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GAS Internship Program Wraps Up

Sara and Phil wrapped up the internship program recently and will continue to volunteer for GAS this summer. They did a great job for us and the program was very successful. They each wrote up a summary about their experience and these are posted below.

Sara:

I had an amazing time this semester working as an intern for Trout Unlimited. Phil and I got a lot accomplished. We provided the chapter with one child to sponsor for the fly fishing camp, we completed SALSA, got involved in conservation efforts, held fly tying clinics, and lastly got the community more aware of GAS and our mission. We also created a new bond between the college chapter and GAS. We really wanted to bring that younger generation into the chapter and I believe we did just that! It was a pleasure getting to work alongside so many like-minded people this semester and I am truly grateful for the opportunity. I know the skills I have learned here will help carry me into the career I want. As our internship comes to an end I will most certainly continue to be active in GAS for my remaining time in Gunnison.

Phil:

My internship experience with the Gunnison Angling Society was very enjoyable. From the start, Sara and I were provided with four major objectives/goals which included; implementing a new SALSA membership database program, developing new strategies to market/promote Colorado TU River Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp, improving Youth Outreach, and assisting with Superfly fundraising efforts. John, Sara, and I worked hard to accomplish these specific tasks and may not have reached every target within them, but we still felt in the end our overall group efforts made sizable improvements to the GAS Chapter. That said, SALSA is now a functional tool, we found one camper for the youth camp, we have become more involved with WSCU and the Gunnison Sockeyes in terms of youth outreach, and we in the process of recruiting new and returning sponsors/donors for the Superfly event. In short, this was a great learning experience and I personally feel that our efforts made a positive difference in terms of making the community, individuals, businesses, and others more aware of GAS and its conservation efforts.

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