



**GENERAL MEETING  
INLAND EMPIRE FLY FISHING CLUB  
MUKOGAWA FORT WRIGHT INSTITUTE  
COMMONS  
December 13, 2011  
Wet Fly Hour: 5:30 p.m.  
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.**

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

By Robert Harley

December is finally here. The Holidays are in full swing and the snow is snowing. I recently visited Bob Bates in the hospital. He had a partial knee restoration. He looked and sounded very good. At 81 he's still in good health. He most likely will not make the December meeting. Thanks Pat Kendall for delivering him some hand tied flies. I am in physical therapy still for my shoulder and back surgeries. Should be finished by February. It's been a tough year on my body, and the loss of some good fishing.

Last months Toys for Tots was a great success. The USMC picked up over 100 toys donated by our club. Thank you everyone. Again, kudos to Fred Shiosaki. He shared his Presidential Commendation Medal with us a last month's dinner. We are all very proud to be associated with him.

The Christmas raffle is coming up next. Every year we have an outstanding attendance with fabulous items gathered by Gordon Olson and his volunteers. Don't forget to tie some flies and or bring in items that you no longer want or need. They can be treasures for someone else.

As I review my year as president on your board I must say how proud and pleased I am to work with all the members of the club to serve at meeting your needs. You are all a wonderful group of men to be associated with. A special thanks to my board members and officers. These fine gentlemen coming up behind me are not only fun to work with but they genuinely have the best interests of the club foremost in their hearts.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you this last year. I believe we accomplished all of our goals and I look forward to next year off the spot light.  
Merry Christmas to All

## **DECEMBER PROGRAM**

By Chet Allison

Well here it is again. Christmas Raffle time. There is no program this month the whole night is a program. I'm sure Gordin, Steve, Hugh and all of the other men will have a fun night. Lots of work though. The IEFFC has been given some very nice two for one fishing trips from some of the Presenters this year. My guess most of us want those items.

If this year is anything like last year some 300 plus items will be raffled off, that should keep everyone busy. Bring lots of money, buy lots of tickets and put lots of tickets in the items you want. Then when you get everything you want try getting it home is your little electric car.

I will see everyone in 2012. I have to take my wife to San Antonio for a meeting she has to go to so I won't get to be a part of the raffle so at this time I wish each and everyone of my fly flinging friends a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



## **December Meeting Annual Holiday Raffle/Auction**

Items that you will get a chance to own from the Raffle or bid on at the Silent Auction. We will have many of the same fishing trips available as in the past plus probably a couple new on

The month of December always brings us our Holiday or Christmas Raffle where members only get the opportunity to obtain great mostly fishing related items. December 13<sup>th</sup> is this special day this year. Your Raffle Committee is able to purchase or receive through donation hundreds of items.

Besides the items that the Club purchases for the Raffle, we ask that the membership also furnish items that your fellow fly fisherman would love to own. Many of you have the talents to tie great fly patterns, donate your own guided trip to a special fishing place, or purchase fishing and non-fishing related items for the Raffle. You can bring these items to the meeting on December 13<sup>th</sup> or make contact with one of the Raffle Committee members to arrange pickup ahead of time. Some of our Raffle Committee members include Gordon Olson, Stephen Aspinwall, Hugh Evans, Randy Shaber and Rick Ripley.

A few days ahead of the Raffle, we will email a listing of those items that we have procured up to that point. This will give those (who have email) the chance to peruse the list for those items that you most want and make arrangements with friends to collaborate your tickets or bidding for your most desired item or fishing trip. Some of the Raffle goodies include the ability to purchase an item or fishing trip at discount. Please remember to support those manufacturers, guides and retailers who contribute to this fund raising activity.

See you at the Raffle and bring lots of extra money to buy lots of tickets and opportunities for great goodies!

Your Raffle Committee

# FLY OF THE MONTH

Catch All Nymph

December 2011

Gene Lorenson

Sometimes simple is best. Here is a pattern that is easy to tie yet has all the attributes of a really successful fly. It has the basic shape of various live nymphs that make up a large percentage of the fish's food base. The materials are all proven trout attractors with sparkle and soft-hackle movement. Tie it plain or with a bead head for added depth. It is guaranteed to catch every kind of fish in lake or stream (hence the name "catch-all"). Give it a try. You won't be disappointed! Merry Christmas and a fishy New Year!!

**Hook:** #18 to 6

**Thread:** Fine black monocord

**Bead:** Black to match hook size

**Tail:** Short bunch of brown partridge rump fibers

**Rib:** Fine copper wire

**Body:** Brassy gold Fire Star dubbing or equivalent

**Thorax:** Peacock herl

**Hackle:** Brown partridge rump



1. Pinch the barb and slide the bead up to the hook's eye. Line the hook shank with tying thread. Tie in the tail fibers and rib wire
2. Using your favorite dubbing technique, wrap the body material in a tapered shape  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the hook shank length and trim. Wind four turns of ribbing and tie off
3. Wind a fat thorax of peacock herl in the remaining  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the shank.
4. Wind a sparse hackle of partridge rump. Fold it back with a few turns of thread and whip finish. Trim the thread and cement.



## Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club, Spokane WA

### FRED SHIOSAKI AND GEORGE T. YAMADA RECEIVE NATION'S HIGHEST CIVILIAN HONOR By Chet Allison

On Wednesday, November 02, 2011, U.S. Senator Maria Cantwell joined in honoring 33 World War II Japanese American veterans from Washington State with the highest civilian award in the United States. The Congressional Medal of Honor Ceremony took place in the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center's Emancipation Hall where hundreds of Nisei veterans from across the country were honored.

The ceremony honored members of the 100th Infantry Battalion, 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the Military Intelligence Services of the United States Army. The 442nd Regimental Combat Team was one of the most decorated units in military history, bringing home 21 Congressional Medals of Honor, 33 Distinguished Service Crosses, 559 Silver Stars, 22 Legions of Merit, 4,000 Bronze Stars and 9, 846 Purple Hearts. This thank you was more than 70 years overdue when on Wednesday 11-02-11 when Congress awarded them its highest civilian honor.

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CHARTER MEMBER and McKENZIE PLAQUE WINNER

### FEBRUARY MEETING

The February meeting will be on the first Tuesday

February 7, 2012

### GIL FARLEY By Bill Farley

Thank you very much to all members of the IEFFC. Gil's rods and reels all went to good homes and I know they will see a lot more good use.



### COLORADO FLY FISHING Sent to Jerry McBride By friend Dave Mewes

A Guy from Texas was fishing this week on the Big Thompson outside of Estes Park, CO

It was his first ever fly-fishing venture. A crowd gathered on the highway to take pictures, including a Denver Post guy. One of the pics is on the front page of the Denver Post.