



PFFMA Newsletter

The 24th issue email newsletter for the Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum Association

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Happy Labor Day Weekend

It is time to take a break to celebrate everything you have achieved this year to include visiting your local stream in the early morning and evenings to enjoy the sport we all love. Happy Labor Day!

Annual Museum Banquet is two months away -- Saturday, November 5, 2022

In-person events are back. My company recently produced an in-person only event in Washington, DC on August 23rd after a long three year absence. It was exciting to be back in-person and I look forward to helping bring back the annual PFFMA banquet on November 5. If you attend the banquet - I will be the person doing the live auction (and also volunteer responsible for this newsletter - Mike Smoyer).

Banquet Registration is open (see registration link below). The banquet will take place at the Masonic Lodge, 1236 Holly Pike, in Carlisle, PA and will include both silent and live auction items, raffles and more.

The banquet theme will be a tribute to the late Ed Shenk.

2022 museum inductees will be Al Caucci and Chuck Furimsky.

Note -- The banquet will take place between 5:00 - 9:00 pm and will be casual this year. *It will be a "Bring Your Own Beverage (BYOB)" event.* Please mark 11/5/22 on your calendar. We look forward to seeing everyone again in-person - you can register below.

Hotel Discount for Museum Members:

Museum members are able to secure a \$65 per night hotel reservation at the Microtel Hotel in Carlisle, PA. To secure the Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum Association member [click here](#) to secure member rate discount code. Interested in becoming a Museum Member? See bottom of email for more details - memberships start at \$25.00

And, for anyone registering for the banquet between Tuesday, July 5 and Friday, September 16th, your name will be entered in a raffle for a free night

stay the evening of the banquet at the Microtel for Saturday, November 5, 2022.

Banquet Auction Items (as of 9/2/22):

Two Hour Gettysburg Battlefield Tour:

- Dave Weaver, PFFMA Board Member & Licensed Battlefield Guide, to provide two hour guided tour of Gettysburg National Military Park.

3-Hour Fly Casting Clinic:

- Jim Rainey, Fly Fishers International (FFI) Certified Casting Instructor, donated a three-hour casting clinic for two people to "learn some of the casts that catch fish."

Half-day float for 2 on the Susquehanna or Juniata river:

- Brad Ritter, owner of the Drifted Hook Guide Service, PA donated a half-day float for smallmouth within 20-30 minutes of Harrisburg at discretion of guide. Time/Date TBD.

Full-day fishing trip for 2 on local Carlisle streams:

- Ken Okorn to host full day trip on local Carlisle streams

Shadow box of Classic Atlantic Salmon Fly:

- Tied and donated by Connor McCracken

Two night lodging & \$250 gift card from Precision Fly & Tackle:

- Justin Pittman, PFFMA Board Member and owner Precision Fly & Tackle, donated two nights lodging at his store in Carlisle and a \$250 gift card

Box of Trout Flies donated by Gerry Kerstetter

Box of Bass Flies donated by Scott Loughner PFFMA Board Member

Reddington Fly Rod donated by Rick Nyles

Brad Gates, author, is donating autographed book "Two Good Men"

Bill Skilton, PFFMA Board Member, is donating a genetic Dry Fly Grizzly saddle and cape

[Banquet Registration](#)

Interested in making a donation for Live or Silent Auction for annual banquet? Please contact [Bill Skilton](#) to learn more. Thank you in advance for your consideration - it is appreciated.

About the Museum:

*The **Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum Association** promotes and preserves the history and heritage of fly fishing in Pennsylvania. It is a federally recognized non-profit and all-volunteer organization.*

The Association is dedicated to preserving the rich heritage of fly fishing in all of Pennsylvania and to educating the public about the rivers, streams, and lakes of Pennsylvania and the importance of the aquatic life within them. PFFMA meets its goals through collecting, preserving, and curating fly fishing artifacts and developing educational exhibits.

*You can **help the museum by sharing this monthly newsletter with your fly fishing network** and have them sign up to receive museum updates.*

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Become a PFFMA Member

By becoming a member and supporting the museum association, you will be providing valuable assistance in us reaching our goals by:

- Significantly expanding the displays throughout the Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum,
- Funding research for exhibits, oral histories and video projects, building a research library to discover and document more of the Pennsylvania fly fishing influence and history,
- Providing environmental exhibits and programs that educate the public about the significance of the health of Pennsylvania rivers, streams, and lakes
- And much much more.

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