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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**

## This Past Month

October has come and gone but as a club we did well for ourselves. The Banquet/Fundraiser was a huge success. I can't thank every one enough for making it so. We are already starting to plan for next year, anyone who wants to help or has any suggestions feel free to step up. Our goal is to be even bigger and better than this year.

Eric Wibben is a new club master tier, winning three of four categories. Congratulations Eric. When you start giving lessons, go ahead and sign me up.

The work shop at Bass Pro was really good this month. Erik Dilts taught the Peanut Envy (pictures and materials list are on page 4) and this is a good fly. I've seen reports of the fish caught on it. See you at the meeting.

## Next Meeting:

November 12th, 2013 @ 7 PM

Red River National Wildlife Refuge  
150 Eagle Bend Point, Bossier City La.

Speaker: Brain McDowell

Come early to tie , cast or visit.

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## ***From The Executive Committee: Proposed By Law Changes***

In this age of instant communication we feel that it is redundant and time wasting to propose changes of the By Laws to the membership at one meeting and wait until the next meeting to vote on them. We should instead report proposed changes to the general membership by e-mail, the news letter, our website and/or Facebook at least seven days before the monthly meeting, and then vote on the proposed changes at the meeting. This will give our members seven days to consider the proposed changes. It would also notify the entire club instead of just the ones who attended the meeting when the changes were proposed. Also, we feel that we should increase the number of board members on the Executive Committee to more accurately represent a cross section of our membership. At present we are in the process of determining the best way to accomplish this. Everyone will be notified by e-mail as soon as possible with our recommendation. We will discuss these items at the November meeting so please be there.



## ***Executive Committee Election: November 12, 2013***

Nominees are: President: Bud Bethea

Treasurer: Tom Bullock

Board Members: Frank Harmon, Charlene Lewis, Erik Dilts, Scott Irwin,  
Rex White, and Linda Bethea.

If anyone wants to nominate someone for one of these positions please do so. Nominations can be made to the Executive Committee or you can nominate a candidate at the meeting before the election takes place. Ballots will be distributed at the meeting, so anyone nominated at the meeting will have to be written in.

## Article for Newsletter

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**An incredible benefit for you!**  
**Southern Conclave 2013**  
**By Scott Irwin**

If you are a member of the NLFF, I have great news for you. There is a world of amazement, excitement, and exploration waiting for you in the universe of fly fishing. While attending an occasional NLFF meeting is good, it is just scratching the surface of the varied activities from which you can partake.

The Southern Conclave is one of those opportunities for you. For \$10 you can register for one of the greatest fly fishing gatherings in the world. Constant seminars from photography, warm water fishing, salt water fishing and cold water fishing stand waiting with doors open, and for you to walk through.

Two casting classes, completely free, beckon your attendance. One was on how to cast weighted lines. The other was how to double haul on a cast. If you like to learn, the knowledge was spilling forth at the Southern Conclave.

If you like a deal, fly fishing vendors had table and tables of fishing gear, most at great prices, waiting for your shopping enjoyment. I picked up 6 bucktails, all different colors for just \$2.50 each.

If you like to rub shoulders with the great ones, Dave Whitlock sat waiting your you to sit down and have a cup of coffee with him. Terry Wilson, the great, pan fish fly fisher welcomed your conversation, and guides and fly tyers from around the country sat waiting your company.

If you like to fish, come a day early and fish. Also, fish some of the mornings of the conclave on the Norfork and White Rivers. Rex White and Tom Bullock shared some of their favorite fishing holes with me. I'm sure they would share them with you too. On the way home, stop and fish Crooked Creek....I'll show you some of the most beautiful spots on the planet to lay a fly line. There is also a great access point to the Buffalo river on the trail to Mountain Home. It's a great place to fish.

The conclave is always the first weekend of October. I do have some football commitments, and the first thing I do when La Tech's football schedule comes out is check to see if I can shake free and attend the Southern Conclave. If there is no home game that weekend, I know where I will be the first weekend of October 2014....The Southern Conclave in Mountain Home Arkansas. The only thing that could make it better is if you were there!

# THE PEANUT ENVY

*Originated by Kelly Galloup*

pea-nut en-vy – /'pēnət 'envē/ – *noun*

1. resentment towards a fellow passenger on an airline when they get an extra bag of peanuts from the flight attendant
2. being jealous of someone because they have more or bigger nuts than you
3. an articulated streamer used in the pursuit of trout, bass, and other hungry fish species

## **Materials & Pattern**

### ***Back Hook***

Hook: #6 ring eye, 3X or 4X streamer hook

Thread: 6/0 (color of choice)

Tail: Marabou (with Flashabou if desired)

Hackle: Strung hackle or Schlappen (preferred)

Body: Ice Dub (or Kystal chenille)

Legs: Two barred Sili Legs, one each side

Wing: Marabou to match tail

### ***Articulation Point***

Wire: 0.38 mm braided stainless (Beadalon)

Bead: one glass bead

Adhesive: Zap-a-Gap

### ***Front Hook***

Hook: #4 ring eye, 3X or 4X streamer hook

Thread: 6/0 (color of choice)

Tail: Marabou

Hackle: Strung hackle or Schlappen (preferred)

Body: Ice Dub (or Kystal chenille)

Legs: Two barred Sili Legs, one each side

Wing: Marabou to match tail

Collar: Ice Dub

Head: brass cone head (large)



The photo in last month's newsletter reminded me of a trip we took to North Arkansas with our dogs several years ago. It was the first for Sissy, a Pomeranian we had rescued the previous winter. We took Sissy and Bubba, our American Eskimo Dog when we rented a cabin on the Little Red River in North Arkansas. As we headed to the pier, the dogs trotted along behind. We were fishing for lunch that day, and all went well. Sissy liked the smell of the fish as they came out of the river, but didn't make the connection with the fish she begged for at home. We broke for lunch, and headed back to the cabin with our fish. The dogs, of course, kept up with everything. As soon as the fish hit the skillet and starting cooking, the realization hit Sissy what was up. She started barking and had to be shut in the bedroom till cooking was done.



After lunch, we got out gear and headed out for a little more fishing, dogs in tow. Sissy beat us to the pier, looking for fish. Not a sport, she was only interested in take-out, not fishing. From the rest of the trip, she was relegated to the cabin when we fished. Don't bother trying to interest a Pomeranian in catch and release.

Sissy was a good little hiker, until her little legs gave out. Then she'd just sit down on the trail, making it clear she needed a lift. She'd enjoy the rest of the hike alternating between her carrier, sniffing the air, occasionally insisting on being put down to help Bubba investigate the trail. Bubba, our Eskie, loved the cold streams and jumped in every chance he got. This infuriated Sissy, the fun police. She'd stand on the bank and bark her outrage. Had she been the larger dog, he would have paid dearly.



Sissy, made many more trips with us after that, both dogs watching us carefully when they noted any signs of packing. If Sissy saw suitcases on the bed, she hopped in. If the camper was being loaded, both dogs hopped in, making sure they weren't left home. Even though Sissy was a rotten fisherman, a poor sport, and distance-challenged hiking companion, she was an enthusiastic little traveler.

Linda Bethea

## **UP COMING EVENTS:**

**November 1st,2nd: North Toledo Bend Rendezvous. For details go to [www.waltermcl@suddenlink.com](mailto:www.waltermcl@suddenlink.com) for details.**

**November 8th, 9th: RSFF Catch and Eat. Hwy 1 corridor. For details go to [www.rsff.org](http://www.rsff.org).**

**November 21st; Workshop at Bass Pro Shop. We will be tying nymphs this month.**



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