

Fly Line

A Monthly Newsletter

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Meetings at East Side Arvest Bank at 7 P.M.
First Tuesday of the Month

2009 FFF Conclave Commemorative

Bamboo Fly Rod Raffle

One of the raffles planned for the Conclave will be for a very special bamboo fly rod which Steve Pennington of Ankeny, Iowa has created for the 2009 FFF Conclave.

Written on the rod is '2009 FFF Conclave', which makes this a very unique bamboo fly rod. Handmade and signed by Steve Pennington, the rod is an

8ft 4 wt Pine River model trout rod with solid nickel-silver threaded up-locking reel-seat hardware; figured maple reel-seat wood; solid nickel-silver ferrules and 2 tips. The rod includes a rod bag and a gunsmoke anodized-aluminum rod case with a gold end caps. It fishes well with either a 4 weight or a 5 weight line.

If anyone is interested in buying raffle tickets for this unique fly rod,

please contact the FFF office at:

406-222-9369 or send a check in the exact amount to:

FFF 09 Bamboo Raffle
PO Box 1688
Livingston, MT 59047

Be sure to include your name, address and phone number

PRESIDENT'S CONNER



Message from President
Riley Osborn

President's Ramblings

Thanks to Larry Johnson for coordinating the outing at Montgomery County Lake. The group was small but there were enough fish caught to provide for the Saturday evening fish fry. Thanks also to Dennis and Lindie for hosting the annual picnic. It was a great day of fishing, meeting with friends and plenty of good food. I looks like our club will be well represented at the FFF conclave. Our members have contributed 30 flies to be part of the silent auction. Thanks to the contributors.

Kid's Carp Tournament

The club is co-sponsoring a kid's carp tournament at Hulah lake on June 20th. We will need 10-12 volunteers for this. There will be a signup sheet at the June meeting. We will be providing lunch for the participants and we will need some cookers and people to serve. The club plans to use it's two large tents for the occasion. We are also looking for merchandise to use as prizes for the participants (Shawn Childres is the co-ordinator).

FFF needs the help of Fly Tiers

The following is a letter from
FFF Raffles



The FFF is planning a drawing for 15 four day 5 night trips for 2 people at the Five Rivers

Lodge in close to Dillor Montana. The drawing will be held on June 20th, 2009. A grand prize drawing for a trip to Cinco Rios Lodge in Chile will be held during the 2009 Fly fishing Show and Conclave in July. As a means of reaching the most people, they have asked each FFF club to sell at least 30 tickets. Tickets are 1 for \$20 and 6 for \$100. They are commending that clubs sell tickets at their next meeting or during an event in the community. Tickets can also be purchased online at www.fffgear.com.

The FFF is expecting this fundraiser to provide a significant financial boost to assist in its goals for Fly fishing education and conservation efforts this year. If you would like more details about the lodge, please visit www.fiveriverslodge.com. Riley Osborn has our packet and the tickets will be available at the meeting on June 2nd. This will be your last chance to buy tickets.



National requesting the Southern Council provide flies as part of a fund raiser for the National Conclave in Loveland, CO. This is a "painless" fund raiser, because it only requires a the gift of your time and a little bit of money for the supplies. We know many of you tie beautiful flies and if you don't....well, maybe this could give you some practice time. Please let us know if your club would be willing to help us do our part for this fund raiser.

Chris & Carol Jackson
Managing Directors
FFF Southern Council

The fund raiser is a special silent auction table that will be called "The Flies of the FFF Councils".

I will be buying fly boxes in which to display the flies, so all I need are the flies from your council.

I would like to see a minimum of two fly boxes per council. I fully understand the differences between say a trout fly as compared to a Northern Pike fly and a Tarpon fly. But, what I am going for would be at least two boxes nicely loaded up with the flies your people use in your area. Thank you,

Larry Gibbs
FFF Conclave Auction/Raffle
Coordinator
18112 South Tapps Drive
Bonney Lake, WA 98391



Picnic 2009

About 30 members attended the Annual Picnic on May 16th. A number of folks tried their hand at fishing the ponds with some success even though the cool weather had slowed down the fishing. While the fishers were at the ponds, Larry Johnson served as chief cook of Brats and Burgers and the comments seemed to indicate he did a good job.



The members brought a great selection of food to go with the burgers and brats. As always, GCF is blessed with great cooks. Roger Main has been declared the official GCF Pie Maker for his wonderful coconut cream pies.

The kids at the picnic had a great time with the llamas and horses and added to the fun of the day. The weather was cool and clear with just a gentle breeze, which made for a relaxing time with lots of visiting. More photos are on the web site www.greencountryflyfishers.com.

CARP TOURNAMENT

The first Kids Carp Tournament will be Saturday, June 20th, at Hula Lake from 8 AM to noon. The tournament will be open to 30 kids from 10 to 15 years old and the kids must be accompanied by an adult. Big Carp Tackle will provide the equipment for the kids to use and bait the area to ensure that the kids will catch some carp.

The club will have fly tying and cast demonstrations for the kids and their adults. We will have some fly rods ready to catch a few of the carp on a fly rod. If you know of a kid who would enjoy the chance to catch a carp, have them go to the

web site at www.greencountryflyfishers.com to register by sending an email to Shawn Childress. The club needs volunteers to help with the kids fishing and for the demonstrations. This will be a great chance to introduce fishing families to the club.

The Club will need about 15 volunteers to help make the tournament possible. To volunteer contact Riley Osborn. Riley's phone number is on the mast head of the Fly Line.



Bartlesville Green Country Flyfishers dues are \$16, and most of our members pay in December and January. You can pay at the meeting or mail to Gary Kilpatrick, 1230 Dogwood Court, Bartlesville, OK. 74006.

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