

Notes from the Prez

Jeff and I had some technical difficulties sharing information. He has been travelling the countryside to help further the sport of fly fishing. He is currently down in Galveston, Texas at an expo helping promote Sage. Last week he was in Asheville, North Carolina giving presentations. Hopefully, he will have some great information and stories to tell.

What he did say was, "I'm thankful and appreciate everyone's effort this year and I'd like to wish everyone happy holidays."

Thank you for everything you do Jeff.

I look forward to 2017.

Christmas Party

If you haven't heard the news, the December meeting is the annual Christmas Party. It is on Tuesday, December 13th at 6:00 pm. You read it correctly the party starts at 6 pm at the First Baptist Church, basement meeting room. Please bring a dish for potluck. There will be a wonderful spread to choose from.

Also, don't forget to bring a gift of \$10 or less for the gift exchange. Please bring something that you yourself would want. It does not have to be fishing related. Be aware, I might have to steal the gift you choose. At least the rules let you choose again.

Hope to see everyone there!!

Stream Team

Kudos to MDC and the Bennett Hatchery, because the McKay Lake rainbows average 13 inches, and there are many larger ones. If you have not been out, come watch Greg Curtin, Jerry Forck or others catch 30+ fish in an afternoon. Jerry Forck can do this from his chair.



McKay is also a great place to recruit new club members. I hope to see a prospective new member at our Christmas party.

To get help enforcing rules at McKay, call Chris Horn, our local Conservation agent, at 573 690 6295, or Stephen Kistner, the Columbia agent at 573 239 8129.

To see a good video on the environment, check out "Before the Flood" on YouTube.

Leonardo Di Caprio interviews people around the world, including the SpaceX/Tesla founder at his giant Nevada battery factory, the largest manufacturing plant anywhere.

Merry Christmas and happy fishing,

*Jeff Holzem
Stream Team Coordinator*

Fly Tying

As the cold creeps up, being inside looks like a really good option. What better way to pass the time indoors than learning some new flies to tie.

January 5th marks the start of the fly tying sessions. They will be held every Thursday for 8 weeks at Hyvee. 4:30 pm and 6 pm time slots are available to attend.

Thanks goes to Tom Crane for arranging things with Hyvee and to Hyvee for allowing us to use their upstairs meeting room.

Speakers

Mike Jaegers is working on finding guest speakers for our 2017 monthly meetings, but could use your help to fill a few spots. If you have any ideas or better yet any connections to bring in some guest speakers, please notify Mike. Thanks for your help.

Banquet Donations

As mentioned last month, we are looking for donations for the CCFB banquet being held on April 8th at the American Legion. It's not too early to start acquiring them. If you have a donation to turn in, please get with John Wenzlick, who has agreed to take them in again this year. Thanks John and those who are able to donate.

Officers/Board of Directors

During the November meeting a vote was made and passed, to have the current officers and B.O.D. continue for another year. They are as follows:

President – Jeff Trigg

Vice President – Mike Jaegers

Secretary – Ginger Kozitek

Treasurer – Bill Stroessner

Newsletter – Greg Curtin

Board of Directors – Bob Rickard, Tom Crane, Tony Valdes, Melvin Schulenberg, and Greg Curtin.

Dates of Interest

If you are looking at planning a fishing trip, these two events might interest you.

January 28 – 5th Annual Streamer Lovefest held in Cotter, AR. Jeff Trigg will be there. Go to website, www.flyfishingtheozarks.com for more detail.

March 23 – 25 – Sowbug Roundup in Mountain Home, AR. I went for the first time last year and had a great time. Well over 100 different fly tying demonstrations, classes, seminars, and raffles as well.

To End

Please feel free to email me if you have content for the newsletter, have questions, or you need help with things like dates or directions. Thanks, Greg

Happy Holidays!!!