



**Newsletter
April, 2013**

**Chattahoochee/Nantahala Chapter 692
Trout Unlimited
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The next meeting will be:

***Thursday, May 9th
Cadence Bank, Blairsville, GA***

The fly tying session begins at 5:00 pm and the business meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

April's Meeting: The program was presented by Jim Wentworth, wildlife biologist with the Forest Service's Blue Ridge Ranger District. Jim covered a number of topics related to his work in conservation, treatment of hemlocks infested with woolly adelgid, controlled burning within forest land, increasing habitat for some of Georgia's endangered species and this year's intern program.

We thank Jim for his work and look forward to having him back in the future.



May Program Speaker

We are pleased to have Ranger First Class Kevin Dyer from the DNR's Region 2 (Gainesville) as our speaker on May 9th. Please plan to attend as Kevin's presentation will cover many topics of interest to us.



Don't forget that Wednesday, May 8th, is Special Kids Fishing Rodeo at the hatchery. The event kicks off at 9:00 and runs until noon. Let's show our support to the kids and hatchery on this special day!



Benjamin Telenko



Kaelin Conley

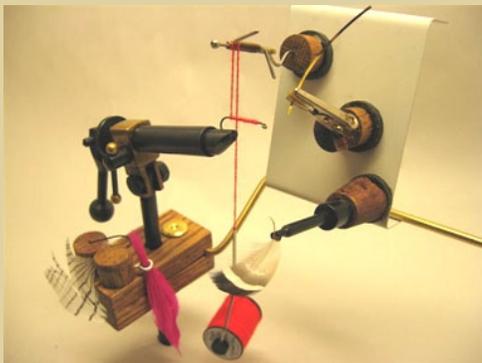
Congratulations to Our Trout Camp Kids!

Benjamin Telenko, grandson of Ben Telenko, and Kaelin Conley, grandson of Burl Conley, will be attending this year's Trout Camp which runs from June 9th through the 14th. We congratulate these two fine boys and wish them the best at camp. We know they'll both have memories to last a lifetime from this experience. And, hopefully, their experiences will lead to a lifetime of fly fishing!



New Meeting Time Shot Down in Flames

The vote to change the time of our meetings to one hour earlier was voted down by a wide margin. So, we will continue to meet at the same time for the foreseeable future.



Evergreen Hand Donation Approved

The vote was passed to donate \$100 for the purchase of 4 Evergreen Hands. A member of the Federation of Fly Fishers' Fly Tying Group invented the device to aid disabled veterans who have lost the use of one hand, but still desire to tie flies.

Bob Kern made the original motion as a way of assisting Project Healing Waters.



Changes to Bylaws Approved

The motion made by the board of directors to amend our chapter bylaws regarding the way in which donations of assets are to be made in the future was approved by the 2/3 majority of members present at the meeting.

The new amendment as shown below will allow the chapter to be more diligent in reviewing all motions to donate funds prior to taking the votes.

The amendment falls under Article XII (Assets). The bylaws are available to all chapter members via the website under the Members Only section. Click on Documents to read the bylaws.

Section 2A: Assets of the Chapter shall be used to further the purposes of the Chapter as set forth in Article I, Section 2, of the Bylaws in the geographic area the Chapter serves, i.e. the states of Georgia and North Carolina.

Section 2B: Any member who plans to make a motion for distributing a portion of Chapter assets to an organization which meets this criterion must submit the request to the president seven (7) days prior to a regularly scheduled meeting. The president will incorporate the request into the agenda which shall be distributed to all members via the website forum prior to the meeting.

Section 2C: A motion for distributing a portion of Chapter assets to an organization which meets the criterion stated in Section 2A shall be open for discussion, but tabled for a vote for a period of one month until the next regularly scheduled meeting. This shall allow for all members to be notified of the pending vote via the newsletter, minutes and meeting agenda, as well as the opportunity for proper vetting of the request.

Section 2D: In certain circumstances, if the member making the motion for distributing a portion of Chapter assets can show a just reason why funds must be paid prior to the one month delay period, a vote shall be made by the members present as to the emergency nature of the motion. If the vote is in favor of eliminating the one month delay, the vote on the motion shall be made at that time.

L.L. Bean Fly Rod Outfits Donated to Fly Fishing for Vets

Joe Duket and Pat Bradley drove to Atlanta on April 20th to be a part of the 6th Annual Fly Fishing for Vets Day at Paces Mill Park. The chapter opted at the last meeting to donate our 4 new L.L. Bean Angler II fly rod & reel outfits to that organization. Ken Griffin, head of FFFV, graciously accepted the rods, thanked the chapter and said that he would be taking them to the Shepherd Spinal Center in Atlanta for use by the veterans at that facility.



Vote Approved for Donations to GSMNP Intern Program and Georgia TU Council Conservation & Advocacy Intern Program

At the last meeting the vote was in favor of continuing our \$250 donations to both the Great Smoky Mountains National Park intern program, as well as the new Georgia TU Council Conservation & Advocacy intern program (formerly Back-the-Brookie).



***Veterans Appreciation Day
Friday, May 10th***

For those who have volunteered for the Veterans Appreciation Day at the hatchery, the event will run from 9:00 until 12:00. The Blue Ridge TU chapter will be the lead

