

# Capital City Fly Fishers



## 10th Anniversary Newsletter

*Piscator non solum piscatur*



January 2012

### *From Our Prez*

*If you're reading this you've made it through the holidays and into the New Year and may be even planning your next fishing trip.*

*I have 2 very important requests of all club members to start out with this year:*

- 1. Below you will find a resume and web page to vote for the Budweiser 2012 Conservationist of the Year, Missouri's own Don Johnson is one of four finalists. In my humble opinion he is very deserving of this award and our taking the time to place our votes on his behalf.*
- 2. My other request is for each member to help with procuring Silent Auction and Bucket Raffle items for the upcoming CCFF Banquet to be held on March 10 at Donita's. We all know someone in our lives that can make a donation so please put some thought into it. We also need volunteers to help with the committee and with setting up for the banquet. Your efforts will be greatly appreciated.*

*One of the topics of discussion for the January meeting will be the new boot regulations for wading Missouri streams. We present the regulations and offer a time for discussion for those who may have questions regarding the regulations, dates that enforcement begin, where to get replacement*

*soles for your boots, .etc. Bring your questions and we'll try to get you answers.*

*Looking forward to seeing you all at the January meeting.*

*Tight Lines!  
Kent*



Don Johnson

Nominated for 2012 Budweiser Conservationist of the Year program.

(Go to <http://www.budweiser.com> to vote.)

**Budweiser and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation are teaming up again to honor four conservationists and award \$65,000 in grants for candidates' conservation projects as part of the 2012 Budweiser Conservationist of the Year program.**

The Conservation Federation of Missouri (CFM) is taking this special opportunity as "The Voice for Missouri Outdoors" and gladly championing Don Johnson of Festus for the 2012 Budweiser Conservationist of the Year.

Johnson is one of four commissioners of the Missouri Conservation Commission, which is

responsible for appointing the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) director, serving as policy makers, approving wildlife code regulations, strategic planning, budget development and major expenditure decisions for the Department. He is also active in the National Wildlife Federation, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, National Rifle Association, Ducks Unlimited, National Archery in Schools Program and Conservation Federation of Missouri. He is the standard bearer for Missouri conservation.

A lifelong outdoorsman, Johnson has invested his life in conservation projects from wild elk restoration to implementation of the National Archery in Schools Program. Don continually searches for ways to give back to communities. He works tirelessly as a proponent for Share the Harvest, a program of the CFM and MDC that provides food for the hungry, helps manage the deer herd and promotes greater awareness of the many contributions to society made by hunters. Don is an enthusiastic hunter and angler with true heart, a fantastic standard bearer for conservation! His commitment and perseverance to conservation work can be honored with your vote.

In addition to his dedication with Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, the National Rifle Association and Ducks Unlimited, Don was president of the CFM from 2006 until his appointment to the Missouri Conservation Commission in 2007. He served as CFM's president and held the posts of second and first vice president. He has chaired both the Ways & Means and Executive committees and served on many resource committees. His leadership has shaped much of what CFM is today.

Johnson earned a Bachelor of Science degree in zoology from Howard University in Washington D.C. Following college he served as a pilot in the United States Air Force, flying 130 combat missions in Vietnam and earning four Air Medals and two Distinguished Flying Crosses.

The annual Budweiser Conservationist of the Year program recognizes individuals who have made exceptional contributions through their volunteer activities to the outdoors and conservation. Each year a committee selects four conservationists as finalists from dozens of outstanding nominees.

Adult consumers over 21 from across the country vote for the Budweiser Conservationist of the Year in an open-ballot process at [www.Budweiser.com](http://www.Budweiser.com). Online voting runs through Jan. 6. Each person may vote one time and must enter his or her date of birth. People can also vote through [www.confedmo.org](http://www.confedmo.org) and follow the Budweiser

Conservationist of the Year link found on the home page. Also visit the Conservation Federation of Missouri Facebook page and "like" and "share" the link there.

Tight lines.

Kent

## *January Meeting*

The January Meeting will be held in Room 101 at the First Baptist Church of Jefferson City located at the corner of Capital and Monroe Street. It will be held on January 10, 2012 at 7:00pm for the CCFF Membership with a Board of Directors meeting preceding it at 6:00pm.

President Campbell will be presenting the "State of Affairs Address" or at least the "Affairs of the Felt Waders" as well as the Affairs of the CCFF for 2012. Bring your ideas, questions and recommendations.

Don't forget to bring flies or \$\$ for the fly raffle.

## *Heart of America F F Spring Seminar*

The Heart of America Fly Fishers has announced the date of their Spring Seminar.

It will be held on February 25, 2012. They will have as the quest speaker, Charlie Craven.

Charlie is the president of Charlie's Fly Box in Old Town Arvada, Colorado. He specializes in trout flies and designs flies for Umpqua Feather Merchants. Some of his popular patterns include the Charlie Boy Hopper, Ragin' Craven, Poison Tung, Jujubee Midge, JujuBaetis and Jumbo Juju. Put this date on your calendar and plan on making the trip to Kansas City. Many of the members are talking about going up for the seminar.

## *Runge Event*

Lee Kudrna has requested some help with a Fly Tying demonstration to be held at the Runge Nature Center on Saturday, February 25

Fly-Tying Fun!

10:00-2:00 p.m.

Walk in, All Ages

Prepare for the spring fishing season by having some fly-tying fun! Enjoy demonstrations and visit with the Capital City Fly Fishers as they tie flies right before your eyes. Learn how to make a simple fly and take one home. Participate in fishing games and activities. Pick up information on where YOU can hook a big one. This event is sure to get you in the mood for some fly fishing fun!

If you can help Lee, please notify him at 694-2871 or [lkudrna@embarqmail.com](mailto:lkudrna@embarqmail.com).

## 2012 Fly Tying Sessions

Dan Bernskoeter has confirmed that he has reserved the Century Link building for our winter fly tying sessions. The sessions will be on Thursday evenings again this year. They will begin on January 5, 2012 at 6:00pm.

John Walter has agreed to head up this program again this year. The club will furnish all materials and tools if needed as we have done in the past.

Invite your friends who may be new to tying.

The cost of materials is \$15 to none members but if they wish, this \$15 can make them a member and the materials would then be free.

Wayne Simpson has come up with literature that defines what the proportions should be for dry flies and will give it to John for hand-outs at the Sessions.

The first session will feature the Deena fly. Bill Wilmert demonstrated this fly to John at the FFF Conclave and catches about 3000 Browns on the Red River in Arkansas with it each year.

Jim Farthing is working on getting all of the flies for the 2012 session on the Website.

Should we encounter inclement weather some Thursday night and have to cancel the session, you will be notified by e-mail at the address at which you receive the C C F F Newsletter.

## Website

The website is up and running. *Check it out!*

## Calendar

## January

5---Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202

5--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building

12--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building

19--- Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202

19--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building

26--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building

## February

2---Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202

2--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building

9--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building

16--- Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202

16--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building

23--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building

25--- Fly Tying Demonstrations at

Runge Nature Center 10:00am to 2:00pm

25--- Heart of America Fly Fishers Spring Seminar

## Monthly Fly Pattern



### Deena

John Walther had this pattern tyed for him at the Southern Council FFF Conclave last October by Bill Wilmert. Bill lives in Heber Springs, AR and does some guiding on the Red River down there.

This fly brings him about 3,000 brown trout a year. It looks like a white variation would bring in some crappie also.

**Recipe:**

Hook: Mustad 9672 8-16

Thread: Uni thread 8/0 -6/0 olive

Weight: 10-20 wraps of lead substitute wire

Tail: Olive blood marabou feather

Body: Mohair yarn

Flash: 2 strands of Krytalflash

Hackle: Wood duck body feather dyed olive

**Instructions**

1. Crimp the barb and place the hook in the vise.
2. Start the thread at the front of the hook and wrap to the rear.
3. Overwrap the thread with a layer of weighted wire and secure with thread.
4. Wrap the thread to the rear of the hook and secure in the tail feather. Tail should be about the same length as the shank of the hook.
5. Ty in the Mohair yarn, wrap the thread to the front of the hook and follow it with the yarn.
6. Secure the yarn, remove excess and attach one strand of Krystalflash to each side of the fly. Remove excess
7. Secure the hackle feather and take a couple of turns, in soft hackle fashion, of it before removing excess and whip finishing a head.

John says that Bill recommends fishing this fly with a sink tip even though it is weighted.

Come see John ty this fly tonight.