

SANDY RIVER CHAPTER Newsletter

*A Member Chapter of the
Association of Northwest Steelheaders*

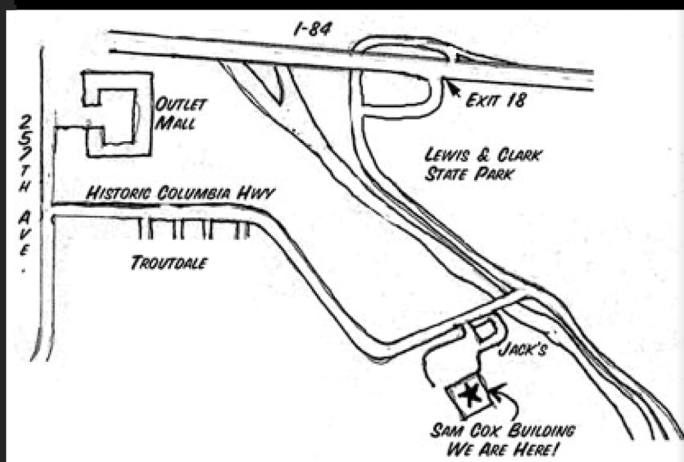
Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Sam Cox building in Glen Otto Park, 1106 East Columbia River Highway in Troutdale Oregon.

No charge to visitors! Bring your kids too! We welcome you to come by for one of our informative monthly meetings. Learn more about fishing! Get involved with conservation projects in the Sandy River.

This months program– No regular chapter meetings are held in July and August. Check out our website for any new chapter events. See you in September for a meeting focused on COHO techniques!

**Next Meeting- First Wednesday
of September.**

Meeting Map



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Presidents Message

It has been another busy month. The Sandy Chapter volunteers at the Passport to Fishing event did a great job. I heard that almost 1000 kids showed up! It was fun watching the kids. Some were so excited they could hardly contain themselves. For some of those kids it was the first time they caught a fish. Some of them were lucky enough to catch one of the trophy fish that were placed by ODFW. I saw one little girl with a fish so big she could barely lift it.

The Mckenzie River trip was another success story. I really enjoyed myself. The weather was perfect, we saw Bald Eagles, caught and released trout, camped on an island, and got lessons in river safety. It doesn't get much better than that!

I would like to remind everyone to be safe this summer. One thing I cannot emphasize enough is to wear your PFD (personal floatation device) and have a whistle attached to it. It could save your life! Boats are required to have noise making devices such as air horns or whistles. Just because you expect one to be on the boat you should still have one attached to your PFD. If you fall in the water, even just wading, a whistle can alert people in the area that you are in trouble.

I would like to give a special thanks to Howard Berg. He is always working on something! He is an integral part of the Chapter and really helps keep things running. If I forget something Howard is usually right on it making sure it gets done. Right now he is working on all the preparations for the different fishing camps that are coming up at Camp Angelos. He is doing a great job coordinating many of the chapter activities. Thanks Howard!

Hope to see you at the Chapter picnic!

Jay Burris

Chapter Volunteers Needed

1. Angler Education Certification class June 20th
2. Rod and Reel repair July 18th.
3. Fish Camp July 27th
4. Kids Cancer Camp August 1st
- Greek Kids Camp August 10th

Thanks, Howard Berg

River cleanup news

The semi annual Sandy River Clean-up is scheduled for Saturday September 19th, 2009. Volunteers will meet in the Glenn Otto Park parking lot at 9:00 a.m. and complete the clean-up at noon. We will clean-up Glenn Otto, Lewis and Clark and Dabney State Parks as well as along the Sandy River and the Columbia River Gorge highway between the parks in public areas. The chapter provides SOLV plastic bags, gloves and pick-up tools. Chapter members can volunteer at our September meeting or in the meantime, for those that would like to plan ahead, please contact Tom Gemelli 503 667-4197 or e-mail tjgemini@aol.com with your name and telephone number and e-mail address. The chapter appreciates your time and effort for participating in this worthy event for our local community. Thanks!

Tom Gemelli

STEP News

Come join me and a few other members for a look around at some projects to do in the near future. Meet at Glen Otto Park, Sunday 12th, 8 AM .We may do some walking in water, so bring boots, and a wading staff.

STEP Conference “Spawning Solutions through Creative Ideas”

September 11 – 13, 2009, Oregon 4-H Conference & Education Center
5390 4-H Road NW, Salem, Oregon 97304

Details and Registration Information:

<http://www.dfw.state.or.us/STEP>

Sandy Chapter Annual Family Picnic**Saturday, July 25th at Larry and Sharon Beaver's Back Yard**

There is still time to call in and sign up 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 at 1130 SE 9th St., Gresham, OR 97080**

Larry's phone: 503-669-0358.

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HB 3013 - Marine Reserves; applies important public oversight and evaluation processes to this new program; directs ODFW to develop a work plan for two relatively small reserves.

HB 3089 - Poaching; one of the key bills aimed at the more serious fish and wildlife crimes, and giving the state additional tools; the bill increases penalties, fines and restitution.

HB 3489 - Hatchery Reform; requires study of hatchery pathogens and targets such things as production management and improved maintenance for coastal facilities.

Kids Camp News

This summer our chapter will again help the kids at Camp Angelos with their fishing program. While several members signed the sign-up sheets at last month's meeting, we could always use more.

The Greek Camp especially, could use a few more volunteers

For those of you who are interested in helping the kid's fish, these are the camp schedules.

Camp Rod and Reel repair (boy they need it)

July 18th Saturday 10am-1pm

Camp Angelos Fish camp manage by the Oregon Wildlife Heritage Foundation

July 27th Monday 8am-12 & 1pm-4

July 28th Tuesday 8am-12 & 1pm-4

July 30th Thursday 8am-12

Camp Angelos Kids with Cancer Camp (Agape Camp)

August 1st Saturday 4pm-8pm

August 2nd Sunday 4pm-8pm

August 3rd Monday 4pm-8pm

August 4th Tuesday 4pm-8pm

August 5th Wednesday 4pm-5pm

Greek Kids camp

August 10th Monday 4pm-6pm

August 11th Tuesday 4pm-6pm

August 12th Wednesday 4pm-6pm

Contact Howard Berg 503-665-8008, bergate@verizon.net

SHARE YOUR FISHING SKILLS WITH A KID, MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THEIR LIFE.

Chapter and Association meetings and contact info -

- Chapter board meetings now occur two weeks after the regular monthly Meeting date. 6 PM Round Table Pizza, 4141 NE 122nd Ave Portland
- All members are welcome to attend !
- Association Executive Board meetings are held at the Association office, 6641 SE Lake Road, Milwaukie, on the second Tuesday of each month. All members are welcome to attend.
- Need help from the Association to answer a question? Call the office at 503-653-4176. Fax 503 653-8769. Ask for Sharon Schaub, Business Manager. E-mail there is <sschaub@anws.org>

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 two 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.



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Update on State Legislation

It should be noted that salmon production and fishing issues have received a new level of attention in the State House this year and we must keep working to keep these important issues high on the political radar. It is clear that in the future the angling public must do much more to educate and motivate state politicians. Increasing the number of state legislators who place a high priority on our key issues should be job number one during upcoming campaign seasons. The 2009 Oregon Legislature is now in the home stretch even though only a small part of its work has been completed. Nonetheless, the session is expected to terminate before the upcoming 4th of July weekend. So it should come as no surprise that ANWS is still involved with a number of important bills that are awaiting a final floor votes. With a little luck and attention the bills listed below should soon be enacted into law:



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I must apologize to Mr. Robins, one of our most loyal advertisers...somehow in the process of taking over as newsletter editor, I did not get his ad in the last edition...OOPS! Darn amateurs anyway...!

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Sandy River Chapter Volunteer Hours Form

Name _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

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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.

Membership Drive Campaign

Don't forget the ongoing Membership Drive Incentive Program continues with the second drawing for members who have recruited new members is scheduled at the upcoming quarterly Board meeting in August. This will be the second of four quarterly drawings where valuable prizes will be awarded to those members who help the Association achieve the goal of increasing our membership by 50 percent via the recruiting of 750 new members prior to February 2010. In a nutshell, prizes will be awarded at each quarterly Board of Directors' meeting for members who have written their name on the back of the membership application of the new member they have recruited or have provided a list of the new members recruited during the preceding quarter. Every new membership signed up and received at the Association office is good for one chance in quarterly drawings that began in May.

Willamette Trip- a big splash !

We had a pleasant camping trip. Fair weather, and the river to ourselves. We caught some trout, and had a scare. Future programs on water safety and equipment will expand on what we learned, but the essential lesson was-**Your PFD can only work for you if you have it on!**

Saturday afternoon about 2:00 as our party of boats left the McKenzie and entered the Willamette a sudden gust of wind caused Mike Myricks' canoe to duck under a tree branch and some brush causing a loss of control. In moments his boat tossed him into the cold water which was moving 4-5 miles an hour. It could have happened to anyone. Fortunately Mike was smart enough to have his PFD on.

I had just entered the Willamette followed by Jay Burris. I looked upstream into the McKenzie expecting to see Mikes orange canoe coming down....but what I saw was a floating food cooler- never a good sign.

I immediately rowed ashore and Art Israealson and Jay Burris went back upstream on foot to find him while I called 911. Art and Jay found him a few minutes later. By then I had two Lane County Marine Patrol boats headed our way. We knew they were on the river- they had inspected us about 45 minutes before! They arrived in about 15 minutes and got Mike (*and his canoe!*) back up to the launch site, where Mike secured the canoe to his vehicle. Then undeterred, he came back to finish the trip in Jays drift boat! Most people would have given up after being tossed in the river, but not Mike. As the saying goes "it's not the size of dog in the fight- it's the size of fight in the dog".

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Eric is one of our volunteers who helps out in many ways. He is retired from “METRO” where he established the paint recycling program so that all those nasty paints don’t get dumped down the drain or put in a landfill. Instead METRO blends them into about a dozen new colors. We got a donation of 10 gallons of those paints for the chapter auction last year. Nice colors!

Propane for chapter events
Like the cookouts at STEP parties comes from Eric too. Thanks Eric!

Grants for Chapter Projects

Even though there is definitely a measurable reduction in recent grant making by foundations, there are still groups willing to provide financial support for very specific purposes. Association Chapters should review the following examples to see *if they have a specific project in mind* and contact our Executive Director, Paul Cathcart immediately for assistance in writing the grant. Some potential examples:

STAC Mini-Grant Program - June 17 and September 16 Deadlines

The STEP Advisory Committee (STAC) Mini-Grant Program provides up to \$2,000 for projects that further the goals and objectives of

National Park Service - Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program (RTCA) - August 1 Deadline The RTCA provides help in building partnerships to achieve community defined goals, assessing resources, developing concept plans, engaging public participation and identifying potential sources of funding for conservation and outdoor recreation projects.



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