carolinas is also looking for river guides to help with the event. If you can help out, please sign up as a volunteer at [www.castingcarolinas.com/community](http://www.castingcarolinas.com/community) and someone will contact you.

## **WOMEN ONLY FLY FISHING WEEKEND**

MILLS RIVER, N.C. — The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission is offering a women-only fly-fishing weekend on April 21-23 at the North Mills River Recreation Area and Campground in Henderson County. It is open to women of all skill levels who want to learn more about fly fishing. The \$125 registration fee covers instruction, fishing equipment and camping for the weekend, and a light lunch, beverages and snacks on Saturday.

The 3-day program, which will be held rain or shine, is being offered through the Wildlife Commission's Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) program ([ncwildlife.org/BOW](http://ncwildlife.org/BOW)). Accommodations are at an outdoor campground, which includes a bath house with hot showers and restrooms. Participants should bring their own tents and equipment, if they have them; however, space in one of two small group tents will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Contact BOW coordinator BB Gillen at [bb.gillen@ncwildlife.org](mailto:bb.gillen@ncwildlife.org) or 919-218-3638 to reserve a tent space.

## **FLY FISHING SCHOOL**

This special 3-day 2-night program is presented by the Cataloochee Chapter of Trout Unlimited to introduce guests to the art of fly fishing our beautiful, private waters of the West Fork of the Pigeon River.

Participants will be led by expert instructors in the basics of this wonderful sport, with classes covering Trout Species, Basic Fly Methods, Gear, Entomology, Reading the Waters and more! And of course, ample fishing time surrounded by the picturesque backdrop of Lake Logan and the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Class size is limited to provide the participant personalized attention. Youth age 16 and older may attend with an adult.

Participants are asked to bring their own fly rod and reel, (8ft to 9ft in the 4 to 5 weight range) and wading boots with felt bottoms.

Accommodations in the beautiful lake side cabins are included along with all meals prepared by the talented culinary team of Lake Logan Conference Center. Instruction, Guides and Ghillies are provided by the experienced members of the Cataloochee Chapter of Trout Unlimited.

What you'll learn at the Trout Unlimited Fly Fishing School include:

1. Fly Rod Selection, Rigging and Knot Tying
2. Entomology for Anglers and Fly Identification
3. Selective Feeding Trout and Fly Selection
4. Reading Water and Casting Techniques
5. Fly Fishing Gear and Gear Selection
6. On the Water Guides and Coaching

Trout Unlimited Fly Fishing School \$850.00 May 26-28

B&B May 25 Early Arrival + Fly Fishing School May 26-28 \$968.89

To Register: <https://goo.gl/jrjpyf>

## **WEBSITE MANAGER NEEDED**

The Chapter is looking for a member with experience in building a website to help build and manage our site. If you are able to do this for us, please contact us at [HkyNCTU@gmail.com](mailto:HkyNCTU@gmail.com).

## **SPONSORS INVITED**

As part of our fundraising, we invite you to post an advertisement in our monthly newsletters and on our section website. The newsletter is sent to over 300 people in the Hickory metro area. For \$100, we will post your business card on both locations for twelve



months. Please send your business card and a check for \$100 to:

Hickory NC Trout Unlimited  
PO Box 9401  
Hickory, NC 28603

For more information, please contact us at [HkyNCTU@gmail.com](mailto:HkyNCTU@gmail.com).

### **NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTORS INVITED**

Got a great photo or story from a recent fly fishing trip, a new product you think others would love, or any stories to share with other members? We'd love to hear from you and publish you in the next newsletter. Send it to us at [HkyNCTU@gmail.com](mailto:HkyNCTU@gmail.com) for consideration of publication.

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