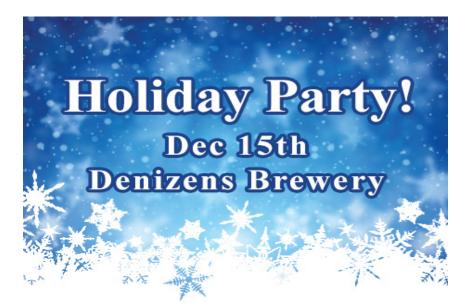
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Potomac-Patuxent Chapter Trout Unlimited

Special Holiday Issue – December 2018



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Denizens Brewery 1115 East-West Highway Silver Spring, MD 20910

Event is from 1-4 PM Tickets are \$15 ea. or 2 for \$25

https://denizensbrewingco.com/

– Alan Burrows

Monthly Chapter Meetings

Time and Day: 7:00 PM, Third Wednesday except June, July, August and December Place: Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, MD 20901 DIRECTIONS TO THE SENIOR CENTER From Capitol Beltway: North on Georgia Avenue (Rte. 97). First Right on Forest Glen Road, then go past Holy Cross Hospital and across Sligo Creek Parkway. The Center is on the right. **Visit our website: www.pptu.org**

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Presidents' Column - Alan Burrows



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NCTU partners with the Adams (PA) county TU chapter on several trout streams so I am sure they have some good info to share. While I have seldom fished in Virginia, I hope to hear about some places to fish in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Perhaps we can help the non-Marylanders find some new places to fish here as well.

There will be a playing card raffle (52 chances) to win a never fished, 1965 Orvis 99 7" bamboo rod so someone is going to have a chance to wager \$10 and walk away with a \$400 fly rod. I am planning to tie up a dozen or so of my favorite fly just to share with our new friends.

Please come and join us to enjoy one (or more) of the artisanal brews and good fellowship with our follow TU members. You might even tie up some of your favorite flies to share with new friends.

Tickets: https://pptu.org/more/fundraisers

Tight lines!

Alan Burrows President, PPTU



Reminder for the Holidays.... Don't Forget to Shop Amazon Smile! - PPTU

For the upcoming holiday season, please don't forget to shop Amazon Smile!

Add the *Potomac-Patuxent Chapter* as your charity of choice to your Amazon account. If your company purchases through Amazon, ask them to help support us as well. Its free money to the chapter.



PPTU Board Donation Match in Honor of Carl Smolka - PPTU

As many of you already know, Carl Smolka, a longtime member of PPTU, passed away on October 24th. He made many considerable contributions to TU and this chapter, as well as to Project Healing Waters.

The PPTU board has decided to do a cash "Donation Match" in Carl's name to Project Healing Waters.

Any member who wishes to contribute to this cause may mail a donation to the chapter or contact Bob Kaiser and make your donation on line. The PPTU Board of Directors will match the amount taken in and donate it to PHWs in Carl's name. Of course you may also donate directly to Project Healing Waters in Carl's name.

Donate to PPTU: <u>https://pptu.org/j-d/donate</u>



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Next Chapter Meeting – Jan 16th, 2019 - PPTU

Just a reminder that we do not have a chapter meeting in December. We hope that everyone takes time to enjoy the holidays with family, friends, and maybe a few trout.

The next meeting will be in January which will showcase our annual Fly Tying Extravaganza! If you're interested in demonstrating a hot pattern please contact Karan Singh and let him know that you wish to demo a fly. <u>singhkaranr@yahoo.com</u>

"Enjoy thy stream, O harmless fish; And when an angler for his dish, Through gluttony's vile sin, Attempts, the wretch, to pull thee out, God give thee strength, O gentle trout, To pull the rascal in!"

~ John Wolcot

Happy Holidays to All! - Bob O'Donnell

