

THE CLINCH RIVER ANGLER

CHAPTER MEETINGS

When: Thursday, August 9, 7 pm (Bring a friend)

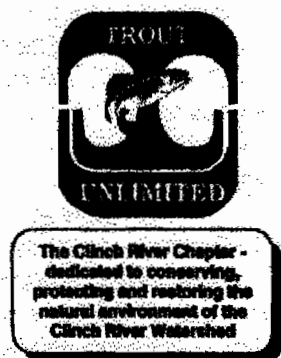
Who: Member, John Thurman

What: John will discuss the geographical distribution and ecology of cutthroat trout. John will highlight his recent trip to Trapper's Lake in the Colorado Flat Top Wilderness where he fished for the elusive Colorado River cutthroat.

Where: St. Francis Episcopal Church in Norris

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Five years ago, member Terry Douglas, became "DIY TV program obsessed" to learn about building bamboo rods. After much study and practice, he has built 28 rods...and counting. Terry will discuss the basics of the building process and will have rods showing the different stages..



TENNESSEE COUNCIL TU ACTIVITIES

July 29-the State Council just complete its summer session and has some great plans for next year.

- A new chapter, Delta, has been started in Memphis which completes the state wide TU chapter coverage.
- Completed an educational DVD, "Back the Brookie. It tells the story of the brook trout and why they are so important to our region. The DVD will be available to chapters and for school and civic organizations.
- October 13-the Cherokee chapter will host a project and activity training session at Paint Rock Creek in Green County.

Learn about stream projects and a chance to improve our skill in trout habitat improvement. Interested members may contact Steve Brown for details.

COAL CREEK BUG" HUNT SUCCESSFUL

Our July meeting saw 19 chapter stalwarts gathering at Coal Creek, a tributary to the Clinch, to see and learn about some of the invertebrate inhabitants. Member John Thurman and Charlie Saylor with TVA are both professional, vertebrate aquatic ecology associates. Invertebrates were collected, identified, and placed in one of three categories: sensitive to pollution, somewhat sensitive and pollution intolerant. This cursory biomonitoring exercise indicated a good water quality.

Trout Unlimited applauds passage of the Key Conservation Provisions of the House Farm bill.

The Farm Bill dispenses \$4 billion annually to landowners to address environmental challenges. Most

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Weir Dam Clean up
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(Look for an activity which appeals to your interests and contact the lead person for more information or to volunteer your efforts.)

Note: *Southern Living magazine (April) has an article extolling the beauty and the Clinch River trout fishing (guided by Mike Bone) and features the rustic, luxurious retreat at the Clinch River House.*

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Trout anglers have seen the improvements in stream quality prompted by the Bill's initiatives such as the Conservation Reserve Program. These initiatives have reduced sediment loads dramatically in hundreds of streams. Funding enables many of TU's major efforts.

Reauthorization will impact many wildlife and fishery improvements.

**OPPORTUNITY TO
FEAST and MAKE
FRIENDS**

The South Baptist Church at Halls will host a Sportsperson Night on Saturday, August 18, about 4 pm. Fishing, hunting, hiking and other outdoor activities will be the focus.

Games and activities will include archery, casting events, paintball target shooting, and fly tying. (Chapter members willing to help with fly tying demonstrations, knot tying or other skills may contact Denny McMahan.) A free supper will be provided which usually includes bear, deer, elk, quail, turkey and several kinds of fish starting around 5 pm.

Directions: follow Norris Freeway south from Norris. Turn left on Emory Rd. at the traffic light; go the 4 way stop. Turn left on Andersonville Pike; go past the elementary school to the second road on the right, Hill Rd. Proceed about a mile to the Church at 8201 Hill Rd..

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