

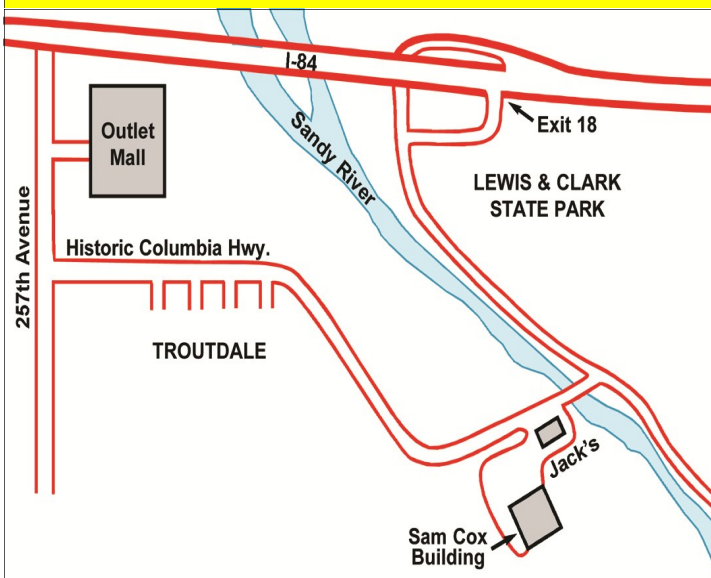
**Meetings are held
the first Wednesday of every month
at 7:00 PM in the
Sam Cox building
in Glenn Otto Park,
1102 East Columbia River Highway
in Troutdale Oregon. Bring your
kids too!**

No charge to visitors!

This months' program

Todd Alsbury our district Bio will come and share with the chapter, what ODFW has planned for the upcoming year and future events on the Sandy River. Todd will need the assistance from the chapter with a couple projects that are planned in this upcoming year. Come with your question and suggestion that you might have for Todd and ODFW.

Next Meeting- First Wednesday of January. That's the 4th !



Our Chapter Officers-

President: Jeff Stoeger—503-282-4830

Vice Pres. : Jeff Kirkman- 503 250-0724

Secretary: Colonel Thomas - 503 666-5035

Treasurer: Mike Myrick - 503 281-6438

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Membership –Steve Childress and Howard Berg

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President's Note

I hope that everyone was able to enjoy the Holidays, spending it with family and friends. I want to thank the entire Board of Directors for all their support and dedication. Jeff Kirkman Vice Pres, Mike Myrick Treasure, Colonel Thomas My Personal Secretary, Howard Berg, Eric Koellner, Bill Beith, Tom Gemilli, Larry Beaver, Joe Blum, Steve Childress, Leslie Hinea. Without the help of these individuals and their commitment. We wouldn't or couldn't be the chapter we are today. I personally want to thank you. I also would like to thank Art and Kathryn Israelson, Norm and Joli Ritchie for all their help in other outside activities that take up countless hours of time; I couldn't have done it without your help. Thanks, Jeff Stoeger President

Election of New Officers in April.

As required by the by-laws. The chapter needs to notify its membership of the upcoming election of officers. The four positions that we need to vote on are President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. If you would like to run for any of these position all you need to do is contact any current officer or board of director. To run for President Position you must be a current member in good standings and must have been a member for longer than a year. So if you have some great ideas we are looking for you to fill one of these positions. You can run for president or vice president with a co partner. If you have any suggestion of someone who would make a great president or vice president ask them if you can nominate them for the positions.

Thanks, Jeff Stoeger

Ray's Follies

I'm very pleased to announce that we have everything so far in place for this year's follies. We have 9 boats and every seat has been filled. I'm hoping for a good blast of rain the week before the event to raise the river level and push in some new fish for the event. I hope to see everyone who signed up.

Thanks, Jeff Stoeger

beginning at 9:00AM.

7. The association sponsored Salmon Quest is scheduled for 4/21/12.

More info will follow, but this is a highly anticipated popular fishing event with many well known guides volunteering their boats and time.

8. Norm and Joli have volunteered their residence for the chapter picnic at the end of July.

9. It is that time again when we need to be thinking about a new slate of chapter officers to be voted on in April.

II Officer reports

1. We have just under \$8K in all of our accounts

2. Current membership is 167

ended: 7:25

to glue to. You don't have to completely get rid of the "treads" on a new sole, maybe ½ way down is OK.

Use a stiff brush and a rag to get all the grit and dust off of the old soles.

The soles must be clean and dry to apply the new soles to.

Boil some water and pour into the bowl. Place the whole tube of Shoe-Goo into it. The heat will make the glue thinner and work better.

Position the new soles where they go and apply tape at the toe so the sole can flop forward bit will return to its original spot if you flop it back.

Put on the disposable gloves and get the now- heated Shoe-Goo. Squeeze out a layer on the boot, and then let the new sole flop back into place. Put a couple more pieces of tape near the heel to secure it, and then take the cord and tape the end to the sole.

Wrap around the boot with the cord and make sure the edges of the new sole are all pulled down tight.

Let dry over night, and then trim any small "stick outs" on the edge with scissors.

Apply a sealing bead of Shoe-Goo to the edge of the new sole.

I have found that this method works well. In 25 years of doing it, I have never had a pair of soles even get loose.

Good fishing and good wading. If your waders have any extra room in them remember to wear a heavy leather belt to keep any water from getting down them if you do slip. An old aluminum ski pole makes a great wading staff as well. Check out you local Goodwill. They are common, and cheap.

Larry Palmer

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Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Dec. 21, 2011

present: Bill B, Howard B, Jeff S, Mike M, Jeff K, Colonel T, Bea H, Steve C, Eric K, Tom G, Joe B and Leslie H.

began: 6:30

I. New business

1. Ray's Frostbite Follies is scheduled for 1/7/12 with 7-8 boats so far. Lunch at Camp Angelos is set for 12:30 so out of respect for the efforts of the cooks, please try to be on time. Due to previous complications, there will be no general shuttle provided. Instead, each boat captain will be responsible for his/her own shuttle. Jeff K. will contact Grant Brown to see if a shuttle discount can be arranged.

2. Mike reported that the Boat Show is scheduled 1/8-1/15/12, and the popular Sportsmen's Show is set to begin 2/8. If you are interested in volunteering for either event, please contact Mike.

3. The new Vancouver Chapter is up and running, and a new chapter is being planned for Molalla.

4. As a fund raiser, the association is offering boat towels as a thank you for a donation - check the association web site for more info.

5. As Art I. mentioned at the last chapter meeting, the city of Troutdale and our chapter are selling cedar fish cut outs that will be engraved with your name/logo/whatever for a \$20 fee. Of this the city will receive \$15 with the remainder going to the chapter. After paying for the engraving costs, we should see \$2 for each fish sold. The fish will be prominently displayed on the walls of our meeting room at Glen Otto.

6. The main focus of the meeting was to discuss the upcoming chapter clinic to be held at our meeting site 2/4/12. Jeff K. has scheduled a super cast of guides as participants. I have attended all of the clinics so far, and this easily is the best group that will be ready to display, answer questions, dispense advice, etc. This is too big an event to miss. Additionally, several chapter members will be available with tips. If you feel you have a particular skill/technique/tip that you want to share, please contact Jeff Kirkman at 503-266-1504. The time is 10:00AM-2:00PM with set-up (con't on page 2)



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Chapter Banquet and Auction

Our annual banquet and auction are rapidly approaching look for sign up sheets to volunteer and also we need all the donations we can get.

Boat and Sportsmen Shows

Mike Myrick desperately needs volunteers to work our booth the Boat Show is in January and Sportsmen Show is in February. Mike will have signup sheets at the next chapter meeting. Want to get active and do something good for the Chapter? Then volunteer.



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Recently I put new traction soles on a couple pairs of wader boots. If you have not done it before, this may seem like a daunting task, but it's not so tough. Good traction is important, and the winter water is cold enough to pose a real life threatening time if you get wet.

I did two pairs, one with conventional felt, and one with a new idea I had-rubber backed floor mats. I used that material on an old set of boots that were probably going to far apart in a year anyway (I'll let you know how that holds up). The method of application is the same.

Most of you have probably seen the felt re-sole kits in outdoor stores. They come with a small tube of contact glue that is OK stuff, but I never thought there was enough of it. What I use is a strong silicone based adhesive originally invented to repair soles on running shoes-"Shoe Goo". I get it at Fred Meyers, although it is available in many places. It can also be used in small amounts to patch wader leaks, raincoats, etc. It's great on rubbery stuff.

OK, here are the steps.

Use a felt pen to trace a line on the replacement soles and match them to the old boots, then trim them with scissors. Mark them so you know what piece goes where.

Have available these items, Shoe-Goo, masking tape, two lengths of cord about 25 feet long, a bowl for hot water, disposable painters gloves

Stuff the boots with waded up newspapers to make them stiffer and then completely clean the old sole surface. If you have access to a stationary belt sander, grind off the old sole (or to new rubber in the case of brand new boots) (cont page 3)

Cookie List

I would like to thank the following members for offering to bring cookies to the chapter meetings.

Howard Berg for September, Joe Blum for October, Colonel. Thomas for December, **Rhodes Gustafson for January**, Rob Gibbs for February, Nona Bowling for March, We still do not have anyone signed up for May, or June.

If you haven't volunteered to bring cookies yet, sign up for one of the months that are open. All we ask is that just ONE time you bring 5 dozen cookies to a meeting. It's a small gesture , but an important one.

Howard Berg Chapter Cookie executive

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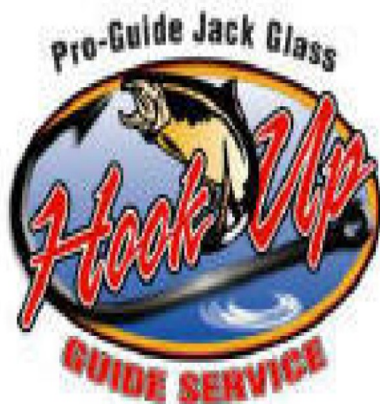
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Really swell prizes to be awarded to volunteers

In an ongoing effort to get more members involved and achieve better reporting of volunteer hours, I will be holding prize drawings at all regular chapter meetings for those members who volunteer for *any* chapter project outside of our regular meeting. It could be a river cleanup, a clinic, planning a stream project, helping out at the Kids Camp whatever... just volunteer. **Fill out the** Volunteers **hours form below at the bottom of the page** (also available on line or at chapter meetings) **and drop it in the bucket.**

I'll draw names from that bucket , and you may win things like a folding knife, a Leatherman tool, yarn flies...a 120' yacht...OK, maybe actually just a picture of the yacht. Take one of the other prizes, they'll be more useful, and less upkeep.

Get your name in the hat– or bucket!....**VOLUNTEER !**

Use the form below to report your volunteer hours and win cool prizes. Drop the form in a bucket by Bill Beith. He'll keep the forms. I'll draw from them and you may win! The prizes are cool.

Volunteers of the Month

My choices for volunteers of the month are Art and Kathryn Israelson for their hard work putting together the cedar fish program and also Joyce Sherman for putting together the required files and sending them to me so I could publish the order for in this month's newsletter. Thank all of you

Joe Blum

Sandy River Chapter Volunteer Hours Form

Name _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

Event _____

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Date _____ Hours _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

Fill this form out and return it at a general meeting.

Please mark your time as beginning when you left your home until you return home from the volunteer event.



Association of Northwest Steelheaders Sandy River Chapter

Winter Fishing Clinic

February 4th, 10am to 2pm

Sam Cox Building at Glenn Otto Park
1208 Historic Columbia River Hwy, Troutdale, Oregon

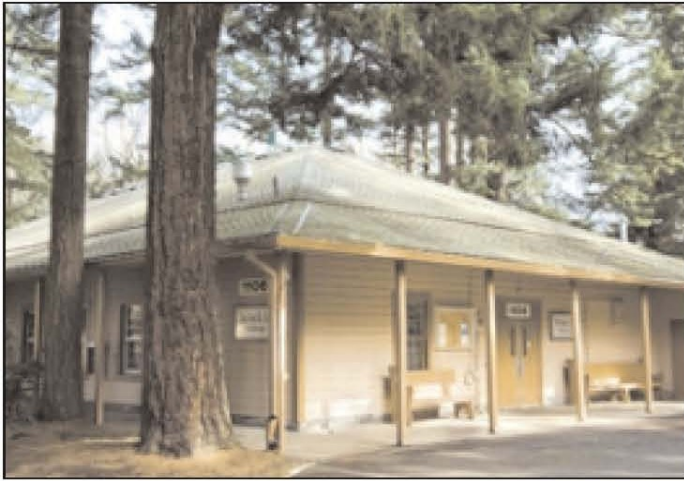
Come learn Sandy River winter steelhead fishing techniques from some of the best local guides and sport fisherman in our area. There will be demonstrations showing different fishing techniques, fishing gear, how-to, and much much more.....

Pro guides like Jack and Brandon Glass of Team Hook Up Guide Service, Doug Miller of Miller Guide Service, Ed Fast of Ed Fast River Adventures, and Dean Pierce of Dean's Guide Service along with fishing gear manufacturers like Mark Anderson of First Bite Jigs as well as some fellow chapter members will all be on hand to share their knowledge and techniques.

This event is for both the advanced fisherman as well as beginner fisherman who are looking to improve their fishing techniques to put more fish on the bank or in the boat.

So come learn something new, talk to some of the area's best local guides and fisherman, and spend the day finding that one thing that will put you above the rest.

This event is open to the public and there is no admission fee.



Sam Cox Building, Glenn Otto Park

The Sam Cox Building in Troutdale's Glenn Otto City Park provides space for community group activities, private parties, and organizations to meet. It badly needs to be updated. The kitchen has already been remodeled, with volunteers from the Sandy River Chapter of the Northwest Steelheaders providing much of the labor. However, there is more to be done. It's time to raise money for the remaining work.

Cedar Fish Fundraiser

Buy a cedar fish to help renovate the Sam Cox Building! The fish, with your name engraved on it, will become a permanent part of the interior of the building. You will have the satisfaction of knowing that you've helped maintain the building for the community. Every time you walk into the dining room you will see your fish on the wall, proof of your support. Each \$20 purchase of a fish means \$15 for the Sam Cox Building and \$5 for the Northwest Steelheaders, who provide the fish and pay for the engraving.



Cedar fish make great gifts, inexpensive and easy to give! We will send the person for whom you buy a fish a gift certificate—no hunting for parking, fighting crowds, wrapping, just a donation toward the work needed for the building!

Your donation is tax deductible.

- ☐ Enclosed is my \$20 check (to City of Troutdale).
☐ I would like to donate \$_____ toward the renovation of the Sam Cox Building.

Please engrave my fish:

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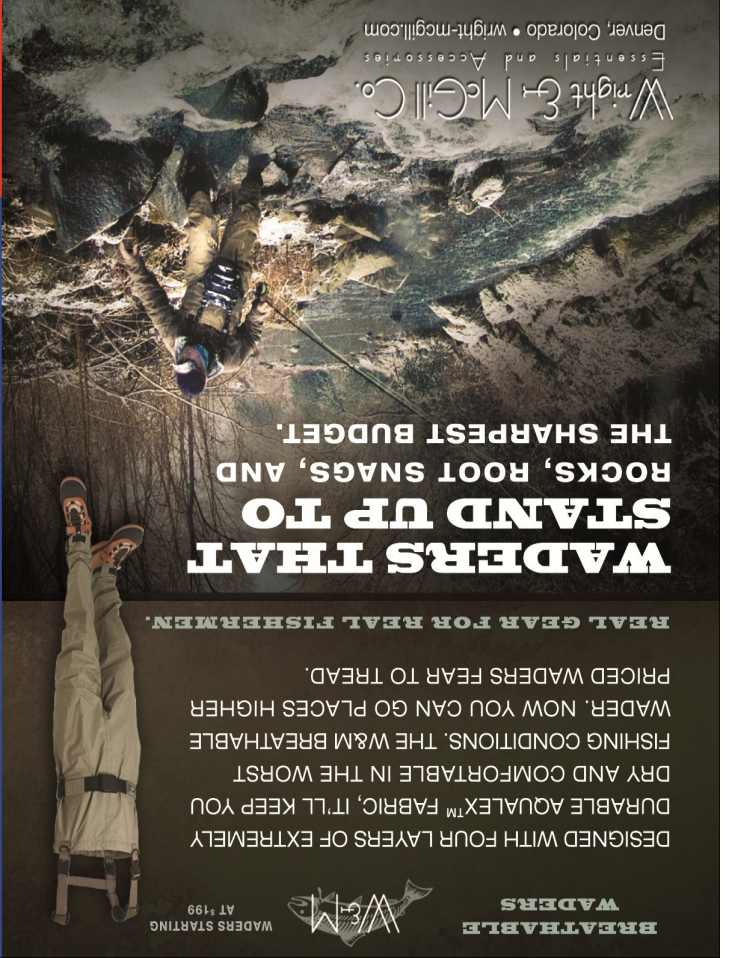
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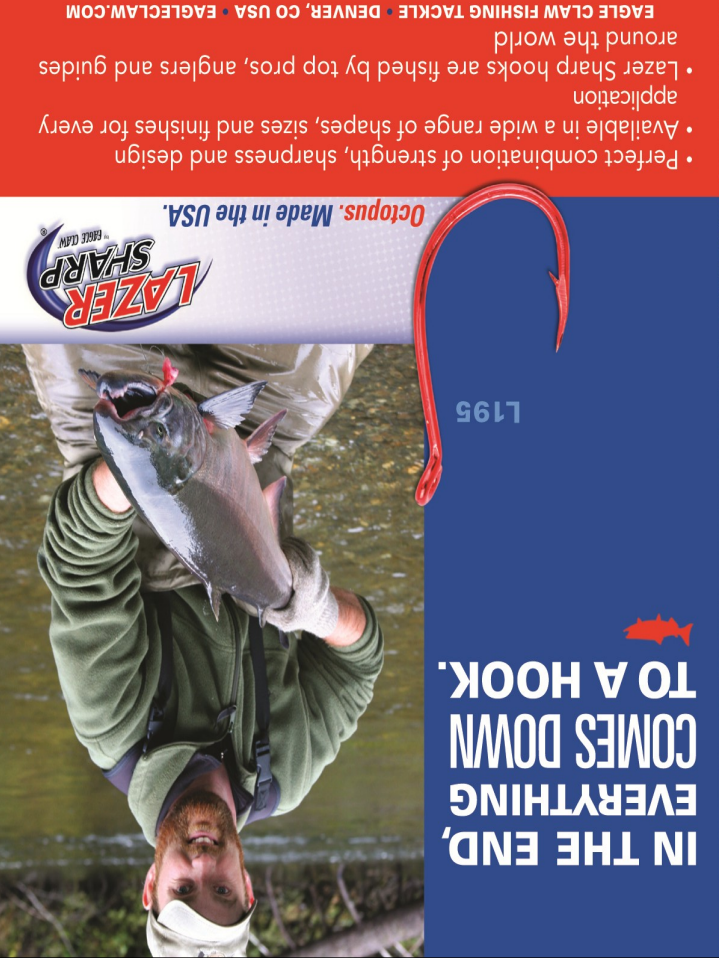
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