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News Release

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County to offer series of fly-tying courses

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WAYNESBURG, PA – Starting Tuesday, Jan. 21, the Greene County Department of Recreation will kick off its series of three fly-tying courses.

The nine-week course will cover basic fly-tying for the beginner, intermediate and advance skill levels. The cost is \$20 to attend and is limited to 12 students of adult age 18 and older.

Courses will be held on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 7:30 p.m., in the upper level of the 4-H Building at the Greene County Fairgrounds. Each subsequent course is designed to build on skills learned in the preceding course.

Instructor Ken Dufalla, who has a master's degree in marine biology, will lead the courses. The pre-registration and payment deadline for the fly-tying courses is Friday, Jan. 17.

The beginner's course is designed for learning the basic principles needed to begin fly tying, and will focus on topics such as threading a hook, adding the basic body parts of a fly, adding the hackle and tying off the fly. Each student will have the opportunity to make several flies during the course, including streamers. Classes will run Jan. 21 thru Feb. 4.

From Feb.11-25, an intermediate course will be offered. The beginner's course is a prerequisite, and the intermediate course will cover the construction of more complicated and advanced flies, such as streamers, nymphs and wet flies.

As a pre-requisite of the intermediate course, the advanced course will focus on dry flies, wet flies, and copies of insects found in the streams. Patience and skill are required, but the finished product will be well worth the effort. The advanced course will run from Mar. 3-17.

The fly-tying series of classes is sponsored by the Greene County Commissioners.

For more information, or to pre-register for the series, call the Department of Recreation at 724-852-5323.

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