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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

September was pretty busy, for me anyway, with the big event being the first Gulf Coast Council Fly Fishing Show in Ocean Springs MS. We had six of our members there. Hope everyone enjoyed it as much as I did. Met a lot of new folks from Mississippi and Florida as well as seeing many of my friends from Louisiana. Next year will be even bigger and better. National Hunt Fish Day at the Tom Merrill Recreational Area at Bodcau Dam was also very nice. Tied a few flies, helped a few folks with casting, and passed out some club information. Some of the guys we talked to seemed to be interested and said they will come to a meeting or to the workshop at Bass Pro. Hope to see them there.

Next Meeting:

NLFF Annual Fund raising Banquet

Tuesday, October, 14, 2014, 600 pm at
Mandina's Restaurant 830 Fannin,
Shreveport, LA.

What's Inside:

- 1 & 2 Dave Whitlock Seminar
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- 4 Gulf Coast Council Story
- 5 Bodcau Hunting & fishing Day



NLFF BANQUET

Save the date, Tuesday October 14, 2014 600 pm, for the annual NLFF fund-raising banquet. Make plans donate your gently used but still useful items that your fellow club members have been coveting. This is your chance to do something good for the club and make room for more gear.

Mandina's is located downtown one block North of First United Methodist Church. We have plenty of great auction items, raffle items, and door prizes. Please bring a raffle item for donation. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors. Everyone is sure to have a great meal and a good time, and maybe snag a great deal or prize! We will be able to accept credit cards, cash, or checks. Save your money.

Items up for grabs so far from Vendors

TFO 8 wt 9 ft Mangrove rod

TFO 7 wt 9 ft Professional Series II rod

TFO 6 wt 9 ft with Pro Special rod with Hobbs Creek Case and Hobbs Creek Reel
Rigged out

Lefty Kreh Fly Tying Kit

Dave Whitlock Mug and Print

We have numerous great items already collected from members!

The Gulf Coast Council Fly Tying Fair

The Gulf Coast Council Fly Tying Fair in Ocean Springs was very successful, well-attended, and enjoyable. What a pleasure to see old friends from the Louisiana and Mississippi and clubs and meet so many new ones from Florida. Peggy and I enjoyed an excellent beginning fly-tier class The Friday night meet and greet was great, with lots of nice items at the silent action. Ocean Springs was a wonderful venue to hold this meeting, with plenty of restaurants, lodging, and very nice beaches. We enjoyed strolling the quaint downtown area. Ocean Springs is a sister city to Biloxi. They happened to be having a sea-food festival that weekend. Bud and I camped at the Davis Bayou Park. I highly recommend it for all campers. The facilities were immaculate, shady, and our site backed up to a large common area. On a guided alligator walk, we did see an alligator. The brackish marsh in the park is a beautiful nursery, teeming with life.



Bodcau Hunting and Fishing Day

Saturday was a good outdoor day, and people turned out for the Bodcau Hunting and Fishing Day. NLFF had a booth set up with volunteers ready to demonstrate fly-tying and casting. People strolling showed considerable interest, and I think we snagged, not literally, the interest of quite a few people who had heard of fly-fishing, but hadn't tried it, or hadn't gotten the opportunity to learn much about it. Kids, in particular, enjoyed casting, though we did have adults who gave it a shot. As always, lots of folks



thought it was an exotic type of fishing, not practiced here. We were happy to have the opportunity to show them otherwise. In the picture on the lower right, Bud Bethea is pictured with Fred Haynie accepting first place in the "Iron Fly Tying Con-



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Club Membership Form

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| Name/s | |
| Street Address | |
| City, State Zip | |
| Phone Number | |
| E-Mail Address | |

Membership Class

Indicate the annual membership class that you wish to join or renew under:

- ☐ Family (\$35) A parent or parents along with their children under 18 years of age. Limited to a two vote maximum.
- ☐ Individual (\$30) All individual members are allowed one vote.
- ☐ Student (\$20) Any student under the age of 18, but not included in a Family Membership. Student members are considered to be full members and have one vote.
- ☐ Active Military (\$20) Any active member of the U.S. Armed Forces. Active military members are considered to be full members and have one vote.
- ☐ Associate (\$15) Any non-participating, non-voting member who desires to receive the club newsletter. Associate membership is subject to approval by the Executive Committee.
- ☐ Corporate/Sponsor Any company or individual who wishes to join the NLFF at a higher level of financial support, while providing opportunities for membership to employees, friends, and/or family members. Three sublevels of membership are available corresponding to the number of individuals under the parent Corporate/ Sponsor membership considered to be full members and having one vote each:
- Gold – four members (\$200)
 - Silver – three members (\$100)
 - Bronze – two members (\$50)

NOTE: Annual dues are payable by the end of January each calendar year. Make checks payable to North Louisiana Fly Fishers. Dues for any new member joining on or after July 1 of any year shall be prorated by month from the time he/she joins the club until the end of the year. Additionally, the Annual Club dues for any current member of the FFF will be reduced by \$5.00.

Federation of Fly Fishers Membership

NLFF is an Affiliate Club of the Federation of Fly Fishers, Inc. (FFF). Accordingly, NLFF encourages membership in the FFF, and increased NLFF membership in the FFF reduces costs incurred by the NLFF. Information on FFF membership is available at www.fedflyfishers.org/Membership.aspx. Please note whether you are a current member of the FFF.

____ Yes, I am a _____ (designate class of membership) member of the FFF.

____ No, I am not a member of FFF.

Membership Directory

Please note whether you would like for your name/s and contact information to be included in the NLFF Membership Directory.

____ Yes, I would like to be included in the 2011 NLFF Membership Directory.

____ No, I would prefer not to be included in the 2011 NLFF Membership Directory.

Comments

To assist the Executive Committee in selecting monthly meeting topics, identifying guest speakers, and planning club activities/outings that are responsive to and reflective of the desires of the General Membership, please provide any thoughts, opinions, ideas, etc. that you may have.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 11th: 4th Annual Wall Hole Day at Riverside Park in Murfreesboro, AR. 11 AM till. Bring a dish of food for pot luck lunch and drinks. Come by and enjoy a day with friends.

Oct. 14th: NLFF Club Banquet at Madinas Grill, 830 Fannin, S'port, LA. Starts at 6 PM. See article on page 2 for details.

Oct. 25th: Fish Lake Catherine at the National Wildlife Refuge in Bossier City, LA. Bring lunch and something to drink. No program, just a day of fishing. Gasoline motors are not allowed in the lake.

Oct. 31st-Nov.1st: North Toledo Bend Rendezvous at North Toledo Bend State Park. For complete information go to <http://pages.suddenlink.net/w.Rendez/indexR.html>.

Nov.7th-9th: NSFF Fall Catch And Eat in Golden Meadows, LA. Go to www.rsff.org for details.



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