

Newsletter July 2022

News from the Spring Creek Chapter of TU

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Cedar Run Project

Below are photos from the first week of construction of an SCCTU supported project at the headwaters of Cedar Run, a major tributary to Spring Creek. This project proposes to stabilize the bank and improve fish habitat along a section of Cedar Run in Harris Township. The project includes 1,475 feet of mudsill, 400 feet of rock tow, 335 feet of brush mattress, 3 log vanes, one log cross vane, 4 rock cross vanes, and a number of random boulder clusters. These structures are designed to increase pool habitat and overhead cover for aquatic life as well as stabilizing the banks. Partners in this project include the National Resources Conservation Service and the US Fish and Wildlife Service's Partners for Fish and Wildlife.



Family Fishing Picnic

What a day! Filled with lots of fish, smiles, and family fun. A big Thank You to our volunteers, partners, and families in attendance. We estimated around 250 individuals participated. We are looking forward to next year!



In Memory of Bill Palmer

Bill was a lifelong environmentalist and outdoor enthusiast, working to protect our natural world and promote conservation ideals. He understood that when you love something, you have to nurture and sustain it — for yourself, the ones you love, and the generations to come. Those who knew Bill knew that above all, he valued family and friends, good health, and the natural world. He was also a humble philanthropist, donating and volunteering in support of a number of charitable causes.

In Bill's honor and memory, his family asks that you please love and care for one another, your health (body and soul), and the Earth, our home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the [Spring Creek Chapter](#)

[of Trout Unlimited](#) (where Bill was an active member), to another conservation association of your choosing, or to a local food bank.

You can read Bill's full obituary [here](#).



Women Anglers

Jamie SanFilippo helped the Women Anglers fish Bald Eagle Creek on May 15th! If you would like to attend or to learn more about the Women Anglers, please contact Diane Brown at dmb490@gmail.com.



Youth Education Committee



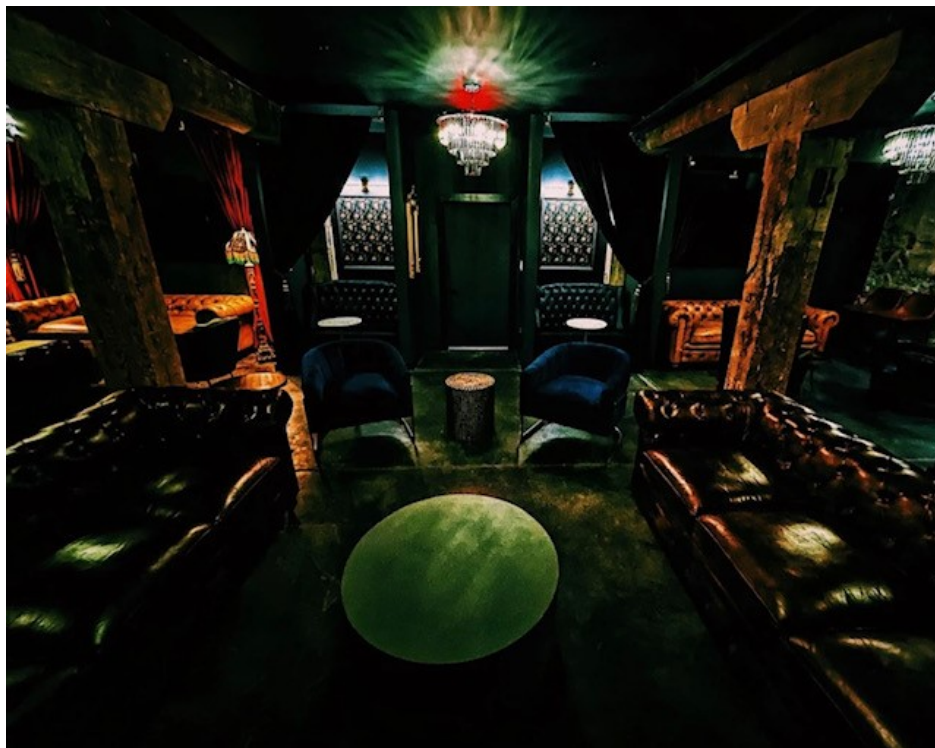
Our Youth Education Committee has been busy! The Daisy troop led by Allison Brumbaugh, was hosted by our TU chapter volunteers at Tussey Mountain Pond in April. They had fun catching fish and checking out some aquatic insects (left picture).

The State College Area High School Trout in the Classroom program, led by teacher Sue Braun, had their TIC release day in May at Whipples Dam. The teens released the rainbow fingerlings just below the dam then did some fishing AND catching in Whipples Lake (right picture).

Contact Judi to become a volunteer: jlsittler@comcast.net

Mayflies & Manhattans

Sunday, October 16th 5pm-10pm



Save the Date!! The Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited's, Women Anglers Group, will be hosting an event in the [Speakeasy](#) located inside the [Gamble Mill](#). There will be a cost, one drink is included, and all proceeds benefit the SCCTU. **Space is limited and registration will be required.** More details to come!

Volunteering



Volunteers from the SCCTU introduced [Happy Valley FitLink](#) to fly fishing at the Penns Valley YMCA Pond. Happy Valley FitLink is an inclusive wellness community for individuals with intellectual disabilities and their family/caregivers (left picture).

During the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission and PA Council of Trout Unlimited's TIC Teacher Training, teachers learned various casting techniques by Spring Creek Chapter Trout Unlimited's, President, Jamie SanFilippo (right picture).

Water Cooler Talk: Aquatic Invasive Species in Pennsylvania

Northern Snakehead (*Channa argus*)



Amber Stilwell with Penn State Extension hosted a presentation on Aquatic Invasive Species in Pennsylvania.

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Annual Winery Event SAVE THE DATE



Our Annual Winery Event will be on Thursday, September 8th at 5:30pm at Mount Nittany Vineyard & Winery. More details to come!

The Spring Creek Watershed Atlas

Title: History of Talleyrand Park, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania

Author: True Fisher

The history of Talleyrand Park is a story of remarkable community involvement in a project usually left to local government. In 1964, plans for a downtown park in Bellefonte were discussed in the Pennsylvania General Assembly and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. But, it was not until 1971 that the site was cleared of deteriorating buildings and grass and trees were planted, and the park was named for the French diplomat, Charles-Maurice de Talleyrand, who allegedly visited Bellefonte in the 1790's.

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