



**GENERAL MEETING  
INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB  
MUKOGAWA FORT WRIGHT INSTITUTE  
COMMONS  
November 9, 2004  
Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m.  
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.**

## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

By Pat Kendall

Most of our members know of the long process and the many hours of work that were spent by our club and the WDFW in rehabbing, re-planting and getting the area ready for re-opening North Silver Lake. The hopes of all were that the lake would again be what it was in years past, **THE BEST BIG TROUT LAKE IN THE AREA**. Our success so far has not been good. The lake water has been at an all time low, and the lake has not filled enough to flush it out for the last two years.

The WDFW also believes that cormorants ate all the fish that were planted except for the bigger fish that they were not able to eat. We were scheduled to plant 5000 eight inch non-sterile trout there this fall, but Chris Donley of the WDFW suggested we wait until the lake was in better shape, possibly not until next fall.

The WDFW planted 10,000 fish in North Silver Lake this October and over half of them died. The fish were all on top of the water gasping for oxygen, and the birds were there in large numbers picking them off. By the time our club was able to get there to turn on the aerator we feel that at least 50% of the planted fish were either eaten by the birds or died from lack of oxygen. We will be meeting with Chris Donley of the WDFW in the near future to seek his advice on what he thinks we should do next.

Hopefully we will have a good snow fall this year and the lake will fill and flush out the excess nutrients. Then we and the game department should be able to restock and continue with our program of rehabbing the lake. This has been a much longer and harder process than any of us thought it would be, but we are still hopeful that we will be able to get this lake back where we can all fish it again.

## NOVEMBER PROGRAM

By Scott Mayfield as told to Bob Bates

The program for this month continues in a state of flux. Due to scheduling problems the November program was moved to another month. Since then Scott has been desperately searching for another program presenter.

As it stands (3:00 PM, 10/29/2004) there is a 90 percent chance that Bill Marts will be our presenter. Bill has been to many fabulous places, and has pictures to prove it. We don't know what he might talk about.

Another possibility is John Covich. He is with Winston and reputed as giving a great program.

Also, there was some talk of long legged dancing girls. So come to the November meeting and see what great things happen.

## REMINDER

By Hugh Evans

This is just a brief reminder that the Club's Annual Christmas Raffle will take place on December 14, 2004. Your committee has already obtained a number of exciting raffle prizes, either by gift or discounted purchases. Included in those items are several rods, reels, fly lines, fly tying materials, and guided trips.

For those of you who are planning on bringing a raffle prize to the December meeting, there will be a special raffle conducted for those members contributing prizes. It would be of great assistance to the committee if raffle prizes could be brought to the November meeting. For those of you who would rather make a cash donation in lieu of tying flies or some other raffle prize, please contact either Steve Aspinwall (922-7434), or Hugh Evans (455-5200), as soon as possible.

Until our next meeting then, be thinking about buying tickets.



Bob McBride, 89, former IEFFC Member, passed away October 3, 2004. In the fall of 1972 he was fishing the Klickitat River wearing only hip boots. That big steelhead took him downstream into water deeper than what he would normally wade. Still wet, he displayed the steelhead for the photographer.

## THANK YOU

Thank you for the kind support of me and my family following the recent passing of my father Bob McBride. Dad enjoyed his years as a member of the IEFFC and especially enjoyed the opportunity to tell his many stories of hunting and fishing. I miss him a lot, but have a treasure of memories.

Jerry McBride

## ROSTER CHANGES

### Steven Dixon

New e-mail address: [elrico9@comcast.net](mailto:elrico9@comcast.net)

### Virgil Emery

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### Hardy Kruse

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### Scott Mayfield

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## PICTURES OF BRETT CREEK SEPT. VISIT

Pictures of IEFFC visit are posted on our website:

<http://home.att.net/~ieffc/brettcreek-9-04.htm>

## MY DAD

By Jerry McBride

When I was a little boy my dad was my hero. I tried to be just like him in every way. Even to the point of making the "car-rump" sound he made to clear his throat. Never got that right though.

Most of what I am today, I got from my dad. I find it hard to think of anything I know or can do that hasn't got its roots in what I learned from my dad.

The things I learned from him were taught by word and deed.

He taught me that honesty was the best policy, that your word is your bond.

He taught me that if you did something wrong to own up to it, and try to make it right.

He taught me to work hard and always do the very best you can do whether it is washing toilets or brain surgery.

He taught me how to skin a perch. How to cast a fly. How to drive a boat. How to drive a car.

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# FLY OF THE MONTH

Genie's Greenies

November, 2004

Gene Lorenson

This month features not a specific fly, but a dubbing blend that can be used in a multitude of patterns. Aquatic habitat is filled with various shades of green and olive weeds, algae, etc. The bugs that dwell therein are often the same colors as their surroundings. I have great success using green and olive patterns that imitate many critters from dragonflies down to scuds. The best of these creations use dubbed bodies of different kinds. The blend that is really working for me now consists of green and olive seal fur and a synthetic material called Ice Dub in chartreuse. By mixing different colors and amounts of seal with the Ice Dub one can achieve an amazing array of shades and sparkle. I use a dubbing loop, which I believe makes a stronger and more controllable noodle. Keep the dubbing sparse. It's much easier to build a nice tapered body by using more turns of a smaller diameter noodle. My dubbing technique results in a very shaggy body, which can be left as so or carefully trimmed to achieve the desired results. Different shapes and sizes of flies using this dubbing have taken fish everywhere I have used them. I'll illustrate one pattern and show several variations.

Hook: #8 2X long  
Thread: Black or olive, medium  
Tail: Short bunch of olive marabou fibers  
Body: Blend of 2/3 medium olive seal fur and 1/3 chartreuse Ice Dub  
Hackles: Sparse Hungarian partridge collar



1. Pinch the barb and line the hook with tying thread. Tie in the tail fibers and make a dubbing loop of seal and Ice Dub.
2. Wind a nice tapered body with the dubbing to the front of the hook shank as shown. Trim the body now if you wish. Tie in the soft hackle, make three turns, and tie off.
3. With a small amount of the dubbing, wind a head in front of the hackle. Whip finish and cement.



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He taught me to give people a firm handshake and to look them in the eye when you talk to them.

He showed me how to properly sip from a bottle. That came in handy when I started drinking beer.

He taught me how to be a friend. Dad had many life-long friends and made new friends as he went along in life. I am blessed with many friends.

He taught me that your family is the most important thing in your life. He loved his family and was very proud of their accomplishments. In the last moments of his life his family was there with him.

Dad taught me loyalty to friends and family. After my stepmother suffered a cerebral hemorrhage he went to see her every day in the hospital and later the nursing home for over two years until she died.

He taught me the value of education. When he was growing up during the depression it was not possible for him to go to college. He was determined that I get a good education which I did. This has allowed me to have an interesting and financially rewarding career.

He taught me to be resourceful. He could fix just about anything, and he always had lots of odds and ends around to rummage through. So do I. In fact, I have all of his stuff and more.

Dad knew that we learn from our mistakes and these are the lessons we remember most. He gave me lots of freedom and sure enough I made lots of mistakes and remember the lessons well.

With Dad gone and me in my sixties, he is still my hero and I still want to be just like him. He lives on in a way because I have taught my children the things he taught me and they are teaching their children these things in turn.