



PFFMA Newsletter

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2022 Annual Banquet Highlights

The Pennsylvania Fly Fishing Museum Association annual banquet was held November 5, 2022 to a 'sell out crowd.' Returning after a two year absence, the banquet was held at the Masonic Lodge, in Carlisle, PA.

The banquet theme was a tribute to the late Ed Shenk and honoring 2022 museum inductees Al Caucci and Chuck Furimsky. Banquet highlights included:



Joe Humphreys honoring Ed Shenk

Joe Humphreys provided a heartfelt tribute to his good friend Ed Shenk known as the 'Master of the Letort.' Ed was one of the Letort Regulars that helped start the heritage of spring creek fly fishing. Ed was inducted in the Catskill Fly Fishing Center's Hall of Fame in 2012.



Al Caucci - Museum Honoree

Al Caucci has been an international name in the fly fishing world since his milestone book HATCHES was presented in the Field & Stream Book of the month Club in May 1975. Al created the famous COMPARADUN in 1966 and developed other well known patterns in the early '70s. Al's name is synonymous with modern fly fishing entomology.



Chuck Furimsky - Museum Honoree

Chuck Furimsky is one of the founders of the 'Fly Fishing Show' and spent 30+ years dedicated to promoting Fly Fishing and Fly Tying here in Pennsylvania and around the country. During the banquet he shared multiple stories on how he got started in Fly Fishing and highlights from Fly Fishing shows over the years.

The Museum would like to thank the following Spring Auction and Fall Banquet donors:

Justin Pittman, Jim Rainey, James Nevels, Tom Baltz, Bill Skilton, Joe Humphreys, Dave McMullen, Phil Boinske, Eric Naguski, Ken Okorn, Connor McCracken, Dave Weaver, Gerry Kerstetter, Scott Loughner, Rick Nyles, Brad Gates, Bob Krehely, Dette Flies, Royal Wulff Products, Ed Jaworowski, Mark Antolosky, Jeff Hatton, Zoa Bashline Kile, David & Krista Myers, Jerry Gerard, Pete Holmes, Lake Tobias Wildlife Park, Limestone Springs Reserve, Union Quarries, Karl Weixlmann, Ken Mead, Jack Villwock, Brian Shumaker, TCO Fly Shop, Mark Susinno, Precision Fly Fishing & Tackle, Homewaters, Andrew Bogley, John Conrad, Tony Dranzo, Jimmy Ternant, Dan Toth, Steve Harry, Bob Gwozdziejewicz, Mt Holly Beverage, Neil Sunday, Bill Nolan, One 13 social, Frank Basehore, Brad Ritter, and Fred Bohls

Volunteers Needed:

Interested in getting involved and assisting the museum in 2023 -- 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.

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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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