

THE CLINCH RIVER ANGLER

CHAPTER MEMBERS IN ACTION

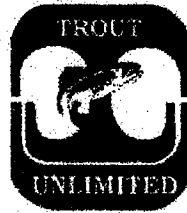
• FREE FISHING DAY, JUNE 7

Tennessee's statewide "Free Fishing Day" will be Saturday, June 7, with no fishing license needed. The Clinch River Chapter of Trout Unlimited, in cooperation with TVA and TWRA will be sponsoring Kids Fish Free Day at Miller Island on June 7, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Volunteers will be on hand to teach kids to bait, spin, and fly fish. Other activities will include fly tying demonstrations, aquatic entomology displays, bug hunts, casting lessons, and discussion of stream ecology.

Activities will take place at TVA's Miller Island access on the Clinch River below Norris Dam. Enter the parking area on River Road near the intersection of Hwy. 441 south of Norris Dam. Contact Carol Moore at 865-584-0344 for more information. Chapter members are encouraged to "spread the word" to parent/parents, scouts, churches and others about this family opportunity.

• **OPPORTUNITIES TO CONTRIBUTE** : The TN Council of TU is recruiting TU members to fill committee positions, ranging from Committee chair (Finance) to Council Liaison, to a variety of state and national legislators. All positions will be invaluable to the Council in



The Clinch River Chapter -
dedicated to conserving,
protecting and restoring the
natural environment of the
Clinch River Watershed

(continued) fulfilling its expanded mission. Position openings are listed on the Council's website at www.tctu.org. Interested persons may contact Steve Brown at wsbrown@nxs.net, or contact the chairperson of the committee of interest.

"THE EAGLE WILL BE LANDING"

Boy Scout and Coal Creek Scholar, Andy Harness, plans to do his Eagle Project at Longfield Cemetery, along the Coal Creek Motor Discovery Trail, as described at <http://www.coalcreekkami.com/andyharnessLongfield.htm>. Andy will model his Eagle Project after the one completed by Drew Justice at Leach Cemetery at <http://coalcreekkami.com/images/frat6.JPG>. CCWF VISTA's, Jami Brown and Nadine Medina, will be meeting with Boy Scout troops in Campbell, and Knox Counties to recruit other scouts to complete Eagle Projects at the (continued page 2).

NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

When: June 12, 7 p.m.

Where: St. Francis Church,
Norris, TN

Who: Jimmy Jacobs
Author of *Tailwater Trout in the South*

What: Jimmy will narrate a slide show covering his adventures tail water fishing in AR, AL, GA, and TN.

THE ANGLER'S CORNER

Bucktails and streamers: these flies are excellent under conditions when dry flies and ordinary wet flies are ineffective and they are generally useful throughout the season.

These flies produce not only in high and discolored water but during low and clear water conditions as well as in some particularly baffling situations. A large assortment of patterns is not necessary but the assortment should be varied, both in colors and sizes.

**Clinch River Chapter
Projects: 2003**

Activity	Leader	Date
• Redd survey	Dick Geiger	Nov. 1 - Mar.
• Sediment sampling	John Thurman	Nov. - June
• Fry survival survey	Thurman	Feb. - June
Kids Fish Free Day	Carol Moore	Early June
Shoreline cleanup	David Hunter and Cathy Jarrolds	April 5
Tire/trash cleanup	Buzz Buffington	June - Aug.
Coal Creek bank stabilization project	Barry Thacker	May - August
Embrace-A-Stream grant application (Coal Creek and Cane Creek water quality monitoring)	Thurman/Coal Creek Watershed Foundation Vista Volunteers	Nov. 1
Fly tying class	Buffington	Complete
Fishing class	Thurman	Mar-Apr
Weir cleanup	Thurman	Oct. 26
Second Baptist Church Public Access (behind AC Detention Center)	Ralph Jordan	Winter/spring
Miller Island Public Area development	Jordan	Winter/spring
Adopt-A-Highway Litter Control	Steve Brown	Winter
TVA Res. Ops EIS comments	Buffington/Thurman	October
Coal Creek Health Day	Moore	Oct. 25
One Fly Contest	H. B. McCowan	Scoping
Clinch Bank Stabilization Project Proposal	Buffington	Winter/spring

Look for a project which appeals to your interests and contact the lead person for more information or to volunteer your talents.

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Comments & contributors are welcomed!

(continued: **The Eagle...**) remaining cemeteries where Fraterville miners are buried. Jami and Nadine also will meet with the Girl Scouts to see if they would like to perform community service by developing stops along the Coal Creek Motor Discovery Trail. CRTU members should solicit and refer interested Boy and Girl Scouts to jamibrown@coalcreekami.com, or nadinemedina@coalcreekami.com.

**Preserving the Past by
Jami Brown and Nadine Medina**

The watershed of the Clinch River tail water is historical. Miners from Coal Creek fought a war with the Tennessee Militia in the 1890's to abolish the convict lease system. Mine disasters in 1902 and 1911 raised public awareness to the dangers of mining resulting in safer working conditions today. Andy Harness's Eagle Project is at Longfield Cemetery, the oldest cemetery in Anderson County. It is the resting place of 35 of the 214 men and boys who died in the Fraterville Mine Disaster of 1902. Andy and volunteers from Longfield Baptist Church will restore the gravesites long forgotten in the overgrowth of vegetation. After site clean up and scrubbing the headstones, Andy will build a memorial kiosk explaining the historical significance of the miners buried there. The Coal Creek Watershed Foundation, a partner of the CRTU Chapter, is leading this effort.

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