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TIMELY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CELEBRATE THE SEASON - CCTU HOLIDAY PARTY

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

For our December chapter meeting, please join us for an evening of white elephant gift exchanges,



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

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 and 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 UPDATE

CHAPTER MEETING FORMAT CHANGE

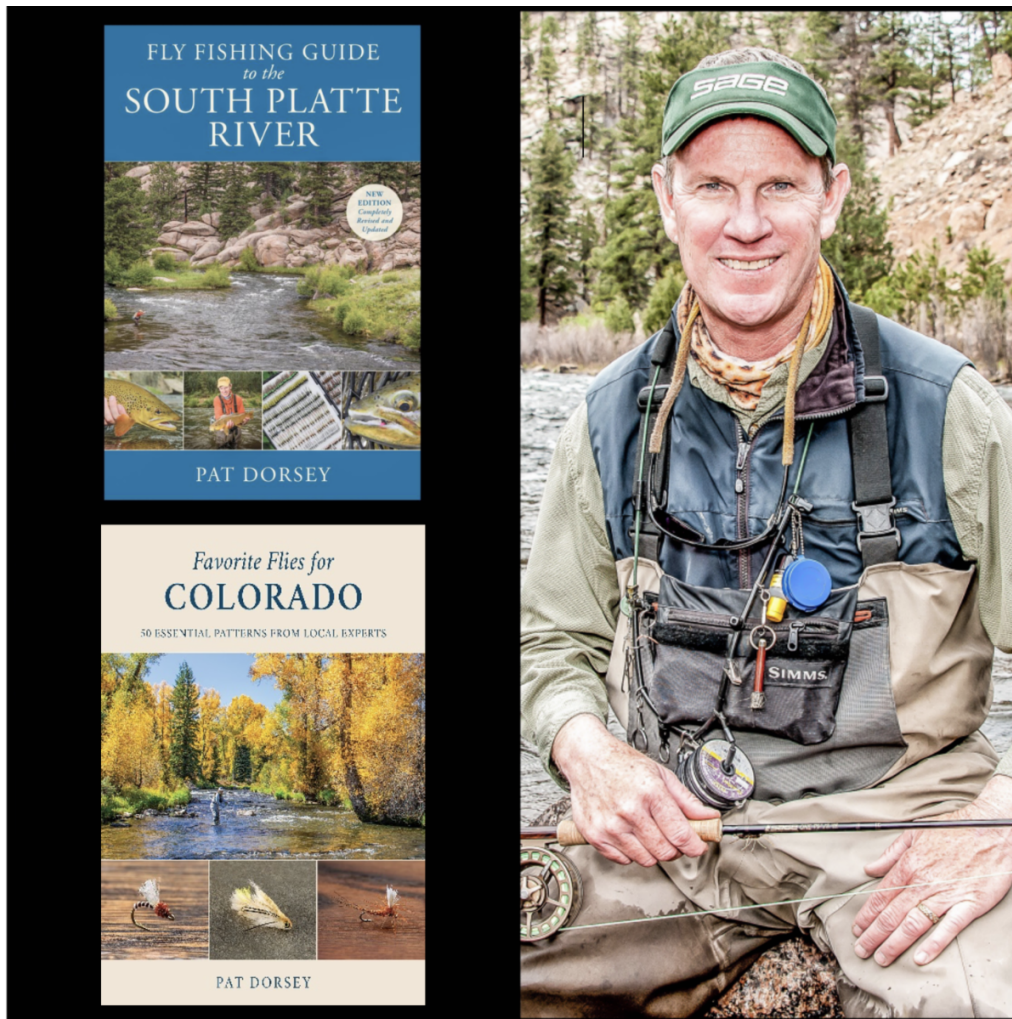
2023 is bringing change!! We are announcing a couple of changes to the format of our monthly chapter meetings. We think you will enjoy and benefit from them and look forward to hearing your feedback and suggestions for further improvement.

First, we will be moving the meeting location to Lone Tree Brewing Company, located at 8200 Park Meadows Dr, Lone Tree, CO. We will no longer be holding the meetings at Cresthill Middle School. Cresthill served us well, but the decision was made to choose a new venue that will make it more convenient for attendees to come right after work and have the opportunity to order food and beverages if they would like to.

Second, we are adding a session prior to the formal meeting for fly-tying demonstrations. Our inaugural fly-tying demonstration at the January meeting will feature Richard Pilatzke, who is renowned for his tying ability, fishing acumen, and his contributions to the chapter over the years.



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 start 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!!



RAY CARNEY VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD TO BE ANNOUNCED AND PRESENTED AT THE JANUARY MEETING

Ray was a true ambassador for CCTU and Trout Unlimited. He was a skilled angler and a staunch supporter of our conservation projects. He founded and helped run the Clear Creek Clean Up for more years than even he could remember. He supported all our projects, and the last time many of us talked with Ray was at the South Platte River Clean Up this past July. Every year the CCTU Board honors the volunteer who stood out in helping CCTU fulfill its mission of conserving, protecting, and restoring Colorado's coldwater fisheries and their watersheds by participating in and helping run chapter events.

**CCTU CHAPTER MEETING -
FEBRUARY 2023**



**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 6:30PM
(meeting officially starts at 7PM)
Lone Tree Brewing Company (New
Location) – 8200 Park Meadows Drive,
Lone Tree, CO 80124**

We are pleased to announce that Bill Mangle from ERO Resources will be discussing the Cheesman Canyon Gill Trail Restoration project. Bill will give some perspective on a topic that will have an impact on us individually as anglers, as well as the long-term environmental impacts.

TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM UPDATE

By Natalie Flowers, CTU Youth Coordinator

It was a busy fall for Trout in the Classroom (TIC) in Colorado, as sites, chapters, and volunteers worked diligently to fundraise, purchase, and set up TIC equipment across the state. Trout Egg Delivery Days finally came on September 28th for 27 tanks across the state, then on October 25th, another 23 tanks received their shipment. Approximately 11,600 Rainbow Trout eggs from Colorado Parks & Wildlife's Crystal River Hatchery were transported and delivered successfully to these 50 TIC tanks.



Cutthroat chapter volunteers delivered eggs to multiple schools and helped coordinate these efforts. Check out the progress by shooting the QR code above, or click here:

<https://youtu.be/c8yfriyMOXk>

Or go to the CTU website at <https://coloradotu.org/trout-in-the-classroom>

We look forward to releasing these little guys with the students at the end of the school year to begin their journeys in the wild streams of Colorado!

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.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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

2/7/2023 Board of Directors meeting

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

2/21/2023 Chapter Meeting

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