

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

June Guest Speaker is Larry Palmer

Long time member Larry Palmer will show the chapter a technique for tying spawn sacks that can be used for various fishing opportunities. He will bring his little machine and show how to tie the sacks. They can be used for salmon, steelhead and sturgeon as well. He will display the correct technique for hooking them on to your line and the benefits for using them. Hope to see you all there.

# Next Meeting- First Wednesday of June. That's the 6th!



## **Our Chapter Officers-**

**President**: John Hydorn– 503 255-0600 **Vice Pres.** : Doug Briggs- 503 729-2023 **Secretary**: Colonel Thomas - 503 666-5035 **Treasurer:** Mike Myrick - 503 281-6438 **Directors:** 

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I would like to thank everyone who helped out at the river clean up. Unfortunately, we were unable to have our volunteer breakfast due to a flash fire in the kitchen at Dea's Restaurant in Gresham. I counted 12 individuals who showed up and did a great job. Tom was mentoring our new River Clean up director, Russ Sumida. Thanks go to Tom and Russ for a great job in organizing the event.

As the ticket sales efforts begin again, Jeff is working with those who are owed trips to from last year. He has all of last years taken care off and now is trying to get a boat or two more so we can take at least six members. Jeff is also working on some plans for some clinics later on this year.

Thanks also goes to all of you who helped at our Annual Sandy Chapter Banquet and Auction last week. As your new President, I had to stand in awe watching how the seasoned volunteers of this club just click along without any need of supervision. I learned a lot this during this year's event. We should all thank all the volunteers who helped out and committed so much time on behalf of our chapter. From me, thank you very much. The banquet and auction would not be the success that it was with out all your help.

Make your reservations for the chapter picnic at the next meeting. Be sure to read the article on this event in this newsletter.

During this first month, I have been working with the association and our past president in trying to come up to speed. I have learned a lot but I hope for my first President's message, I have not missed something...but if I have...I am certain someone will let me know.

Tight lines everyone and let's hope we have a great year of fishing. John Hydorn, President

#### <u>Sandy Chapter Annual Family Picnic</u> Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at Norm and Joli Ritchie's Back Yard

Mark your calendar now for our Sandy Chapter Family picnic. After many successful years at Larry and Sharon Beaver's back yard, it has become time to give the Beavers a chance to sit back at the picnic.

The party is moving west to Norm and Joli Ritchie's back yard. Other than the location, just about everything else will be the same as last year. Everyone can expect a great time 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 12:30 PM. Kid's games with prizes starting at 1:00. Your kids or grand kids (nephews, nieces etc.) will have a great time. We will start the meal at around 1:30 PM.

The Ritchie home is in the middle of the chapter's membership region at 2834 SE 166<sup>th</sup> Ave., Portland, OR 97236

You can call Joli Ritchie at 503-760-5551 for details or to sign up to attend or sign up at the prior chapter meetings. There will be a \$5 reservation deposit per person and \$2 per kid age 12 & under. Reservation payments will be refunded at the event. Mail your check to the above address or you can also sign up at the next meeting. Payment must be received no later than Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> to insure we have enough food & beverages.

#### Norm Ritchie

email: normritchie@q.com

#### Take A Soldier Fishing

The next Take A Soldier Fishing Event at Henry Hagg Lake near Forest Grove Oregon is scheduled for Saturday, June 2, 2012. Active duty military and veterans and their immediate family members may participate. Volunteers with or without boats are welcomed to sign up as well. Go to <u>www.takeasoldierfishing.org</u> to register for this event. Select sign-up tab if you are an active military representative or veteran and wish to participate. Select the volunteer/boater tab if you wish to volunteer for this event.

> Jack Morby, President TASF, Portland Chapter <u>morby517@aol.com</u> 503-704-1842

## Board Meeting Minutes May 16, 2012

Present: Doug B, Howard B, Joe B, Col. T, Eric K, Steve C, Jeff K, Leslie H and Mike M.

Begin: 6:30

I New business

1. Leslie reported that she is still working on the auction results, but initial tallies indicate the results were similar to last year's event with approximately \$3300 banked. There might have been some concerns regarding the payment lines, which we will try and address before next year's auction. Judy Thomas previously had stated to Leslie that having Bill directing people to the proper payment line helped things along. Personally, after double digit years participating and working in this event, I thought this was the smoothest I have seen. **Much appreciation to Leslie for her hard work and dedication**. Jeff S did a fine job as emcee and auctioneer and many thanks to the other members who contributed in so many ways.

2. Howard was contacted by a city official who stated there were concerns regarding food remains on the floor. While various members reported being involved in the clean-up process, Howard will contact this person and reply that we are taking steps to rectify this problem.

3. The newsletter deadline is a week from this Sunday, and Joe reported that we need to add more sponsors. Joe also reported that due to his taking over the Stream Projects director he will need to step down from the newsletter position. Nona and Margerie Bowling will take over the newsletter beginning in July (let's hope they know what they are getting into).

4. Approximately 20+/- bags of garbage were collected by 14 volunteers last Saturday during the river clean-up. While the board appreciates the efforts of the participating members, it would be nice if more would donate a couple hours for the river clean-ups. Remember the chapter is obligated to perform two activities a year in lieu of paying a fee for using the hall.

5. Eric reported that rising clothing costs will necessitate a price increase for chapter shirts: \$15 for T's and \$30 for hoodies.

6. As mentioned in item 3, Joe is stepping down as newsletter editor to take on the responsibilities of Stream Projects. Joe's efforts in taking on the newsletter are certainly appreciated, and his taking on this new task shows his support for the chapter.

7. There is a kid's fishing event this coming Saturday at Mt. Hood Pond from 9:00 - 2:30. If you are able to help, please report by 8:30.

8. Victor is working to address errors on the web site.

9. The various Camp Angelos summer camp dates have been set, but so far they have not contacted the chapter for volunteers.

10. The popular fall Tillamook fish-a-long will cost \$75 per angler. Norm et al. are working on details.

**II Officer Reports** 

1. Current membership is 176, but keep in mind this is always in flux.

2. Mike's financial report indicates we have \$11,600 in the bank.

Ended 7:40



## I'm Hooked, Inc. presents Free Fishing Weekend 2012 June 9 & 10 Henry Hagg Lake, Hillsboro, Oregon

What started out over 20 years ago, with a father taking his son and some foster kids fishing has turned into I'm Hooked, Inc. Will Warren, an employee of the Oregon Department of Human Services was asked to take some foster kids fishing on "Free Fishing Day" in June 1988. He loaded 20 kids into two vans and went out to Henry Hagg Lake. For most of the kids this was their first time out of Portland and their first time fishing. Everybody had a blast, including a worn out Will Warren. They went back every year, each year more and more kids got involved. Pretty soon the crowd of kids was too big for Will to handle, so he recruited some of the fathers from his church. Over time it became "THE" event of "Free Fishing Day" at Henry Hagg Lake. The Hillsboro Parks & Recreation department got involved, then the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife came on board, as well as local Steelheader chapters. It grew from a one day event to whole weekend event.

At I'm Hooked, our goal is to provide children an opportunity to participate in a fun filled day of fishing and other related activities that they may not otherwise have a chance to. We are quickly approaching our 23<sup>nd</sup> annual event of putting smiles on the faces of both young and old. This year's event will be held on Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup> 2012 at Henry Hagg Lake, which is located in Washington County and is one of Oregon's most beautiful lakes for trout and pan fish angling.

Last year, over 350 children and their families participated in the event as well as nearly 100 volunteers and 17 boat owners. We anticipate this year's event will also draw a record turnout. The success of the event depends heavily on the generosity of local businesses and boat owners willing to give of their time and expertise to get the kids out on the water and "onto the fish". In most cases a trip on a boat will be the first these kids.

Every year the success of this event is depend on the number of volunteers and boat owners we can recruit. If you are a boat owner, have a passion for fishing or just a love for teaching kids something new, then we could sure use your help.

Here is what we are looking for:

**Shore Patrol** – Volunteers are needed keep children safe and having fun. Shore Patrol volunteers may be called upon to serve food, help children fish from the bank, clean-up and most of all, watch that everyone fishes safely. 7:00am to 3:00pm

**Boat Skippers** – if you have a trolling boat suitable for at least four passengers you can join our fleet. Appropriate licenses and safety inspections are required. We have life jackets and some trolling gear to loan.6:30 to 3:00pm

The contact person to register as a boat skipper or shore patrol is:

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Prize list for the Ducky Derby has yet to be determined, when it is will be made available.

> www.fishwithruss.com fishwithruss@yahoo.com Cell 503.310.9733

Russ Morrow

## **Ducky Derby to Benefit Fish**



Association of Northwest Steelheaders Anglers dedicated to enhancing and protecting fisheries and their habitats for today and the future. www.nwsteelheaders.org PO Box 22065, Milwaukie, OR 97269

Try Your Luck, Buy a Duck; Make a Wish, Save a Fish

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July 21, 4:30 p.m. Glenn Otto Park, Troutdale, Oregon **Sandy River Bridge Participation - \$5 per Chance Total Number of Chances: 2,000** 

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#### FOR SALE

Seaswirl 12' fiberglass lapstrake, trailer/ hitch lock & 2 mounted spares, locked 9.8 Merc./dolphin plate & extension handle. Minkota 50 lb. transom trolling motor, bow & stern lights, full travel cover, Eagle depth finder, Eagle hand held GPS, 2 oars, boat hook, 2 PFD's, 2 Tempress padded quick disconnect seats, removable floor carpets. Great Tillamook Bay & lake unit. \$1500. Call Mike Myrick, 503-281-6438.



## Bait Sacks "How-To"

Years ago when I first started steelhead fishing I saw mention of these simple rigs in fishing magazines. They were commonly used in the Great Lakes area rivers for a simple reason- the lack of spawning habitat for fish there meant that anglers were encouraged to catch and keep fish much darker than we do out here. After all, they weren't going to find a place to spawn... Such dark fish had very loose, even individualized, eggs and the common curing methods used around here simply meant you'd be tossing off bait with every cast.

I was curious and made up a few and they worked fine, but for some reason put aside the method for years. I don't know why, maybe I was just doing what everyone else did. Later I rediscovered it, and wish I had stuck with it all along!

In any case bait in a mesh sack (or "sac") as it's commonly called back east is a simple, neat and durable method for putting bait together for drift fishing, bobber fishing, back bouncing, and plunking. If you want to use natural bait with no cure added, no problem. Want to mix say salmon eggs and shrimp or a hunk of sardine? Easy!

I bought this simple tyer which costs about \$12-14.But I also constructed a homemade setup that works fine too. I'll have both at the meeting and show you how they work. So now, when are we going fishing?

Larry

## **Volunteers of the Month**

\_\_\_\_\_ The volunteers of the month in my opinion are all the hard workers that showed up and donated their time to cleaning up after the pigs that leave and throw trash along the banks of our beautiful rivers. Thank you for your great effort. Would have been there myself but had to work, that day called in at the last minute. Thanks again to all.

Joe Blum

## Sandy River Chapter Volunteer Hours Form

	Name Event	
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	Fill this form out and return it at a general meeting. Please mark your time as beginning when you left your until you return home from the volunteer event.	home

The Sandy River Clean up was a big success. On Saturday May 12 fourteen people came together to clean up Glenn Otto, Lewis and Clark and Dabney Parks as well as the river banks and Gorge highway.

Those who attended on a beautiful Saturday morning were: John Hydorn, Leslie Hinea, Col and Judy Thomas, Russ Sumida, Roger Beal, Michael Broadway, Larry Beaver, Hal Blenn, Bill Kirkpatrick, Jim Cathart, Annadell Thompson and Carmen Smith.

Total volunteer hours committed to the project is 67 hours and the hours will be submitted to the Chapter in lieu of each individual submitting their own.

Unexpectedly and with great surprise and rejoicing one volunteer found a water logged bundle of one hundred dollar bills lost since D.B. Cooper made his faithful and ill fated jump (as I promised). The finder of the money shared it with the group and everyone went home happy as a river clam.

I am told by the FBI there is still bundles of money along the banks of the Sandy waiting to be found during our next river clean up in the Fall.

Russ Sumida volunteered to take my place as Director of the Sandy River Clean-up project beginning next Fall. I am sure members of the Chapter will support his efforts recruiting volunteers as the members support me and our worthy project.

Thank you. Tom Gemelli Ex Sandy River Clean up Director



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## 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.

Art & Kathryn

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## 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.			
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Please mail to: Cedar Fish Fund, City of Troutdale, 104 SE Kibling Avenue, Troutdale, OR 97060			

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If you have any questions feel free to contact Steve (above) or Brian Crandall with I'm Hooked at (360) 798-3399

If you have kids and would like to register them to participate in the Free Fishing Weekend please contact Lori Prince with the Hillsboro Parks & Recreation Department (503) 681-6120 Registration and participation is FREE.

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