



GENERAL MEETING
INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB
MUKOGAWA FORT WRIGHT INSTITUTE
COMMONS
January 10th, 2017
Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

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JANUARY PROGRAM Mark Raisler

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE By Jim Gaddy

Hello everyone,

Hope the Holidays were as good in your household as they were in ours. Our three kids were home for the first time in six years, so we enjoyed lots of cheer, food, and visiting! Always a little hard to see them leave (the kids, that is).

I just finished shoveling 6" of drifted snow. Snow is just one of the things that makes this a time of year when fishing slows for me, but it's also a time that presents opportunities to tie next season's flies in front of some great football; clean up my fishing gear; peruse the fishing catalogs; and strategize on the locations and scheduling of this year's trips. Always a lot to keep a fly fisherman busy!

Before looking too far forward at the upcoming events of 2017, I would like to thank the Board for their great work in 2016. I am sorry to see the departure of Rick Ripley and Jim McDevitt, who have provided us with excellent guidance, levity and great stories. I do welcome Bob Schmitt—who will be a great addition—and also welcome back Gordy Olson and Virgil Emery. Skip Cavanaugh deserves special thanks for the leadership he has provided our organization. Skip has been a great mentor to me. He's a truly nice guy, *and* he makes a great spaghetti sauce. Thanks also to Paul Wham, last year's poacher-nice job! Tom Stralser has kindly consented to be the new Poacher for 2017, so send your fishing follies his way—should be fun! Finally, I welcome Phil Beck and Father David Kuttner as club officers, and look forward to working with them.

Like many of us, I am saddened at the recent passing of Dell Coppock and Harry Calhoun, both long time loyal members of our Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club.

The club begins 2017 in good shape, but can be improved. Gordy will give us the Christmas Raffle financial numbers at an upcoming meeting. I think the recent goals of Lee, Neal and Skip—to continue to grow our membership to full capacity, and increase club outings—should continue to be the focus this year. I would also like to get input on perhaps upgrading and improving the general format of our meetings, so as to remain fresh, entertaining and fun. All of your thoughts for the improvement of our club are welcome and appreciated. (I may

We are fortunate to have Mark Raisler, owner of Headhunters Fly Shop in Craig, Montana, as our January speaker. He will be doing a presentation on the Missouri River.

Mark is a longtime Missouri River guide and outfitter and claims the Missouri actually courses through his veins.

He has tremendous devotion to the Mighty Mo' and has extensive knowledge of it's history, fish, hatches and people.

Mark is a teaching guide and spends many days showing his guests the intricacies of downstream dry fly presentations.



Take a quick trip to our website and view this month's video featuring Mark on the Missouri.

This is a meeting you won't want to miss. See you there!!

President's message (continued)

have an input sheet at the check in desk at the January meeting.)

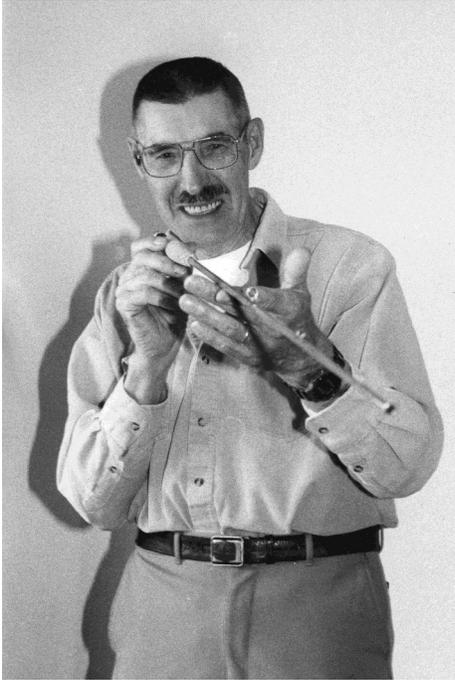
One important final piece of Club business. We need a Treasurer for 2017! Currently we have no one to take money and help keep the Club financially straight. I am appealing to all of you who have not participated at the Chair level to step up. Hey guys- this is YOUR Club! We need your HELP, and we need it NOW!!!! Please contact me if you can help. Thanks.

Looking forward to seeing everyone and a great 2017.

Jim Gaddy

DELLMER COPPOCK

Master Craftsman



Dellmer “Del” Coppock, 1996 Fly Fisherman of the Year, possessed a passion for fly fishing which he combined with his unique talent for crafting items from metal and wood. Some interests have changed over the years but Del’s love for fishing never dwindled. He made a dedicated effort to improve the sport, and we have all benefitted from his contribution to fly fishing and to the IEFFC.

Coppock was raised on a wheat farm between Colfax and Pullman. His father took him trout fishing on the Palouse River at age five, and trips to the St. Maries River in Idaho were annual family events. He attended a one-room school for the first four grades and graduated from Colfax High School in 1944. After high school Del became an aircraft mechanic at the Spokane Air Depot where he checked and overhauled B-17 and B-24 engines on the engine test block.

In 1951 Del returned to the Palouse where he farmed in summer and worked winters in lumber mills. He built a 14-foot boat and started covering the lakes of Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho. His father joined him. His uncle put a real fly rod in his hand and showed him how to use it. In the mid-fifties Del assembled his first fiberglass fly rod and began backpacking into the high mountain lakes of Northern Idaho. **Leon Buckles** introduced him to fly tying in 1972.

Wedding Bells rang in 1954, and he and Marie settled in Spokane to raise a family of three children. He has four grandchildren and five great grandchildren. He worked for Spokane Molding for 22 years, Dellen Wood Products for 12 years, and achieved the title of millwright.

Coppock joined the Spokane Fly Fishers in 1977 and became one of their hardest workers. In recognition of his contributions to SFF and to fly fishing in general, they honored him with the “Conservation Award”, the “Founders Award” and elected him President in 1984-5.

During the winter of 1996, Del took a vacation from bamboo long enough to build a split cedar canoe using plans and forms provided by **Lowell Tveit**.

What does Coppock’s talent with wood and metal or even his fly fishing skills have to do with becoming Fly Fisherman of the Year? Simple, for the past 10 years Del has applied the same devotion, time, and energy to fly fishing and to our club, as he applied to his earlier interests.

When there is a job to be done Del is always one of the first to volunteer. In addition to fin clipping, fish planting, Morning Star Boys Ranch outings and Jr. High School instruction, he helped with several attempts to plug the hole in the bottom of Bayley Lake. He helped empty and relocate net traps in McDowell Lake, and checked our fish trap at Amber Lake. He also worked on projects to restore Rocky Ford creek and build a spawning channel in the creek from Potter’s Pond to Bailey Lake. We even called on his wood working skills to construct the shadow boxes used for the **Ed Wolfe** Memorial Awards. Incidentally, it was **Ed Wolfe** and **Harry Faggetter** who sponsored Coppock for membership. Del has been very generous with his time, he tries to please everyone and he is willing to share anything he knows.

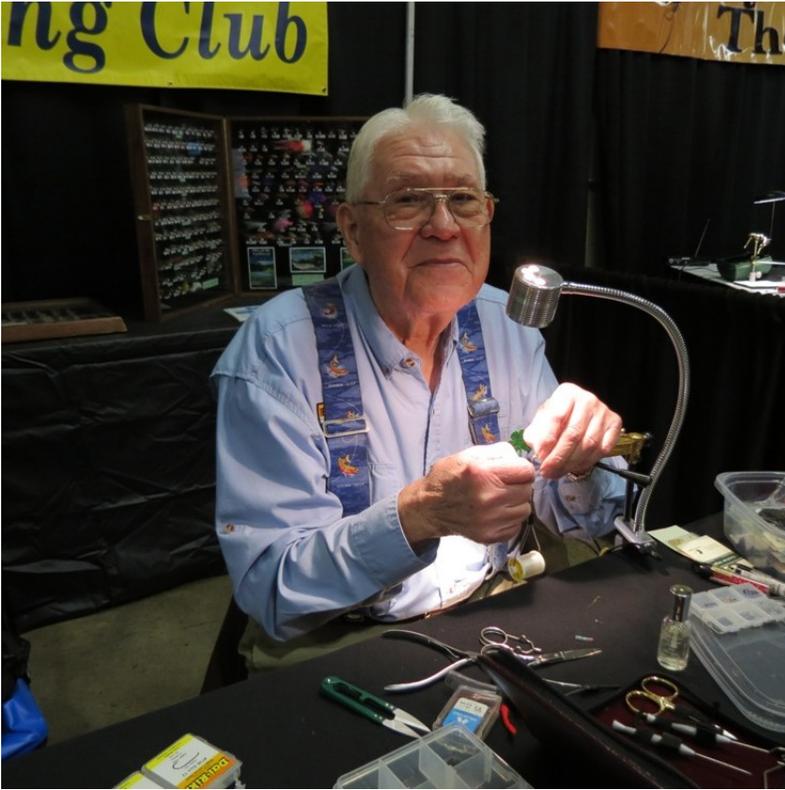
The Letcher Lambuth Angling Craftsman Award was presented to Del in 1997. It was the first time the Washington Fly Fishing Club had given this prestigious award to anyone east of the Cascade Divide. The award was conceived in 1975 and Del was the thirteenth person to receive it.

Del slipped away from us on December 10, 2016, from the effects of cancer. Del went peacefully with his family beside him. The community and the club has lost a real friend.

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

HARRY CALHOUN

December 22, 1930—December 9, 2016



Harry was born December 22, 1930 in Millvale, Pennsylvania, a suburb of Pittsburgh. Most of his youth was spent in Petrolia, Pennsylvania, about 50 miles north of Pittsburgh in the Allegheny Mountains. He was the oldest of five children and graduated from high school in 1948. After graduation he worked the summer in the oil fields of West Texas. That fall he entered Penn State University to study engineering. His education was interrupted by the Korean War.

April 1952, Harry enlisted in the United States Air Force with an appointment to the Aviation Cadet Program. He graduated, February, 1953, with a commission as Second Lieutenant and an Aeronautical Rating as radar navigator bombardier. During the next twenty three years in the USAF, Harry worked in various positions including crew member, supply officer, radar instructor and Chief of Plans for the 92nd Bomb Wing at Fairchild Air Force Base. Retiring from the military in May, 1975, Harry resumed his education, enrolling at Eastern Washington

University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology, Design. He then enrolled at Gonzaga University to receive a BS in Electrical Engineering. For the next ten years he worked at Grand Coulee Dam and Grant County PUD, retiring again in 1992

Harry began fishing at the age of 9 or 10 in the streams of western Pennsylvania and the Allegheny River which was fairly close to his home. During his travels in the service Harry fished in Florida, Texas, and California, catching fish in fresh and saltwater. In the 1960s while stationed in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, a crew member that had tied flies for the Orvis Company got Harry started in fly fishing and tying flies. When Harry was stationed at Fairchild AFB in 1969, **William "Bill" Butler** was teaching a fly tying class and Harry enrolled. Bill then persuaded Harry to join the Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club and sponsored him for membership. From that date until now Harry has been a faithful member having served on the board and currently was the Video Librarian. During his time in the club he had fished with friends and club members in Canada, Alaska, Idaho, Florida, Pennsylvania, and Washington. Harry said he enjoyed each and every trip.

Harry had many other interests that include wood working, reading, computers, along with his fly tying.

During his time in the United States Air Force he received several military awards. They include Meritorious Service Medal, Six Air Medals, Vietnam Service Medal with one Cluster, Combat Crew Medal with one Cluster plus other decorations and awards.

During the fall of 2016 Harry attended a reunion in Dayton, Ohio with many of his Air Force buddies. He totally enjoyed his time with comrades in arms and encouraged everyone to visit the United States Air Force Museum located there. Harry flew in many different models of aircraft during his career including the B-47 and mostly in the B-52, The B-52D on display at Fairchild Air Force Base is one of the actual aircraft that Harry flew in.

Harry passed away Friday, December 9, 2016. We salute Harry for his service to the United States of America and commend him for his service to the Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club.

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

Fred Shiosaki Feature King TV-Seattle

One thing you'll discover right away about 92-year-old Fred Shiosaki is that he's never far from his next joke.

"I want you to know it's your fault you've ruined my breakfast," he tells me when I first meet him at Seattle's Aegis Living in Seattle.

He's joking with me, delivering his punch lines with a perfect delivery. I say to him, "You like to joke don't you?"

He responds with a deadpan, "Oh no, I'm serious all the time."

Our conversations gets serious fast. We talk about the war. Shiosaki served in World War II. He remembers that day like it was yesterday.

"News comes on that the Japanese were attacking Pearl Harbor," he said.

Dec. 7, 1941, Japan bombs Pearl Harbor. And soon after comes one of the darkest chapters in U.S. history. Japanese Americans are forced from their homes into internment camps. Shiosaki and his immediate family in Spokane are spared.

"One of my aunties, my dad's brother's wife, was interned," said Shiosaki's son, Michael. "And they lived in Seattle, so they were interned."

"All of a sudden, we were the enemy," Shiosaki adds.

They were seen as the enemy, yet fighting for our country.

Despite having their loyalties questioned, 33,000 Japanese Americans, niseis, or second generation Japanese, served in the military during and immediately after WWII. Shiosaki served in the 442nd Regimental Combat team, an all Japanese American unit.

"It was the most decorated military unit since the Civil War," he said.

Shiosaki's regiment broke through enemy lines to rescue the "Lost Battalion." More than 200 American soldiers were rescued from the Germans, thanks to the 442nd regiment. But it came with a price.



"You ever see your friends die?" Shiosaki asked. "Out of a company of 185 men, only 17 of us came out of that one."

The 442nd Regiment became known as the "Purple Heart Battalion," because of all the casualties it suffered. Nearly 9,500 soldiers from that all Japanese battalion received Purple Hearts, including Shiosaki.

"I'm proud of everything he's done," said Susan Rauch, Aegis life enrichment director. "And he's very modest about the whole thing."

He's modest about all of his hardware. There's the congressional medal, bronze star, and the purple heart. And all those memories of fighting for

his country.

"I cried when we came off the line. I was, 'Where the hell are all my friends?'" Shiosaki said.

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You can view the entire story, including a video of Fred, by going to the following link:
<http://www.king5.com/news/local/wwii-japanese-american-war-hero-shares-pride-in-serving/365703020>

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington



Governor Declares Invasive Species Emergency Missouri River

“Gov. Steve Bullock issued an executive order in late November declaring a statewide natural resource emergency for Montana water bodies due to the detection of the larvae of invasive aquatic mussels at Tiber Reservoir and suspected detections at Canyon Ferry Reservoir and the Milk and Missouri Rivers.”



Zebra Mussels

This is a serious concern for all of us and the implications are far reaching. We should make an effort to educate ourselves in the proper treatment of our equipment and watercraft following exposure to these affected areas. We have included links to a number of sites offering information, including the complete article regarding Montana Governor Bullock’s executive order.

Links:

<http://www.greatfalls Tribune.com/story/news/local/2016/11/30/governor-declares-invasive-species-emergency/94700822/>

<http://www.100thmeridian.org/zebras.asp>

http://www.protectyourwaters.net/prevention/prevention_generic.php

<https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=48043&inline>



Quagga Mussel

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD Hubert Langenhorst

The highlight of the December meeting was the presentation of the Distinguished Service Award to IEFFC member **Hubert Langenhorst**.

The award has only been presented to 5 other individuals in the 61 year history of the club. It was established to identify and reward individuals who have shown long and continued service to IEFFC, and is presented when a member has distinguished service that is deserving of notice.

Hubert is one of the most respected members of our club. He has served as President following his progression through the chairs, and was the 1993 Fly Fisherman of the Year. He is one of the finest poachers the club has seen and he has worked behind the scenes as a financial and tax consultant for the club for many years.



Hubert is an excellent fisherman and a true gentleman. His contributions to the club have been invaluable and he is certainly deserving of this high honor. Congratulations Hube!!

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE 2016

As usual, the December meeting was an exciting time for all of the members. It was also a time for Gordy Olson and his great staff to show the year long dedication they have to making the Christmas Raffle a huge success. Their hard work keeps our club financially sound and capable of seeking out projects in the Inland Northwest arena. We can't thank this group of hard working members enough.

The trips and the gear were again incredible and it was also amazing to see some of the special items handcrafted by various members. The talent in this club goes way beyond fishing.

Great Job!! And A Special Thanks To The Entire Raffle Committee!!



Left to Right: Lowell Tveit, Bob Schmitt, Leon Buckles, Rick Ripley, Jon Bowne, John Ralston, Gordon Olson, Stephen Aspinwall, Mike Marshall, and Randy Shaber.

NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS 2017

1. Fish more.
2. That's all....duh!!

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

DID YOU KNOW

By Jerry McBride

A Magician in Our Midst

Jon Bowne (pronounced like “brown” without the “r”) joined our club in January 2016.

Forty five years ago Jon went to a costume party dressed as a magician. He learned a few magic tricks for the costume party and liked it so much that he just kept going. Jon continues to be available for hire as a magician for birthday parties and other events. His website is: www.magicbyjon.com

He grew up on Mercer Island and has known fly fishing guru Skip Morris since they were kids. Jon and Skip have fly fished together since those early days.

After high school Jon went to the University of Alaska in Fairbanks. He got on with the phone company there and worked for them for 25 years. The last 15 years of his career he worked for the Fairbanks police department handling their communications. While in Alaska, Jon had sled dogs. He could hitch up his dogs, cross the street and head onto trails that went as far as 50 miles into the bush. Surprisingly, Jon didn’t do much fly fishing in Alaska because there wasn’t much available right around Fairbanks. You had to fly out which was very expensive. He did however, continue to tie flies.

Jon and his wife Dana retired in 2010 and moved to Spokane in 2011. They selected Spokane because it offered all of the things they like to do including fly fishing for Jon. Jon and Dana play in a five member band called the “Red Bass”. No, that isn’t the fish, but the stringed musical instrument. Their bass is painted red.

When I met with Jon we talked about the similarity between fly fishing and magic. A fly fisherman deceives the fish by fashioning a fly that looks like something to eat and presents it in an enticing manner. A magician deceives his audience by sleight of hand and misdirection. Jon summed it up very well and I quote:

“Fishermen and magicians aren’t always what they seem.”



ROSTER CHANGES

If you find errors or have changes for the 2016 roster, please let us know. Also let us know if those changes can be put in *The Fly Leaf*. There are blank pages at the end of the book to allow for new members and we will be updating the information throughout the year.

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

ROCK ISLAND LAKE—ALMOST THERE

By Phil Beck

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR A FEW MORE WILLING FLY FISHERMAN

If you are looking for an excursion to an “off the beaten path” area, consider this trip. Phil Beck has just what the doctor ordered at Rock Island Lake, about 1 1/2 hours north of Kamloops. The camp has 6 log cabins and Phil has asked them to give us a chance at a couple of dates if we can generate enough interest. **What a great opportunity!!**

The fishing is great and the food is excellent. They have boats at some of the 25 plus lakes that you have access to, but a pontoon boat can be brought to give a fisherman a better chance to enjoy any of the lakes. The cost of the week stay is around \$400 Canadian **if we can get 25 fisherman**. They supply dinners, while lunch can be planned between each cabin. They do have a bathhouse with hot showers and the cabins include beds and bedding. Each cabin also has propane cooktops and woodstoves.

They are currently holding the week of **July 22nd to July 28th** for us. More details are available by **contacting Phil Beck at 509-464-4327**.

Loons, Eagles, Great Fishing!! **Let us know if you are interested by calling Phil or sending an email to the club email address: mail.ieffc@gmail.com**

WE HAVE COMMITMENTS FROM A NUMBER OF MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. LET PHIL KNOW AT THE JANUARY MEETING IF YOU WANT TO BE INCLUDED.



UPCOMING IFFF EVENTS

By Chet Allison

IFFF Events for 2017

- January 13-14, 2017.** Western Idaho Fly Fishing Expo, Boise, Idaho, www.bvff.com
- March 10-11, 2017.** ORC Northwest Fly Tyer & Fly Fishing Expo, Linn County Expo Center, Albany, Oregon. <http://www.nwexpo.com>
- August 1-5, 2017** IFFF National Fly Fishing Fair
Livingston Montana,

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

FLY OF THE MONTH

Miyawaki Beach Popper

January 2017

Leland Miyawaki

Editors Note: Receiving no submissions for Fly of the Month for January, I went into the archives. This fly is featured again in memory of Dell Coppock, who passed away in December.

At the September 2004 meeting, Dell Coppock demonstrated this month's pattern. It drew a lot of interest among members so we thought we would show tying instructions for it. It was originally developed as a sea-run cutthroat pattern, but Dell has used it for pink and silver salmon in Alaska and smallmouth bass on the John Day River in Oregon. I'm sure it can be used wherever predator fish are feeding on bait fish. Tie it in sizes and colors to match the situation. Make it rather sparse.

Hooks: #8 Mustad 3407 or equivalent

#4 Gemakatsu Octopus or equivalent

Thread: 3/0 Any color

Hook: Connector: 25 lb. Maxima leader

Wing: 2 Grizzly hen hackles

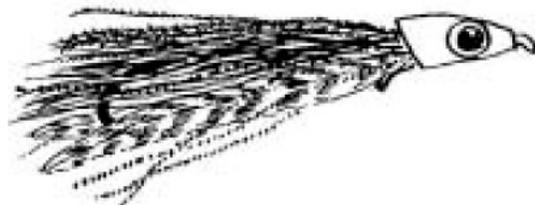
6 strands of Krystal Flash in various colors and a few strands of Holographic Flashabou

Small clump of white polar bear or bucktail

Small clump of olive hair

2 strands of peacock herl

Head: #6 Edgewater Dink popper or equivalent (Dell makes his own)

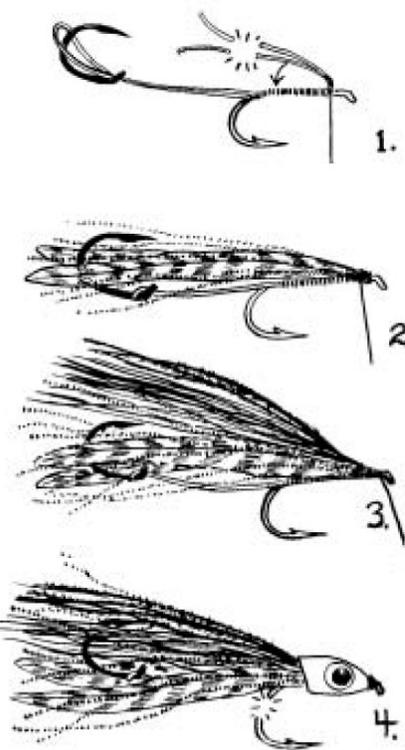


1. Place a #8 hook in the vise. Take the Octopus hook and flatten the barb. Double over a length of 25 lb. leader and pass both tag ends through the eye, then pass the loop around the hook curve and tighten. Place the doubled leader on the shank of the first hook, with the trailer hook upside down or point up and tie it down evenly all the way up to the head. Then double the leader back over itself and wrap it all the way back to the curve of the hook. Trim the excess. Utilize the natural curve of the leader to make the hook ride up into the wing.

2. Tie in 2 grizzly hackles at the head. Do not let the hackles flare outwards. Tie in 6 uneven lengths of Mixed Colors Krystal Flash and a few strands of Holographic Flashabou.

3. Tie in a clump of white polar bear or bucktail and a bunch of olive hair on top of it. Top with a few strands of peacock herl. Whip finish and smear head cement or epoxy over the tied down materials on the hook shank.

4. Widen the hole of the popper head and slip it over the tied down materials leaving only the eye of the hook exposed. The pointed end of the popper should face forward. Snip the point and curve off the forward hook.



Rest in peace, Dell. We're gonna miss you.

Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club—Spokane, Washington

IFFF Report By Chet Allison

NW YOUTH CONSERVATION AND FLY FISHING ACADEMY - It's not too early to start thinking about a candidate for The Academy for 2017.

This experience is an invaluable life event for the youth that they will carry through their future lives. No youth will be turned away because of the lack of funding. The event is a youth education project of the WCTU and WSCIFFF and supported by members of PSFF, SSFF and Olympia TU. So please give it some serious thought, would your boys and girls, grandkids, friends or neighbors be a good candidate for The NW Youth Conservation and Fly Fishing Academy for 2017? The Academy will be held June 18-24, 2017 at The Gwinwood Christian Center in Lacey, WA. Please see our Facebook page for great pictures. Mike Clancy, Co-Director, 360-753-1259, www.nwycffa.com or mtclancy39@comcast.net.

Applications will be accepted starting: January 1, 2017 until April 15

This academy is available for girls and boys, 12-16 years old! It will teach basics of fly fishing, fly tying and conservation skills.

The event is one full week with some staff and all youth living in clean, warm cabins at the Gwinwood Center. All meals are provided.

Students need to bring their personal belongings, i.e., sleeping bags, pillows, rubber boots, etc.

All fishing gear and fly tying equipment is provided, however, students may bring their own fishing gear.

Each student applicant must submit:

1. An application.
2. A short essay explaining why they want to attend The Academy.
3. A letter of recommendation from a school teacher, home educator or counselor.

The cost for each student is \$300.00, financial assistance is available.

The 2017 Application will be downloadable from www.nwycffa.com

To Join FFF simply go to the website listed.

<http://www.fedflyfishers.org/>, click Membership, click join then the blue round button Join the FFF today



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The Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club
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The WSCIFFF through your support can continue our mission to *conserve* and *restore* our resources, and *educate* fly fishers in our sport and grow advocacy for fish and fisheries.

Submissions for publication in the Fly Leaf can be made by contacting Lee Funkhouser at flyleaf.ieffc@gmail.com. Articles should be submitted by the last Friday of the month for inclusion in the following months newsletter.