



Newsletter September 2021

News from the Spring Creek Chapter of TU

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Support the Chapter and Mount Nittany Vineyard & Winery!



We would like to thank Mount Nittany Vineyard & Winery for supporting the SCCTU. 10% of all Spring Creek Peach Wine purchases benefits local conservation. Be sure to pick up a bottle or several!

US Youth Fly Fishing Reel Girls Clinic



Past President and Board Member, Bob Vierck, gifted the young anglers with hand-made fly inspired earrings in biodegradable fly boxes (left). To say they loved them is an understatement. Thanks Bob! President, Jamie SanFilippo, pictured on the right, was honored to be a fly fishing instructor for the clinic.

SPARROW RUN PROJECT ARTICLE

We hope this project is the start of more to come on Bald Eagle Creek and its tributaries. Thanks to Mark Nale for his excellent article on this project. [Click Here](#) to read the full article!



Save the Date!

The SCCTU will host our annual Christmas Party on **Friday, December 10th** at the [Pleasant Gap American Legion](#). More details to come!



October General Meeting

Matt Reilly: Fly Fishing for Smallmouth & Musky in SW Virginia, and Chasing the Periodical Cicada Hatch
Thursday, October 7th at 7:30pm via Zoom



Matt Reilly is a full-time, independent fly fishing guide; freelance writer; and outdoor columnist based in southwest Virginia, where he specializes in float trips for smallmouth bass, musky, and wild trout, utilizing the world-class waters of southwest Virginia and northeast Tennessee. His writing has appeared in several national and regional publications like *Eastern Fly Fishing*, *American Angler*, *Fly Tyer*, *Southern Trout*, *Hatch Magazine*, and *Virginia Wildlife*, and in *The Daily Progress* in the form of his weekly outdoor column, *Adventures Afield*, which has seen more than 350 editions. He is also an ambassador, adviser, and team member for Reilly Rod Crafters, a family-owned rod company building premium, American-made fly rods.

November General Meeting



Dr. Bob Carline: Trout Unlimited's Overview of Climate Change

Thursday, November 4th at 7:30pm via Zoom

This presentation was produced by Helen Neville, Senior Scientist, Trout Unlimited, located in Boise, Idaho. Topics covered include impacts of climate change, what scientists, the public, and TU members think about climate change, how TU can help, and what TU members can do.

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89226553922>

Contact Dave for more information: dewalledavid@gmail.com

Water Quality Workshop

Evening of September 2nd

This workshop will train attendees to use the Homeowner's Guide to Storm-water to help decrease their property's storm-water impacts on their watershed. Workshop will be held at Penn State's Pasto Agricultural Museum, just behind Ag Progress Days. Contact Maggie to register: MBR5509@psu.edu



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Annual Y Trout Release & Duck Derby

Our volunteers and Youth Education Committee enjoyed connecting children to cold-water streams during the YMCA of Centre County's Annual Y Trout Release & Duck Derby Event!



Contact Judi to learn how you can get involved with our Youth Education Committee: JLSittler@comcast.net

Veteran Service Program Announcement

The Veterans Service Program of Spring Creek Trout Unlimited is preparing to move forward and establish a new program designed specifically for Veterans, Active-Duty Military Personnel, National Guard and Reserves (participants). Our goal is to provide fly fishing training to members of the above-named groups so that each individual is able to enjoy fly fishing and become an independent fly fisher on the water.

In order to accomplish this task, we will need a group of skilled Streamside Coaches who are committed to assisting the participants in learning to fly fish. SCCTU will provide training to the coaches in all aspects of fly fishing. We envision the training will be provided by licensed guides and other previously trained members. Let us be clear, this is not a counseling program. We will provide some training into the recognition of mental health issues and a list of resources that participants may utilize in seeking help.

If you are interested in becoming a member of our VSP Team or have any questions about the new program please contact: **Bob Sills** at rasills@earthlink.net or **Ray Faczan** at rfaczan@aol.com .

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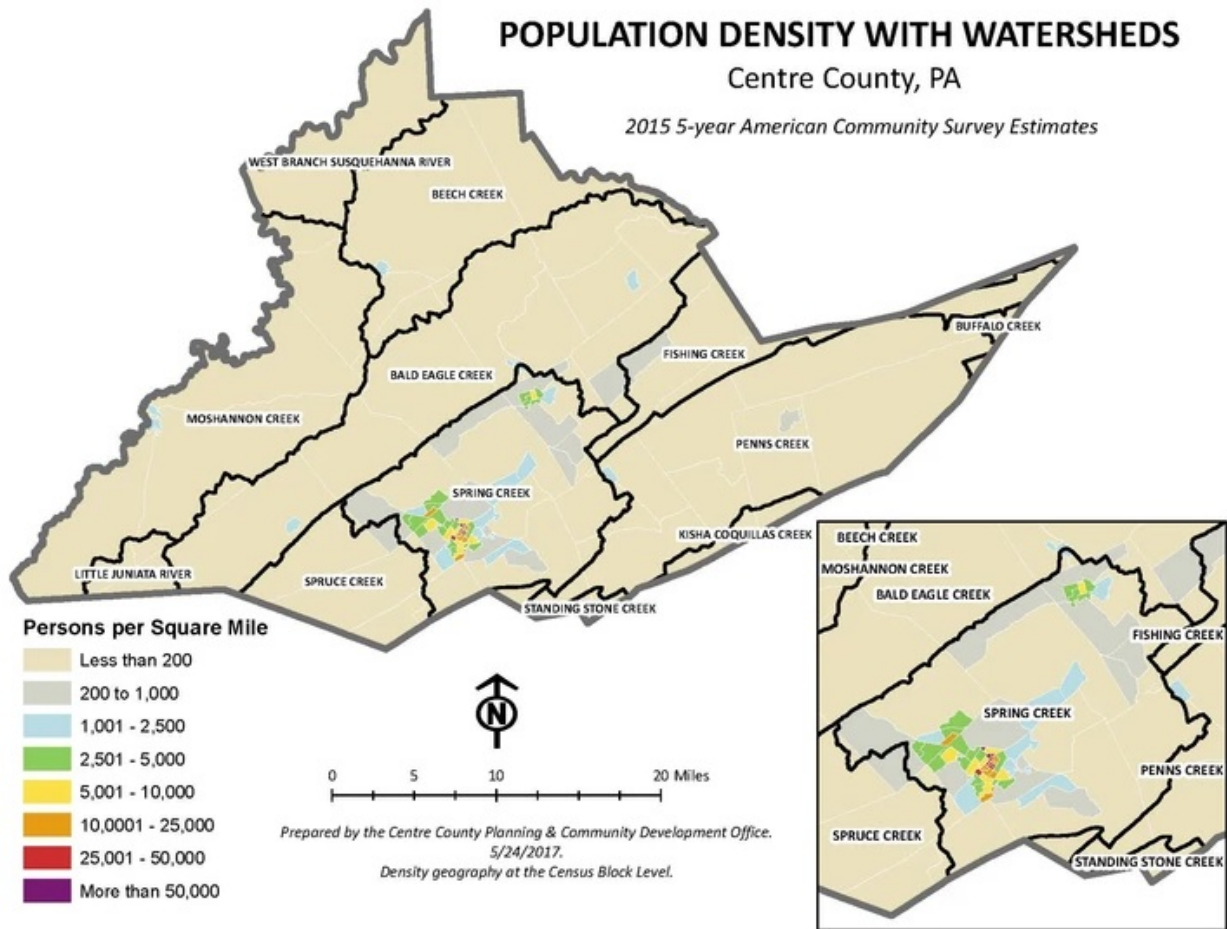
The Spring Creek Watershed Atlas

Title: Demographics of the Spring Creek Watershed

Author: Bob Jacobs

Centre County continues to grow with each U.S. Census. This growth is reflected in a 12% population increase from the 2000 Census which had a population of 135,758 residents to the 2010 Census with a population of 153,990. This population growth trend is continuing with the release of the Census Bureau's 2016 American Community Survey (ACS) Centre County estimate of 161,464 residents which is approximately 5% more than the 2010 Census. Based on the 2016 ACS estimate, Centre County is the second fastest growing County in Pennsylvania by percentage.

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