

SANDY RIVER CHAPTER Newsletter

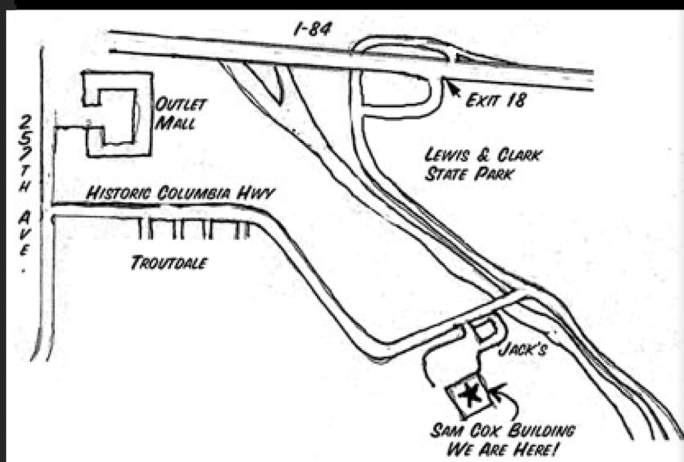
*A Member Chapter of the
Association of Northwest Steelheaders*

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Sam Cox building in Glen Otto Park, 1102 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 - The annual Auction and Banquet- the Sandy River Chapters' big annual fundraiser. You can attend the auction as a bidder even if you are not an eater, but with Joli and Kathryn organizing the food part of things you'd be missing out bigtime! Dinner will be at 6:00 with the auction starting at 7:15.

**Next Meeting- First Wednesday
of December. That's the 2nd !**

Meeting Map



Our Chapter Officers-

President: Jay Burris- 360 798-9000

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Eric Koellner - Sales - 503-233-1334

Twelfth Annual Banquet Auction

Wednesday, December 2, 2009 Sam Cox Building in Glen Otto Park, Troutdale

We're looking forward to seeing you on the 2nd for a fun evening of good company, good food and some friendly bidding wars. This event is one of our most fun social gatherings and it's also our biggest fundraiser of the year, so please bid generously and bid often!

For those of you who have purchased banquet seats, the banquet portion of the evening begins at 6:00 pm. If you didn't get in on the banquet, you can still arrive anytime after 6:00 because the silent auction tables will be open for bidding, and Jeff Kirkman will be selling tickets for the bucket raffle. Everyone who comes will also receive a free door prize raffle ticket. The oral auction will officially begin at 7:15 pm; and to spice it up this year, we're also including a few items in a Dutch auction.

If you want in on all this fun, ya gotta be there! Don't let your chance to be the winning bidder for great items such as a guided trip (or four), Blazer tickets, gift baskets (Ladies!!), Don Perry Metal art garden bling, family games, sporting goods and more go to someone else. Do you hear that noise? It's your wallet begging you to take it to the Sandy Chapter auction on December 2nd! Hope to see you there!

There will be no facilities to process credit cards at this event, so please bring your check-book or cash. Thank you!



Rod Blanks for super cheap!

One piece, Lamiglas, most are 7'2" with a couple a few inches shorter, single piece, 8-17# line, three power, similar to the Lamiglas 701 rod (in the Lamiglas catalog - which to me means it would be like a 703 if there is such a thing). **Great for steelhead plug rods!!**

\$12 each, \$10 each if buying more than one.

Contact **Colonel Thomas** 503 666-5035 or <cjthomas@ipns.com>

Chapter Board Minutes 11/18

Present: Howard B, Col, Larry P, Jay B, Leslie H, Eric K, Bea Hoove, Tom G and Mike M,

Began: 6:35

I Additions to agenda

1. Eric is researching 100 cup coffee pot pricing. If anyone has knowledge in this regards, please contact a board member.
2. More information is necessary regarding the Cedar Creek emergency road before we ask the membership for volunteers.
3. With Jay's duties as association president so time consuming, Jeff S. has volunteered to step up as chapter president.

Frostbite Follies set for March 13th

The chapters annual winter steelhead fish along (mostly from drift boats) on the Sandy river has been set for Saturday, March 13th. You must be a paid up member to participate. The trip includes a great lunch in the lodge at Camp Angelos. More info will be given at next chapter meeting. Be looking to register soon...there are only so many seats in those drift boats!

Upcoming Sandy River Chapter clinics, meetings and fish alongs

- **December regular meeting- Wednesday Dec. 2nd** , 6 PM, Glenn Otto Park, Troutdale, . Auction is open to the public. Annual fundraising auction and banquet. Lots of fishing items!

See page 2 of this newsletter for full details. Dinner reservation required.

- **Saturday December 5th** Free Steelhead clinic . Fishermans Marine and Outdoor. At the Oregon City location. 10 AM– noon. Free.
- **Saturday December 12th** Free Steelhead “How To Clinic”. Glenn Otto Park, Troutdale, from 10 AM-2 PM. Free and open to the public. Learn from professional guides and expert chapter members how to choose the right tackle, lures and methods to catch these highly prized fish.
- **January regular meeting- - Wednesday Jan. 6th**, 6 PM, Glenn Otto Park, Troutdale
- **Sunday, January 10** – members only steelhead fish along. Meet at Glenn Otto Park at 7:30 AM. Free to members.
- **Saturday March 13th.**— Rays Frostbite Follies, chapter steelhead fish along, *For members only.*

“EGGS TO FRY” SCHOOL HATCH TANK PROGRAM

No we are not talking about having a fried egg breakfast here. The “Eggs to Fry” program is the Oregon Fish and Wildlife program that puts fish eggs in schools. The Association of NW Steelheaders place rearing tanks and chillers in schools and deliver the eggs from the hatcheries. In October, the Association, with funding from two grants, purchased 12 new hatch tank units for schools in Lebanon, Estacada and the Portland metropolitan area. Until a year ago, these units cost \$1000 each, but, with research by Mike Myrick of the Sandy River Chapter and LeRoy Schultz of the Tualitan Valley Chapter, we now have the cost down to \$550. In October, Howard Anderson, Eric Neiwert and Mike Myrick installed four new school units in Portland and Gresham. On October 20, Howard, Mike and wife Judy delivered Chinook Salmon eggs, to the delight of excited students, to 14 schools. With schools also being serviced by the Tualitan Valley, McLoughlin and Albany chapters, the NW Steelers now have over 80 schools in this educational program, and, with further grants being pursued at present, we are looking at expanding this very popular program. On the day before Thanksgiving, we started receiving calls from teachers in the program that their fish were about a week from being ready to be transported to the river for release. When this phase is finished, the tanks will be cleaned and ready for the Rainbow Trout distribution in February.

Mike Myrick

Chapter Board minutes (continued)

II Business

1. Leslie and Bea Hoove reported that we have a good supply of items for the auction but not many high end donations. Jeff S. will serve as auctioneer. This is our only income producing event.
2. Jeff K. and Jeff S. are putting on steelhead clinics at FMS and Wholesale Sports 12/5. Plans are in the works for the chapter's winter steelhead clinics 12/12 at Glen Otto with an on the water follow-up fish-a-long scheduled for 1/10/10.
3. Ray's Frostbite Follies is scheduled for 3/13 with a hot lunch served at the Greek Camp. This is a members only activity with a \$10 fee to cover the cost of food; sign up sheets will be available at future meetings - this is a very popular activity.
4. Larry is planning on Dave B. helping with the newsletter. It is generally agreed that Larry is doing a fine job and is producing an exceptional product.

III Officer and director reports

1. Board voted to donate our share of the raffle earrings to the association.
2. Chapter funds are approximately \$8000 in savings/checking.
3. At this time 14 schools have fish tanks.
4. Tom reported that when he checked the river for litter he found very little, and our next clean-up will be late winter/early spring.
5. Chapter item sales are slow at this time. Additionally, Colonel is going to continue setting up a used gear table at each chapter event. There are still 10 blanks remaining for sale, most of the gear donated by Rod B. and some of the Berkley rods from the camp. Approximately \$300 has been made from this ongoing event.

Meeting ended 8:43

Colonel Thomas



FREE Steelhead Fishing Clinic



Want to catch a fish like this ?

Well, come on down to our
FREE "How To" clinic!

- **Where**— Glen Otto Park
Troutdale, Oregon
- **When** - Saturday Dec.12th
- **Time** - 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



Topics Covered

- *Where to go
- *Tying knots
- *Bobber and jig fishing
- *Selecting the right rod and reel
- *Making your own spinners
- *Spinner fishing
- *Hatchery and Native fish identification and regulations

Admission is FREE!
Free Door Prize Tickets for All Attendees!

*Special offer—Join the Sandy River Chapter at this event
(special \$10 introductory membership rate), and you can attend
a Members-Only fishing outing on Sunday, January 10th.*

Tech tip of the month

When I make a slinky weight, I flame both ends and squeeze shut with pliers. Lately I have been sticking a 3d finish nail in the bottom end first, then flame and pinch shut. I leave the nail stick out a 1/2". I think it makes a little bit better "TICK" when it hits the bottom.

I then heat up a straightened out paper clip and burn a small hole in the top "flare-out". It makes an easier place to clip the snap swivel.

Larry Palmer

Win a special fishing prize-

The first individuals to call me (if you get print version of this newsletter) or e-mail me (if you get it online) will receive 10 pre-tied yarn fly leaders, suitable for Steelhead. Pick them up at the next chapter meeting.

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Hooks needed for volunteers

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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!

Volunteer of the Month

Leslie Hinea

Many of you have seen Leslie calmly orchestrating the annual chapter auction for several years. She makes it look pretty easy...it isn't. I've worked on these sorts of auctions for years for the Association. The tracking a of many disparate elements, and co-ordination of the team takes some real doing.

Now she is also lending her skills as Association treasurer.

Thanks Leslie!

Sandy River Chapter Volunteer Hours Form

Name _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

Event _____

Date _____ Hours _____

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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.

Special thanks

The Sandy River Chapter wants to thank Mr. Larry McClintock for the generous donation of the fine “**Sledgehammer**” lures by **MACKS Lure**. These are a hot salmon catcher down on the south coast and look really good to me. I’ve caught many salmon, both Coho and Chinook with hoochies in the ocean, and these lures are an improvement on that old standard.

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Larry Palmer



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Presidents Message

It has been a productive month. The Association Board of Directors meeting on November 7th was a grueling meeting that was supposed to over at 3:00 pm and lasted until they kicked us out at 6:00 pm. Even though it was a long meeting a lot of progress was made. The structural changes to the Executive Committee were adopted and the by-laws were enacted to facilitate the new structure. The Board approved the appointment of Leslie Hinea to the vacant Treasure position. The current new member incentive program will continue at the \$10.00 rate until the end of February and then increase to \$20.00. This coming year (2010) marks the The 50th Anniversary of the Northwest Steelheaders. The planning for the celebration has started for the Portland area and we are hopeful that we can have some events outside of the Portland area.

Jeff Stoeger has agreed to take over as the President of the Sandy River Chapter. I would love to continue on but it is a big job. I cannot do it justice and be the Association President also. Jeff is a past President and I am happy to see someone of his caliber and experience taking this on. The Sandy River Board of Directors has unanimously approved. Thanks Jeff!

Please support the Sandy Chapter! Go to our Banquet/Auction, and remember, you are not going to score on a good deal (although you probably will). You are going to help raise money so we can keep doing the good work that we do.

“Anglers dedicated to enhancing and protecting fisheries and their habitats for today and tomorrow. “

Thank you, **Jay Burris**

Tired of fishing? Would you rather just say you went and enjoy a nice hot breakfast instead and tell that same old story about the one you caught with a broken rod *again*? Me too! I'll see you at Dea's.



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