

***The Adams Chapter of Trout Unlimited - # 676***  
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September 30, 2000

TO: Chapter Officers & Directors KEO  
FROM: Bill Fernandez  
RE: End of Year Report and Comments

Our fiscal year closes this month and the Chapter account is in good shape with over \$35,000. The April banquet was a success. The Stream Committee dispensed close to \$5,000, not including Embrace-A-Stream and Pilot Project funds. The Local/Executive Committee fund has yet to cut a check for the Mitchell Creek-TART trail improvements but I think that we are closing in on a start date for that highly visible project. We sent a kid to fly fishing camp for a week and we published a quarterly newsletter. Our outdoor meeting at Ranch Rudolf, with the Dave Leonhard's casting clinic, attracted a few new members. We stuck to the new procedures for meetings (kept them short and with programs) and for distributing funds. I think we should be proud of our accomplishments this year, save the fact that we could have used more help with most of these tasks.

Our membership list now totals 265+ and the challenge of attracting new members to our meetings, and getting them involved in committee work continues. We all recognize that need for help around banquet time, but the newsletter, stream committee, outdoor meetings, and youth activities need help throughout the year. That's why I am hoping we all examine our schedules and our commitment to Chapter activities; making every effort to attend all (or most) meetings and helping to get more new members involved. One major job that remains untouched is the "expired member" list. We have about 90 former members on that list that need to be contacted and brought back to TU. If just half were restated we would pass the 300-member mark.

Our next general meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> when we will need to hold our annual elections. The nominating committee will be made up of the 4 directors not up for election (Leonhard, Largent, Connors & Reed).

We also need to have an executive committee meeting and I am suggesting Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at Apache Trout Grill. We can discuss this report and the following suggested agenda as well as do some needed accounting and bill paying.

The WaWaSum outing will be held from Friday, October 20 to Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will have a short meeting beginning at 11:00 am that Saturday. This is a good time to brainstorm ideas; discuss the Chapter direction and goals for the coming year. Any commitments of time/money or motions still must be brought to the December general meeting.

Thank you for all of your help and support this year. Please contact me at 941-7102 or wlf@traverse.com if you have any questions about the Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee meeting or any of the upcoming agendas.



*Thank you  
for the use of office  
& help on the  
banquet.*

upcoming agendas

Executive Meeting

1. Finances / review
2. project updates
3. bill paying
4. elections / general discussion
5. WaWaSum – the agenda
6. Stream Issues – grants & requests
7. 2001 Banquet
8. member participation

WaWaSum

1. stream issues: grants & goals
2. committees & composition
3. new members, retention & recruitment
4. 2001 fund raising goals

December 6<sup>th</sup>

1. elections
2. chapter business
3. grant requests
4. project updates
5. committees
6. ? program

**750.545a to 750.545d.** Repealed by P.A. 1978, No. 571, § 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 2, 1979

## CHAPTER LXXXV. TRESPASS

**750.546. Wilful trespass; by cutting or destroying property**

Sec. 546. WILFUL TRESPASS BY CUTTING OR DESTROYING WOOD, GRAVEL, GRAIN, ETC.—Any person who shall wilfully commit any trespass, by cutting down or destroying any timber or wood, standing or growing on the land of another, or by carrying away any kind of timber or wood, cut down or lying on such land, or by digging up or carrying away any stone, ore, gravel, clay, sand, turf or mould from such land, or any roots, fruit or plant there being, or by cutting down or carrying away any grass, hay, or any kind of grain standing, growing or being on such land, or by carrying away from any wharf or landing place, railroad depot or warehouse, any goods whatever in which he has no interest or property, without the license of the owner, of the value of 5 dollars or more, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**750.547. Wilful trespass; entering improved land of another**

Sec. 547. WILFUL TRESPASS BY ENTERING IMPROVED LAND OF ANOTHER WITH INTENT TO INJURE OR DESTROY—Any person who shall wilfully commit any trespass by entering upon the garden, orchard or other improved land of another, without permission of the owner thereof, and with intent to cut, take, carry away, destroy or injure the trees, grain, grass, hay, fruit or vegetables there growing or being, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**750.548. Trespass upon cranberry marshes**

Sec. 548. TRESPASS UPON CRANBERRY MARSHES—Any person who shall enter the premises of any other person, and take and carry away cranberries or cranberry vines there growing, or who shall trample or otherwise injure or destroy the cranberry vines growing thereon, without the permission of the owner or occupant of said premises, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**750.549. Trespass upon huckleberry and blackberry marshes**

Sec. 549. TRESPASS UPON HUCKLEBERRY AND BLACKBERRY MARSHES—Any person who shall enter the

enclosed premises of another person and take and carry away from any huckleberry marsh or lands growing blackberries, huckleberries or blackberries there growing, or who shall trample, break down or otherwise destroy the huckleberry or blackberry bushes growing thereon, without the permission of the owner or occupant of such premises: Provided, That such owner or occupant shall have previously posted a conspicuous notice in at least 3 different places upon the premises forbidding any trespass thereon, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**750.550. Trespass on vineyards, orchards or gardens**

Sec. 550. TRESPASS UPON VINEYARDS, ORCHARDS OR GARDENS—Any person who shall enter a vineyard, orchard or garden, without the consent of the owner, and pick, take, carry away, destroy or injure any of the fruits, vegetables or crops therein, or in anywise injure or destroy any bush, tree, vine or plant, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**750.551. Trespass and injuring and destroying medicinal plants**

Sec. 551. TRESPASS UPON FIELD, ETC., AND INJURING OR DESTROYING GINSENG, GOLDEN SEAL PLANTS, ETC.—Any person who shall without the permission of the owner, enter the field, yard, building, garden or other enclosure of another and wilfully break down, dig, destroy, take or carry away any ginseng or ginseng seed, golden seal plants, golden seal roots, golden seal seeds or any other medicinal plants, seeds or roots, there stored, growing, drying or being, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**750.552. Trespass upon lands or premises of another; penalty**

Sec. 552. Any person who shall wilfully enter, upon the lands or premises of another without lawful authority, after having been forbidden so to do by the owner or occupant, agent or servant of the owner or occupant, or any person being upon the land or premises of another, upon being notified to depart therefrom by the owner or occupant, the agent or servant of either, who without lawful authority neglects or refuses to depart therefrom, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 30 days or by a fine of not more than \$50.00, or both, in the discretion of the court.

**750.552a**

**750.552a.** Filth, garbage or refuse; unlawful to dump, deposit or place on property of another

Sec. 552a. Any person who shall dump, deposit or place any filth, garbage or refuse on the grounds or premises of another, without the specific permission of the owner thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

**750.552b.** Willful trespass upon state correctional facility, penalty; definition

Sec. 552b. (1) A person who willfully trespasses by entering or remaining upon the property of a state correctional facility without authority or permission to enter or remain is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 4 years or a fine of not more than \$2,000.00, or both.

(2) As used in this section, "state correctional facility" means a facility or institution that houses a prisoner population under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections. State correctional facility does not include a community corrections center or a community residential home.

P.A.1931, No. 328, § 552b, added by P.A.1996, No. 232, § 1, Eff. Jan. 1, 1997.

CHAPTER LXXXVI. UNFAIR DISCRIMINATION.  
RESTRAINT OF TRADE AND TRUSTS

**750.553 to 750.555.** Repealed by P.A.1984, No. 274, § 17, Eff. March 29, 1985

Historical and Statutory Notes

See, now, M.C.L.A. §§ 445.772, 445.773.

**750.556.** Discrimination between sexes in payment of wages

Sec. 556. Any employer of labor in this state, employing both males and females, who shall discriminate in any way in the payment of wages as between sexes who are similarly employed, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. No female shall be assigned any task disproportionate to her strength, nor shall she be employed in any place detrimental to her morals, her health or her potential capacity for motherhood. Any difference in wage rates based upon a factor other than sex shall not violate this section.

MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS ANNOTATED

**750.557 to 750.559.** Repealed by P.A.1984, No. 274, § 17, Eff. March 29, 1985

Historical and Statutory Notes

See, now, M.C.L.A. §§ 445.772 to 445.774, and 445.779.

**750.559a.** Repealed by P.A.1982, No. 238, § 2, Eff. Dec. 31, 1984

**750.560.** Repealed by P.A.1984, No. 274, § 17, Eff. March 29, 1985

Historical and Statutory Notes

See, now, M.C.L.A. §§ 445.776 and 445.783.

CHAPTER LXXXVII. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

**750.561.** False weights and measures

Sec. 561. FALSE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES—Any person who shall offer or expose for sale, sell, or use or retain in his possession, a false weight or measure or weighing or measuring device or any weight or measure or weighing or measuring device in the buying or selling of any commodity or thing or for hire or reward; or who shall dispose of any condemned weight, measure or weighing or measuring device contrary to law or remove any tags placed thereon by the sealer of weights and measures; or any person who shall sell or offer or expose for sale less than the quantity he represents, or sell or offer or expose for sale any such commodity in any manner contrary to law, or any person who shall sell or offer for sale or have in his possession for the purpose of selling any device or instrument to be used to, or calculated to, falsify any weight or measure, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Upon a second or subsequent conviction he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment in the county jail not more than 1 year or by a fine of not less than 100 dollars or more than 500 dollars.

**750.562.** Fruit or vegetable containers, copyrighted or registered

Sec. 562. FRUIT OR VEGETABLE CONTAINERS BEARING COPYRIGHTED OR REGISTERED LABEL, ETC.—Any person using any fruit or vegetable container, or part thereof, upon which is borne any copyrighted or registered label, brand, stamp or trade-mark, or using a copyrighted or registered bag, tag or card without first obtaining permission to do so from the person, corporation, association, society or persons having legal control of the copyrighted or

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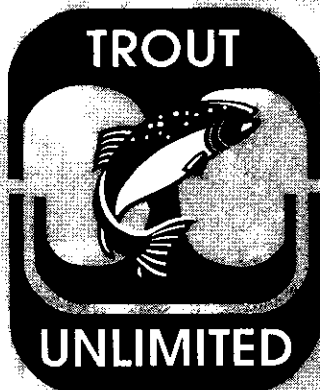
March, 2000

# Adams Chapter Update

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## In this issue:

- **Next General Membership Meeting, March 22, 7:00pm at the Bay Eye Clinic. *What You Need To Know About Trespassing: How And Why Not***
- **Chapter elects new executive board**
- **Letter from the new president**
- **Coalition For Sensible Growth requests support**
- **2000 Banquet set for April 15**
- **Chapter calendar of coming events.**



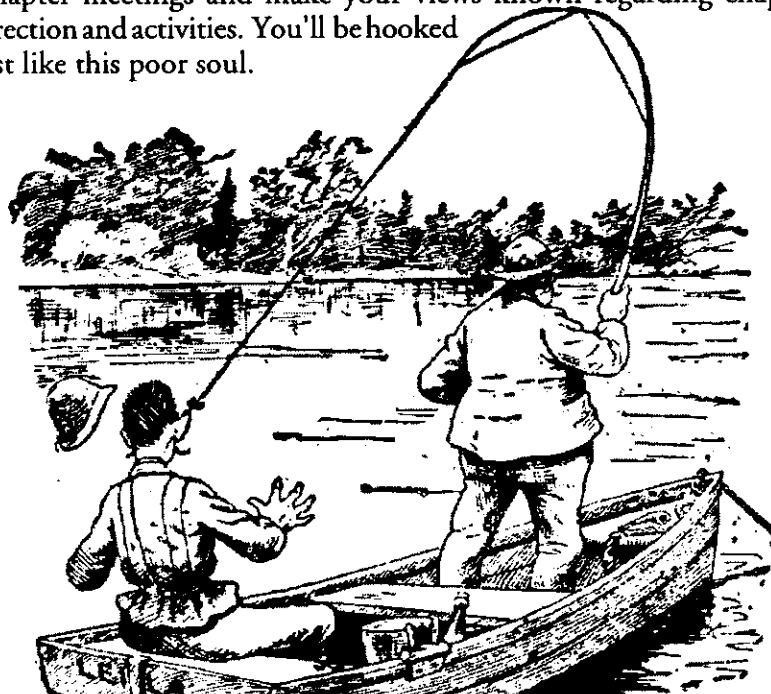
## Chapter Elects New Officers For 2000

### New Execs Get Down To Business

At the November 1999 meeting, the Adams Chapter elected their year 2000 officers and directors. Bill Fernandez was elected as President and Greg Butzow as Vice-President. Jim Zachow and Jim Kartsimas were re-elected as Secretary and Treasurer. Jess Reed and Mike Connors were returned for additional 3 year terms as Chapter Directors and Ken Gum was elected to fill a 1 year vacancy on the Board.

As in the past, our officers and directors will be responsible for handling chapter business over the next year. The officers and directors comprise the executive committee of the Chapter and they have committed themselves to achieving specific goals this year. Shorter meetings with informative programs, completion of a local project, and implementing an equitable process for distributing chapter funds are top priorities.

The Executive Committee encourages you to attend one of our Chapter meetings and make your views known regarding chapter direction and activities. You'll be hooked just like this poor soul.



# Adams Chapter to Hold 4th Annual Banquet

April 15th at the VFW Hall in Traverse City

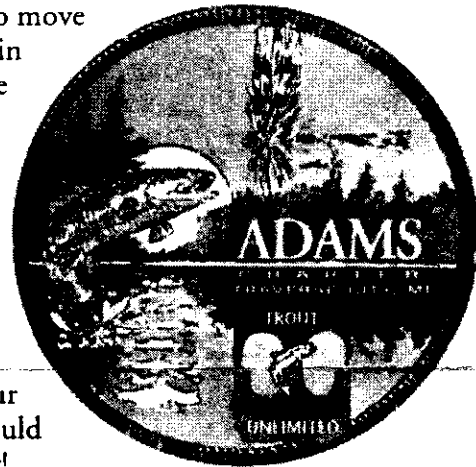
Fine food, Auctions, Raffles

A fun evening!

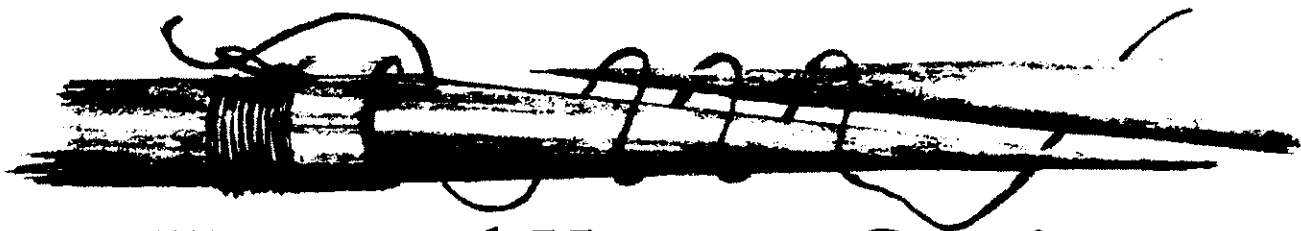
Featured Speaker: Kelly Galloup, author of  
*Modern Streamers for Trophy Trout*

Since first meeting in March of 1996, the Adams Chapter has grown from 26 charter members to over 200 members. The Chapter will celebrate this fourth successful year with another fun and prize filled annual banquet. The proceeds from last year's event enabled us to move towards completing a local Adams Chapter project. If you can join our prize patrol to solicit contributions from local merchants, have an item to donate, or can call on a familiar location, please contact Ray Bunn at 941-3600.

But the single most important thing that a member can do to support the chapter is *buy a banquet ticket for yourself and a friend* and buy it early. Tickets should be available by early March. You can find them at the Apache Trout Grill, Streamside Orvis, or Nolan's Tobacconist downtown TC. With over 200 on our membership list we should be able to fill the hall with our members alone. Come on... we need your help this year and we would love to see you at the banquet. So, show you care and buy a pair!



*Show you care...  
Buy a pair...*



## Hammond-Hartman Crossing Opponents Seek Chapter Support

The Adams Chapter has received a request from The Coalition for Sensible Growth asking us to support their position *against* the proposed Hartman-Hammond Road project. We will be considering this request at the March meeting. If you would like to express your individual support for that position please contact Mike Grant, 946-6931. This important issue will affect all of us in the community as well as the cold water resource. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

# A Letter From the President

Thank you all for your support during the Chapter elections. I look forward to meeting and working with all of you. This year the officers and directors have set some needed and lofty, goals for the Adams Chapter. It's not even trout opener and were already closing in on a couple of them. We are finally arranging for a visible local project and a regular schedule for distributing chapter funds to other environmental and conservation groups. Be sure to come to the March meeting and learn more about this. At that meeting we will have an informative program on *What You Need To Know About Trespassing: How And Why Not*. Three of our experienced members will lead a Q&A session.

We have rearranged our yearly meeting schedule, planning for fewer meetings, some interesting agendas, and taking care of the more mundane chapter business in executive board and committee meetings. All of our meetings are open to all members and I especially encourage you to join one of our committees. I recognize that most of us have full schedules and that devoting a lot of time to Chapter activities is out of the question; but if you could attend just one committee meeting and come to one of our general meetings each year that would help us achieve another goal — increasing the number of active chapter members. We need your help and we would like to spread some of the decision making and light work around. If you have never attended one of our meetings before, consider coming to one of our summer outdoor meetings or our WaWaSum weekend in October. If you would like more information, drop a line to Box 2129 TC, MI 49685 or call me at 941-7102. See you at the banquet.

Bill

THANKS for  
All the support  
& hard work



# Upcoming Events

*February* - Committee Meets at Sleder's at 6pm

Contact Steve Largent at 941-0960 for more info.

*March 11 and 12* — Midwest Fly Fishing Expo in Southfield

*March 22* — General Membership Meeting at the Bay Eye Clinic, 5199 N Royal Drive at 7:00 pm.

Business meeting with program.

Program: *What you need to Know about Trespassing, How & Why Not.*

*April 15*-The Adams Chapter 4th Annual Banquet VFW Hall

*May*- Our Early Season Newsletter (submission Deadline April 20th)

*June 26* — Outdoor General Membership Meeting with a program on casting

at 7pm. Streamside location to be announced in our May newsletter. The stream committee will meet one hour before this general meeting.

*August 23*-Outdoor General Membership meeting with program. Location

to be announced.

*October*-Our annual WaWaSum Outing. This is an event that you should not miss. Dates announced in the next newsletter.

**Support your Chapter!**  
**Attend a meeting and bring a friend.**

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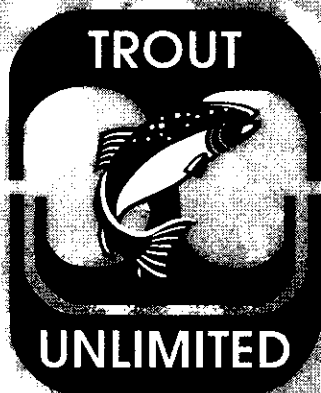
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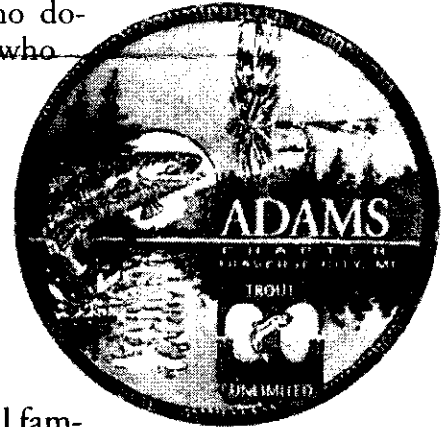
- 2000 Banquet a big success. President Bill Fernandez gives us the complete story.
- Chapter president, Bill Fernandez gives the membership a well deserved "Thanks!"
- Special update on the Hammond-Hartman Project. Chapter needs your input.
- The latest on the chapter's unique Pilot Project.
- Special committee needs volunteers.
- List of upcoming events.



## 2000 Banquet Another Success!

### Ensures Project Support For Another Year

Our fourth annual banquet was a successful and enjoyable evening. We met our goal of selling 200 banquet tickets and seated over 180 members and guest. Mike Connors, and his Apache Trout Grill staff served another delicious meal as expected. Their food service operation was a model of efficiency. The VFW hall provided ample room for prize tables and the display of auction items and the crowd wasted no time in scooping up some real bargains in art and fishing equipment. Thanks to all the people who donated items and all the people who eagerly bought them, we exceeded our fund raising goal by going well over last year's net profit. This increase will almost double the amount that we can contribute to other conservation groups and use for local projects.



This year's banquet was a real family affair with a good mix of members, guest and kids. The well lit and pleasant atmosphere kept the evening light and cheerful. Kelly Galloup did a masterful job of entertaining the crowd with his streamer fishing presentation. Nothing but raves about information, slide show, and especially the cat picture. It just shows what a wealth of talent we have in the Adams Chapter membership.

And now that it's all over we can start working on next year's banquet. If we start early, and build on our past successful experiences, the 2001 fund raiser will be easier to produce and even more successful. We can use your help on this and other Chapter projects. Come to our next meeting and see what we are all about and how you can help a lot with very small time commitment.

## A Huge "Thanks!" To All

Thanks to all those members and guests who attended the banquet and supported our conservation activities by purchasing raffle tickets and participating in the auctions. With your help we almost doubled the amount raised in previous banquets.

*Bill  
for more info  
or to offer assistance  
with Chapter Activities  
write @ traverse.com*

## Hartman-Hammond Update

At our March meeting and membership unanimously agreed to lend our name in opposition to the proposed Hartman-Hammond road crossing. There were many reasons for the agreement of oppose the project Impact on the Boardman, impact on the environment, and those who support alternative bypass ideas. We have not spent any Chapter funds on this matter leaving each member free to contribute as they desire. Tell us how you feel about this and other environmental/sporting issues.



## Pilot Project Update

Last year, the Chapter was honored with a special "Pilot Project" grant from TU National and the Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program of the National Park Service. Only 2 watersheds in the nation were selected for this inaugural grant, the other being George's Creek in Maryland.

There are three aims for the grant:

1. To improve trout habitat by the placement of woody debris
2. Reduce the potential for flood damage
3. Educate riverside property owners about how to reduce streambank damage of high flows. Woody debris are logs and brush within a river that provide critical habitat for fish and insects.

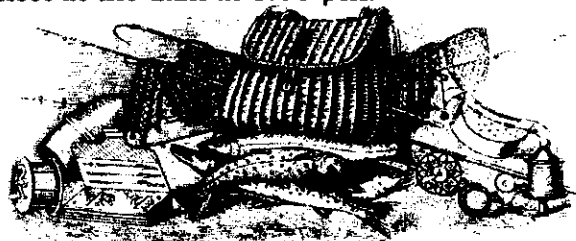
Throughout history people have removed trees and wood debris from the river for logging purposes, recreational improvement, or just for a neater appearance. These debris slow stream flow and reduce flooding potential. Recently, a woody debris assessment was completed on the Boardman and several areas lacking debris were documented. Once permits are secured, Adams



*Wood debris slows stream flow and reduce flooding potential.*

Chapter members and volunteers will reestablish debris as needed in these sections of river.

Traverse City Light & Power has signed on as a partner in the project and will give tours of the Brown Bridge hydro facility and the steam plant downtown. If you are interested in how dams operated you can attend one of two open house planned for June 20th and 22nd. You can take a shuttle from the steam plant at 5:30pm or meet at the dam at 6:00 pm.



## Special Committee Needs Volunteers

This past month a few of our members had a very difficult task. They had to pick one young person from four applicants for a 5 day fishing camp sponsored by the Kalamazoo Valley Chapter of TU. We had passed a motion to sponsor one youth, but after going through this process and learning more about the camp and how it can positively impact on a youth, we know that we have to do more. Adams Chapter member Duon Rose led this informal committee and all involved agreed to raise more funds next year in support of the camp and in order to sponsor at least 4 kids. We believe that it is very possible to get some matching financial support from other organizations and we have had some individuals come forth to say that they would be glad to sponsor a youth camper. Sponsorship costs only



\$275 for the 5 days camp at the DNR McMullen Conference Center. We all agree that getting kids to enjoy and respect the environment is a worthy project and once you see the superb agenda at the camp you will wish you were going for a week like this. The Chapter will need volunteers to work on this committee as well as financial supporters and sponsors. If you are as excited about this as we are then just contact one of the Chapter officers or directors.

## Upcoming Events

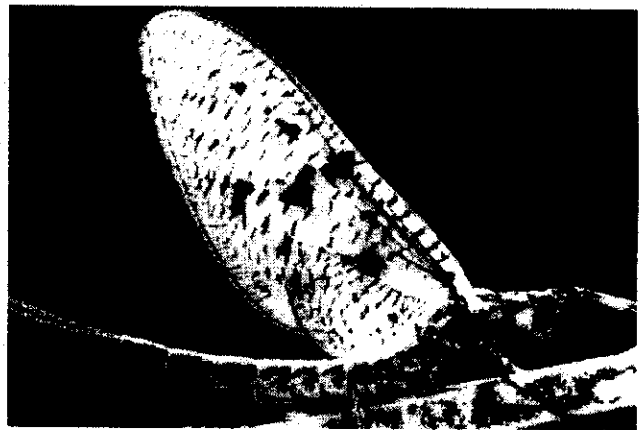
**MAY/JULY** – the Boardman River Project conducts restoration projects and public information activities on the river throughout the summer. Call 941-0960 for details.

**JUNE 28** – Outdoor General Membership Meeting with a special fly casting program at 7:00 pm at Ranch Rudolf. The stream committee will meet 1 hour before this short general meeting and program. If you only come to one meeting a year, make it this one.

**AUGUST** – Our late season newsletter.

**AUGUST 23** – Outdoor General Membership Meeting with program. Location to be announced in the next newsletter.

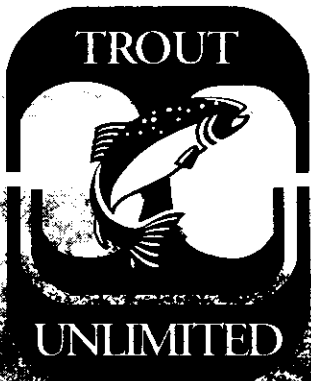
**OCTOBER 20-22** – Our annual Wa Wa Sum Outing. You won't have many chances to enjoy a classic fishing lodge like this one. Fish, hunt, and yes, conduct a little chapter business, then stay overnight if you wish. Contact Greg Butzow for more information 663-0746.



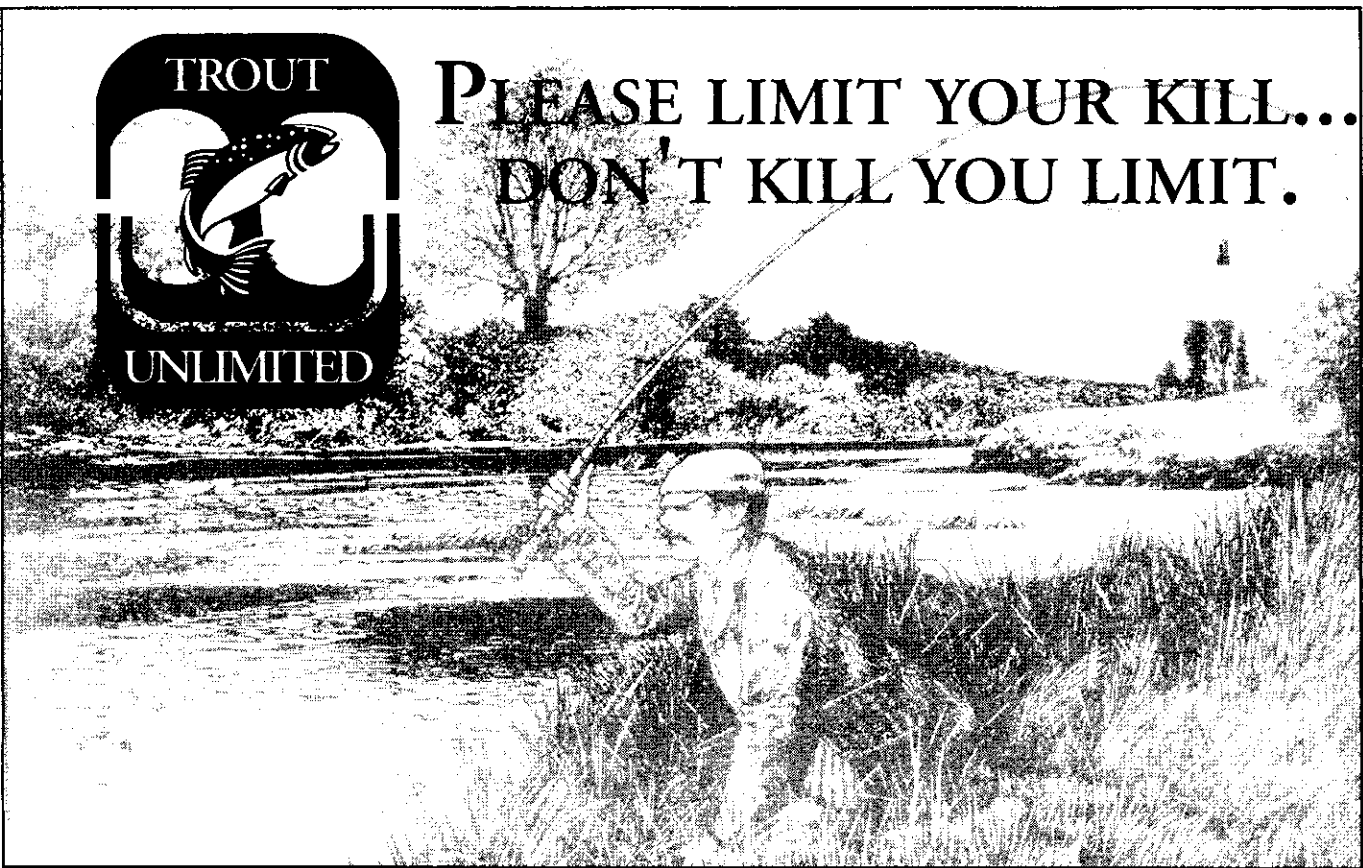
## Support your Chapter!!

*Attend a meeting, bring a friend, and think about volunteering just two hours of your time. The Adams Chapter and our cold water resource needs you.*





PLEASE LIMIT YOUR KILL...  
DON'T KILL YOU LIMIT.



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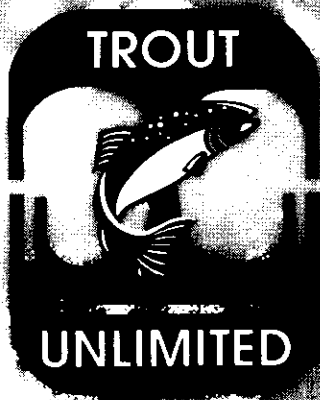
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- **President Fernandez speaks to membership. Committees ask members to get involved.**
- ***McGuire and the Moose*, an original story by Adams Chapter member Joe Evancho.**
- **President's Corner: President Bill Fernandez summarizes a long and productive year.**
- **Chapter calendar of coming events.**

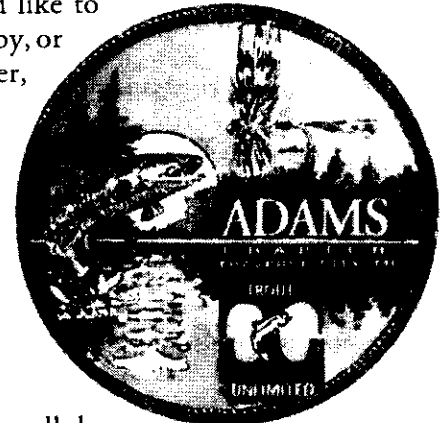


## The Adams Chapter Needs Your Help Committees Looking For New Blood

The Adams Chapter needs your help. We have kept the number of committees to a minimum and each one could use a few reliable volunteers to keep the ball rolling throughout the year ahead. Won't you consider some of the following needs that the Chapter has and offer some of your help?

### Publications Committee

The Publications Committee needs someone who is able to do the newsletter layout. If you would like to help produce the layout, write copy, or help key copy for the newsletter, please contact Dave Leonhard at (231) 938-5337. The Committee also needs help folding, labeling and mailing the finished product. A couple of members who can offer a couple of hours every other month would be a great help to the Chapter.



### Banquet Committee

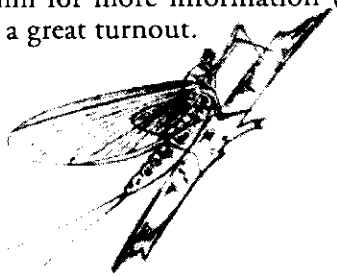
It's never too early to think about all the work connected with our annual fund-raiser. On banquet day we need crews for cleanup, setup, ticket sales, bartending and general errands. Our current need is for members to assist soliciting local merchants for gifts and donations, and someone to contact larger businesses for grants and underwriting of larger gifts. I know we have talent out there and we should start this process right after the holidays. Contact Bill Fernandez about helping.

### Stream Committee

This group is the heart of the Adams Chapter and we just want your attendance. Sure, we have projects which need some muscle but Steve Largent does a fine job of recruiting and managing these. Attendance at the Stream Committee meetings means that you help decide how a good portion of our money is spent. We discuss projects, grant requests, and our Chapter's stream restoration philosophy and ethics. Come to a meeting with no fear of getting work. Contact Steve Largent, Mike Nolan, or Bill Fernandez about attending.

## WaWaSum

The Chapter has reserved the WaWaSum Lodge on the main branch of the AuSable from October 20 through 22. Overnight accommodations are available and you can either hunt or fish. We will conduct committee discussions on Saturday morning starting at 11:00 a.m. The lodge gives us a perfect setting to talk about the coming year's goals and events. This is the gathering where we attempt to figure out what works and what doesn't, but for those who stay it is mainly a chance to enjoy a wonderful lodge and the AuSable river system. Greg Butzow is our point man for this event. Contact him for more information (231) 946-8804. Let's have a great turnout.



## President's Corner

Summer fishing sure was fun with big fish evenings and lazy afternoons on the stream bank. But this late season has had its moments as well. A number of Chapter members have been fishing those productive pockets in the season's lower waters and releasing plenty of fine trout. With the new regulations, more open water and polar fleece, I'd guess that completely putting away the equipment would be a thing of the past. *(For those of you who have forgotten, the "flies only" water of the Manistee was enlarged this year from M72 downstream to CCC Bridge and is now open after the regular season until opening day next year as catch and release water.)*

The late season also reminds me that the Chapter having done much this year, still has much to do. I think that we did a fine job of distributing our funds to others, dispensed a good portion of our Pilot Project grant concerning erosion/flood control on the Boardman, tried like heck to get the local project done but have been stuck in the mucky bottom of the bureaucracy and have come close to meeting our goals regarding meetings and newsletters. Plus we sent a kid to camp, created a number of positive partnerships and had new members attend our Ranch Rudolf outdoor casting clinic. Coming up we have our Stream and Executive committee meetings, then our WaWaSum outing, and finally our year-ending general membership and election meeting. Be sure to check out our calendar so that you can mark them on yours.

All these things were accomplished through the work of a small group of members and often it was a struggle to make deadlines. There is no doubt that we need more help with Chapter administration. With 250 members we should be able to have a few efficient and independent committees. Check out the front page article describing what help we desperately need and see if you can't come up with about 12 hours a year to help your

Chapter. Our growth has been phenomenal, our banquets successful and we have given much thought to streamlining the committee work. Help us build on this fine foundation and continue the Chapter's work for our cold water resources.

See you on the river,

*Bill*

## McGuire and the Moose

by Joe Evancho

It was eighteen years ago this past February. McGuire and I were sitting in the last booth along the wall just outside the back room at Slattery's, a long time watering spot in the northern Michigan town of Traverse City. We were sipping a bit of the stuff that warms the innards, while outside, more inches were being added to the snow piled stop-sign high along the curbs. Sub-arctic temperatures held things pretty much in their icy grip. It had been a long winter, with no January thaw and no hint of a letup. A few citizens sat their stools at the long, solid mahogany bar, feet resting comfortably on the big brass rail, sipping beer and joined in quiet conversation. Now and then, a gravely old-boy laugh would rise above the drone of their conversations.

Slattery's had opened in 1882 and not much had changed in the old west-side neighborhood saloon in the last hundred years. Not much, that is except, for the addition of a huge moose head which owner Jack Slattery had hung on the wall in the mid-seventies. Along with the moose head, an ancient menagerie of nearly-mummified forest critters peered down on the patrons from perches along the walls. Staring the unblinking eyes were squirrels, deer, raccoons, rabbits, pheasants, grouse, the inevitable jackalope, and a very large bison head. They were dusty enough to have been there since the place opened.

McGuire and I were making plans for the most important day of the year the opening of trout season. As we talked, he kept studying the moose head hanging over the door to the back room. "I know that fella from somewhere," he would mumble. Staring bemusedly at the huge head, he would refill his glass, puff deeply on his pipe and rejoin our conversation. Despite these interruptions, by closing time, McGuire and I had firmed up plans for the last Saturday in April, but he still hadn't figured out where he and the moose had crossed paths. The next morning he headed for home to the suburbs of Detroit.

McGuire was then and is now that rarest of creatures, a never-married bachelor. His mistress was fly fishing and he knew instinctively that no woman would put up with the whore that owned him. Good luck and good

