

# Fly Line

A Monthly Newsletter

May 2009

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

## Picnic info:

## Pictures are from the 2008 Picnic

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The ponds will be available for fishing before and after the meal so bring your rods along. Evening fishing has started coming on if minnow patterns working the best and crayfish patterns a close second. By May the top water action should be good. We will also have a casting contest about 5 with a prize for first place. The house will be available if the weather is hot or rainy. Hope to see you there.





### President's Ramblings

Thanks to Larry Johnson putting together the two sessions no rod building. I am sure there is enough interest in this area to have a rod building outing in the near future. The outing at Mined Lands was a great success. Thanks to Dennis for the coordination. Our annual picnic at the Kidd's ranch on May 16th will replace or May meeting.

### Fly Tying for FFF

We will be providing 30 or more flies to the FFF for an auction at the national conclave in July. Each conclave is expected to provide two fly boxes full of flies used to fish in their areas. Six tyers have volunteered to provide 6 flies. These flies will need to be sent to the Southern conference office by June 1. The flies are planned to be collected at the annual GCFF picnic.

### 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 recommending 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](http://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](http://www.fiveriverslodge.com). Gary Kilpatrick has our packet and the tickets will be available at the picnic on May 16th.

### 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

### 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. We will 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 also looking merchandise to use a prizes for the participants.



The Mined Lands outing on April 25th was the first one for the new participation contest. Although the weather was windy, the Mined Lands have lots of trees and hills and there are pits running north/south and others running east/west. So, it was not hard to find pits where the wind was blocked and the fish were biting. The big fish were a ~6 pound carp caught by Gary, A 24 inch channel cat caught by Greg, and an 11 inch bluegill caught by Dennis. Tubing was the big winner to allow one to stay in position and cover water.

Saturday night was a sunfish fry with Larry Johnson acting as cook. We keep about 30 seven to nine inchers out of the hundred or so that were caught. Best guess for total fish caught is 200+ for the weekend.

A number of folks came and went over the week end with a total of 13 members checking in at the camp site. Those who attended strongly support having a Mined Lands trip next year.

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Dennis Kidd



**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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