



Trout Tales

Rocky River Chapter Trout Unlimited

July 2012



EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Hello members and friends!

Welcome to the "mini" newsletter for July. This two page version includes our calendar, a bit of information on the upcoming August 16 meeting, and a Friends of Rocky River update.

Hope you are doing well this summer and we look forward to seeing you at our next "How to Where to" session on July 25 at REI Northlake. The July session topics: Fly Fishing with Wet Flies, Fly Fishing Still Water.

Thank you!

- **Jonathan Miller**

RRTU Calendar

July: no regular meeting or newsletter

July 25: How-to Where-to, REI Northlake

Aug 16: RRTU meeting

Aug 22: How-to Where-to, Sharon Methodist Church

Sept 08: NCWF Awards Banquet, Cary, NC

Sept 20: RRTU meeting (annual elections)

Sept 26: How-to Where-to, REI Northlake

Oct 04-07: Appletree

Oct 18: RRTU meeting

Oct 24: How-to Where-to, Sharon Methodist Church

August 16th meeting

Alan Folger – Project Healing Waters.

Covenant Presbyterian Church
1000 East Morehead Street
Room 205, Fellowship Hall
Charlotte, NC 28204

Social time: 6:30 PM

Meeting: 7:00 PM

Note: Some RRTU members meet for dinner before the meeting at the Dilworth Neighborhood Grille, 911 East Morehead Street, (704) 377-3808. Ask the hostess for the RRTU group; folks usually gather for dinner around 5:30 PM.

Friends of Rocky River (FORR)

The 2012 Friends of Rocky River (FORR) program campaign officially started in February. The campaign letter went out via electronic mail on February 23.

We hope that participation will grow as we move from year to year with the Friends of Rocky River program. Through the end of May we have raised over \$4,500 toward a 2012 goal of \$8,000.

In order to donate, please make checks payable to **Rocky River Trout Unlimited** and mail your tax deductible donation to:

Jonathan Miller
2900 Wingham Lane
Charlotte, NC 28210

Some employers may match employee donations to 501(c)(3) organizations. If your employer matches employee contributions, please include those forms with your donation.

Note that the 2012 FORR Campaign Letter has been added to the newsletter. The letter and the Pledge Card appear as the last page of the newsletter.

Thank you!

- **Steve Craig/Terry Hill**, FORR Committee

February 2012

To: Members of Rocky River Trout Unlimited (#348)

Re: Friends of Rocky River (FORR)
2012 Fund Raising Campaign

We are pleased to advise that our 2011 campaign raised over \$5,500 or almost half of the funds required for our operations budget and chapter activities. Our goal for 2012 is \$8,000 which will constitute the majority of the funds needed to support our chapter activities.

Our purpose in establishing the FORR Program is to transition our primary fund raising initiative away from a banquet program format over to cash contributions. While we will continue to have selected raffles, auctions and companion trip opportunities throughout the year, we want our primary funding to emanate from cash donations from our members, friends, and business sponsors. Prize and trip donations to auction or raffle are likewise welcomed.

The funds raised in 2011 enabled us to support the following projects, activities, and programs:

- Sponsored youth scholarship for the Rivercourse program
- Trout in the Classroom
- North Carolina Wildlife Federation Scholarship
- Donated to TU Southeast Land Protection project
- Winter fly tying program for all skill levels

Below is a pledge card for our 2012 drive. We are requesting this to be returned with your donation by May 1st. We appreciate your loyal support and look forward to hearing from you. Please phone Steve Craig (704-609-7098) or Terry Hill (704-847-4438) if you have any questions regarding the FORR program.

Steve Craig
Co-Chair Friends of Rocky River
RRTU President 1983-1984

Terry Hill
Co-Chair Friends of Rocky River
RRTU President 1990

Friends of Rocky River 2012 Pledge Card

Name: _____

Date: _____ Email address: _____

Amount: \$100 \$250 \$500 \$1,000 Other _____

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Jonathan Miller, 2900 Winghaven Lane, Charlotte, NC 28210
If your employer has a matching gifts program, please include those forms too!