



NEWSLETTER

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TU PICNIC AT WYSOR SMITH'S

The annual TU Picnic at Wysor Smith's will be held on **Saturday, July 22, 2006** from noon until ??? The Chapter will provide barbeque, burgers, baked beans & slaw and members attending should bring side items and drinks. There is a stream and two stocked ponds, so bring your fly rods. Members and guests are welcome. If possible, let **Chip Davis** know if you plan to attend and the number of guests at:

540-529-0375 or email: **chipdavis1@cox.net**

Hopefully, we can get a semi-accurate head count in order to know how much food to provide.

This is an excellent opportunity to meet other members, exchange ideas, techniques, flies and then you have the trout pond right there to try out your new skills.

To get to the picnic from Roanoke, take **581 North** past Valley View Mall and Peters Creek Road, then take the **I-81 South** (fork to the left). After getting onto I-81, you will take the **first Salem exit #141**. Then turn left at the stop sign and go 0.2 mi. to get

down to Route 311 (**turn right** at the first traffic signal). Once onto **Route 311 North**, drive approx. **11 miles** (4 mi. past Catawba) and turn **left onto Rt. 621** (*the first left after Newport Road*). Follow Rt. 621 until it crosses Craigs Creek three times. After crossing the third bridge, look for a **mailbox on the right labeled W.S. Smith**. The gravel driveway goes 1/3 mile to a cabin with two ponds.

Be sure to use barbless hooks when fishing.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- June 21—TBA
- July 22—Annual Picnic
- August—No Meeting
- September 20—TBA
- October 18—Meeting at Green Hill Park
- November 15—Chapter Fundraiser
- December—No Meeting

CHAPTER COMMITTEES

Over the past few meetings, we have been initiating committees to discuss different interest and activities of the Chapter. Eight have been established as of this date.

- Chapter Focus Implementation Committee: Ron Herring—Chair
- Environment and
- Conservation Committee: Ron Nemura & Barry Whitt (co-chairs)
- Events Committee: Chip Davis—Chair
- Fundraising and Sponsorship Committee: George Kessler—Chair
- Membership Commit-
- tee: Bayes Wilson—Chair
- Programs Committee: Dover England—Chair
- Publicity/Marketing Committee: David Thompson—Chair
- Stream Stocking and Stream Cleanup Committee: Anke & Hans Loberg (co-chairs)

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SENIOR CITIZEN FISHING RODEO

We have been asked to assist with a senior citizen's fishing derby at Richfield Retirement Community (3615 West Main Street, Salem).

David Vecellio is coordinating the activity and needs 6 - 8 people to assist for around 3 hours, beginning at about 4:45 pm on **Thursday, June 8**.

The fishing will be done in two easily-accessible ponds that are stocked with trout, bass, bluegill,

and crappie. TU participants can fish while they help the residents. This could be a fun thing.

Call David at **589-3289** if you can help with this activity.

MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the 5th floor of the Center in the Square on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. The meetings typically consist of a business session, a presentation or workshop, and an open discussion. A typical meeting will last from one to two hours. A new goal is to attempt to have a standardized meeting time of 1 1/2 hours.

DOLLAR RAFFLE

Do you have Fly Fishing items laying around that you don't use? You might think about donating these items for the Roanoke Chapter fundraiser's "dollar raffle".

This is a separate raffle from the big "annual raffle" that normally has smaller items, but in larger quantities. People who are present buy raffle tickets for one dollar each to be drawn for these prizes. The more prizes we have, the more likely it will be for each person to win something and it will make the event more fun for everyone. The fundraiser is planned for the November meeting.