



## JANUARY 2014 NEWSLETTER

As no man is born an artist, so no man is born an angler.

--Izaak Walton

### Officers and Directors of the Antietam Fly Anglers

President	Bill Lewis
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### 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, if you haven't already done so. This year, John has asked the tyers to demonstrate a particular skill when they choose a fly to tie. The Roundtable is held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month as listed below, at the Mount Aetna Retreat Center.

Jan. 2	James Harris	Parachute Underwing Articulated fly
Feb. 6	Dale Reed	TBD
March 6	Doug Alexander	TBD
April 3	Frank Thompson, Paul Jorgensen	Stonefly Nymph; bring rusty brown

thread. Frank will supply all other materials.

May 1 Don Fine Wet fly – dubbing loop  
CDC/reg. dubbing

**December Meeting Minutes** – there was no meeting in December.

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS/ EVENTS**

Our meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at **7:00** p.m. as listed, 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.

**January 4** -- PVFF in conjunction with the Beaver Creek Fly Shop will be holding a Fly Tying Roundtable for intermediate to advanced fly tyers. The Roundtable will run from 10:00 - 3:00pm, with a lunch break in between. Because of limited seating, the event will be limited to 15 tyers. Obtain additional details and sign up for the event by calling either the Beaver Creek Fly Shop (301-393-9090) or Don Fine (301-371-5617).

**January 16** – At this meeting, there will be an important discussion about the future of the club, including the future of Creekside. As many of you know, Bill Lewis' term has expired and nobody has stepped up to fill his shoes. We have a board of directors that, with one exception, generally do not attend the meetings. We often have scant attendance at the general meetings. Due to these circumstances, we will discuss the future of the club and what changes are needed or warranted. Several proposals have been aired, including: elimination of routine meetings, combining clubs, elimination of the board of directors, changing the routine meetings to a less frequent periodicity, among others. If you are interested in the future of the club, attend this meeting. Some of the suggested changes will require a change to the by-laws; others

will need to be put before the membership for a vote, and, in some cases, the reality of the situation will dictate the outcome.

If you cannot attend, reply to the Secretary by e-mail and he will collate the responses to include your suggestions.

**January 24-26** – Fly Fishing Show, Somerset, NJ.  
[http://www.flyfishingshow.com/Somerset\\_NJ.html](http://www.flyfishingshow.com/Somerset_NJ.html)

**February 20** – Program TBD

**March 1-2** – Fly Fishing Show, Lancaster, PA.  
[http://www.flyfishingshow.com/Somerset\\_NJ.html](http://www.flyfishingshow.com/Somerset_NJ.html)  
IFFF will be providing casting instructors continuing education at the show at an off-site venue. This is for instructors but you do not need to be certified to participate.

**March 9** – The National Capital Chapter of Trout Unlimited Angling Show at Hanley Field House of the Georgetown Preparatory School in North Bethesda, Maryland. The AFA will be staffing a booth at the show. Come join us!

**March 20** – Program TBD

**March 28-29** – AFA's Bob Abraham Casting Club will be once again sponsoring the Fly Casters' Rendezvous. It was very successful last year. Watch for the flyer coming soon. This year there will be a youth program and an opportunity to take the Certified Casting Instructor test.

**April 12, 2014** – Annual Banquet

**April 17** – Program TBD

**May 15** – Program TBD

### **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 normally 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).

For January, the casting club will practice on the 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and the 18<sup>th</sup> and we will take the 25<sup>th</sup> off. The focus for January is yet to be determined. Of course, it is all weather permitting.

### **News You Can Use**

Mike Saylor has been visiting a web site, [www.ericstroupflyfishing.com](http://www.ericstroupflyfishing.com), and he's found it very interesting. It's called, "Face Time Flyfishing". Eric is a guide from central PA and on the site he has a weekly online show every Wednesday at 12:20 p.m. that has a lot of relevant information for fly fishers that we all could use. He also has a pay-to-view service for which he publishes two videos per week. One comes out Monday on fly tying and the Friday version has stream techniques and other related information. The site has the information about the cost of the videos, which is currently \$10 per month. You might want to give it a try.

If you have any information that you would like to share with your fellow club members, pass it along to the editor and he'll include it.

Also, if you have fishing gear that you would like to swap or sell beyond donating it to the banquet, the newsletter is the place to be. You can post it in the newsletter without cost, which, of course, is less expensive than e-bay. Just let the editor know.

**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**

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<http://www.huntingcreekoutfitters.com/>

**BEAVER CREEK FLY SHOP**

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Editor's Note: Submissions should be made to Bill Ruland, Editor, by email ([whr3@verizon.net](mailto:whr3@verizon.net)), or 10800 Honeyfield Rd, Williamsport, MD 21795, no later than the 25th of each month.