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It is the charge of the North Louisiana Fly Fishers to afford the general public and its members in particular, a better understanding of Fly Fishing, Fly Tying, and Rod Building. We wish to perpetuate the sport as a most pleasurable and exciting fishing method and provide education, instruction and the opportunities for relaxation to the membership.

NORTH LOUISIANA FLY FISHERS founded in 1984

PRESIDENT'S LINE

We didn't have a lot of club activity this past month. Jeff was a welcome guest speaker as always, and Tom put on a good program at our workshop tying Clouser Minnows. Also some of our past work has not been forgotten either. Just two weeks ago, I had a gentleman come up to me at a travel center in Missouri and started talking about the Day With Davy Wotton Program he had attended in August. I can't remember his name, but he remembered me and our program. I told him that we are going to have programs like this every year and he said he would be looking forward to them. Last Saturday I was at National Hunt Fish Day and a girl came up to the table where John Scarbourgh and I were tying flies with a new fly rod that she needed help to rig out. She remembered me from the camp at RRNWR in July. She has been tying flies ever since then. After we got the line and leader on the reel, we practiced casting for a while. She is really enjoying learning to fly fish. Her goal in life at this point? To be a fly fishing guide.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, October 8th, @ 6:30 PM

Fork and Spoon Market

4460 Youree Dr., Shreveport, LA

This is our annual banquet and fund raiser. Bring something to raffle

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NLFF Annual Banquet

Where: Fork and Spoon Market 4460 Youree Drive Shreveport, LA 71105

When: Tuesday, October 8th at 6:30 p.m.

Please come and join us for an evening of fun, food, drinks, and friendship as we generate financial support for our club's many worthwhile causes. Dinner will feature a variety of menu items, and a full bar will be available as well.

As always, the evening will include auctions and raffles of some great fly fishing gear, highlighted this year by a hand-crafted bamboo fly rod built by club members under the supervision of our very own Barry Bauer. Auction and raffle items are still being accepted, so please bring a fly fishing related item to the banquet to be auctioned off.

Fly Tiers Show

Tiers don't forget to bring your entries for the Fly Tiers Show. Flies may be entered by in the following five fly tying categories:

- a. **Traditional Dry Flies** Any pattern intended to imitate adult insects and to be fished "dry", whether an established pattern or not.
- b. True Nymphs Patterns intended to imitate the juvenile stages of any aquatic insect.
- c. Salmon & Wet Flies Full dress and hair-wing salmon flies, traditional wet flies, and streamers.
- d. Big Fish/Big Water Flies Deer hair bugs, saltwater patterns, crustacean patterns, and virtually anything that cannot be classified in categories 1, 2, or 3.
- e. Parr Flies Any fly pattern tied by a member under the age of 16.

During a viewing and voting period all members present at the banquet will vote on which entry best represents its respective category in regard to the tier's innovation or adherence to tradition, use of materials, the fly's proportions and the tier's quality of work. In order to give more "weight" to the opinion of the NLFF Master Tiers, their votes will count double. Once the initial vote has been tallied and the five category winners have been decided, the Master Tiers present will determine the single entry that is considered "Best In Show."

In order to qualify as an NLFF Master Tier, one must win at least twice in any single or separate category in the Fly Tiers Show.

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Bleu Cheese Wedge Salad Choice of or Chopped Salad with a Pomegranate Vinaigrette All You Can Eat Fried or Entrac Choices; Blackened Mississippi Catfish Plate with Parisian crusted FF Slap Your MAMA Hush puppies and a choice of coleslaw or Atchafalaya Corn crawfish maque choux Club Steak 11oz Rib-eye accompanied by Cajun stuffed new potato and grilled asparagus \$14.99 Soft Shell Crab and Gulf Shrimp with Tabasco chipotle aioli and five pepper glaze set atop Atchafalayo crawfish corn maque choux with slap your MAMA hush puppies \$16.88 White chocolate raspberry bread Dosset Options pudding with vanilla bean ice \$6.95 Peach cobbler with homemade vanilla bean ice cream

Executive Committee Nominations and Election

It's that time of year again, time to nominate officers and board members. If you have a candidate in mind or if you want to serve yourself, please submit your nominee to the Nomination Committee (which at this time is the Executive Committee) before or during the October board meeting. Nominees for president must have served at least one term as a board member. The contact information for the E C members is listed on the last page of this newsletter. The board meeting for this month will be October 22nd at Bass Pro in Bossier City. We also are looking for members who are willing to be the chairperson (or member) of a committee, assist with the newsletter, or be newsletter editor. If you are willing to help or know anyone who is, please let us know. We sure could use you. All nominees will be presented to the club through the newsletter and by the Webmaster.

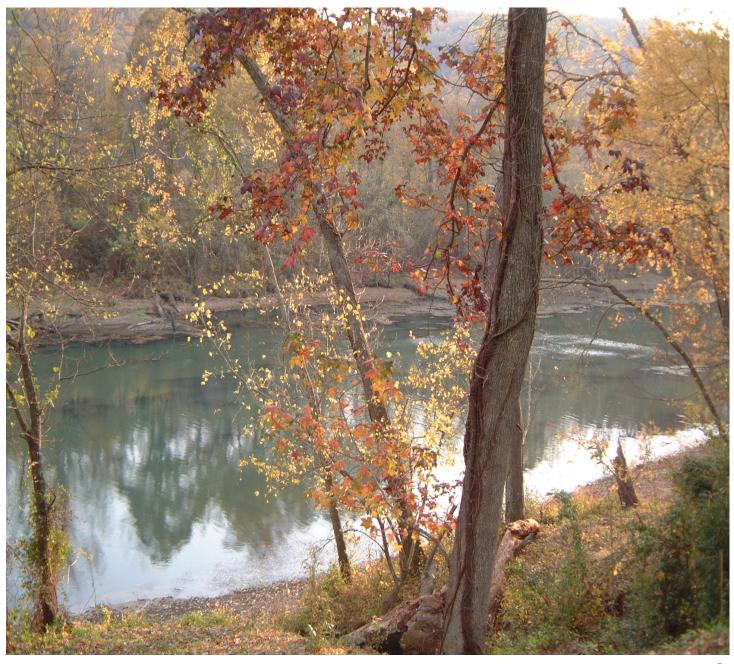
The election will be held at the regular November meeting. Winners will be determined by a simple majority vote. Signed ballots will also be accepted if you are unable to make it to the meeting. The new Executive Committee will installed at the December E C meeting.

Our club has really grown this past year and has been involved in some great projects that seem to have a positive impact on us now with even greater results in the next few years. This means we need all the talent we have to be involved so we can maintain our current pace and not spend next year trying to catch up to this years level. Think about it and get your nominations in and maybe even volunteer your own services. Thank you and see you at the banquet.



FLY TYIERS SHOW

The NLFF fly tiers show is traditionally held at the annual banquet to stimulate interest in fly tying and to challenge the abilities of the tiers in the club. The categories and regulations of the show are listed on page 2 of this newsletter. This is the event that we must use to become a NLFF master tier. Master tiers do not compete in this show, they do however judge the entries. Read over the categories, put together a sample of your work and enter it in the contest. The more contestants, the greater the honor of winning. Also remember that if you are under the age of 16, you are competing in your own category. What say we make this the best show we've had in years.



UPCOMMING EVENTS:

Oct. 3rd-5th: IFFF Southern Council Fly Fishing Fair at the Baxter County Fair Grounds, Mountain Home, AR. www.southerncouncil.org website.

Oct. 8th: NLFF Club Banquet at the Fork and Spoon Restaurant. 4460 Youree Dr. Shreveport LA. Time 6:30 PM.

Oct. 17th: Workshop at Bass Pro. Erik will demonstrate articulated streamers.

Oct. 19th: Red River National Wildlife Refuge Celebration Day. We will have a group from the club tying, casting, teaching etc. Plan to come out and be a part. We need the help.

Oct. 26th: Float trip on the Caddo River. Glenwood AR. Scott Irwin for details.

Nov. 1st-2nd: North Toledo Bend Rendezvous. Always a great event. For details go to www.waltermcl@suddenlink.net.

Nov. 8th—10th: RSFF Catch and Eat. Hwy 1 corridor. Www.fsff.org for details.



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