

# Capital City Fly Fishers



## 10th Anniversary Newsletter

*Piscator non solum piscatur*



October 2005

### From the President...

It is the evening before I leave for Mountain Home, AR. I am excited with anticipation about the upcoming 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary Southern Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers' Conclave. I have heard a lot from other members in the past about all the events that take place at this gathering. There are supposed to be a wide variety of experienced folks present. I look forward to a little bit of time being taught rather than teaching and instructing others. It is my time to refuel so to speak. I go into this without wild expectations. I know that anytime folks with common interests meet together and share a little of themselves with others, it will be a good event. I honestly look forward to the opportunities that lie before me down south.

I am taking my art supplies this trip as well as my fly tying and other equipment. I have enrolled in a watercolor workshop on Thursday with Duane Hada. I have heard that the North Louisiana Fly Fishers will be the host for the Thursday evening event. I am sure there will be some Cajun food present and it should be good. On Friday, I am taking a "leader" (fly line) and "practicing with a purpose" classes from Chuck Easterling and Art Mazzier. I enrolled my wife, Donna, in the Outreach program for Basic Beading (Jewelry making) workshop. Then, of course, we will attend the social gathering in the evening. On Saturday, I am scheduled for two fly tying workshops –tying midge patterns and tying effective CDC patterns lead by Kieran Frye. Donna has been scheduled to attend the Outreach Luncheon. Then we will attend the banquet. I am excited to think our club may have been voted the "Club of the Year". But I am really calm about this, since we are competing against three other fine clubs. One of them is the Ozark Fly Fishers (OFF). I am not sure if everyone has heard, and I would like to congratulate OFF for winning the national FFF "Club of the Year" title last August. They are a great club with many activities and members participating, teaching and serving others in their metropolitan area of St. Louis. I applaud their success this year. In the past, I can recall some of their members coming to put on tying demonstrations at our meetings.

I collected 3 dozen flies from my fly boxes to contribute to the Fly Tyer's Memorial Fly Challenge. Not to steal the thunder from our club tyers, I actually forgot to announce and collect flies ahead of time for this event. It is my understanding that Southern Council collects a similar quantity from each club and raffle the whole collection off to one winner. I selected a sampling of fly patterns that I have tied and tested over the past year. The specimens selected are actually 18 pairs of patterns – midges, nymphs, cracklebacks, trico spinners, pale

morning duns, and other dry flies. I only placed in the collection flies that I had tied and had a reasonable amount of success with in the waters around this region. This gave me the opportunity to review what I have in my fly box and see what I want to work on in the upcoming winter season.

I had sent an email recently announcing the Web site update and telling members that we have scheduled the winter fly tying sessions for January through Mid-March at Runge Nature Center. The tying sessions will be on Thursday evenings from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. The tying will be lead by a member featuring a pattern of their choice. I apologized to Jim Kramel for announcing that he would be the lead organizer for this without confirming with him first. He telephoned me to inform me he had declined this role and my information was incorrect. Therefore, I am asking any of the other members to consider taking up the role of lead organizer for the winter fly tying sessions. The only responsibility that you will be asked to fulfill is to organize the members who will lead each of the weekly sessions. In addition, document the fly patterns that will be tied over the eleven week event and publicize the materials needed each week. We will post the prospective fly patterns and their recipes on the Web site when it is ready to do so. The volunteer who offers their assistance in this role does not necessarily have to be a fly tyer, just a good organizer. But let me not forget to ask those who tie flies to think about your favorite fly patterns and offer your willingness to lead others in tying those patterns. Let us know at the next meeting if you are willing to lead a week or two. It has been common practice to tie 2-3 patterns at each session. I would suggest that we collect one of each of the patterns tied this next year and put it in the Fly Tyer's Memorial Fly Challenge for upcoming 2006 Conclave, and even for our upcoming Spring banquet. We have plenty of fly tyers in the group who have the skills and willingness to share different patterns with the other members. I hope you will consider this opportunity and take action by indicating your willingness to participate and lead others. I am sure that some will step and share their expertise with us. Don't forget that this is an excellent opportunity for the children, as well as parents, to get involved and learn some additional patterns to add to their repertoire.

For those members that have not been around lately, we miss your presence at the monthly meetings. I am sure there is a great deal going on in your lives too. We miss seeing you and getting to hear what it is you have been up to. We are currently looking for topics of interest for our upcoming meetings. I would suggest that if you have a bright idea or thought about a meeting presentation, let our vice president, Ed Farnsworth,

know so he can do some long range planning. Even though this year is nearly coming to an end, it is important to be thinking of the future, regardless of who may be leading the club.

I want to formally thank Jim Farthing for the dedication to our club as secretary for the past year. Previously and at the last meeting Jim announced that he was going to pursue his Master's Degree and would need to resign the post. His resignation has been accepted. Therefore the board of directors is looking for a member to fulfill the role of secretary for the next three months. I have someone in mind and will talk with that person as soon as I can and see if they would accept the nomination. I will present a list of nominees at the next Board of Director's meeting at 6:00 p.m. At that time, the board will by majority vote fill the position of Secretary. If you have been a club member for a minimum of one year and would be willing to fulfill the remaining three months and perform the duties by keeping the minutes of our board of director's and club meetings, then let me know before Tuesday evening. Your name can be added to a list for Secretary. Remember I will be in Mountain Home until Sunday, so send me an email via [lawrence.murphy@nighthawkstudio.com](mailto:lawrence.murphy@nighthawkstudio.com) indicating your interest in this office before Tuesday, October 11th.

Also since it is nearing the end of the year, it is time to solicit a three-member nominating committee. One member can be from the current board of directors. It will be their responsibility to solicit current or new candidates for officers and the board of directors with new terms beginning in January 2006 and ending December 2006. Any member in good standing can be nominated provided they meet the membership tenure requirements and have been an active participant in club events and meetings. The office of President, Vice-President and Treasurer require a two-year minimum membership tenure requirement. The remaining officers and board of directors require only one year of membership tenure. Past officers or board members can be re-elected to a second term. The exceptions according to the current by-laws states that the secretary, treasurer, news editor may seek additional terms without limit, if so elected by the membership. Since the board of directors fulfills a two-year role, not all the positions will be for election this year. Also a board of director position is restricted to a two-term limit. The board will determine those whose term is soon to expire and share that with the nominating committee, as well as the number of terms they may have fulfilled. The whole idea behind the by-law articles governing elections is to make sure that our leadership stays fresh, provides a diverse opinion and association, avoids the formation of cliques and lastly, an atmosphere for healthy discussion is fostered. So think about those around you and what they mean to the club, consider their actions and influence, and nominate them if you deem them worthy of consideration of becoming an officer or director. You are also asked to reaffirm those who may be considered for re-election to an office for second terms. Let the nominating committee be aware of your concerns, opinions and recommendations before November 1. On that date, the nominating committee will post recommended candidates for election on the Web site and in the next monthly newsletter for the voting process to be held at

the following monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. If you are willing to serve on the nominations committee, let an officer or director know before the upcoming board meeting on Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>.

*Remember to not be afraid to let your line or your efforts go into the backing.*

Larry Murphy, President

## South Callaway's Hooked on Fly Fishing not Drugs Program

The South Callaway R-II Hooked on Fly Fishing not on Drugs program will meet again on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. in Mokane, MO. Any CCFF member interested lending a hand by assisting with the planned program for teaching fly casting, please contact either Mark or Regina at: [mark.vanpatten@ktis.net](mailto:mark.vanpatten@ktis.net), or [regina.vanpatten@ktis.net](mailto:regina.vanpatten@ktis.net) or call home at 573-295-4463. We currently have a core group to lead and assist but your help would also be appreciated.

## Stream Team 760 Report

The next Stream Team 760 outing is scheduled for Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the Assembly of God parking lot on Route C at 9:00 a.m. We will carpool to the Saline Valley Wildlife Area and monitor water quality, sample the stream, check the chemical makeup and do an invertebrate count. We may have two additional folks along for the activity not associated with the club. Trish Riley asked at the last training session I attended to be included in a local outing so she could bring her 5-year old son and get him involved. Also I met a young man, Marty Miller at this workshop. He indicated a desire to join a local team in the Jefferson City region, so I asked him if he would like to join us. I will be contacting them to inform them of rendezvous point, date and time. I hope to see the rest of the team and any potential new members there.

October 18 is World Water Monitoring Day. Volunteer monitoring groups world wide will be monitoring and reporting four key indicators of water quality : temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen, and turbidity. This testing can be done between September 18 and October 18. Our report from Oct. 15 will qualify.

## Bulletin

There is a new record Brown on Taney. Rick Osborne from Camdenton caught one that was 27lbs 10oz on a Sage XP rod with a Scientific Angler System 2 reel on a gray scud on 4# test BassPro White River leader. The length was 38" and the girth was 23".

Kent Campbell says that he has seen one that will go 30Lbs. Good luck Kent. The records are falling.

## Fly of the Month



Mark Van Patten's Dragon Fly with Jerry Kemple's modification

### Material:

Hook: Mustad 94840 size 10

Tail: Blue, gold, red, or green Craft Trim cord from Hobby Lobby or JoAnn's Fabric

Thread: Orange size 8/0 or other appropriate color

Wings: Orange, fl. yellow, pearl, or black Krystal Flash

Body pod: Blue, brown, green, yellow or orange 3mm Funky Foam

### Instructions:

1. Crimp the barb of the hook and cut 1" piece of the Craft Trim cord. Remove the interior cord and save it for other flies which may need shucks or wings.
2. Thread the hook barb into the tail material exiting ¼" from the front end of the material.
3. Place the hook in the vise and wrap the thread from the front of the hook to secure the tail material about half way back to the curve.
4. Cut a ¼" wide by 1" long piece of foam and secure the front end with the rest pointing toward the tail
5. Select 10 to 12 strands of Krystal Flash and cut 2" long.
6. Lay the center of the bundle of Krystal Flash on top of the hook and secure by xing your thread over the bundle and under the hook, wrapping in front of the bundle and crossing over it and then behind the bundle and crossing over.
7. Fold the foam over the top of the wings to form a body pod and whip finish the head.
8. Cement the head, the underbody and the end of the tail to prevent frazzling.

## Club Calendar

October 2005

- 06-09 – **Mountain Home Conclave**, Southern Council of Federation of Fly Fishers, Mountain Home, Arkansas
- 11 – **Club Mtg** 7pm @ Runge Nature Center, Mark Van Patten, Fly Fishing the Missouri River (In Missouri!). Nominations committee will be formed.
- 15 – **Stream Team 760** outing at Saline Valley WA. Meet at First Assembly of God at 9:00 a.m.
- 26 – Hooked on Fly Fishing Not Drugs (HOFF), South Callaway R-II Middle School, 3:15-4:30 p.m., Casting Instruction.

November 2005

- 01 – Catch and Release Winter Trout Program, McKay Park Lane, sponsored by Jefferson City Parks and Recreation.
- 4-6 – **Club Quarterly Outing** - White River, Mountain Home, AR
- 08 – **Club Mtg** 7pm @ Runge Nature Center, Bill Turner, Missouri Department of Conservation, Stream Team Academy, "Understanding Streams" presentation. Officers' and Board of Directors' election will be held.
- 30 – **Hooked on Fly Fishing Not Drugs**, South Callaway R-II Middle School, 3:15-4:30 p.m., Knot tying instruction, "A Way of the Trout" video.

December 2005

- 03 – **Hooked on Fly Fishing Not Drugs**, McKay Park Lake, Trout fishing (Catch and Release), planned lunch; Club members as fishing assistants needed, [Time to be announced later.]
- 13 – **Club Mtg** 7pm @ Runge Nature Center; No Speaker; Gift Exchange

January 2006

- 05 – Fly Tying, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Runge Nature Center
- 10 – Club Mtg, 7 p.m. @ Runge Nature Center
- 12 – Fly Tying, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Runge Nature Center
- 19 – Fly Tying, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Runge Nature Center
- 25 – Hooked on Fly Fishing Not Drugs, South Callaway R-II Middle School, 3:15-4:30 p.m., Fly Tying Instruction, Grizzly Hackle Wooly Bugger (Streamer) and BiVisible (Dry Fly).
- 26 – Fly Tying, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Runge Nature Center

## Matched fly rod/reel for sale!

Jim Kramel has a Cabela fly rod and reel that would like to sell. The fly rod is a Fish Gage 9' Graphite PT105 with progressive taper, moderate action, 5wt. 2-piece, uplocking reel seat and cloth sock. The fly reel is a Cabela HP-2 loaded with WF-5-F line and protective carrying case. Also included

is a Cordura covered tube case. This is a real bargain for only \$200. Jim can be reached at (573) 635-1921.

**Treasurer's Report: \$7,468.90**

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