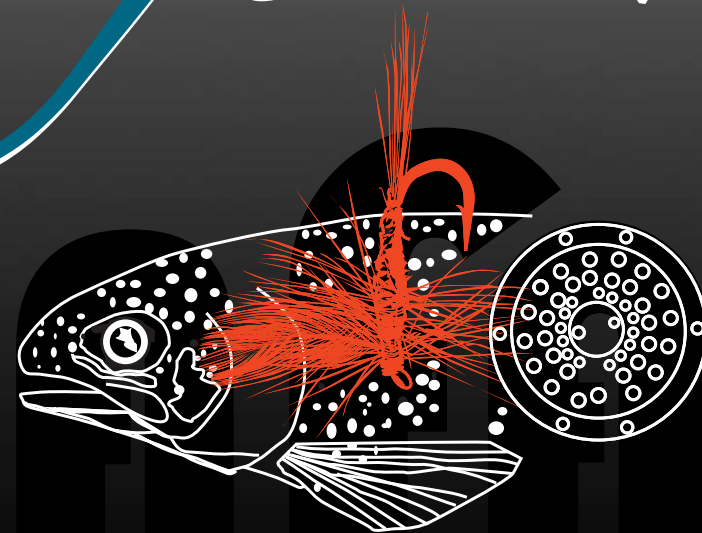


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Thanks again to Leslie Gollehon for the great work resurrecting our website, www.afa-md.org It's now live and searchable. Please include the website when someone asks about our club.

The web site <https://www.afa-md.org/>



We are also looking for volunteers for the Board of Directors.



President's column.

As we hunker down for the rest of the winter, thinking about the trips we will take, the fish we will try to catch, and the memories that will be made, let's consider what will really make those trips and fish into fond memories. I submit it is the fellowship that we share with our fellow anglers. In an odd sort of way, fly fishing is both a solitary science and a moment of togetherness. It's you and the fish, you and your buddies, you and the fly, you and your surroundings. This year, make a New Year's resolution to share your fishing—with others, with the stream, with the weather, and maybe the fish will share it with you.



Tight lines,
Bill



Doug Hutzell's Beaver Creek Projects

The removal of the Jackson house and shop has started this week. Once removed, a new parking lot will be installed later in the year.

Seneca Valley TU Chapter is installing signs along the Beaver Creek, from the fly shop downstream to the end of the fly fishing area. The signs ask fishermen to be cautious of redds during the months of October through April. The signs will be removed in the spring and reinstalled again in October of each year.

Benthic sampling will start in mid April, we will be following DNR Fisheries protocol for sampling. Once we establish the locations of the sampling we will schedule the dates.

Looking for volunteers during the week. Beaver Creek Watershed Association has all the equipment needed to conduct the samples.



AFA information:

Next AFA Meeting

Mt. Aetna Retreat/Nature Center 7:00 PM. Mt. Aetna is located off I 70 at Exit 35. Take Route 66 N and then Right on Mt. Aetna Road. Address is 21905 Mt. Aetna Road

Calendar:

January 17—David Hellane, (Montana Spirit Lodge) the best kept secret West of the Mississippi River. A brief synopsis of the 2018 Montana Flyfishing Trip with a smorgasbord of photos showing a snippet of events on the Madison River, Gallatin River, Fire hole River, and Cave Falls,

January 25-27— Fly Fishing Show, Edison, NJ

January 30th—Fly Fishing Film tour at Antietam Brewery in Hagerstown. Doors open at 6, show starts at 7.

February— election will be in February, date to-be announce!

February 21— Mike Saylor, Euro nymphing video and discussion

March— actual date TBD. Euro nymphing on the water.

March 9-10— Lancaster Fly Fishing Show— the Chesapeake Council will be staffing a booth at the show. There will also be a Certified Casting Instructor continuing education on Sunday at the Environmental Center in Lancaster.

March 16— MD Fly Fishing and Collectible Show
<https://marylandflyfishingshow.com/>

April 18— Scott Robinson, lake fishing in PA

April 27th—10th Annual Fly Casters' Rendezvous. Once again, Phil Gay, MCI, will be helping us! Tell folks that they should contact Bob Davis to volunteer.

May 16— fishing at Mt. Aetna Retreat Center

June or July— AFA annual picnic at Bob Abraham's place.

July— annual Potomac River float trip

August 24-25— C&O Canal Days, Byron Park, Williamsport, MD (possible fly tying booth and introduction to casting)

Dates TBD--a trip to PA for lake fishing? A WV fly fishing trip? Any other ideas?

Just a reminder. Bob Davis organizes the Bob Abraham Fly Casting Club every Saturday at River Bottom Park at 9 a.m., weather and other fishing plans notwithstanding. We typically go to breakfast beforehand at 7:45 a.m. at the Farmers' Market in Hagerstown, Come join us. All you might lose is your tailing loops!

Scott Robinson is the contact for the fly tyers' roundtable and beginners' fly tying instruction. Come to the meeting, meet Scott, and arrange for some fly tying instruction!

Don't forget to support your local fly shops:

Beaver Creek Fly Shop 301-393-9090
Hunting Creek Outfitters 301-668-4333
White Fly Outfitters 304-876-8030

