

THE CLINCH RIVER ANGLER

CHAPTER MEETINGS

When: Thursday 7:30, **March 11**

Who: Jim Habera, Region IV Cold Water Fisheries Biologist (and TWRA's Fisheries Biologist of the year)

What: Jim will speak on "trout management in East TN"

Where: St. Francis' Episcopal Church in Norris

April: on a Saturday TBA, John Thurman will lead a "bug" search on Clear Creek

May: on a Saturday TBA, an outdoor program will feature a seminar on fishing the Clinch.

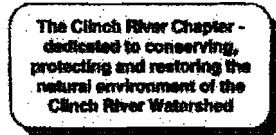
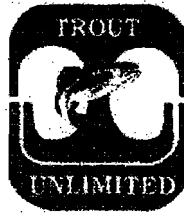
MEMBERS IN ACTION

March 6. Casting for Recovery

Fundraiser: Buzz Buffington, Clayton Gist, Carol Moore and Frances Oates will be staffing our chapter's display table (creatively put together by Barry Thacker), at this event at the Pollard Technology and Conference Center in Oak Ridge. This wellness weekend and fundraiser will benefit Casting for Recovery which is for women who have experienced breast cancer. It uses fly fishing as a therapeutic experience.

March 27: Coal Creek Spring Cleanup day Volunteers will meet at the Briceville school at 9:30 am.

CRCTU's Fly Tying School near completion Joining organizer Buzz Buffington are fly meisters: Steve



Brown, Jim Ferguson, Dick Geiger, Clayton Gist, Denny Mc Mahon,, Francis Oates, John Thurman, Jerry Van Fossen and Jeff Wade. The class includes one person from Junior high.

Coal Creek Watershed Foundation celebrates 10 year anniversary In January, 2000, Barry Thacker shared with his engineering firm's staff that they should do a volunteer water quality project in Coal Creek, which flows into the Clinch, as a community service effort. The idea snowballed into a multiplicity of projects and new friends from an appreciative community.

Among the efforts were 5 bank stabilization projects which reduced flooding and erosion, acquiring historic properties at Militia Hill and the Fraterville Mine site, and establishing the Coal Creek Scholars Program with 22 students in or graduating from college, Congratulations to our partnering organization!

TU LEGISLATIVE UPDATE Week of March 1, 2010

(This is an overview extracted from a communiqué by Dr. Dick Davis, VP, TN State Council of TU)

A busy calendar of environmental bills await the legislature this year. The TN Beverage Container Recycling Act, HB3429, by McDonald received a favorable recommendation from the House. It was heard on March 2. This bill would provide a needed carrot for the first time in TN to help our abysmal statewide recycling rates.

Of major importance for 2010 is the restoration of the Real Estate Transfer funds for land acquisition and protection. The Governor's proposed budget reinstates this funding. In this tight budget year, your legislators must hear from you before the legislative budget process begins. Contact your senator and Representative.

TACKLE TIPS BY Buzz Buffington

(Reprinted from our Newsletter, April, 2009 because of its timeliness)

Getting your gear ready for spring and take advantage of the best fishing East Tennessee has to offer!

Reels: clean and lube lightly
Rods: clean and lube joints. A Q-tip will clean the female parts,

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Coal Creek Conservation
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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.)

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lube the male parts with paraffin or a candle. Check guides and tip for grooves and wear (drag a piece of panty hose through the guides to detect rough spots.

Lines: replace if it's cracked. If it's smooth and supple, clean with soft hand soap using a soft cloth and rinse.

Leader, tippet: use a tapered 9'-4X leader and 4, 5 or 6X tippet. Heat and sunlight destroy nylon monofilament leader/tippet so replace if they are weak or brittle. Fluorocarbon is nearly indestructible so discard scraps into a trash can, not the environment.

Ready?—Go fishing!

**LAKE LEVELS
HISTORICAL TRIVIA**

NORRIS

High 1781.47 2-11-37
Low 909.35 1-24-56

SOUTH HOLSTON

High 1736.92 4-27-87
Low 1614.15 1-13-56

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