



## ALLEGHENY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER

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Dear Conservation Partner:

On behalf of the Allegheny Mountain Chapter of Trout Unlimited, I would like to offer you an opportunity to co-sponsor our upcoming annual banquet, the Trout Kickoff, to be held April 7, 2018 at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Falls Creek. The Trout Kickoff is open to the public, and is a great place to connect with others who enjoy fishing and other outdoor recreation or simply value clean water. This is also our largest fundraiser of the year and is critical to allowing us to continue to ensure cold, clean, fishable waters for this and future generations. For this reason, we are asking that you consider one or more of the following sponsorship opportunities.

### **Brook Trout Sponsor - \$300/table or Brown Trout Sponsor - \$175/half table**

Sponsorship at the "Brook Trout" level allows you to reserve a table at the banquet for you and up to nine friends (10 people/table) while the "Brown Trout" sponsorship reserves a half table (5 people/half table). Complimentary meal tickets will be provided to each sponsor (5/half table or 10/full table), and your company/group will be listed as a banquet sponsor in the program booklet and receive 100 regular bucket tickets plus you will be entered into a special drawing for sponsors only.

### **Individual Sponsor - \$100**

Individual sponsorship entitles you to two meal tickets, one ticket for a sponsors-only rod raffle, your name in the program booklet, and 100 bucket raffle tickets.

### **Placemat Advertisement - \$25**

Placemats are printed for the night of the banquet, with leftovers being used by the Eagles during subsequent meals and events. This will allow your advertisement to be seen by hundreds of individuals beyond those attending our banquet.

### **Raffle and Basket Raffle Items**

In addition to direct sponsorship of our banquet, please consider donating a gift certificate, promotional item or themed basket for our raffle. Cards acknowledging the individuals or businesses who donated raffle items will be placed with the items the evening of the banquet.

Funds raised at the banquet allow us to provide valuable services to our community including watershed education days for local middle school students, Trout-in-the-Classroom programs at local schools, free family fishing days at Tannery Dam, fly-tying and fishing programs, stream habitat improvement projects, water quality assessments, and stream restoration projects. Your generous support will help us to continue and expand our work and make a real impact on the health of our local waterways.

We will also have an opportunity for anyone who is not already a member of Trout Unlimited to sign up at a reduced rate that night and be entered into a special raffle. Additionally, included with this letter is a flyer for 50% off a guided fishing trip with Alaska's Legend Lodge. We are having a silent auction for this trip with the lodge. If you'd like to bid on this trip, please bring a sealed bid with you to the Trout Kickoff or contact George Kutskel (information below) to make arrangements to submit a bid before the Kickoff. We'll be opening bids and awarding the trip that night!

To ensure that all advertisements and acknowledgements are printed on time, the deadline for commitment of sponsorship is March 14, 2018. Please contact George Kutskel at (814) 771-4022 or maksak@comcast.net to confirm your desire to help. Once again this year we are also offering the opportunity to sponsor the event online for your convenience. To take advantage of this; please visit our online registration page at <https://events.ticketprinting.com/event/52nd-Annual-Trout-Kickoff-26371>.

Please join us for what promises to be another exciting year, I look forward to your response and thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,

George Kutskel  
Chapter President