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## **TIMELY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NOTE: NOVEMBER CHAPTER MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED**

HOLIDAY PARTY TO BE HELD AT CRESTHILL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
**\*\*PAT DORSEY TO PRESENT AT JANUARY CHAPTER MEETING\*\***  
 FLY-TYING DEMO BY RICHARD PILATZKE PRIOR TO CHAPTER MEETING

## **CCTU OCTOBER CHAPTER MEETING RECAP**



Had an excellent October chapter meeting at Cresthill Middle School. Chris Krueger, Rocky Mountain Fly Design, gave his timely presentation on streamer fishing – “Taking the Guess Work Out of Streamer Fishing... Tips for Success”. He delved into why trout eat streamers, when to fish streamers and went into significant detail on some of the key streamer imitated food sources. Fly patterns, retrieves and presentation techniques, and equipment, including leader design were all covered. It was an invaluable dive into an area that we all can grow our fly fishing skillsets. Pick up some of his amazing streamers, check out tying videos and more at his website [www.rockymountainflydesign.com](http://www.rockymountainflydesign.com). If you missed the meeting or wanted to review any aspect of Chris’ presentation, it is now up on the CCTU YouTube site at <https://youtu.be/2bJwUyp5Cbs>

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## **CELEBRATE THE SEASON - CCTU HOLIDAY PARTY**

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 13, 2022. 6:30 - 8:30 pm**  
**CRESTHILL MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**APOLOGIES for the date being incorrect on last month's newsletter! If you encountered**



**any errors or problems getting registered, please re-register. You will not be double-counted.**

## RSVP Here

### LOCATION

Cresthill Middle School

### DATE AND TIME

12/13/22 6:30pm -  
12/13/22 8:30pm

**\*\* Don't forget your White Elephant gift!!**

I'll be there!

Maybe

Sorry, I cannot attend

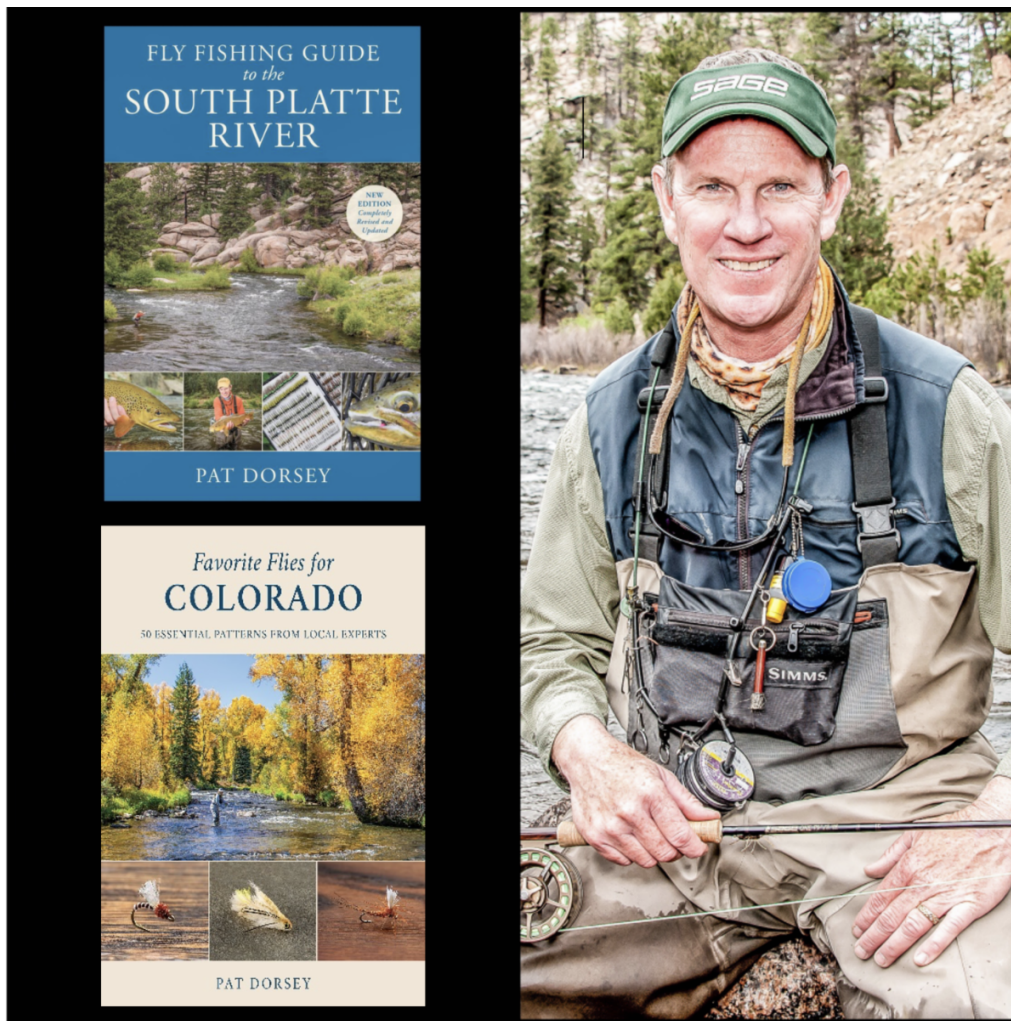
For our December chapter meeting, please join us for an evening of white elephant gift exchanges, silent auction, and a "Taste of Home" pot-luck. Dinner – We would like everyone to bring a dish that you would like to share with the attendees. Beverages (no alcohol allowed) will be provided by the Chapter.

Silent Auction – We will be auctioning off a few prizes, including a framed Dave Whitlock print at the event

White Elephant Gift Exchange – Have fun and join in on our long-time chapter holiday party tradition. Surprises abound in this type of exchange. Please bring a wrapped gift, however your choice as to how it is decorated. Gifts should be \$25 in value (or less) – not including any flies that might be involved. Usually everything has a fishing overtone, but you can be creative a provide a surprise too ....the sillier/stupider, the more fun and better it is. Each item is assigned a number, then randomly picked. Each item is susceptible to be "stolen" by the next participants. An item is retired after the third "steal" exchange.

If you haven't been to a CCTU holiday party before, it is a great way to meet chapter members in a truly fun, laid-back evening. Members, potential members, visitors, friends are all welcome. We would like a rough estimate count of how many folks will be there for the food planning purposes.

**CCTU CHAPTER MEETING - JANUARY 2023**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 6:30PM (meeting officially starts at 7PM)**  
**Lone Tree Brewing Company (New Location) – 8200 Park Meadows Drive, Lone Tree, CO 80124**  
**Pat Dorsey, The Blue Quill Angler, *Fly Fishing the South Platte River***



Set your calendar as we are extremely fortunate to have legendary guide/author/Blue Quill co-owner Pat Dorsey for our January meeting. Pat Dorsey is a nationally known speaker. He travels the United States sharing his passion for fly fishing at trade shows and fishing clubs and is active with Trout Unlimited and the conservation of cold-water fisheries. Pat has guided his native Colorado for nearly 30 years. He spends 200 days a year guiding/fishing on the water, continues to write some of the most informative and readable books in the industry, maintains his online stream report and Blog, co-owns the Blue Quill Angler in Evergreen, and is a highly sought-after speaker across the country. Pat is a Simms Ambassador, a member of the Sage Elite Pro Team, Fishpond Ambassador, Orvis Pro /Team Member, Yeti Pro staff, a Pro/Team Member for Whiting Farms and Scientific Anglers Pro Staff. He is the *Southwest Field Editor* for Fly Fisherman Magazine and a prolific author including his new book *Favorite Flies for COLORADO – 50 Essential Patterns from Local Experts*, *A Fly Fishing Guide to the South Platte River*, *Fly Fishing Tailwaters*, *Tying and Fishing Tailwater Flies*, and *Colorado Guide Flies*. Pat is an accomplished fly tier, an Umpqua fly designer, and his creations include the Mercury series, UV scud, Limeade, Paper Tiger,

Top Secret Midge, Medallion Midge and the famed Black Beauty. Find out about his hosted trips....he and his wife Kim host yearly trips to Alaska Sportsman Lodge each September, Soaring Eagle Lodge in October, Nomadic Waters in Brazil in November, and the Rio Manso Lodge (Patagonia) each April and December with clients.

In addition to having Pat Dorsey at our meeting, we will also have a Fly-tying demonstration by Richard Pilatzke prior to the start of the formal meeting. Those of you that know Richard and/or Pat will recognize that this is a meeting you do not want to miss!!

## COME FISH WITH US EVENTS - 2022 PROGRAM UPDATE



### ***A note from David Coward (program manager)***

Lake Lehow is a wonderful resource owned by Denver Water and managed by Parks and Wildlife. The lake is located at the rear of the Waterton Canyon parking lot. This private lake has provided groups from the Denver area with the opportunity to enjoy fishing just minutes from home. I have been organizing this event once a month for our CCTU club starting in April thru October for several years now.

My fishing buddy Bruce Foss and I have enjoyed meeting many new friends and families. We hold events mostly in the evenings from 5pm to 8pm and mostly on Wednesday and Friday with an occasional Sunday morning. This is a wonderful time for beginners to learn and catch fish and for families and friends to enjoy the outdoors. The lake is heavily stocked in the spring and

fall with trout but during the summer, fun is had catching the bluegills and bass.

We are trying to have even more fun by hosting BBQ's. This last summer we hosted two, one dinner and one late lunch. Both were a big hit. The attendance for the bbq's was about 25. The overall attendance this year was about 150 people. Our surprise this year were all the new folks. Friends and neighbors showed up that weren't club members but had been alerted by word of mouth from club members.

I will apply for similar dates next year starting in April and going through October. There will be more BBQ's and fun. We will enjoy the spring stocking and the summer panfish. Bruce and I will greet you at the gate just as before.

Come Fish With Us,  
David Coward

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## ALASKA FISHING TRIP

### *Scott Tampa & Meg Renton*

In September, Scott (CCTU President) and Meg (CCTU Treasurer) joined Blue Quill Angler's Pat Dorsey and wife Kim on a trip to the Alaska Sportsman's Lodge, located on the Kvichak (kwee-jack) River. The lodge provides first-class accommodations, culinary experiences and some of the best fishing in Alaska. The Bristol Bay watershed, home to the world's richest commercial and sport salmon fisheries, is Alaska's only designated "Trophy Rainbow Trout" area, and the largest red salmon run in the world. The purity of this nutrient rich environment allows fish to grow to enormous size. Their trip included up to 6 fly-outs and a day of fishing on the Kvichak. The weather mostly



cooperated with only a couple days of mild rain brought on by the remnants of Typhoon Merbok as it headed towards Nome. Fishing excursions started every morning following a made-to-order breakfast. We took 1957 vintage DeHavilland Beaver float planes to river destinations (Moraine Creek, Gibraltar, etc) where rafts were assembled for day long floats filled with sockeye catching grizzlies, fishing and a hot lunch. We also flew to the coast to catch our limit of silver salmon from the Swikshak, which the lodge staff fileted, vacuum sealed, froze and packaged for our trip home. On the Kvichak and Naknek, we boarded jet boats and did drifts in search of gigantic rainbows. The Naknek did not disappoint and provided the highlight of our week: Scott landed a 30 inch "Trophy" Rainbow Trout, just beating Meg's 29.5 inch Rainbow landed 15 minutes prior. It was the trip of a lifetime which made for lasting memories and new friendships. We highly recommend a trip to the Alaska Sportsman's Lodge for any serious fly fisher in search of challenging monster rainbows, immersion in natural beauty, and the best staff and guides Alaska has to offer.

## IN MEMORY OF BILL REINIG, CCTU MEMBER AND FRIEND

We are sad to notify the CCTU family of the passing of Bill Reinig after a long battle with Parkinson's. Bill, aka B3, was a long-time active

member of the chapter and participated in many of the CCTU fishing trips. Services will be held on Monday, November 14, 1pm at Cherry Hills Community Church. Donations can be made to the Parkinson's Association of the Rockies in Bill's name.



## **UCCS STUDENT HAYDEN STRAIT SURVEY REQUEST**

Below is a letter we received from a student at UC- Colorado Springs. If you have a couple of minutes, please participate in the survey.

Greetings Cutthroat Chapter of Trout Unlimited,  
My name is Hayden Strait and I am a student researcher at the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs (UCCS) working on a project that focuses on conservation genetics and management of wild and native trout. This past summer, I was able to meet with the local Pikes Peak Chapter of Trout Unlimited to ask members about their views on the management and value of wild, native, and genetically pure trout. I'm writing today to see if you might be willing to share a brief survey with members of your Trout Unlimited chapter so we can begin to assess angler perspectives more broadly across the region.

This research is part of a National Science Foundation-supported project examining how increasing scientific understanding of fish genetics intersects with angler preferences and agency management policies. I've included a link



here to a Qualtrics survey that should take two minutes or less to complete. [[https://surveyuccs.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_0OmGkPAIbLLwWoK](https://surveyuccs.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0OmGkPAIbLLwWoK)]. We aim to use survey data we collect to inform scholarly articles and presentations, and to share with state fish and game agencies. Responses are anonymous and we ask you to submit them by November 18.

The survey includes contact information as part of its informed consent page, but if you have questions please feel free to let me know or reach out to my faculty supervisor at UCCS, Dr. David Havlick ([dhavlick@uccs.edu](mailto:dhavlick@uccs.edu)).

I appreciate your time and consideration of this request.

Thank you very much,

Hayden Strait

## ANNUAL FLY FISHING SHOW - FEBRUARY 2023

DETAILS: <https://flyfishingshow.com/denver-co/>



## CCTU *EVERYDAY* FUNDRAISING VEHICLES

**King Soopers Card Program** – Link up your King Soopers Rewards Card to CCTU for their Community Rewards program and get King Soopers donations flowing to the Chapter. Requires no ongoing effort on your part. Set up is very simple....check the CCTU website at [CCTU Website](#) for the directions how to link your King Soopers card to Community Rewards donations to CCTU.



**Amazon Smile** - Amazon Smile provides .5% of the price of your Amazon purchase to the charitable organization of your choice. When buying something from Amazon, simply go to the Amazon Smile website (<https://smile.amazon.com>) to sign into your Amazon account, rather than going to Amazon.com. Once you sign into your



Amazon account via the Amazon Smile website, you will be transported to the Amazon website and all purchases will register for the .5% donation to CCTU.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

11/15 - CCTU Membership meeting (**CANCELLED**) See you at the HOLIDAY PARTY on December 13th!

12/6 CCTU Board of Directors Meeting

12/13 CCTU Holiday Party (in-person at Cresthill Middle School)

1/17/2023. Chapter Meeting NEW LOCATION with Pat Dorsey

2/17, 18, & 19, 2023. Fly Fishing Show, Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center

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