



Streamlines

Fall 2016



Banquet 45 a Resounding Success

Dear Fellow CVTU Members,

What more can be said about Lefty Kreh, our 45th annual Conservation Banquet keynote speaker that hasn't already been said, except that he had us from "hello!"

From the moment he set foot on our Vermont soil 'til his plane left for home, this 91-year-old fly fishing legend shared his wealth of knowledge as he entertained us, and flat out infatuated us with his street-smart Southern country charm.



Jessica West holds the winning grand prize raffle ticket while Jack Price congratulates her.

Your generosity has amazed me and I cannot thank you all enough for your tireless efforts and cooperation. Evan Mills will be our 2017 CVTU banquet chair. I am confident that you will offer him the same level of commitment and support shown me.

See you on the water!

Janie Merola McKenzie
2016 Banquet Chair

The CVTU Banquet was an incredible night, all made possible through the generosity of YOU, our members, who attended, supported, and made the evening a huge success!

On a personal note, as Banquet 45 was my third and last as your banquet chair, I want to thank each and every one for your hands-on help and selfless contributions that have made our fund raisers very successful. Your



Clark Amadon, Vermont's TU Council President, shakes hand with Lefty Kreh at the VIP session of Banquet 45

CVTU 2016 Slote Scholarship Award Winner



Chris Nuckols, of Essex Vermont, 'nets' the 2016 William Slote Memorial Scholarship from CVTU President Grey Hagwood.

The scholarship is awarded each year to a graduating Essex High School Senior, who is pursuing higher education in Environmental Studies.

Nuckols is enrolled in the Rubinstein School of Environmental & Natural Resources at UVM.

Best of luck Chris!

In Memoriam



This photo with Lefty Kreh was one of Bill's favorites

Bill Chandler *"The Radical Fly Tyer"*

1962-2016

Bill Chandler, native Burlingtonian and longtime Central Vermont Trout Unlimited member, supporter and friend, passed away August 23rd of a heart condition.

Bill's technical skill and creativity at the fly tying vise garnered him both regional and national awards and recognition.

Generous in many ways, Bill shared his time and talent by instructing and encouraging many aspiring fly tyers in the CVTU community and beyond. He was the 2014 recipient of the CVTU Member Award, which commended him for his "outstanding creativity, knowledge and talents with membership, and his ongoing support and dedication to the mission of Trout Unlimited."

CVTU members will long remember vying for a Bill Chandler framed salmon fly, which he donated to the chapter each year in support of our annual fundraising banquet.

With an emerging interest in photography, Bill's camera became his companion as he expanded his artistic expression through his camera lens. Bill's photographs were featured in area exhibits and shows.

Rest in peace Bill, you'll live on in the many gifts you've left us.

Lake Mansfield Trout Club

On June 5th and 6th, sixteen CVTU members and guests spent a wet couple of days at the Lake Mansfield Trout Club. Weather was iffy, but fish were caught and a good time had by all. Fishing at the club was a bit slower than it often is, but the food, accommodations and ambience were up to the standards we've come to expect.

This has become an annual event and one which is always a special occasion. Next year's event is planned for June 4th and 5th. Details will be announced in future newsletters. Mark your calendar and join us for an enjoyable and memorable couple of days of great fishing and good company.

Submitted by Larry Bruce

Wondering who our next meeting speaker will be? Want updates on our conservation projects?
For timely information, answers to questions and more, visit our website at www.vttu.org

Tree Planting at Ten Bends

On May 14th, a beautiful sunny Saturday morning, over 40 volunteers participated in a very successful tree planting along the banks of the Ten Bends section of the Lamoille River in Hyde Park. We were able to plant about 135 trees consisting of Maple and Ash hardwoods. All trees were efficiently beaver guarded and watered and the tasks were completed in about 2 hours! After the work was done, we retreated to the field by the Ten Bends Bridge and enjoyed a nice afternoon BBQ. This concluded phase 1 of a 4 phase planting project in the Ten Bends section. We are targeting phase 2 for next May. Stayed tuned for details this winter! Thanks again to all who helped out!

Submitted by Gary West.



Steve Morse cuts wire to make beaver guards for some of the 135 trees planted on May 14th.

The TIC Tank



Fingerlings prior to being released

This past school year was very busy for our 13 Trout in the Classroom (TIC) classes. It was a successful year resulting in high fish to tank ratios, with the best survival report of 169 fingerlings from the 200 eggs originally received. Release for all classrooms occurred during late May and early June. The teachers, with the support of TU, often planned a full day of activities for the release outing with topics including seining for insects, nature walks, fly casting, watershed discussions and general environmental observations. UVM Professors and students, or State Fish and Wildlife professionals lead many of these activities. A total of 1400 fingerlings was released into local streams.

With the new school year CVTU is starting its third year of supporting TIC. This year we are adding 12 new classrooms, increasing CVTU's TIC count to 25. Financially we are able to support so many new classrooms due to the funding provided to us through grants from the Lake Champlain Basin Program and Vermont Community Foundation. We also received donations from the St. Albans Rotary Club and R. L. Vallee. This year, we will be supporting 6 classrooms in Addison County, 14 in Chittenden and 5 in Franklin.

We are still looking for a volunteer or several volunteers to be responsible for supporting the Franklin County TIC program. Without volunteers we cannot expand our program any further into that county. Please contact Bob Wible (rwible1@msn.com) if you want more information or would like to volunteer.



Williston Central students releasing fingerlings

CVTU New Officer Slate and Upcoming Events

2016-2017 will be a great year for CVTU! We have a new slate of officers, a new banquet chair, and a great program line-up for the year. Per our by-laws, the Board of Directors nominated and elected our new chapter officers. Officers serve a 2 year term which can be extended for another 2 years at the discretion of the Board. The new team of officers brings a great amount of energy and passion to the job.

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Your CVTU Officers for the next 2 years are:

President- Mike Hulvey

Treasurer- Larry Bruce

Vice President- Ryan Whitney

Secretary- Anthony Jones

Everyone agrees that Janie McKenzie has done a fantastic job of running the banquet for the past three years, and it's time for her to take a break. Our new banquet chair is Evan Mills. Evan has been on the Board for the past two years and is eager to take on more responsibility. He will do a great job as banquet chair and I'm sure will enjoy the same support that Janie did. Our 2017 banquet is scheduled for Saturday, 25 March at the Sunset Ballroom at the Comfort Suites in South Burlington. Mark your calendars!

Our program schedule for the upcoming year is as follows:

October 4- Louis Porter, Vermont Commissioner of Fish and Wildlife

November 1- Joe Norton and Jud Kratzer to talk about their continued work in the NEK

December 6- Dr. Ellen Marsden to update us on her work with Lake Trout

January 3- Dr. Erin Rodgers of TU to tell us what she does in the Northeast regarding culvert renovations.

February 7- Fly Tying Night!

March 7- TBD

April 4- Movie Night