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Western Rivers Conservancy's Collard Ranch near Fairplay, CO



This Month's Events

CCTU CHAPTER MEETING: January 16, 2024

Lone Tree Brewing
8200 Park Meadows Dr.
Lone Tree, CO 80124

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CCTU CHAPTER MEETING JANUARY 2024
KATRINA HETTINGER:
GRIZZLY MINE RESTORATION
Front Range AML Project Manager
TU Western Water & Habitat Program



TUESDAY
JANUARY 16

Fly Tying Demos at 6:00 PM
Meeting Starts at 6:30 PM



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The Grizzly Mine is located in the Southern Rocky Mountains on the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests, six miles southwest of Silver Plume in Clear Creek County, Colorado, at 10,800 feet. The project site resides within what was historically known as the Argentine Mining District and is adjacent to Grizzly Gulch in the Headwaters of Clear Creek. The mine operated from the early 1870s to the late 1950s, with the primary mineral production output consisting of silver, lead, and zinc.

Today, there are some 500,000 abandoned mines across the western U.S. Many of these AML sites chronically leak heavy metals and other toxic substances into streams and groundwater, degrading the environment and popular trout streams. In the western U.S., roughly 140,000 AML sites have been identified as posing physical or environmental hazards. TU is committed to protecting trout streams from adverse impacts associated with abandoned mines and has made giant strides to date in restoring impaired streams – one mine at a time.

[Zoom Meeting Link](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85600156892?pwd=VVF6MzV4Vk9EdVJ3YXhqS0hGcVpTdz09)

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Meeting ID: 856 0015 6892

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Raffle Prizes for January Chapter Meeting



Youth Camp 2024: June 9 - June 15, 2024
at AEI Base Camp in Almont, CO

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!



2023 River Conservation & Fly Fishing Campers and Camp Staff

How to Become a Camper

ELIGIBILITY

Youth between the ages of 14-18 are eligible to apply to camp. Twenty (20) campers are selected based on their application responses, including an essay on why they wish to attend camp. First-time camp applicants will receive preference.

CAMP COSTS

Registration fee: \$50 — *Due with registration form after acceptance*

Tuition: \$650

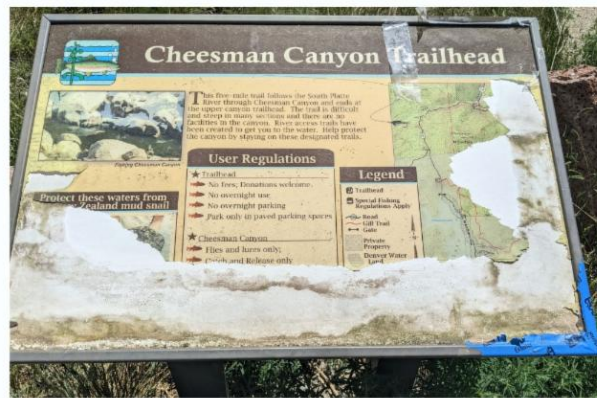
Application Deadline: April 1, 2024

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Tuition aid is available and many of our Trout Unlimited chapters support RCFF Camp by offering tuition scholarships. Please indicate in your camp application if you need a camp scholarship and we will try to pair you with a scholarship opportunity.

CCTU Supports New Signage for Cheesman Canyon Parking Lot

Check out this before and after photos of the new signage at the Cheesman Canyon Parking lot with the help of CCTU!



Western Rivers Conservancy Protects Critical Stretch of Tarryall Creek in South Park

Western Rivers Conservancy recently completed the purchase of the 1,860-acre Collard Ranch near South Park, CO. This ranch includes a stretch of Tarryall Creek. For more information check out the following link:

[Tarryall Creek Collard Ranch](#)

Restoring Gold Medal Status to the Blue River

The Blue River Water Shed Group just received a \$1.8 million grant to start work restoring Gold Medal fishing to the Blue River. For more information check out the following link:

[Blue River Restoration](#)

Recaps and Information You May Find Interesting...

HOLIDAY PARTY FESTIVITIES

CCTU HOLIDAY PARTY 2023



CCTU held the annual holiday party in mid-December with nearly 40 members/guests attending. A potluck style meal brought a wide variety of entrees and desserts that were well received. The White Elephant gift exchange was once again an exciting and fun experience. The “steals” were limited to three per prize and three per each person. There were many prizes and participants reaching the steal limit which kept the exchange moving along. The party also included a silent auction for 16 items donated to the Chapter during the past year. Items ranged from used rod & reel sets, a couple of watercrafts, and a new Ross Native Series Greenback Reel. This auction brought in nearly \$1400 to the Chapter!

Thanks to everyone who participated in this year’s event.

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Upcoming Events & Trips

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1/16	January Chapter Meeting
1/19-21	Denver Fly Fishing Show (Gaylord Rockies Resort)
2/20	February Chapter Meeting
3/19	March Chapter Meeting
4/20	Earth Day

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CCTU CHAPTER MEETING FEBRUARY 2024



RESTORING GILL TRAIL #610



The Trail Providing Access to Cheesman Canyon



Bill Mangle
ERO Resources

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

6:00 pm Fly Tying Demo

6:30 pm Meeting



Priscilla Marbaker
Tapis Associates

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The Last Major Restoration of Gill Trail was 1999-2006

*The July 31 Flash Flood Event in Cheesman made it
even more critical to accelerate Gill Trail restoration
efforts to conserve Gold Medal Waters*

**Our speakers will discuss trail assessment, findings,
initial Trail Repair and the upcoming Pilot Project**



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CCTU CHAPTER MEETING MARCH 2024

PAT DORSEY

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

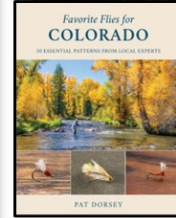
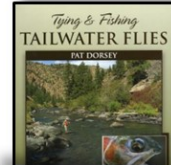
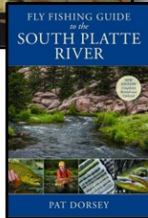
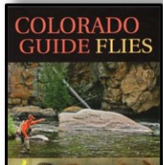


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Join Cutthroat Chapter and City of Lakewood Parks to



PLANT TREES FOR EARTH DAY



THINK GLOBALLY, ACT LOCALLY

Restore Bear Creek Riparian and Wildlife Habitat

Improve Stream Quality for Bear Creek Trout

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

8:00 am -12:00 pm - Just bring your work gloves



Head to:

- Bear Creek Lake Park
- Meet @TBD Picnic Shelter
- Get Assignments
- Follow Ranger to Site

Plant Native Trees/Shrubs:

- Narrowleaf Cottonwood
- American Plum
- Chokecherry
- Golden Currant

Install:

- Posts
- Wire Fencing
- Timbers
- Erosion Control Netting

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.



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