

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

No charge to visitors!

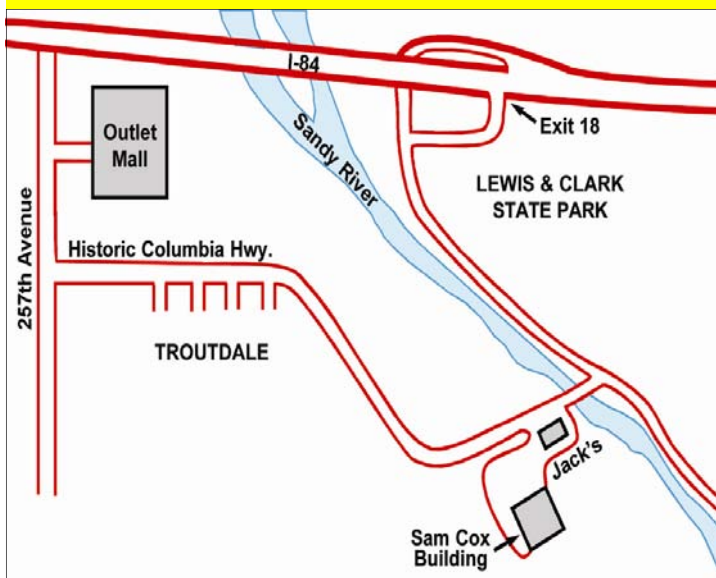
This months' program-

Guest Speaker Russ Morrow

The May chapter meeting speaker will be guide Russ Morrow. Russ is an involved chapter member and recently guided Eric Neiwert and Colonel Thomas to first place in the Hawgs N Dogs tournament. Additionally, Russ guided Jerry Bouyear and Colonel to first place in the Kings for the Kids tournament. In the past Russ has placed in the North coast Salmon Rendezvous and Bounty on the Bay.

Because Russ is an accomplished herring puller, his focus will be on herring fishing so come prepared to ask related questions and learn the techniques that put Russ among the elite salmon catchers.

Next Meeting- First Wednesday of May. That's the 5th !



Our Chapter Officers-

President: Jeff Stoeger—503-282-4830

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Jeff Kirkman- 503 250-0724

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Tom Gemelli - River Cleanups- 503-667-4197

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Mike Myrick - **Fish tanks** -503 281-6438

Eric Koellner - Sales - 503-233-1334

Presidents' Note.

I personally want to thank all of you who volunteered and helped in organizing at this years Association Banquet and Auction. I felt that it was successful event because of all your efforts to make it a success. If you get the chance, you need to thank Larry Palmer for all of his countless hour that he put into this event to make it the success it was this year. Larry you DA MAN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

On April 24 we had the chance to remember one of our past members. Mr. Maurice Bliss had past away on March 16th. His family held a service of remembrance, and we heard lots of stories that talked about Maurice's life. Maurice was a quite man and was always willing to help those who were in need. His son's Tim and John did a nice job on telling the stories of their father. Maurice you will be missed by all of us who knew you, as well as your blackberry cobbler. I would like to share a poem that was shared with us that would describe how Maurice would like to be remembered.

Do not stand by my grave and weep I am not there. I do not sleep I am a thousand winds that blow. I am a diamond glint on snow. I am the sunlight on ripened grain. I am the gentle autumn rain. When you awake in the morning hush. I am the swift uplifting rush of quiet birds in circling flight. I am the soft star shine at night. Do not stand by my grave and cry, I am not there.... I did not die.

Tight Lines and Good Luck:

Jeff Stoeger

Chapter Newsletter trainee wanted ..

I will stay with this newsletter editor job a few more months, and then I will stop doing it. I wish to help my replacement by getting them started as soon as possible, so that they can work gradually up to speed.

It is my intention to make the December 2010 newsletter my last effort.

Currently we are using MS "*Publisher*" to compose it which is a common program in the Microsoft Office suite. If you are operating a PC with the Office suite loaded, I'd be glad to show you what I know about it, and help you along by giving you page templates. You can start with a little and work up to it from there.

If you do not have it loaded, it is possible that the Association office has a CD that will load it onto your computer at no charge to you. You'll need to be familiar with sending and receiving e-mails, saving attachments (including pictures) to a folder, and retrieving them for the assembly process. All of this is pretty straightforward with Publisher, and I'll show you how.

Thanks **Larry Palmer**

Clean by your stream....

Volunteers, we will meet at Glenn Otto Park parking lot, **May 1, 2010 (Saturday)** at 9:00 a.m. and proceed to clean-up the following areas: Glenn Otto Park, Lewis and Clark Park and Dabney Park. Our goal is to clean-up along the banks of the Sandy in those areas, the parks themselves and along the public right sections of the Gorge highway between Lewis and Clark and Dabney Park. Jeff Stoeger and Jeff Kirkman have volunteered their drift boats to capture the flotsam and trash in and on the river beach between Dabney and Lewis and Clark Park. SOLV organization is providing sturdy trash bags and the chapter will provide sanitary gloves and trash grabbers. We should complete the clean-up before noon. Don't forget: Your volunteer time qualifies you for a Larry Palmer super secret hook and yarn rig permeated with Larry's super secret hard to describe invisible and odorless marinate.

For more information, clarification and for a big thank for your help call: The community of fish residents in the Sandy thank you too.

Tom Gemelli 503 667 4197 or e-mail tjgemini@aol.com

Help wanted

The ODFW would like our help at the Mount Hood College fish pond on **May 22nd**. The ODFW is going to stock the pond with Trout for a **Kids Fishing Day**. We need help rigging rods, helping the kids fish, passing out bait and giving out the prizes. The volunteers need to be at the pond by 8 am and the event is over at 2 pm. The ODFW provides snacks and hats for the volunteers.

If you have any questions contact me at 503-665-8008

Howard Berg

Why this plane is here-

It's here because I wanted YOU to send ME interesting stuff about fishing, but you didn't. I know most of you aren't interested in WW-2 planes **but I am**, so if you want to avoid my favorite stories about this and other WW-2 planes, get to writing! A future filled with the most tedious of WW-2 airplane trivia awaits you if YOU don't! So write! Send pictures! Save yourselves!

By the way, 5 yarn flies to the first member to identify this aircraft and it's specific subtype. *See what I mean?* **Larry**



Chapter Board Minutes

present: Tom G, Jeff K, Eric K, Leslie H, Bea Hoove, Jeff S, Mike M, Colonel and Howard B.

began: 6:30

I Old/New Business

1. There are plans to use the Power House on the Bull Run as a educational facility for kids. ODFW is asking for our involvement/support in this venture.
2. Our annual picnic is planned for 7/31 at Larry Beaver's home. Larry has a beautiful, secluded yard that will easily handle the popular event. There will be a sign up at available, and keep in mind there will be a non-refundable \$5 per participant fee. Do not miss this chapter outing.
3. The Sandy River Chapter has received an award and been recognized by the Salmon & Trout Enhancement Advisory Committee for its continued high volunteer efforts. Way to go.
4. October 23, is the date for the very popular Tillamook fish-a-long. A \$50 fee will cover two nights lodging and plenty of food. For further information on this event, see Norm or Jeff Stoegger.
5. Many thanks to the many volunteers, who worked the association banquet. The Sandy Chapter leads in volunteer efforts for this activity.
6. While our door prize table is popular with the membership, it costs \$\$\$ to provide items for the drawings. If any members have items that would be appropriate for this, please contact a board member. Keep in mind that any donations are tax deductible. Most of us probably have items cluttering the garage or fishing areas that might make good door prize items.
7. Our July meeting will be the picnic, and there is no August meeting.
8. Larry Beaver is going to assist Rob Gibbs at meetings by helping as a greeter and preparing the sign in sheets, door prize tickets, etc.
9. We are planning to initiate an award - perhaps several - for our Ray's Frost Bite Follies. This is in the early planning stages.

II Officer Reports

1. We have approximately \$7900 in our coffers
2. The next clean-up is May 1, Glen Otto, 9:00. For those interested there will be a pre breakfast at Dea's, 7:30

ended: 8:30

Col. Thomas

That's the way the cookie crumbles-

The following members have distinguished themselves in the eyes of their fellow members by volunteering to provide an essential ingredient to our meetings, the 5 dozen cookies! **May-** Patty and Mike Housley **June-** Howard Anderson
September- Dave Bisacre **October-** your name could go here.....
November- or here.....

Howard "cookie list" Berg



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or Salmon trip on the Sandy River. Well here the catch. It's very simple. If you sell over \$200.00 dollars worth of raffle tickets you automatically win a trip for two on the Sandy River with lunch provided. If you sell over \$100.00 dollars worth of raffle tickets, you win a trip for your self and lunch is provided. Jeff Kirkman and myself have decided to offer these trips as an incentive to increase our raffle ticket sales. Also if any one sells more than \$75.00 in raffle tickets, their name will go into a drawing to win one of the new hooded sweat shirt. This event will conclude at the end of March. This is for Sandy River chapter membership only. If didn't know, all the funds raised through our ticket sales used to be split 50/50 with the Association. The chapter decided years ago to give our portion of the ticket sales to the Association, for the Association uses that money for there day to day operation. So pick up some raffle tickets and earn yourself a trip or two. Tight Lines and Good Luck;

Jeff Stoeger. President.

How to submit your articles to this publication-

- All entries must be in a file readable by Microsoft "WORD 2007". Spell check your work! It will be run under YOUR name as you submitted it.
- Email all files to **palmerlarryd@yahoo.com** include "newsletter story" and a **descriptive phrase about it in the subject line.** Example "newsletter story - Buck Creek STEP"
- Due date = No later than 3 weeks after the general meeting.
- Photos = jpeg format. Minimum file size is 100 K each, Maximum 3 Meg. Total of 4 photos MAX. All submissions will run as space allows. Some may run in later issues.

Columbia River Salmon Spill

ODFW Fish Director, Ed Bowls announced at the Steelheaders' Hall of Fame Banquet earlier this month that the Independent Science Review Committee came out supporting spill as the primary tool to achieve greater adult returns through smolt survival. Mr. Bowls went on to acknowledge the contribution of the Steelheaders and our partners in this success and thanking us for it.



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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! But to win...ya gotta volunteer!

Volunteers of the Month

Jeff and Connie Kirkman

In addition to volunteering at the event , Jeff tied up 150 rigs for the Dutch Auction bags! Connie and Jeff staffed the Chicken Bucket drawings, and helped load up at the end.

Really, there were A LOT of volunteers who made the event work.

If you were one of them...**I thank you!**

Larry Palmer

Sandy River Chapter Volunteer Hours Form

Name _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

Event _____

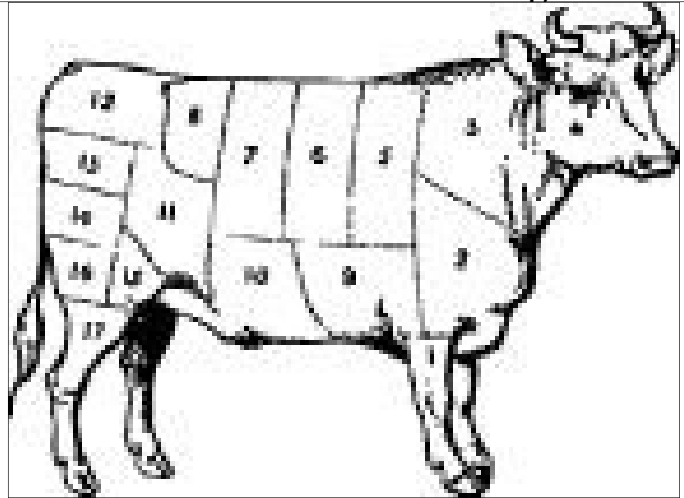
Date _____ Hours _____

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.



There will be a sign up sheet at the next chapter meeting, and full details of this event. Sign up...and eat up!

Sandy Chapter Annual Family Picnic

Saturday, July 31st at Larry and Sharon Beaver's Back Yard

Mark your calendar now for our Sandy Chapter Family picnic. Larry and Sharon

Beaver will host the event again this year! Everyone had a great time at their spacious and tree shaded back yard with barbecues on the patio and plenty of relaxation and fellowship with good friends and family.

The chapter will provide salmon, hot dogs, and hamburgers as well as soft drinks and coffee, plates and utensils. Bring your family and a salad, side

dish, or desert to share. Do not forget your appetite for food and fun. We

will have everything set up for people to arrive at 1:00 PM. Kid's games with prizes starting at 1:30. The Beaver's home is close by for most members at 1130 SE 9th St., Gresham, OR 97080

Your kids or grand kids (nephews, nieces etc.) will have a great time. We will start the meal at around 2:00 PM.

You can call Joli Ritchie at 503-760-5551 for details or to sign up to attend or sign up at the chapter meeting. There will be a \$5 charge per person and \$2 per kid age 12 & under, to partially offset the costs for all the Chapter is providing. You can also sign up at the next two meetings. Payment must be received no later than Tuesday, July 20th to insure we have enough food & beverages.



Leslie Hinea either expressing a size estimation of her last fish , or how close they got to the last big rock !

It is said that fishermen tend to exaggerate the size and weight of their catch. Now, some of us really believe that old wives tale.

Recently, during the annual "Ray's Frost Bite Follies" last March, Ms. Hinea demonstrated that fish story exaggeration is not only a male tendency but a distaff tendency too.

Here is surreptitious photo proof that this tendency towards exaggeration is alive and well with female fisher women also.

Does Leslie really expect us to believe that three feet of air really represent a real fish. I don't see a fish. I just see arms out trying to tell us something and a lot of air. Hal Blenn is smiling broadly about something and Jeff Stoeger, the guide seems bemused. A conspiracy, maybe. Or, maybe a claim only Col. Thomas would make?

Since there is no evidence of a fish caught, other than the possible verbal concurrence from her fishing partners I guess we will have to accept the fact the Leslie caught something (AIR?) about three feet long.

DON'T FORGET THE SANDY RIVER CLEAN-UP MAY 1, NINE A.M. GLENN OTTO PARK.

Way to go Leslie! Rumor is she caught a native steelhead.

Tom Gemelli



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