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## August Newsletter: Annual Picnic, Raffle Drawing & Master Casters

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# For our fellow stewards of our Colorado streams

## CCTU 2019 RAFFLE PROGRAM

**40 GREAT PRIZES**

**ONLY 150 ENTRIES ALLOWED**

**\$100 PER TICKET...MULTIPLE TICKETS, CAN WIN MORE THAN 1X**

**WINNERS ANNOUNCED AT AUGUST 20 CCTU PICNIC (DON'T NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN)**

We are winding down the 2019 CCTU's annual Fundraising efforts with the end of the Raffle program on August 20<sup>th</sup>. We aren't having the Fundraising Party this year (with Fly Auctions, Silent Auctions), so the Raffle program is your main opportunity to support chapter projects and have an excellent chance to win a prize from our greatest list of donated items yet.

We have 40 prizes this year, making it our biggest raffle ever. These donated items range from 17 different guided float, fishing trips and lessons, 5 great equipment packages including a Scott Tampa bamboo rod, 9 fly box prizes filled with over 50 dozen flies, 7 framed prints or photography, and 2 restaurant or wine oriented prizes. Each raffle ticket is \$100, and you can win more than once with multiple tickets. Entries are limited to 150, and with 40 great prizes, the odds of winning are the best CCTU has ever offered (and even better if we don't sell the full 150).

We will stop selling tickets after the first hour of the August 20<sup>th</sup> annual picnic. Winners will be drawn that night at the picnic starting at approx. 6pm (don't need to be present to win). Tickets can be purchased with cash, check or credit either at the picnic or by contacting Allen Adinoff ([aadinoff10@gmail.com](mailto:aadinoff10@gmail.com)) or Stephanie Young ([syoung50@comcast.net](mailto:syoung50@comcast.net)) to arrange completion of the purchase by phone.

Go to [https://www.cutthroatctu.org/?tribe\\_events=cctu-annual-fundraising-program-raffle-tickets-on-sale-starting-tuesday-4-16-2019-06-16&eventDate=2019-06-16](https://www.cutthroatctu.org/?tribe_events=cctu-annual-fundraising-program-raffle-tickets-on-sale-starting-tuesday-4-16-2019-06-16&eventDate=2019-06-16) for the full list of 40 prizes.

## CCTU AUGUST ANNUAL PICNIC (REPLACES AUG MONTHLY MEETING) & 2019 RAFFLE PRIZE DRAWINGS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 5PM (VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IDEALLY AT 3:30)

REYNOLDS LANDING PARK– 6745 S. SANTA FE DRIVE, LITTLETON, CO 80120



Join us at the Annual Picnic on August 20th at Reynolds Landing on the South Platte River. Volunteers needed starting at 3:30, picnic activities officially starts at 5 pm with food being served starting at approx. 6:15 pm. This event is held in lieu of the August chapter meeting. Bring your family and fishing buddies. CCTU will provide the meat, plates, napkins, condiments, water and soft drinks. **Please bring something to share with 12-14 people**...typical picnic side dishes such as salads, baked beans, casseroles, and other snacks or dessert type dishes.

**NOTE – We will also be conducting the drawing for the winners of the 2019 Fundraising Raffle...all 40 prizes. Don't have to be present to win, but another great excuse to come to a truly fun chapter event.**

### Special Group Activity (5pm Start) – Group Casting Lesson with Jonathan Walter from Clear Creek Fly Casting

We are lucky to have Master Certified Casting Instructor Jonathan Walter from Clear Creek Fly Casting to do a group casting event for us starting at 5pm. Jonathan will focus on how to improve your casting, with tips and advice on the elements essential to better casting whether it be for presentation, accuracy or distance. We will be bringing 30+ rods (first come first serve), but feel to bring your own so you can put into practice Jonathan's instruction on equipment you know. Additionally, please bring a hat and eye protection (sunglasses or eyeglasses). Jonathan has lived in Colorado for over 30 years, has over 20 years' experience teaching fly fishing, fly casting, and fly tying and is one of only a handful of FFI Master Certified Casting Instructors in the state. He created the Fly Fishing Section and Fly Fishing School of the Colorado Mountain Club. His teaching approach is based upon understanding your goals, assessing what is needed to achieve them, and breaking down the required skills into manageable steps. He feels that mastery of the fundamentals is critical to success at all levels. You can reach Jonathan at...

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(303) 981-8116

The Park closes at sundown...so you are welcome to stay and fish or visit as long as the light permits.

Reynolds Landing address is located off Santa Fe, just a little north of Aspen Grove. Quick directions are (from C470) north on Santa Fe, proceed past Aspen Grove, turn left (west) on Brewery Lane, proceed past Breckenridge Brewery, road dead ends at the park.

### **LADIES FISHING ON THE FLY – AUGUST 16 & 17, 2018, HIGHLANDS RANCH EASTRIDGE REC CENTER AND LAKE LEHOW**



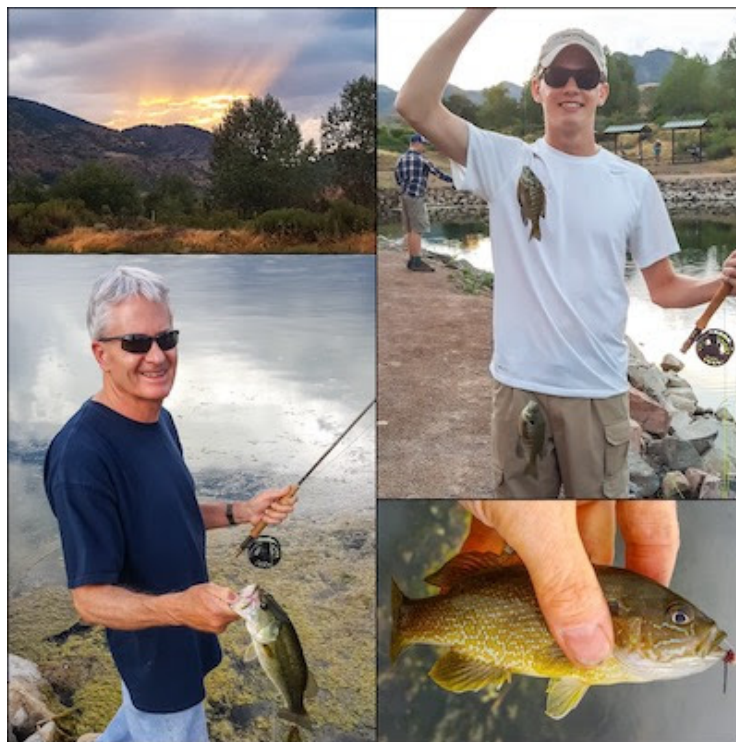
Join CCTU's Cyndy Scholz and her team of instructors for the 2019 edition of the very popular Ladies Fishing on the Fly. The Highlands Ranch Cultural Association teams up with the CCTU to teach ladies ages 16 and older the art of fly fishing. There is one classroom session, Friday, August 16 from 6-9pm, and an Outdoor Classroom and Field Trip Saturday, August 17, 8:30am-1pm. Expert Instructors lead this workshop that covers all of the basics of fly fishing: casting, reading the water, entomology, conservation, knots, landing and releasing...with plenty of hands-on practice. Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$35 the day of event if not sold out. Get tickets at the Highlands Ranch Eastridge Recreation Center ([9568 University Blvd, Highlands Ranch](https://hrcaonline.org/about-us/guides-communication/calendar-schedules/event-details/evr/1/ladies-fishing-on-the-fly-ladies-16-1)), at the following HRCA online order site (<https://hrcaonline.org/about-us/guides-communication/calendar-schedules/event-details/evr/1/ladies-fishing-on-the-fly-ladies-16-1>) or by calling (303) 791-2500. **Any chapter members that would like to help with instruction, please contact Cyndy at [cyndyscholz@msn.com](mailto:cyndyscholz@msn.com) or (303) 507-3068.**

### **CCCTU BOARD MENTORS ALMA YOUTHS IN FLY FISHING**



Cutthroat Chapter Board has supported the Alma Riverwalk for the last couple of seasons. This ambitious project by the Town of Alma was formed to permanently conserve and protect a stretch of the Middle Fork of the South Platte as it flows through the Town. The Alma Foundation has aided in the purchase of 24,000 acres of critical wetlands habitat by the City which will help protect this essential headwaters from encroachment by mining and housing development. The Riverwalk will provide ADA access and educational opportunities via a 1800 foot trail that is now under construction. When CCTU approached the Foundation about helping them this season we learned that the Foundation had plenty of young boots on the ground in the form of the Southwest Conservation Corps. The Corps is a non-profit based in Salida that provides conservation service programs for local youth. What the Foundation hoped was for us to spend the day with these youths and demonstrate to them some of the finer points of headwaters recreation. The Foundation was hoping we could give these high school age youth a lesson in fly fishing. We were happy to oblige! Four members of the CCTU Board and Alma resident David Andersen spent the morning of August 2 teaching a version of the Fly Fishing 101 and 201 classes taught by our partners at Orvis. Many thanks to Brian Young for providing his expertise leading the instruction and providing Orvis rods for the experience. After a casting lesson we moved to a local pond where the youth put their lessons into practice catching a few of the local trout. After fishing the Foundation provided a nice lunch for all, thanks to the South Platte Brewing of Fairplay. After lunch the youth were happy to take us on a hike to show all the tough trail work they had accomplished. We wish the Foundation all the best as the Riverwalk construction moves forward. They are optimistically hoping to complete construction by the end of next season, at which time there will be ADA accessible trails complete with interpretive signage funded by our Cutthroat Chapter. To learn more about the Alma Riverwalk please be sure to attend our October chapter meeting when we will hear a talk by the Foundation's representative and Alma native Jara Johnson.

**COME FISH WITH US JULY EVENT –SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 9AM-12PM AT LAKE LEHOW**



Join us Saturday, August 24 for CCTU's July "Come Fish With Us" event from 9am-12pm at Lake Lehow. This program is designed for chapter members and non-members to explore local fisheries with several highly experienced chapter members also there to answer questions, offer tips, and provide help on casting, fly selection, hooking, playing and landing fish. Lake Lehow (enter via east side of Waterton Canyon Parking Lot) is a private lake that is heavily stocked with bass, panfish, and trout. Contact board member David Coward at [dpcoward@hotmail.com](mailto:dpcoward@hotmail.com) for more info, or just show up at Lake Lehow on 8/24 at 9am. While it continues to be hot, fish are still being caught throughout August...even a few hardy rainbows.

All of these events are at Lake Lehow, and we have the following dates remaining...

Saturday 8/24	9am-12pm
Sunday 9/22	8am-12pm
Friday 10/18	5-8pm

### **CCTU SEPTEMBER CHAPTER MEETING**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 6:30PM (MEETING OFFICIALLY STARTS 7PM)**

**CRESTHILL MIDDLE SCHOOL – 9195 CRESTHILL LANE, HIGHLANDS RANCH, CO 80130  
(CAFETERIA FOR MEETING)**

**GRANT HOUX, ST. PETER'S FLY SHOP (FORT COLLINS), FLY FISHING THE POUDBRE...HOW TO  
CATCH A GRAND SLAM IN ONE DAY**



Join Grant Houx, the owner of the two St. Peter's fly shops in Fort Collins, for a presentation on fishing the Cache De Poudre system. If you haven't fished the Poudre, you are missing out on a close-to-home fishery that has the size, numbers, and variety of fish to rival anywhere in the state. Grant has been fishing and guiding these waters for nearly two decades, and knows them better than anyone.

St. Peter's consists of two fly shops, the Remington Street location, and the South location on E Harmony. Both stores are in close proximity to a number of amazing waters including, the Poudre, Big Thompson, North Platte, and the waters of Rocky Mountain National Park. Grant spends his time both working in the shop full time and guiding on local water and the North Platte River. In the shop his roles are inventory management, guide coordinator and most importantly relationship building with our customers. As a guide Grant is an integral part of St. Peter's row team with over a decade of experience on the North Platte from North Gate to Casper. He has spent a significant amount of time traveling the world fly fishing from salt water destinations to Patagonia. In fly fishing, teaching is a driving facet of the sport for Grant. He is a Certified Casting Instructor who enjoys teaching people how to dial in their cast whether it is with a single or double handed rod.

For more info on St. Peter's Fly SHOPS check out [www.stpetes.com](http://www.stpetes.com)

### **CCTU PARTNER FOCUS – REGION FISHING**



This month we highlight another great partner for CCTU...Region Fishing. They contacted CCTU and have donated to the 2019 Raffle a Tenkara Outfit that includes a rod, 3 lines, 3 spools, nippers hemostats, a Fly Box with 24 flies, and more.

The idea of Region Fishing started in 2017 on a bonefishing trip in the Bahamas. Since then, the Region team has sourced quality materials and premier manufacturers to build a company focused on fly fishing and Tenkara equipment and tackle at an affordable price. As fishing experts and entrepreneurs, Region is always developing and adding new products. In the near future Region, they will offer a full line up of freshwater equipment. All products are guide tested and approved. Region believes that Tenkara and fly fishing should be enjoyed by all walks of life. Price should never be a barrier for entry to anyone, and new anglers should start with high performance quality gear to enjoy the fishing experience without the hassle of always outgrowing equipment. Experienced anglers can enjoy fishing without worrying about performance or equipment failure.

Check out Region's rods, reels, and flies at [www.regionfishing.com](http://www.regionfishing.com)

**BEAR CREEK ELECTROFISHING PROJECT – WEEK OF SEPT 9 (EXACT DATE TBD)**



We wanted to make everyone aware that CCTU will again be assisting Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) with an electroshocking project on Bear Creek. The project will be conducted the week of September 9. Once we have a specific day that week, we will pass that along. During the project, CCTU volunteers man nets and floating fish carts to store the fish that have been electroshocked. Volunteers must be in good physical shape, able to wade deep swift water and manage heavy loads. CPW personnel measure length and weight of each fish. The results of last year's project were surprising – 3 brown trout 18-19 inches, 12+ browns 14-18 inches, numerous Colorado native fish including longnose dace, white sucker, creek chubs, and longnose suckers. Stay tuned for more info from project coordinator George Franklin ([georgefr@aol.com](mailto:georgefr@aol.com) 303.902.9827). If you would like to participate and are able to get away on a weekday with short notice, please contact George to get your name on a waiting list.

### **CLEAR CREEK CLEAN-UP – SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**





This year our multi Chapter Stream Clean Up Project will be held at the Courtney-Riley-Cooper Park in [Idaho Springs \(2350 Colorado Blvd, Idaho Springs, CO 80452\)](#). We will be teamed with volunteers from the West Denver and Cherry Creek Anglers Chapters. We plan to work cleaning up the stream from Highway 119 in the East to Dumont on the West. We are in need of 30 to 50 volunteers to help make this project a success. Please bring waders and work gloves. Garbage bags and safety vests will be provided.

To entice you to join us we will have Starbuck's coffee and doughnuts at the Park @ 8:30AM before work starts at 9:00AM, AND for your participation you will earn a free lunch as well! THAT'S NOT ALL....., we will conclude our work with our traditional raffle, FEATURING GREAT FISHING ORIENTED PRIZES after lunch. There is great fishing access to Clear Creek inside and near the park.

Please contact our project leaders for more info...

Cutthroat Chapter: Ray Carney (303-523-4740), [raythefly@aol.com](mailto:raythefly@aol.com) OR Jim Klug (303-565-7504) [fishnow@comcast.net](mailto:fishnow@comcast.net)

West Denver: Ed Calmus : [ed.calmus@gmail.com](mailto:ed.calmus@gmail.com)

### **AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM – SET THIS UP AND CCTU GETS .5% OF YOUR AMAZON PURCHASES**

Amazon Smile provides .5% of the price of your Amazon purchase to the charitable organization of your choice. To set this program up, you must always go to the website <https://smile.amazon.com> to sign into your Amazon account, rather than going to [Amazon.com](https://amazon.com). Once you sign into your Amazon account via the Amazon Smiles website, you will be transported to the Amazon website.

To set up initially...

- Go to <https://smile.amazon.com>
- Login with your Amazon username (likely email) and password

- The system will then prompt you for which charitable organization you want the \$ to go towards – type in Cutthroat Chapter of Trout Unlimited
- You are all set to have the \$ go towards CCTU
- If you ever want to change the charitable organization or if you have trouble with the initial set-up – go to <https://smile.amazon.com>, then go to “Your Account”, then to “Your Amazon Smile”



### KING SOOPERS CARD PROGRAM CHANGE – PLEASE MAKE THE CHANGES BELOW TO KEEP FUNDING GOING TO CCTU

The King Soopers Gift Card program has been an important funding source for CCTU. The program has changed, and now no longer runs off the gift card but runs straight off your King Soopers Rewards Card...**requiring even less effort than ever before.**

To link your King Soopers Reward Card to funding for CCTU, please do the following.

- Log into your King Soopers Rewards account at [www.kingsoopers.com](http://www.kingsoopers.com) – if you are a new user, you will have to create an account which is very simple.
- Click on “Save” on top menu bar
- Click on King Soopers Community Rewards – from pull down menu
- Enroll Now
- Create Account – you will need King Soopers Rewards Card number...on back of card
- Find an Organization – enter “Cutthroat”
- Enroll



We have had a productive year for both fishing and conservation. Your dollars and your efforts have certainly had a positive impact on the health of our mountain streams and our angling community. As always, we thank you for your commitment, your donations and your time.

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