



Sharing Ties – PA Women’s Initiative Leadership Retreat

GodSpeed Hostel
7897 South Eagle Valley Road,
Port Matilda, PA 16870
May 13-15, 2022



DAY ONE – May 13, 2022

2p.m.-5:30p.m. Room/bunk CHECK-IN

2p.m.- 5:30p.m. Take a walk on-location OR FISH!

5:00p.m.-6:00p.m. DINNER –

- 5-5:30 – Welcome, introductions, and overview for the weekend

5:30p.m. - 6:00p.m. Good “Tie-ms” and casting forward

PA TU Women, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee – What we’ve been up to!

- Share what has been happening in the last two years
- Ideas of programs to run in your area
- Call to action to attendees

6:00p.m.-8:15p.m. Networking/fishing

8:30p.m.-9:30p.m. Iron Fly-style competition/fly fishing movies as background

- DON’T know what “Iron Fly Comps are” CHECK IT OUT - <https://pigfarmink.com/iron-fly-setup-guide/>
- MOVIE - Project something from Amazon Prime in the background

8:30p.m. - ? Fireside networking & SMORES!

DAY TWO – May 14, 2022

7:30a.m.-8:30a.m. Breakfast

9:30-10:00a.m. Registration for those who did not stay Friday night

10:00– 10:30a.m. Welcome and Introductions

10:30- 11:30 a.m. **Connecting women to PA’s natural resources and recreational opportunities –** *Women’s programs that DCNR provides and ideas for the future. This presentation will introduce you to programs DCNR provides, their ideas for the future of those programs and new ones. In sharing what they are doing, it will provide you with ideas of community connections to your State Parks, ideas of cross-partnering to implement unique and exciting programs and give you a different perspective programs you could provide to connect more women to their local waters, conservation and of course fishing.*

11:30a.m. – 12p.m. LUNCH

12-12:30p.m. **Roots Run Deep with Women, Diversity and Inclusion**

Unique insights on connecting diverse audiences to watersheds, conservation and recreation!

12:30 – 2:00p.m. Setup and preparation for public event – All hands-on deck!

2:30p.m.- 8:00p.m. Public Event – “Women’s Fishing and Stream Stewardship Social”

2:00p.m. – 2:30p.m. Public participant sign-in

2:30p.m. – 3p.m. Welcome and Introduction to the social

3:00p.m. – 5:00p.m. Fishing Fair – Casting, gear, fly tying, fishing crafts and more! *(Folks rotate through on their own time. Try out each activity, share ideas to add/change in a drop box?)* Leadership retreat attendees participate in each station, alongside public participants. They will take notes, and help participants.

Fishing Fair Rotation 1 – (20 mins each)		Fishing Fair Rotation 2 – (40 mins each)	
3:00-3:20 THEN SWITCH 3:25-3:45p.m.		3:50-4:20p.m. THEN SWITCH 4:25-4:55p.m.	
12 participants	Getting Ready for the Stream	12 participants	Casting Station/obstacle course
13 participants	Fly line key chains	13 participants	Fly Tying

Station details -

Casting Station – Intro to and casting obstacle course! – fly casting and bait casting introduction * fun games!

Getting Ready for the Stream – Safety first, gear purchases, gear fitting, and maintenance

Fly Tying – Tie some flies and take them home!

Fly line key chains - Used fly lines make great key chains!

5:00p.m.-6:00p.m. DINNER – 50/50 Film Fest!

6:15p.m.- 7:00p.m. Native and edible landscaping – *Life of a budding forager (Re-wild your backyard and help your local watershed)*

7:00p.m.- 8p.m. Root for stewardship! Help your local watershed by potting your very own native plant to take home and plant in your backyard OR plant during a Fall Trout Unlimited streambank planting!

8:00p.m. - ? FREE TIME - Fly Tying; Fishing; Fireside networking

DAY THREE – May 15, 2022

8a.m.-9a.m. Breakfast

9a.m.-9:30a.m. Recruit, Retain, Reactivate anglers, members, participants – What R3 means for you. Example programs, free programs for registration/promotion etc.

9:30-10a.m. National TU and PA State tools, suggestions & how much does a program really cost? (Online tools, trainings/lesson plans etc)

12p.m. Check out time *(Safe travels home!)* **OPTIONAL – Go fishing with each other!**