

# MID MISSOURI chapter

## **Trout Unlimited**



JULY 1989

**MONTHLY MEETING JULY 11, 7TH FLOOR ELLIS FISCHER, 7:00 P.M.**

The July meeting will feature Jerry Griffen discussing Salmon and Steelhead fishing on the Pierre Marquette River in Michigan. He will present a slide show of his trips to the river and discuss tactics for taking Salmon and Steelhead.

### **HIGHWAY CLEANUP**

On Saturday, June 24, the second highway cleanup was completed. The turnout was small (John Wenzlick, Ken Foster, Terry Finger, Keith and Garry Teeple) which meant hard work for those dedicated people. We started at 8:30 and were finished by noon. A big thanks to John for furnishing the Coke at the end.

### **SPRING CREEK UPDATE**

Our work weekend on Spring Creek will be Saturday and Sunday July 15 and 16. We need about 50 people each day, there will be work for everyone so bring the family. Drinks and snacks will be furnished. If you can work one or both days, please give Ed Sullivan (474-6647) or Garry Teeple (474-9781) a call. This will greatly add in planning between chapters. Even if you can't reach one of us or don't call please come if you can. Work is planned to get under way around 9:00 a.m. and last until 5:00 p.m. The better the turnout, the less work for everyone involved.

"Enjoying fishing takes more than special equipment. One's attitude about life's fundamentals plays a more significant role than rods and reels, boats and motors, depth finders or rattlebaits. The only competition in fishing is with yourself in finding the greatest satisfaction. The reward for success has no price tag."

Mac Johnson  
Missouri Conservationist  
May 1989

## FLY TYING

### Obscure Catskill Flies, Installment #1: the Katterman

Anyone who has been around fly fishing for more than a week or so has probably become familiar with well-known classic Catskill flies like the Gordon Quill, Light Cahill, Hendrickson, and the like. These flies, developed in the Catskill region during the classic era earlier in this century, are effective fish catchers and remain popular today from coast to coast. There are, however, a number of equally effective flies from the classic Catskill tyers that are not so well known. Some were quite popular in the old days but, for whatever reason, have fallen by the wayside. Others remain popular within the Catskill region but have never become widely known. All are worth trying; they catch fish and give you a chance to fish a little history.

My first installment on these relatively obscure flies is a dry fly pattern originated by Walt Dette, the Katterman. The Dette family, Walt, Winnie, and daughter Mary Clark, are the last of the classic era Catskill tyers and, with over 60 years of sustained production, have probably tied more Catskill style flies than anyone. They still sell a lot of Kattermans within the region, but few people outside the Catskills have heard of this fly. The only published photo that I know of is in Eric Leiser's The Book of Fly Patterns. Unlike the well-known Catskill dries mentioned above, this one has no wings, but does feature a palmered body hackle:

Hook: standard length dry fly  
Tying silk: cream  
Tail: brown hackle fibers  
Wings: none  
Body: peacock herl with a dark brown hackle  
palmered down the body  
Hackle: white or cream tied as a collar in  
front of the brown hackle

First tie in the tail, then attach the body hackle (tip first) and peacock herl. I also prefer to attach a length of very fine (38 gauge) dark wire which, when counter-wrapped over the herl and body hackle, makes for a very durable fly. Wrap the herl forward, spiral the body hackle, and counterwrap the wire. Then tie in the front hackle, wind it, and whip finish. Don't crowd the head; Catskill flies should have the head set back a little from the hook eye.

With palmered body hackle, the Katterman is a good floater, and with the light collar hackle, it is easy to see on the water. Any just what does this thing imitate? Those enamored with realistic tying will say "nothing!" Wiser folk will realize that a palmered body hackle is perhaps the best way to simulate a fluttering caddis. I have taken too many fish during brown caddis hatches with either this fly or the similar Brown Bivisible to think otherwise.

Good tying,  
Terry Finger

## TU CALENDAR PHOTO CONTEST

By now you are all familiar with Trout Unlimited's new calendar, introduced in 1989 for our 30th anniversary. To make that calendar even more special, we are launching a photo contest during the next year (from now until February 1990) open to all interested TU members. We know that many members enjoy taking photographs of their favorite fishing spots, or capturing that special day or that unique experience on film. This contest offers them an exciting opportunity to showcase their work along with that of artists like Brian O'Keefe, David Stoecklein, and Valentine Atkinson.

Criteria for work submitted, contest rules, and contest deadlines are listed below. We hope you will share this information with all of your members -- at meetings, in your newsletters, and in any other communications you have with them. We think they'll have a lot of fun with it!

### Criteria

Picture must be horizontal shot; submitted in slide format; visually arresting; and of high technical quality.

### Rules

- o One entry per chapter;
- o Picture cannot have been published elsewhere;
- o Once submitted, slides become property of TU and will not be returned (contestant should make duplicate for personal records);
- o Because of publication schedule, deadline for mailing to national office is absolute -- no exceptions!
- o The following information must accompany each entry:
  - name, address, telephone number of photographer
  - photographer's chapter
  - name of stream, fish, and/or other components of picture
  - date and time of day picture taken
  - any other information that would be needed to correctly describe picture.
- o Calendar publishing company can eliminate a slide from consideration by judges if it is not technically satisfactory or for some other reason cannot be reproduced or used.

### Deadlines

The contest will be announced to all members in the April and July 1989 issues of Action Line. Deadlines for contestants are as follows:

August 89 : Postmark for submission to chapter is August 31.

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October 89 : Chapter will have September and October to select one winner. Postmark for submission to council or, if no state council, to regional vice-president is October 31.

December 89: Council or RVP will have November and December to select one slide per state for submission to TU national office. Postmark for submission to national is December 31.

January 90: Staff codes slides so judges do not have names of contestants and selection of winner is totally objective.

February 90: Select winner for 1991 calendar. Selection to be made by committee of Board members (President, 1st V-P, Fundraising Committee Chairman) and volunteer photographers who are not contestants. A representative from the calendar publishing company should serve as an advisor to the selection committee.

August 90 : Announce contest winner for 1991 at national convention. Include news of winning photographer and his or her chapter on calendar and in short feature in Action Line.

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TO: TROUT UNLIMITED COUNCIL AND CHAPTER PRESIDENTS  
FROM: Bob Herbst, Executive Director  
DATE: June 23, 1989  
RE: Unrelated Business Income Tax (UBIT)

For the last few years there has been a movement in Congress to change the UBIT law for nonprofit organizations. A proposal currently in the U.S. House of Representatives Ways and Means Oversight Subcommittee (if passed) would seriously undermine Trout Unlimited's local and national fundraising efforts.

This proposal would:

1. tax any item TU offers for sale except items costing less than \$15 (e.g. auction items, raffle items, TU calendars);
2. tax advertising revenue (e.g. newsletters);
3. tax royalties (from sales of videos, or receiving a donation for the use of TU's name or logo);
4. tax affinity credit card revenue;
5. tax other revenue generators.

To avert a serious threat to the financial livelihood of our organization, we need our grassroots members to become active spokespersons for Trout Unlimited and the nonprofit world. Since there is strength in numbers, Trout Unlimited is working with the National Wildlife Federation and other conservation/environmental groups to educate lawmakers to the devastating repercussions from a change in the UBIT.

Enclosed is an information/action packet developed by the National Wildlife Federation to be used at your discretion in motivating your members. Staff from the National Wildlife Federation will be contacting all Council and Chapter Presidents to learn if this information has been passed on to TU members, to determine the level of concern and potential activism, and/or answer any questions you may have.

In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding the role our members can play in defeating the UBIT, contact:

Mark Bettinger  
National Wildlife Federation  
202/797-5466

Thank you in advance for disseminating this information to our local members and for protecting the financial interest of our Chapters, Councils, and national Trout Unlimited.



# NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Nonprofit leaders  
FR: Mark Bettinger, Tom Weis -- NWF UBIT Staff  
DATE: June 14, 1989  
RE: The latest on the UBIT Draft Proposal

### STATUS

This Spring, the Draft UBIT Proposal was moving full steam ahead in the Ways and Means Oversight Subcommittee and appeared destined for passage. That's before your letters and phone calls began coming into Congress. Now, due to your efforts, we have succeeded in stalling the proposal. UBIT is currently mired in the Subcommittee, with many Members unsure of how to proceed.

However, in the past week, rumors have begun circulating that the Subcommittee Chairman, J.J. Pickle (D-TX), is determined to move UBIT out of the Ways and Means Committee by attaching it to this year's Budget Reconciliation Bill. The Ways and Means Committee has until July 15 to finish its work on the bill.

In addition, the Business Coalition for Fair Competition, the small business organization that is spearheading the fight to pass the UBIT proposal, has mounted a major campaign to have the Committee pass the UBIT proposal this year.

It is crucial that we continue to lobby our Members of Congress to keep the heat on, and we need your help to make sure that UBIT is not attached to the Reconciliation bill. By continuing our grassroots pressure, we can prevent a consensus on UBIT from forming in the Full Ways and Means Committee. Otherwise, this fight could go to the floor of the House and Senate -- with the result spelling disaster for nonprofits.

### ACTION STEPS

June 15 - July 15 is the crucial period . We have one month to stop the UBIT proposal from being added to the Budget Reconciliation Bill.

#### What you can do:

- During the next month, we will be calling you to ask you to send another letter to your Representative and to urge your members to write as well.
- Be prepared to call your Representative's office and to urge your members to also call.
- Continue to push hard for a district meeting with your Representative (this is proving to have the greatest effect on individual Members of Congress).

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Today's date

Dear Representative:

The (name of organization) shares the concerns of members of the Subcommittee with regards to alleged abuses of the current Unrelated business income tax (UBIT) laws, but as an organization that has lived by the letter and the spirit of the law, the proposed changes would unnecessarily penalize the (Federation.) We therefore support the I.R.S. decision to investigate alleged abuses of U.B.I.T. and await the results of this study in 1992.

On behalf of the (name of organization), I would like to request a meeting with you during the July recess to further discuss our concerns with the U.B.I.T. proposal. In addition, the (name of organization) has sent a letter (see enclosed copy) to President Bush asking for his continued support of our nation's "1000 points of light." As President Bush stated in his Inaugural Address, America cannot rely solely on the Federal Government to solve our nation's problems -- we must also count on our charities to do their part. With your help, the (name of organization) can continue to do its part.

In summary, the proposed changes to U.B.I.T. that have been discussed would severely cripple the education and conservation work of the (name of organization) at a time when the federal government is urging us to increase our public service activities. The U.B.I.T. proposal would place taxes on such fundraising activities as sales of merchandise items directly related to our programs, royalties, and newsletter advertising by our state affiliated organizations, forcing us to cut back on services and requiring us to spend more money on paperwork, bureaucracy and accountants to comply with the changes. In short, we're being asked to do more with less.

The (name of organization) would like to meet with you during the July 1 - July 9 recess to discuss our specific concerns with regards to the proposed changes to U.B.I.T. We look forward to working with you on this matter.

Sincerely,



April 26, 1989

President George Bush  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

In your campaign you promised America "no new taxes." As leaders of our nation's nonprofit organizations, we believed you. But right now, there are proposals being considered by Congress that would impose new taxes on America's charities.

We don't need to remind you of the problems facing our great nation: illegal drugs, acid rain, sky-high drop-out rates, homelessness in every city in America. The list could go on and on. For years we have known that we cannot rely solely on the federal government to solve our problems. That is why we were encouraged and inspired by your Inaugural Address, when you called upon the "thousand points of light" to help make America a better nation.

Your vision spoke deeply to all Americans, and we are working hard to meet your challenge. For hundreds of years, America's charities have been the nation's "thousand points of light." Our citizens have come to count on charities to feed the poor, house the homeless, protect the environment, educate the young. Working together with the Bush Administration, we want to become even more successful in helping America move forward as a gentler, more caring nation.

Based on your Inaugural Address, we would expect encouragement from the government as we try to make our lights burn more brightly. Instead, we are witnessing a potential threat to these "points of light" in the form of burdensome new taxes on charities. This major assault on charitable fundraising takes the form of proposed changes to the Unrelated Business Income Tax (UBIT).

We believe that Congress shares your support for the valuable work being performed by nonprofit groups. However, straining to correct isolated abuses of the tax law, Congress is considering changes that would radically alter the tax treatment of all charities. These proposals are not mere loophole-closing measures. Instead, they go to the very heart of your "no new taxes" pledge, for they would tax charitable

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