

Oil CREEK TU QUARTERLY REPORT

6/26/2016

Organizational/ Leadership Activities (*Leadership development efforts and general administrative activities*):

We are planning to develop a newspaper article about OCTU and Trout In The Classroom, with emphasis on the history and the big picture of TIC in the state.

We made a donation to the Franklin, PA YMCA.

Fundraising Activities (*Banquets and other significant fundraisers*):

Our annual fund raising banquet was held on April 2. Again the banquet was sold out 2 weeks prior to the event. Everything went very well during the set up, and the evening activities. Our net income was down some due to lower financial donations and less activity at the silent auction table, however it appears the organization will be able to fully fund all planned activities during the coming year. Next year's function is already set for the 8th of April at the Inn at Franklin. Tom Young is planning to continue to chair the event for next year. A list of this year's donors was acknowledged on our website by Gary and Linda Ross.

The chapter has OCTU hats and shirts available for sale again.

Conservation Activities (*Stream restoration projects and other conservation-related activities*):

The final stage of our 3 year Little Sandy Creek Habitat Improvement Project was completed June 14th and 15th 2016. This was a joint effort involving OCTU, the PA Fish & Boat Commission, and the Venango Conservation District. On the 3 year project we used a total of 240 tons of rock, 8 root wad deflectors, 12 log vane deflectors, and a 140-foot log mudsill. This was all streambank stabilization work. This involved different locations on approximately a half mile section of the stream.

Educational Activities (*Trout in the Classroom projects, fly tying and fishing instruction, etc.*):

Simoon Ray's Trout In The Classroom students from Cochranon high school had their trout release day on May 25 at the town park in Cochranon. Two of our members taught fly tying to 40 students and another member taught fly casting.