

Capital City Fly Fishers



10th Anniversary Newsletter

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February 2010

From Our Prez

As we trudge through the remaining days of winter, we look forward to spring fishing that is just around the corner. With the trout park openings just a few weeks away, it got me thinking that the pictures of fisherman stacked shoulder to shoulder along the stream at Bennett Springs is what many people think is fly fishing in Missouri. As you all know, this is the furthest from the truth.

We are lucky to have an amazing amount of diverse warm water and coldwater fisheries within our state. There are streams that have naturally reproducing rainbows, Crane Creek, and North Fork of the White River to name a few, as well as great bass and crappie lakes like Truman Lake and Lake of the Ozarks. There are also streams that hold large populations of smallmouth bass like the Jacks Fork and Niangua rivers. All of these fish can be pursued on the fly.

I know that most of you are aware of these great opportunities but there are many people who have no idea of these great fisheries and that all of these fish can be caught on a fly rod.

I would like each club member to make the effort to take someone new fishing this year and introduce them to the great sport of fly fishing. Do your best to pull the kids away from the television and get them in the outdoors. Find a friend who has not been fishing in a while, put a fly rod in their hand, tie on a popper and chase some bluegill or perch. Local lakes and farm ponds are a great way to introduce someone to fly fishing. Bluegill and bass will readily take a fly and at the right times the action can be non-stop.

As we have all heard before, the sale of hunting and fishing licenses continues to drop. I would

like for us to do our part to turn this around. If you know of someone interested in fly fishing, bring them to a meeting or better yet bring them to our banquet in March. Don't be afraid to share your knowledge and show someone how enjoyable it is to "get lost in the riffle."

HOFF

The HOFF Meeting this month is scheduled for Feb. 23. at South Calloway. Plans are to take the group to a local creek to do an invertebrates study if Regina can get a bus and the weather cooperates.

If you are interested in helping with the program, please contact Larry Murphy or Jerry Kemple.

Winter Fly Tying

We will meet at CenturyLink building at 3546 N Ten Mile Drive at 6:00pm on Thursday evenings. CCFE will furnish the materials each night and there will be different tyers each night. We will also have tools to borrow.

Some of the flies that we will ty during February and along with the instructors are Pat's Rubber Legs by Chris Gates, The Flip Flop Hopper by John Walther, The Shop Vac by Chris Gates and the Bully Spider by Jim Farthing.

February Meeting

The Meeting of the CCFE will be held at the First Baptist Church of Jefferson City located at the corner of Capital Ave. and Monroe St. This month we will meet in Room 101 which is located on the 1st floor of the Church. If you enter the lower

parking lot that is located behind the Activity Building, you should turn off of Monroe Street and go between the Church Building and the Activity Building. The 1st Floor entrance is located in the alley between the two buildings. The meeting will be held in the room off to the right of the Café.

The speaker for the February Meeting will be Jim Farthing and his topic will be “Fishing at Montauk State Park, what to use and where to go.”

The BOD meeting will begin at 6:00pm and the Member meeting will be at 7:00pm.

2010 Annual CCFF Dinner

This year the CCFF is having a family dinner instead of the banquet that we held last year. We hold a banquet every other year and a family dinner in the alternate years. We do this to give our donators some relief.

The dinner will be held at Donita’s Banquet Center located at 5007 Buffalo Rd. which is about 2 miles west of Jefferson City on Hwy. 54. The date of the Dinner is March 13, 2010. Price of the tickets are \$15/person.

We will still have a few items for a silent auction and a bucket raffle. If you have anything to donate or if you would like to help obtain items please contact Chris Gates and let him know how you can help.

Calendar

February

- 4--Teach a Vet to Ty** 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202
- 4—Fly tying 6:00pm @CenturyLink Building** See website for pattern
- 9—CCFF Monthly Meeting @First Baptist Church JC** 6:00pm BOD 7:00pm Membership FBC Rm. 101
- 11—Fly tying 6:00pm @CenturyLink Building** See website for pattern
- 18--Teach a Vet to Ty** 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202

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23---HOFF Meeting 3:00pm at South Calloway

25—Fly tying 6:00pm @CenturyLink Building See website for pattern

March

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10--CCFF Dinner @ Donita’s Banquet Center Social Hr. 6:00pm Dinner 7:00pm

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27---Stream Team Monitoring leave from the First Assembly parking lot on C Hwy @ 9:00 am.

Fly of The Month



The Black Widow

Mark Van Patten has released his third edition of Fly Fishing A-Z and he has some new flies and tying techniques in this edition. One of them is the Black Widow. Mark describes it as one of the the bluegill “catchinest” flies.

Material:

Hook: Mustad R50 size 14-10
Thread: Danville Black 8/0
Thorax and abdomen: Fine black chenille
Bead: Red glass from hobby store
Hackle: black saddle oversized for hook

Instructions:

1. Crimp barb on hook, place bead on the hook and place hook in the vise.
2. Move the bead to the front of the hook and wrap the thread to the rear of the hook and ty in the chenille.
3. Build a ball of chenille for the abdomen and trap the chenille with a few turns of thread. Cut off excess chenille
4. Ty hackle in by the butt end and wrap three or four turns. Trap the hackle and secure with thread. Remove excess hackle and whip finish the thread. Cut thread.
5. Place the bead against the hackle and reapply the thread. Secure the hackle and duplicate the number of turns that were made behind the bead. Trap the hackle with the thread and remove the excess.
6. Ty in the chenille for the thorax and build it up. Wax the thread and secure the chenille. Remove excess chenille. Whip finish and cut thread.

Mark says that you need to ty up about a dozen to take with you.

FFF Southern Council Scholarship

Two students per academic year selected by the Federation of Fly Fishers Southern Council (FFFSC) will be eligible to attend Lindenwood University's St. Charles, Missouri campus. All qualified FFSC member

candidates will be given scholarship consideration based on their FFFSC involvement, academic record, merit and financial need.

For more information on the Federation of Fly Fishers Southern Council Scholarships, contact:

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Stay warm and see you on Tuesday Night.

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