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Leader's Line by Tom Bolender

A Call for Help

If you haven't noticed, this newsletter is reaching you only a day or two before our general meeting. We would like you to have it a week before but obviously I'm struggling to make that happen. The newsletter isn't hard to put together, it just takes time. Time is not something I have a lot of. If anyone is interested in becoming our newsletter editor please contact me.

We are also short a conservation chair. Being the conservation chair doesn't mean you have to create a project. You may know of projects in the works that need a little additional funding. Do you keep a close eye on conservation? If so, just reporting on what's currently happening would be helpful.

Last but not least is the addition of my South Sound saltwater beaches segment. I had originally planned on starting with a list of the beaches but decided to dive right in and start by featuring a local beach. I hope you enjoy to information.

Program Rotary Fly Tying Demo and Free For All

This year is turning into a South Sound Fly Fishers tying year. Our program chair, Walt Dohring is an exceptional tyer who uses Renzetti vises to turn out works of art. Walt will demonstrate why he's chosen to tie with rotary vises. After a short demonstration, anyone who's interested can tie their favorite flies. Bring your vise and materials to show off your skills. This is a good opportunity to help fill a box or two for our monthly raffles. A box of SSFF favorites would be an excellent win.

Potluck Auction:

April 15, 2014

Doors open at 6:00 pm

North Olympia Fire Station

**5046 Boston Harbor Road NE
Olympia, WA 98506**

Program: Fly

Tying for All

Hot Dog Social



Once again I'll be bringing the hot dog machine full of smoked dogs. This month I'll be serving up bratwurst. Hickory smoke and a bath of IPA make for a mouthwatering dog. All the fixings will be available so you can make it just the way you like. \$5.00 get you a brat and soda or water.

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General Meetings

When:

The 3rd Tuesday of every month except December.

Where:

North Olympia Fire Station (Boston Harbor Fire Station)

5046 Boston Harbor Road NE

Time:

6:15 PM Doors open, 6:30 P.M. Social Time

7:00 – 9:00 P.M. Meeting and Program

Treasurer's Creel by Dave Field



Last month's club auction netted \$1800 for the club's coffers. Congratulations to John Sabo for a great evening of food, fun and fundraising. Thanks also to our president Tom Bolender who served as auctioneer for the event. Thank you to all the donors who provided the auction offerings. Thanks to all the members who shared in the potluck dinner and participated in the bidding.

At the April board meeting your board members approved club donations to the Northwest Youth Conservation and Fly Fishing Academy. The NWYC&FFA was founded by SSFF member Dick Nye. Mike Clancy and Jim Brosio are now the co---directors of the academy and they are also long standing members of SSFF. Both Mike and Jim are dedicated to creating the best outdoor experience for the boys and girls that participate in this wonderful program. As you probably know the academy is funded by donations from businesses, fishing clubs, individual donors and tuitions. You and your club's donations all help to keep the tuition cost low and affordable for most families. If you have not done so already send your donation for this year's academy to Mike Clancy, 2531 Simon Lane NE, Olympia WA 98506. Make your check payable to WCTU/Academy. Many SSFF members new include a donation to the academy when they pay their club dues.

Speaking of club dues, those of you that have not yet paid for 2014 may take care of this at this month's club meeting on April 15th. While you're there you'll want to check in with Don Harold, Membership Chair to make sure we have your correct email and phone number. You'll want to make sure this contact information is up to date so that you'll receive notices from our new outings chair, Terry West, about upcoming outings. If you are unable to attend the meeting please mail in your \$30 dues to PO Box 2792 Olympia WA 98507. Make your check payable to SSFF.

Enjoy the Spring weather!

Education

The fly tying class with Janet Schimpf was a success. Eddie said there were a total of 10 people who attend. If you missed the class and wanted to attend, you'll have to wait a year or two before we have another.

Our Searun Cutthroat workshop was a blast. With Eddie and I included, there were 9 people dressed in waders walking the Priest Point Park trails. One of our newest club members Bryson Rossol was the luckiest of us. Bryson almost landed a nice Cutt. Unfortunately as happens all too often, when he grabbed for his net the fish was gone. There were a few tugs reported by others and we called it a day after about 3 hours of fishing. It was a little cold with a bit of wind but all in all a great time. For those who showed up.

Fundraising by John Sabo

Raffle Report

Raffle and T---Shirt sales rebounded at our February meeting. Thank you; to all the club members who participate in the club's monthly raffle and to all of you who donate raffle items or fill fly boxes. At our April meeting we will again have growlers for sale for \$15 in order to support the club's Coastal Cutthroat Project. We are looking forward to even more interesting and useful raffle prizes in the coming months. By the way, we have some empty fly boxes to be filled...fly tiers, please see me at the back of the room at our April meeting. Also, I would like to remind the club members that all the fly boxes are purchased from Bjorn at **The Fly Fisher Fly Shop**, in Lacey, and he gives a discount to the club for which we thank him.

Sound Fly Fishers Dinner and Auction

The club's Potluck Dinner and Auction was held Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at the Black Lake Grange Hall. The attendance by club members was good, the food was excellent, the donations of "experiences and adventure" and valuable items, were well received and the bidding was lively. Everyone had a good time, and we raised some much needed money to fund the club's

conservation projects. Thank you; to all the members who supported the club at the auction.

Outings by Terry West

Hello I'm the new Outings Chair and I'm looking forward to scheduling a variety of outings. With your help of course. Let me know if you would be willing to be a gille. A gille or ghille is a Scottish term to describe a person who coordinates an outing.

Even beginners can be a gille by setting a date, time and location of somewhere you would like to fish. Research the location, fishing regulations and access and let me know the details at terrywest1@comcast.net

A calendar of outings will be posted soon.

The 2014 Northwest Youth Conservation & Fly Fishing Academy by Mike Clancy



Applications are now being accepted until April 15th for the 2014 Northwest Youth Conservation and Fly Fishing Academy. To qualify for The Academy, the applicant, boy or girl, 12---16 years old, must edit an essay explaining why they want to attend the Academy and a letter of recommendation is required from their school counselor or science teacher. The dates for the WSCIFFF and WCTU supported event are June 22---28, 2014. The Academy will be held at The Gwinwood Conference Center on Hicks Lake in Lacey, WA. To learn more about The Academy, go to www.nwycffa.org. The application is available on the website or contact Mike Clancy @ nwycffa@earthlink.net. This is a life rewarding experience for our youth to learn conservation and the basics of fly fishing. We are also on Facebook. No youth will be turned away because of funding.

Parking

After February's meeting I was contacted by a Lieutenant from the North Olympia Fire Station. Apparently we have not been following the parking rules. In January due to the large crowd Skip Morris drew there where people parked in the driveway in front of the fire truck garage doors. This could be a very dangerous situation in an emergency. In February a truck was parked in front of the entrance we all use. It just so happened on both occasions a Fire Commissioner was present. It is imperative we park in designated parking spaces or the grass behind the fire station. Any more infractions and we may lose our ability to use the room. The entrance to the back lot is a little past the main entrance. Adjacent is a map of where we can park.



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