



# Trout Tales

## Rocky River Chapter Trout Unlimited

February 2015



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! Do any of you make resolutions? I suspect some of you may have made your resolution to spend more time on the water this year! Maybe taking a kid fishing or spending a day on the water with an old friend. RRTU can certainly help with this kind of resolution! Watch our web site ( [www.rockyrivertu.org](http://www.rockyrivertu.org) ) and note electronic mail/Evites for more information about RRTU activities in 2015.

January continues our winter fly tying series and our first 2015 meeting will feature Evan Dowdy from High Country Angler.

And a BIG event for February – our annual Friends of Rocky River Benefit. Please join us for a night of food, fellowship and friends. We'll celebrate this past year and kick off 2015 with our yearly fund raiser.

#### Editors note: President Tim Ramsey's summary of 2014 appears below:

Looking back over the past year, we've been an extremely busy TU Chapter. We kicked the year off in February with a very successful FORR benefit. We raised a little over \$7000 and it set the tone for the remainder of the year.

We followed up in March by kicking off our streamside events on the Ararat River in Mt Airy. It was great to shake off the winter blues and be with new and old friends alike. We shared a streamside lunch and stories about the morning's success. Several of us headed back to the water with the new found knowledge and hoping to have an even better afternoon.

April always bring us Alarka. With right at 50 people attending dinner Friday night, this goes down as one of the largest camping trips in recent history. It was also great seeing old friends and spending time around the campfire each night. **Jim Mabrey's** cobbler was excellent as always.

May brought us yet another streamside event and a chance to cookout at an old friend's fly shop. Todd Island Park is situated on the South Fork of the New River near Todd NC. It's also one of the newest DH streams in the state lending the opportunity to catch not only trout but smallmouth as well. It just so happens our friend Kelly McCoy's shop is right down the street.

June brought a backcountry experience I'll soon not forget. As most of you know, we've been working on a project at South Mountains State Park. There are several goals within the TER project. One of the goals is to work with the park service on projects that can help improve trout habitat and water quality. Our group of volunteers was dropped off in the backcountry by the park rangers. We worked from Friday to Sunday to breakup and remove an old bridge abutment that was contributing to stream bank erosion on the upper Jacob's Fork. No less important is our Adopt a Stream program for the DH section of Wilson Creek. **Joe Beckert** organized a group of volunteers to work with the park service to rid the stream banks of the invasive species known as Japanese Knotweed. Getting rid of the species is a multi-year project so we'll be back this coming summer to do our part.

Although there were no monthly meetings in July and August, we were still able to get together for a New River Smallmouth Float. We floated the South Fork of the New River on Friday and floated the five mile loop from VA-NC-VA on Saturday. The weather was unseasonably cool for August but it made for a great night by the campfire with friends.

In September we held our yearly business meeting and board elections. Each of the board members took their turn showcasing the year's accomplishments and activities. I would also like to welcome our two newest board members, **Chet Wisinski** and **Larry Elmore**. They both have a lot to bring to the table and I'm looking forward to working with them both in the following months. September is also time for Nature Days at South Mountains State Park. Once again, a very rewarding day teaching kids how to fly cast and showing off **Bill Thomas'** bug collection.

October brings us big orange Caddis and Alarka. Traditionally a smaller group than the spring but no less fun and fellowship. Cool nights by the fire followed by great days on the Upper Nantahala and surrounding streams.

We had not one but two streamsidings in November. **Joe Beckert** organized the second half of our adopt-a-stream project on Wilson Creek for the 15<sup>th</sup>. Black Friday was also back. **Nick Mermigas** once again provided lunch at the campground picnic shelter for anyone with \$5 and any trash they picked up while fishing in that morning. Fly tying also started back up giving us somewhere warm to congregate if we're just not ready for ice on our fly line.

It's been a whirlwind of a year but it's also been one of the most rewarding in my short TU career. I look forward to working with all of you over the next two years.

- **Tim Ramsey**

### **RRTU Calendar**

Feb 14: Fly tying, Covenant Presbyterian Church  
Feb 21-22: 2015 Team USA SE Regional, Cherokee  
Feb 26: Friends of Rocky River Benefit

Mar 14: Fly tying, Covenant Presbyterian Church  
Mar 18: Fly Fishing Film Tour, Visulite Theatre  
Mar 19: RRTU meeting  
Mar 21: Streamside, Watauga River, Valle Crucis

Apr 09-12: Alarka outing  
Apr 16: RRTU meeting

May 02: Grand Opening Fly Fishing Museum of the Southern Appalachians, Cherokee  
May 16: Streamside, Stone Mountain State Park, Roaring Gap  
May 21: RRTU meeting

June: TBD  
July: No meeting  
August: No meeting

Sep 17: Annual RRTU meeting (elections)  
Sep 19: Streamside, Davidson River, Brevard

Oct 08-11: Alarka outing  
Oct 15: RRTU meeting

Nov 19: RRTU meeting

### **February 26th Meeting**

#### **Friends of Rocky River Benefit**

Special guest speakers: **Bill Bartee and Don Yager** of Jesse Brown's Outdoors and the personalities behind the 1110 WBT radio Carolina Outdoors Show.

Covenant Presbyterian Church  
1000 East Morehead Street  
Charlotte, NC 28204

Social time: 6:00 PM

Here's a note from **Tom Adams** regarding this event:

The annual **Friends of Rocky River Celebration** is coming up on **Thursday, February 26**. This is the biggest night of the year for the chapter. We have amazing speakers – back by popular demand – the Jesse Brown's duo of Bill Bartee and Don Yager. They are not to be missed. These two radio personalities spoke at our 2013 event and folks are *still* talking about it! We also have door prizes, so don't come late. We will have a light buffet, and since it is our birthday party, we will have a birthday cake. There are "bucket" raffles and "silent" auctions. Here are a few items you will find at this event:

Caddisfly Larva Jewelry – by Kathy Stout.  
[www.wildscape.com](http://www.wildscape.com)

Orvis Access Rod and Reel – donated by Orvis of Charlotte at Phillips Place

Watauga float trip – donated by Scott Cunningham. <http://www.nconthefly.com/>

Devotion Trout Club – 1 day on their private water. Donated by Mark Gasior

Full day float trip for 2 on the Watauga or Holston – Appalachian Angler. <http://www.appangler.com/>

Derrick DeYoung art. <http://www.derekdeyoung.com/>

And ... there's MORE!

Watch for further email communications and a formal Evite for this event. Please RSVP as this helps with planning for this event.

### **Friends of Rocky River (FORR)**

The 2015 Friends of Rocky River program campaign begins in February.

We hope that participation will grow as we move from year to year with the Friends of Rocky River program. The February 26 FORR Benefit should give us a good start for the 2015 campaign. These funds support our best habits – NC Wildlife Federation, Rivercourse, Trout in the Classroom, streamside events, and fly tying just to name a few!

And we want to publicly thank those individuals who donated in 2014 (this is a partial list):

**Linda Walden, Patricia King, Dickson Foundation, Paul Duffy, Canam Group, William MacDonald, Joe Beckert, Jim Mabrey, Terry Hill, Dean Heckle & Hill, Glenn Mease, Jonathan Miller, Lewis Sigmon, Jonathan Czarnecki**

You do not have to wait for the February 26 FORR Benefit to make a donation. When you donate, please make checks payable to **Rocky River Trout Unlimited** and mail your tax-deductible donation to:

**Joe Harris**  
**12112 Toscana Way Apt 307**  
**Charlotte, NC 28273**

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

These matching donations from area companies make a significant addition to our total FORR funds each year. Donations from employees of companies like Ally Bank, Bank of America, Duke Energy and other companies that match employee giving are VERY helpful for our FORR program!

Thank you!

- Steve Craig/Terry Hill, FORR Committee

### **Past and Upcoming RRTU Meeting Topics/Presenters**

**April 17, 2014**

**Matt Green**

Aquatic Ecotoxicology and Physiology Lab, ASU

**May 15, 2014**

**Kelly McCoy**

RiverGirl Fishing Company, Todd, NC

<http://www.rivergirlfishing.com/index.php>

**June 19, 2014**

**Jack Cummings**

FFF Certified Casting Instructor. This meeting was held on location at Latta Plantation.

**October 16, 2014**

**Franklin Tate**

TU Director of Youth Education

<http://www.tu.org/5Rivers>

**November 20, 2014**

**Wilson Gabriel**

Guide at Jesse Brown's Outdoors

<http://jessebrowns.com/2014/08/local-fly-fishing/>

<http://dryflyanglers.com/>

**January 15, 2015**

**Evan Dowdy**

Guide – High Country Angler, Inc

<http://www.anglerweb.com/companies/high-country-angler-inc>

**February 26, 2015**

**Friends of Rocky River (FORR) Benefit**

**March 19, 2015**

**To Be Announced**

**April 16, 2015**

**To Be Announced**

### **Other Activities and Events**

**-- Rivercourse, June 2015 --**

It is not too early to begin thinking about Rivercourse 2015.

The 2015 Rivercourse event will be held June 21-26. More information about Rivercourse, including financial and volunteer support as well as the application for campers, can be found at [www.rivercourse.org](http://www.rivercourse.org).

**-- Fly Fishing Tournament, Feb 21-22, Cherokee --**

We received a recent request from Brown Hobson; details follow:

I am a member of Team NC Fly Fishing and Fly Fishing Team USA, and I am chairing the committee that is hosting the 2015 Team USA South East Regional. We are looking for volunteer controllers. The regional is based in Cherokee this year and will have two sessions on the Nantahala and two on the Raven Fork. The dates are February 20-22 with competition days on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. There will be a controller meeting the evening of the 20<sup>th</sup>. All operations will be based out of the Rivers Edge Outfitters in Cherokee, 1235 Seven Clans Lane. The sessions will be from 9:00-12:00 and from 1:00-4:00

Saturday and Sunday. If you would like to assist, please contact Mr. Hobson.

803-431-9437, [brown@browntroutflyfishing.com](mailto:brown@browntroutflyfishing.com)

**-- 2014-2015 Fly Tying --**

Fly tying classes are back ... with sessions scheduled for these Saturdays:

November 15

December 13

January 17

February 14

March 14

Beginners, intermediates and experts are welcome.

Location: Covenant Presbyterian Church  
1000 East Morehead

Times: 10:00 am to 03:00 pm

Cost: One time fee of \$10 for all sessions.

Brought to you by RRTU members **Tom Adams, Alen Baker** and **Jack McNeary** ([jmcneary@gmail.com](mailto:jmcneary@gmail.com)).

**-Editor**

**Alarka – spring trip. April 9-12.**

**April will be here soon! So if you are planning to join us at Alarka, please make your payment as that helps with planning for food and camping costs.**







**These pictures, from the April 2014 Alarka trip, are fairly representative of what happens on these trips. There's plenty of fellowship, food, fishing and some relaxation too!**

**When you are ready to sign up, please include "Spring Alarka trip" as a description/note on any payments (check or PayPal).**

If you are paying by check, make your check payable to **Rocky River Trout Unlimited** and mail to:

**Joe Harris**  
**12112 Toscana Way Apt 307**  
**Charlotte, NC 28273**

For more information regarding our Alarka trips, check here: <http://www.rockyrivertu.org/streamside.html>

**- Jim Mabrey**

### **Streamside Program 2015**

We already have plans for three events in 2015. Please join us on one of these trips:

**March 21 – Watauga River DH, Valle Crucis**  
**May 16 – Stone Mountain State Park, Roaring Gap**  
**September 19 – Davidson River, Brevard**

For those of you that are interested or want more information on the RRTU streamside program, please send email to [NCTroutScout@gmail.com](mailto:NCTroutScout@gmail.com).

**- David Hollifield**

### **Trout in the Classroom (TIC)**

November 2014 update:

**All ten of our schools have received their rainbow eggs, which have hatched. The breeder baskets have been lowered to let the fish swim free around the tank, and we are anticipating legions of healthy trout with which to stock North Carolina streams in May.**

Please continue to check our web site for more TIC news as you will find pictures and video of some April and May TIC releases.

<http://www.rockyrivertu.org/trout-in-the-classroom.html>

#### **Current TIC Schools:**

- Cannon School of Concord
- Cannon Middle School of Concord (new for 2014-15)
- Charlotte Country Day School
- Charlotte Latin (new for 2014-15)
- Community School of Davidson
- Davidson Day School
- Lincoln Charter School

- Northwest Cabarrus Middle School (new for 2014-15)
- Providence Day School. Web site:  
<http://pdsblogs.org/chargertrout/>
- Quail Hollow Middle School

And allow us to thank our 2014-15 TIC volunteers. TIC volunteers for the 2014-15 season include **Bill Thomas, Dana Hershey, Alen Baker, Jim Mabrey, Chet Wisinski, Bill MacDonald, Ed McLean, Tom Adams, Fritz Mercer, and Ray Hill.** Anyone interested in participating in this program designed to reconnect our increasingly urbanized youth with the watersheds that sustain them should contact Bill Thomas or Dana Hershey.

- **Bill Thomas, Dana Hershey**

### **TU – National, North Carolina and RRTU**

Looking for information on legislation? How about recent press releases? Searching for the TU president's message in the TU newsletter? Interested in member benefits? You will find all of these ... and much more at [www.tu.org](http://www.tu.org)

Got a TU question? That question may already be answered in the Ask Trout Unlimited section located here: <http://www.tu.org/about-tu/faqs>

- **Trout magazine** -

Lost your recent issue? Trying to find an old article? You will find current and archive issues of *Trout* on the TU web site here:

<http://www.tu.org/media/trout-magazine>

- **NC Trout Unlimited** -

<http://www.nctu.org>

- **Rocky River Trout Unlimited** -

<http://www.rockyrivertu.org>

- **Editor**

### **Where to go Trout fishing – November thru March**

**Alen Baker** has compiled a list of streams to consider at various times of the year.

- **Editor**

Many consider from November through March to be the cold season when being outside in the woods is not a first choice. However, it's a great time to trout fish. Rainbow and Brook trout make their spawning runs upstream and all three species of trout continue to feed, although mostly sub-surface in the water column down to the stream bottom. There are occasional warmer days when some insect activity brings trout to surface feed for brief periods, so do not rule out dry fly fishing totally. There are a number of challenges including dressing warmly for windy, cold even freezing conditions. You may find snow falling or sheet ice on the streams at times but it simply adds to your learning curve.

In District 7, the closest delayed harvest streams include: Horse Creek (new for 2012), Elk Creek (an additional upper section is new for 2012), Helton Creek, Little River (new for 2012) and Mitchell River. Within Stone Mountain State Park East Prong Roaring River and Stone Mountain Creek are readily accessible. If you prefer to stay close to civilization, Ararat River along the greenway in Mount Airy and Reddies River by the hospital in North Wilkesboro are additional choices to consider.

In District 8, also reasonably close delayed harvest streams include: Curtis Creek, East Fork French Broad River, Green River, North Fork Mills River, both sections of the Watauga River and Wilson Creek. Within South Mountain State Park and very close to Charlotte is Jacob Fork. Also, North Toe River along the park in Spruce Pine provides easy access.

For the adventurous, there are two wild card fishing trips to consider in February only: attempt to catch Kokanee Salmon on the Nantahala River just above the lake and attempt to catch Steelhead on the Rocky Broad River just above Lake Lure. The key word is attempt!

- **Alen Baker**

## **Tales from the Stream**

Editor's note: We are always excited to hear from RRTU membership about their fishing adventures. No fishing story this month ... please share those stories and we'll publish in future newsletters.

**-Editor**

## **Fly of the Month**

This "fly of the month" represents the latest in the **Alen Baker/Tom Adams** series.

### **Fly of the Month**

The mayfly is an aquatic insect that has been studied by anglers for centuries. The classic imitations are the dry fly which represents the adult, imago or dun stage of the insects life cycle and the wet fly which represents the rising, shucking nymph emerger. These imitations have the longest, well proven history of use by anglers beginning in England and now throughout the world where year-round cold water exists and trout thrive. A more recent stage of the mayfly has a good deal of historical use, the nymph stage which is found on the stream bottom or in the water column drifting free with the current. However, there is a less known but sometimes very important stage to imitate, the spent stage.

### **Rusty Spinner**

The Rusty spinner is named due to the rusty colored body used to tie the fly pattern. As it turns out, the spent mayfly of a number of species turns a rusty color regardless of the original body color. Thus, the Rusty Spinner imitates a number of mayfly species. For example, the spinner fall that I have fished the most is the Sulphur spinner fall on the South Holston River Tailrace in the upper 2 miles below the weir. The spinners are a very dull yellow to rusty brown. A dull yellow spinner will work equally well as a rusty spinner fly pattern. The abundant Blue Wing Olive (BWO) spinner fall is a dull olive to rusty brown as well. I have not fished that spinner fall as it mostly occurs sparsely

during the afternoons on overcast, almost drizzly days when nymphing is more successful.

The key to imitating the spent stage of a mayfly is to tie a fly pattern that lies well in the surface film, not rising above the film much and not sinking below the film much. The spent wings are tied perpendicular to the body and flat as possible. Wings of any thickness are not desirable. Sparseness does not necessarily allow for a good flat float so some spinner fly patterns are tied with a double or even a triple spent wing.

The tail of most spinner patterns are split or tied sparsely as three much like the adult mayfly. Hackle is tied around the spent wings but clipped on top and bottom to allow the fly pattern to float flat in the surface film.

**- Alen Baker**

### **Rusty Spinner Fly of the Month 02.2015**

**HOOK:** Standard Dry Fly – Tiemco 100 or equivalent.

**Sizes :** 24,22,**20,18**,16

**Thread:** UTC 70, rusty brown

**Tail:** Micro fibetts

**Abdomen:** Tying thread

**Thorax:** Rusty Spinner dry fly dubbing

**Hackle:** Ginger Rooster

**Wing:** Poly Yarn, dry , white

### **Directions:**

1. Debarb hook. Tie in thread at hook above the hook point. Let the bobbin hang.
2. Choose three micro fibetts for the tail and align the tips. Measure the length of the tail against the hook so that they are slightly longer than the hook shank. Tie in the tail with loose wraps, taking the thread toward the bend and keeping the tail on top of the shank. After reaching the end of the straight section of shank, the tail is tied in and needs to be split into three evenly spaced tails. Use the thread to divide the tail closest to you with one wrap between a tail and the other two. This will make that tail stand at an angle to the shank. Repeat on the other side



and advance the thread three or four turns. You can adjust the tails with you fingers or bodkin until they are divided equally

3. Wrap the thread forward in tight touching wraps to the thorax. Return the thread back to the tail and forward again to the thorax. This will form the abdomen. At the thorax, let the bobbin hang.
4. Select a two inch section of poly yarn and cut from the bundle. This section is too thick for the wings and generally about one third to one half is sufficient. Separate the poly and set aside the extra for later flies. Tie in the poly in the middle of the thorax using an "x" pattern of wraps. The wing should remain flat and at right angles to the hook. Return the thread to the back of the thorax and let the bobbin hang.
5. Choose a small length of dub and twist on the thread to form a noodle about two inches long. Begin wrapping the noodle at the back of the thorax and move to in front of the wing and continue wrapping to the back of the thorax again. One wrap, at a minimum, should go over the "x" tie in at the wing. If necessary, add another small noodle of thread to form a proper thorax profile and finish the dubbing wraps at the eye. Whip finish.
6. Lift the wings straight up and back toward the tail to establish the proper length. They should be the length of the hook shank. While holding them together, in position over the shank, trim with scissors and the fly is complete.

### **Rusty Spinner**



### **BWO Spinner**



**- Tom Adams, Alen Baker**

### **Tip of the Month**

Many years ago a number of RRTU chapter members supplied tips for the newsletter. We are bringing some of those tips out of retirement and hope you find these useful.

Have an alternate stream in mind when you travel to the mountains to fish a trout stream. As you have looked forward to a nice day on a stream you have had in mind, you may arrive to find that too many anglers have the same idea or the last few days of weather have caused the stream to rise to dingy, almost unfishable conditions. Study the maps and ask others for a good alternate stream and have the stream as plan B. Keep in mind that rain has less impact on high elevation streams that are in pristine watersheds, so know these areas that are close-by and explore another stream rather than get snookered by high dingy waters.

**- Alen Baker**



## **Fly Fishing Museum of the Southern Appalachians**

When Ron Gmerek and I were returning from Atlantic salmon fly fishing in Nova Scotia, Ron proposed that we establish a fly fishing museum - a place where an old bamboo rod could be shared. A place where one could learn more about the fly fishing legends of the Smokies and the Blue Ridge Mountains. A place where the local flies could be admired and recipes copied. A place where our heritage of fly fishing and trout fishing could be better appreciated and, most of all, where the public could learn more about our great Southern Appalachian experiences and stories worth telling.

We are working with Forrest Parker, board member of the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce, Cherokee, NC to establish such a place. If all works out, our future will include such a museum. A world-class group including Jim Casada, Don Kirk, Roger Lowe, Kevin Howell, Jim Dean, Richard Mode, Frank Smith, Ron Beane, Bill Everhardt, Ron Gmerek, Bo Cash, Squeak Smith and many others are helping to make this a reality. If you have ideas, items, know a fly fishing legend, you have something for the museum. Stay tuned for more updates.

February 2015 update:

After a successful November 1 fund raising event in Cherokee, we are pleased to announce the grand opening of the museum. The grand opening is scheduled for May 2 beginning at 10:00am. A chicken BBQ will close out the day at 04:00pm. More details to come.

And a web site is being developed – check the museum website here: <http://ffmsa.weebly.com/>

- **Alen Baker**

## **RRTU on Facebook**

How's your social network doing? How about your fishing network? RRTU certainly wants to help with the second question. RRTU now has a Facebook page. Search for us on Facebook under Rocky River Trout Unlimited and sign up to join us. Also, please "like" the page as this will help us to be located more easily. You will be able to post and respond on this Facebook page.

You can post pictures, invitations for fishing buddies or trip results, flies that work for you, etc. This page is for your use; we hope you use it often! RRTU on Facebook is a "closed" group meaning your name is public but your information is not.

- **Jim Mabrey**

## **Stream Water Flow Data**

Ever wonder about the water flow in your favorite stream? How about after a big rain? The USGS has monitoring on some NC streams. Check stream flow data at this web site:

<http://waterdata.usgs.gov/nc/nwis/rt>

## **Back the Brookie License Plate**

You have probably noticed that some of our local RRTU members have the NC Trout Unlimited License Plate. The NCTU web site gives some history of this license plate and how to obtain one:

[http://nctu.org/tu\\_plate.html](http://nctu.org/tu_plate.html)



## **Hatch Charts**

Familiar with any web sites which list hatch charts we could reference here in the newsletter? If so, please share. The flyfishingnc.com site has this chart:

<http://www.flyfishingnc.com/fly-bugs/patterns/fly-hatch-chart-north-carolina-smoky-mountains>

**- Editor**

## **The all electronic RRTU newsletter**

The RRTU board made a decision to move to an electronic-only newsletter format starting in 2011. Our annual savings for the paper newsletter printing and postage costs is over \$3500; plus the newsletter has grown as there is no additional cost for more electronic pages. RRTU uses an electronic mail list server for sending the monthly newsletter. The instructions for requesting the monthly electronic newsletter follow.

Using the email account with which you wish to register, send an electronic mail message addressed to:

[sympa@list.nctu.org](mailto:sympa@list.nctu.org)

The subject line of this email should read:

**Subscribe rrtu-news firstname lastname**

Example: **Subscribe rrtu-news John Citizen**

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February 2015

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

Re: Friends of Rocky River (FORR)  
2015 Fund Raising Campaign

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 through our annual FORR member drive. While we will continue to have two (2) strategic raffles, monthly sweepstakes, auctions, contests 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, raffle or utilize in a fund raising sweepstakes or contest are likewise welcomed.

Below you will find a 2015 campaign pledge card. 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

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**Friends of Rocky River 2015 Pledge Card**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Make checks payable to **Rocky River Trout Unlimited**. Mail your donation to:  
**Joe Harris, 12112 Toscana Way Apt 307, Charlotte, NC 28273**  
If your employer has a matching gifts program, please include those forms too!