



The Tippet

February, 2019

Clearwater Fly Casters

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A Federation of Fly Fishers Club



February Program: Biennial Auction

The Club's biennial Auction benefitting the club's Scholarship Fund and other activities will be held at our February 2019 monthly meeting.

Auction Highlights:

Live auction will feature fishing related items such as a NRS personal fishing watercraft with oars, three guided fishing trips to either the Grande Ronde, St. Joe, or Clearwater rivers will be offered for bid. Major auction items include rods, reels, fly tying equipment and accessories associated with the sport of fly-fishing. A queen size quilt (see photo below) and a hand crafted with exotic wood inlaid jewelry box (see photo below) will be available. Two-dozen steelhead flies tied by professional tier, Leroy Hyatt, highlight the flies up for bid. A Ducks Unlimited Framed Terry Redlin Print No. 7492/22900, books and framed art will also be available for competitive bidding. Other items include textile art such as quilted table runners, napkins, woodcrafts, gift baskets, gourmet dinners hosted in homes, and gift certificates.

Silent auction will feature numerous items at three tables that will close bidding in succession during the auction. A variety of items will be found on the silent auction tables such as flowers and chocolates for your Valentine!

Cash and Carry Table The auction will have a "cash and carry table" managed by Marc Ratzlaff to handle many small items on a cash and carry basis, no bidding but prices are negotiable. The club is looking for contributions of small items ranging in value from \$1 to \$10. Items could be old reels in good shape, fly lines not currently being used, some non fly fishing related stuff, fly boxes, and just good saleable small items. The table will also feature fly tying materials, gently used clothing and other miscellaneous items all for cash sale. The plan is to have items marked at very reasonable prices. This is a chance to pick up some fly-fishing gear, fly tying equipment or other needed items. Keep in mind that prices for items at this table are negotiable.

Dues paid CFC members may bring a guest with the guest's dinner compensated by the club. Members bringing a guest should provide the guest's name to Lynn Youngblood.

Rod Board Raffle There will be a 7 ft., 4 wt., 3-piece bamboo rod on the raffle board! Raffle tickets for individual squares on the board can be purchased at the auction.

Information

The Tippet is available as a PDF file on our web site:

www.clearwaterflycasters.com

Please submit information to the Newsletter Editor

Meetings 2nd Wednesday of the month (except June, July and Aug)
University Best Western Inn,
Moscow, ID

Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 pm

Buffet Dinner: 6:30 pm; \$16,
students \$8

Menu:

Mediterranean Buffet: chicken and rice w/ caramelized onions, mushrooms, garlic, garbanzo beans, topped with feta and balsamic reduction, Caesar salad with croutons and shaved Parmesan, garlic bread, garlic green beans, Tiramisu/Coffee/Tea/Soda

Program: 7:30 pm



Special craft items available at the auction: Hand made queen sized quilt and a wood crafted jewelry box.

Message from President Karen Zacharisen:

I want to thank everyone for coming to the January Meeting. Our Program was so fun and I know everyone was enjoying the presentation on "Catching Dorado on the Sea of Cortez". Steve Bush, Krystal Lewis, Chris Lewis and Roger Willemsen did a fantastic job. So grateful they took such a fun trip and shared it with our members & guests.

I do want everyone to come to our next fun event, our Clearwater Fly Casters Auction on Feb. 13th. This takes the place of our normal meeting and is our main fundraiser for Scholarship monies. We need lots of support with collecting auction items for live & silent auction and help during the auction with set up. We will also have an auctioneer that will keep the event hopping! If you are a paid member, you can bring a guest and they will get their dinner free. If you have not paid your dues this year, please pay Lynn Youngblood as soon as you can. If you have any questions on this event, please contact myself, Kay Youngblood or any Executive committee member. See you in February....

Back Cast:

Club members Krystal Lewis, Chris Lewis, Roger Willemsen, and Steve Bush presented highlights of their Baha fishing trip “*Catching Golden Dorado in the Sea of Cortez*”. They described all aspects of their trip including accommodations, food and of course catching a variety of fish on flies. They caught some amazingly colorful and



strong fish that tested their equipment and personal stamina. From the questions generated, many club members would like to make the trip and experience the fun and excitement.

Forward Cast:

Important Dates and Events

Feb 8, 2019: Fly Fishing Film Tour 2019. Doors open 5:30 pm film starts at 7:00 pm, Lewis-Clark Hotel, Lewiston, ID

Feb 13, 2019: Clearwater Fly Casters Meeting and Biennial Auction, Best Western University Inn, Moscow, ID

Mar 13, 2019: Clearwater Fly Casters Meeting, Best Western University Inn, Moscow, ID

Mar 22, 2019: CCA Annual Banquet, Quality Inn, Clarkston, WA

Mar 15-16, 2019: North Idaho Fly Fishing Expo 2019! Red Lion Hotel, Lewiston, ID. Friday: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm and Saturday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Banquet /Auction: Saturday

Apr 13, 2019: Amber Lake Fish out. Meet at Amber Lake boat launch area.

Jun 14-16, 2019: North Fork Coeur d’Alene Fish out, Meet at Devils’ Elbow Campground

Jul 12-14, 2019: St. Joe Fish out, Fly Flat Campground

Jul 22-26, 2019: Fly Fishers International Fly Fishing Fair and Fishfest, Montana State Univ., Bozeman, MT

The Fly Fishing Film Tour:

The fly-fishing film tour is presented by the Lewiston Tribune and the Jackson’s Pay it Forward Foundation. The event will be held at the Lewis & Clark Hotel in Lewiston, Idaho on Friday, February 8, 2019. The foundation assists families who have children with serious illness or injury. Doors open 5:30 pm and the film starts at 7:00 pm. The Fly Fishing Film Tour 2019 is different than the International Fly Fishing Festival we hosted in Moscow last November. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Advance tickets are also available for purchase at Lewiston Tribune and Moscow-Pullman Daily News offices. Limited reserved-seating VIP tickets are available for \$30 at both newspaper offices. See you at the movies!

Moscow Elks Vets Fly Tying and Casting Program:

The group is looking for any used clothing that you can donate. They are mainly in need of wading boots and waders for men and women. A few women have taken the class and are in need of some equipment. Even though this is an Elks program, the majority of helpers are members of Clearwater Fly Casters. If you have gear you are willing to part with, please give them to Cliff Swanson or Doug Baldwin who will be passing the items on to the Elks program.

Scholarships:

Clearwater Fly Casters in Collaboration with Kelly Creek Flycasters award Scholarships each year to worthy graduate students from the University of Idaho, Washington State University and Eastern Washington University. Students are invited to submit proposals that are evaluated by club members and scholarships are awarded based on merit and potential benefit to fisheries in the area.

Cliff Swanson has received four scholarship applications. Applications for the 2019 class of scholarship awardees are available for review on the club website: <http://www.clearwaterflycasters.com> It is a busy time but the club should decide on recipients as soon as we can. All club members are encouraged to evaluate the applications and submit comments to Cliff or to an Executive Committee Member. A meeting to review applications will be scheduled as soon as possible.

The Clearwater Fly Casters Scholarship Fund has awarded \$14,500 in the past 5 years to graduate and undergraduate students in studies of fisheries and fishery management. Research by these students benefits not only fish, but also enhances the economics of the Pacific Northwest.

Fly Tying Group:

At their most recent fly tying session the group tied flies for the upcoming auction (see photo at the right). From left to right, Cliff Swanson, Doug Baldwin, Steve Bush, and Marc Ratzlaff apply their skills in the art of fly tying. Photo supplied by master tyer, Tim Cavileer. The group meets regularly and the sessions are open to club members. Just bring your equipment and fly tying materials and join in the fun and comraderie.



Conservation Committee:

Coastal Conservation Association (CCA) will hold their annual banquet and auction on March 22nd at the Quality Inn in Clarkston, Washington. Tickets for the event are available from Doug Baldwin and other CCA board members.

CCA has informed us that Washington State Senate Bill 5617 has been introduced to ban the use of non-tribal gillnets statewide. It currently has 24 co-sponsors out of 49 total Senators. This is a HUGE victory for conservation!!! The membership is encouraged to contact their Washington State Senators asking them to support this legislation critical to the survival of Salmon and Steelhead runs on the Columbia, Snake and Clearwater rivers. Please do what you can to urge your Senator to sign onto this bill and show their support for our fish!

Membership Committee:

Paul Agidius, Membership Committee Chair, reminds the CFC members that dues for the upcoming year are now due. Dues are \$25/yr. for individuals and \$35/yr. for families.

Fly of the Month: "Black Nose Dace Bucktail Streamer"

From the IFFF website:

<http://fedflyfishers.org/Tying/FlyoftheMonth.aspx>

In 1947 Art Flick, an accomplished and innovative fly tyer from the Catskill Region of NY, published his best-known book "Art Flick's Streamside Guide". Here is where the Black Nose Dace Bucktail Streamer was first introduced. Art invented the Black Nose Dace Bucktail Streamer to imitate the dace and chubs that lived in the stream. Today this is one of the most popular flies to catch trout and bass with. The Black Nose Dace is a simple fly to learn how to tie and one of the tricks is to keep it sparse. This fly will teach you how to work with Bucktail and Tinsel.



Materials:

Hook: 5X to 7X long shank Hook sizes 4 through 12

Thread: Black 6/0 or 70 Denier

Tail: Red Yarn

Body: Silver Mylar Tinsel

Wing: Brown over Black over White Bucktail

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Membership and Monthly Meeting:

CFC membership dues are \$25/yr. for individuals, \$35/yr. for families, \$10/yr. for students, \$50/yr. sustaining, \$300/lifetime. Meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday, September through May, at the Best Western University Inn, 1516 Pullman Rd, Moscow, Idaho. Wet Fly Hour 5:30 PM, Dinner at 6:30 PM and Program at 7:30 PM.