



## FEBRUARY 2013 NEWSLETTER

"I waded to shore where I sat and considered the inconsistency of anglers in general and the dumbness of one in particular."

--Ray Bergman, *Trout* (1949)

### Officers and Directors of the **Antietam Fly Anglers**

President	Bill Lewis
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Director	Bob Stouffer
Director	Michael Saylor
Director	Delbert Martin
Director	John Brognard
Fly tying coordinator	John DeMars

### FLYTYERS' ROUNDTABLE REPORT

John DeMars is the coordinator. He can be reached at (304) 263-5470 or [jdemars71@comcast.net](mailto:jdemars71@comcast.net). Please call him and confirm that you are still willing to tie on the evening listed and let him know which fly you will be tying. The Roundtable is held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month as listed below, at the Mount Aetna Retreat Center.

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Feb. 7	Dale Reed	Blue Wing Olive??
Mar. 7	Doug Alexander	TBD
Apr. 4	Frank Thompson	Seducer
May 2	Don Fine	TBD

Draft Minutes from the January 17th meeting.  
Please e-mail the secretary any corrections:

1. The meeting was opened at 7:30 p.m. by acting VP Buz Buzzell, with six members present and one guest.
2. The treasurer's report was read and unanimously approved. The balance at the end of the year was \$1,470.53.
3. Buz Buzzell was nominated to be VP and Secretary. He was unanimously accepted (VP at the previous meeting).
4. John DeMars reported that Shepard University will not be conducting a Spring Semester Fly Fishing class.
5. Buz reported that this will likely be the last banquet where we include a substantial amount of items from the O'Keefe estate.
6. Friends of Big Hunting will be holding a banquet in March 16. See the attached flyer and application.
7. The Mountain Top Community Spring Fair will also be held on March 16th. See the attached flyer for that event also.
8. Brent Webb, our guest, introduced himself, as someone who wants to get into fly fishing. Bob Stouffer provided him an overview of club activities.
9. Bob Stouffer described our work on the upcoming Fly Casters' Rendezvous. It was moved, seconded, and unanimously approved to permit Bob to spend some education and casting club money to support the Rendezvous. He also said that, as part of this effort, we are trying to do a youth education part and possibly to support CI testing. He also said that there was going to be a casting event in the Adirondack's in April. He will be getting us more information about this event for the March newsletter.
10. Buz Buzzell made a motion to spend \$55 on a backdrop for the National Capital TU show to

enhance our participation. It was seconded and accepted unanimously.

11. John DeMars suggested that we help out in some way the folks that let us use the Mt. Aetna facility. Buz will talk to them.

12. Bill Ruland agreed to provide Buz a list of club members to verify the number of club members.

13. There was little participation in the swap meet.  
--submitted by Bill Ruland

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS/ EVENTS**

Our meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. as listed below, at the Mt. Aetna Retreat Center. For directions, see this link:

<http://www.mtaetnacamp.com/Directions/directions.asp>

If you have an idea for a meeting, just respond to this e-mail and we will see that it is considered.

#### **February 16 -- Advanced Fly Tying Roundtable**

A one-day fly tying roundtable for intermediate to advanced fly tiers is scheduled from 10:00 a.m.

to 2:30 p.m. to be held at the Beaver Creek Fly Shop. There are still one or two openings for interested tiers. If interested in attending either as a tier (or observer), contact Don Fine at 301-371-5617.

**February 21** – Gene Giza, this time with the slide presentation about the spring creeks in PA.

**March 2,3** – Fly Fishing Show, Lancaster, PA.

<http://www.flyfishingshow.com/Lancaster.html>

**March 16** – Friends of Big Hunting Creek banquet (see attached flyer) and The Mountain Top Community Spring Fair (see Buz for additional information).

**March 21** – Come to tie the Jungle Cock fly.

**March 30** – Fly Casters' Rendezvous – the previous day, the 29<sup>th</sup>, could be used for testing or other purposes. Talk to Bob Stouffer if you think you could use this time.

**April 6** – The Banquet will be held in Hagerstown at the Ramada Plaza Hotel located across the road from the Halfway Blvd. Valley Mall.

We will be using the Pen-Mar Room, located on the lower level, which is the same as last year. Access to the lower level is on the north side of the hotel, through the double doors below the Fireside Restaurant and Lounge.

Social hour will start at 5 PM with a cash bar, and dinner will be served at 6 PM.

We will have our traditional “Bring one, Get one” Table and we will have many fine Bucket Raffles. The Club will be selling chances (\$5.00 each) on a fly rod, a two handed Fenwick HMG Graphite, 9ft, 12 wt, with a Cortland Large Mosquito 1 reel.

PLEASE Mark your calendar and let Buz know if you plan to attend.

**April 18** – TBD. Please call with a suggestion.

**May 16** – Phil Gay on presentation casting

#### **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 at (301) 791-4594 or at [rstouf@mail.com](mailto:rstouf@mail.com).

Upcoming Casting Club Events:

**February 9** – Work on individual improvements.

**February 16** –Work on individual improvements.

**February 23** –Work on individual improvements.

**March 2 & 3** Lancaster Fly Fishing show

<http://www.flyfishingshow.com/Lancaster.html>

**March 10** -- Attend the National Capital TU show. The AFA will have a booth at the show that we will share with the Potomac Valley Fly Rodders at Georgetown Preparatory School in Rockville, MD. We need a few people from the club to staff the booth and help people tie flies. We also need a few people from the club to staff the booth and talk with people about conservation.

[http://ncc-tu.org/published/annual\\_show/annual\\_show\\_2013.html](http://ncc-tu.org/published/annual_show/annual_show_2013.html)

**March 16** – Individual work

**March 23** – Individual work

**March 30** -- Attend the Fly Casters' Rendezvous! See attached flyer.

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.**



**Editor's Note:** Submissions should be made to Bill Ruland, Editor, by email (whr3@verizon.net), or 10800 Honeyfield Rd, Williamsport, MD 21795, no later than the 25<sup>th</sup> of the prior month. We welcome your ideas on how to improve the newsletter.