



GARY BORGER CHAPTER  
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# The Tippet

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## **February Meeting:**

**Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.**

**Libertyville Civic Center**

135 W Church St  
Libertyville, IL 60048

### **Featured Speaker**

Corey Tedesco

### **Subject**

How to Tie Tube Flies

Corey Tedesco is an avid fisherman with a special interest in fly fishing and fly tying. He can be found pursuing various species throughout the seasons.

His passion is steelhead fishing with a two-handed fly rod and tube flies. Corey has spent the past seven years honing his skills on mid-western, and most recently, Idaho steelhead rivers. Tube flies have been a key part of his fishing strategy.

Corey is a past president, current board member, and is a frequent presenter for Northern Illinois Fly Tyers. Through his association with NIFT he has spent considerable time sharing his knowledge and developing his skill as a fly tying instructor.

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## **January Speaker Recap**

Many thanks to Jeff Kennedy for his excellent presentation on his recent 365 flies in 365 days journey and his enthralling watercolor demonstration at our January meeting. The 20+ persons in attendance all got to watch the creation of one of Jeff's watercolor wonders. To follow Jeff's daily fly journey visit [www.drawingflies365.blogspot.com](http://www.drawingflies365.blogspot.com).

## **FLAPJACKS FOR FISHERIES UPDATE**

Planning for the April 24<sup>th</sup> Flapjacks for Fisheries (FFF) charity event is fully underway. We are looking for more volunteers to help out with various aspects of planning and preparing for the event. If you are interested, please contact the appropriate committee lead (listed below).

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## **GBTU LOOKING FOR DONATIONS FOR CHARITY EVENT**

The Gary Borger Chapter is holding its second annual FLAPJACKS for FISHERIES PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND BENEFT on April 23, 2010 at Sheridan Shore Yacht Club. We are looking for donations of items and/or cash for our raffle. The cash will be used to purchase additional raffle items. Any contribution will be greatly appreciated. There will be a sign with the items to show who donated them.

All proceeds will go towards Gary Borger Chapter's continued support of: Paradise Springs Creek Restoration project; Illinois Council Youth Conservation and Fly Fishing School; Trout in the Classroom at Hubbard Woods Elementary School; TUDARE (Trout Unlimited Driftless Area Restoration Effort); and Scouting Programs

If you have any question or donations please call Darwin at 847.223.5265 or e-mail at [darwinla@comcast.net](mailto:darwinla@comcast.net) or call Tony at 847.774.1782 or e-mail [t.perlstein@comcast.net](mailto:t.perlstein@comcast.net).

Gary Borger TU is a 501c-3 charitable organization.

### **STREAM RESTORATION DAY**

GBTU will hold a stream restoration workday on Saturday, February 6. We will be constructing 20 additional mini lunger structures - more if we have enough material - and pulling elodea from the stream in anticipation of the spring high water season. Clearing the stream channel will help wash the sediment downstream and prevent stream braiding. We will be working with the Wisconsin DNR alongside our friends from Southeast Wisconsin TU (SEWTU) and Oak Brook TU (OBTU). And, of course, we will be following up the workday with our traditional hot brat lunch with all the trimmings.

The location of the workday will be the Waukesha County Fisheries Building in South Kettle Moraine, located 2-3 miles west of the town of Eagle on Hwy. 59. Look for the WDNR sign on the left and turn left (south) into the park and then take the first right, which will take you to the work site. Bring warm clothing, safety glasses, boots and work gloves - and your warmest waders for working in the stream. Bring whatever tools you have for the stream work (branch clippers, garden rakes, etc.). We'll be meeting up at 9AM, work till noon and end the workday with the bratfest. We hope to see you there.

### **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

The grip of winter is loosening and with it the workload of Gary Borger TU volunteers will increase as we spring forth and put to action all the plans we made throughout the winter. This starts with our workday on the 6th of February. This workday will lay the groundwork for other workdays later in the year, as we continue to keep our project restoring Brook Trout habitat on Paradise Springs Creek moving.

Not all GBTU activity is work. We also need to reward ourselves for our hard work and commitment so many of our members will head down to the renowned North Fork River in Arkansas Feb 19-21. This trip has turned into a three day "all things trout" party and is a can't miss event many of our members, including myself.

The 25th of Feb. will bring training on the water monitoring protocols from the good folks at the Parks Dept. of Highland Park. This project has gained great traction with many members and some non-members that want to share their expertise in related science fields. Wouldn't it be great to see fish running up the ravines again and to be able to show future generations that the Illinois State lines truly don't have magical trout inhibiting powers. It is really all about the choices we make and how we treat our environment. This is a groundbreaking project with big possibilities, but it will require equally big commitments from our group.

This is the time we really need your support of GBTU's Flapjacks for Fisheries Charity Event. We are desperately in need of donations for our raffles and we need help to sell tickets to the event. Our ticket sales are based upon the great efforts of our members selling tickets through their personal networks. If you would like to support ticket sales, please contact Joan Butzow [butzow@comcast.net](mailto:butzow@comcast.net). This second annual event will once again be a family friendly pancake breakfast with information and demonstrations about what we do and who we work with, including children's activities, educational displays, great raffle prizes and a silent auction for some killer items. This is really the event that funds our work for the year. We ask each of you to reserve April 24th, 2010 from 8:00 AM until noon on your calendar and buy a ticket. It's just a few short hours, but it does a year's worth of good for our coldwater conservation work.

We also hope that you can attend the Feb. 11th meeting at 7:00, in the Libertyville Civic Center. Come and see Corey Tedesco demonstrating how and why to tie "Tube Flies." It will also be a great opportunity for you to learn how you can help make a difference. We hope to see you at the meeting.

Take care,  
Matt Jennings  
President Gary Borger TU

### **APRIL WISCONSIN OUTING**

GBTU has scheduled our chapter Spring outing for April 9-11. The location will be in and around Southwestern Wisconsin. This outing will kick off the day after our April Chapter meeting, which will feature Nick Volk, a local fishing guide and owner of the *On the Creek* fly shop, located in Cross Plains, WI. He will discuss tactics, flies and maybe even discuss a few local sites to target.

GBTU has secured 7 double occupancy rooms at the Old Towne Motel in Westby, WI. The motel serves a continental breakfast in the morning. The rooms will be on a first come - first served basis. A prime rib dinner will be served at a local restaurant on Saturday evening. The trip cost is \$130 per person for GBTU members. Please contact Fung Chin if you are interested in attending.

**DRIFT TO HOLD ANNUAL FLY FISHING  
AUCTION**

17th Annual Fly Fishing Auction  
Sponsored by the DuPage Rivers Fly Tyers  
Saturday February 20th 2010  
VFW Hall  
39 East St. Charles Road  
Villa Park, IL  
Registration at 12:00 Noon-Auction starts at 1:00 PM

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