



FEBRUARY 2012 NEWSLETTER

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JANUARY 19TH MEETING MINUTES

1. The meeting was opened at 7:30 p.m. with the reading of the Treasurer's report. Total funds on hand is \$1,656.19. It was accepted as read. Sixteen members were on hand.
2. Bob Abraham was the speaker. He spoke about his adventures with the then President Jimmy Carter, which included fishing on Hunting Creek, the Potomac, and some pond fishing. He really looked like he enjoyed telling the stories almost as much as we enjoyed hearing them!

--submitted by Del Martin

FLYTYERS' ROUNDTABLE REPORT

Due to the sale of the Beaver Valley Fly shop, the group will temporarily meet at the Mt. Aetna Campground and Retreat, on the first Thursday of the month, at 7:00 PM, as indicated below. Names of the flies will be published as soon as possible. Frank Thompson is looking for suggestions for the fly he will tie. John DeMars is the coordinator for the fly tying sessions. He can be reached at (304) 263-5470 or jdemars71@aol.com.

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February 2	Dale Reed	TBA
March 1	Doug Alexander (?)	TBA
April 5	Frank Thompson	TBA
May 3	Don Fine	Damsel Nymph

Our web site has a box in the home page for the "Fly of the Month" but it has never been changed since John Brognard made it available two years ago. Now that everyone knows how to photograph flies, courtesy of Jack DeHaven, please submit some pictures and accompanying recipe so we can update it. Doesn't matter how many submissions we get, they will all be used eventually. Just send the recipe and photo to whr3@verizon.net for inclusion in the newsletter and to John at jb@flyfishwebdesign.com to have it posted on the web site.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/ EVENTS

The AFA monthly meeting is at 7:30 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of each month from September through May at the Mt. Aetna Campground and Retreat Center. <http://www.mtaetnacamp.com/>

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February 4 – Tie-A-Thon (Creekside), starting at 8:00 a.m. at the Bedington Ruritan Club. Just Google this name for directions and a phone number.

February 16 – Rick Loose on fishing in the Yellowstone area.

March 15 – Swap night.

March 31 – The Banquet will be held at the Ramada Plaza Hotel, same as last year on Saturday, in the Pen Mar Room, starting at 5:00PM. Please mark your calendars, more to follow.

April 19 – Jungle Cock night

May 17 – TBD

If you have any ideas for meeting topics or programs, wish to volunteer for a program, or you have a correction or addition, please call Bill Lewis at (304) 754-3918 or send me an e-mail at whr3@verizon.net and we'll make sure it gets attention.

Bob Abraham AFA Casting Club

--submitted by Bob Stouffer

The casting club meets from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. on selected Saturday mornings at the Williamsport River Bottom Park to share casting ideas, learn techniques to improve our casting. Please join us. The most useful outfit to bring, unless otherwise noted below, is a 5, 6 or 7 WT rod, 9 feet long (or your favorite outfit) with a 1X leader and yarn fly. A few of us meet for breakfast at the Hagerstown Farmer's Market beforehand at 7:45 a.m. Please join us or suggest this to your friends who are interested in our sport. For further information, please contact Bob Stouffer at (301) 791-4594 or at rstouf@mail.com.

February 18 and 19, 2012 – Lancaster, PA, Fly Fishing Show

March 11, 2012 – National Capital TU Show, Bethesda (Antietam Fly Anglers is hosting a booth at this show. Your participation is encouraged. We can car-pool. Conservation, Fly Tying and Casting.

April 21 and 22 – Virginia Fly Fishing Festival – Assisting in hosting shared Booth.

The first casting instruction that I had ever experienced was at the Fly Fishing Show at the University of Maryland. The Fly Fishing Shows have FFF instruction. Sign-up for a class with one of the gurus. You will learn a lot from this experience.

Our near-term schedule:

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| 4 February | Single-hand Spey
Beginner's Lesson |
| 11 February | Single-hand Spey
Beginner's Lesson |
| 18 February | No meeting – Lancaster Fly
Fishing Show |

25 February Beginner's Lesson
Topic to be announced.

Visit the local fly fishing stores that support the Antietam Fly Anglers.

KEYSTONE SPORTING GOODS STORE

13611 Pennsylvania Ave at Maugans Ave
<http://www.keystone-sports.com/home.html>

KELLY'S WHITE FLY SHOPPE

133W German St, Shepherdstown, WV
<http://www.kellyswhitefly.net/>

HUNTING CREEK OUTFITTERS

29 North Main St, Frederick, MD 21701
<http://www.huntingcreekoutfitters.com/>

BEAVER CREEK FLY SHOP

9720 Country Store Lane, Hagerstown, MD 21740
<http://www.beavercreekflyshop.com/>

Important Web sites links:

<http://www.antietamflyanglers.org/>

<http://www.macfff.org/>

<http://www.fedflyfishers.org/>

Remember AFA Club Number is 99147.

