

Hi Folks,

Thought you might be interested in some of the opportunities to be available at the 2010 Fly Tying Expo at Albany in March, (the premier event of the year for the Oregon Council of the FFF for the past 20+ years).

More will appear in the days to come. This event is the result of the work of over 400 volunteers, and is the best learning opportunity of its kind in the whole Northwest portion of the country that I have ever attended, and I have been to a number of them over the last 25+ years.

There will be classes on tying & casting, free demonstrations of same with @ 200 tyers demonstrating in shifts all day, both days (March 12 & 13, 2010), plus 59 different vendors of products peculiarly of interest to fly fishers, where & how to programs, raffles, and silent and oral auctions of good stuff.

Check out our website, especially <http://nwexpo.com/class/> with all the classes listed & ready for registration on-line.

And, the price is right! FFF members get free admission, non-members pay only \$5.00. If you attend and are not yet an FFF member, you can join, and then get in free, basically a \$5.00 discount for your membership!

Also, there is no charge for parking at the Linn County Fairgrounds facilities. If you haven't been there, these facilities are simply great! They are roomy, open, bright and cheery, with plenty of room for all the various activities simultaneously unfolding before you. Good food is available, as are immaculate rest rooms. Tying classes are conveniently just down the hall from the main hall, and casting classes are in an adjacent building.

On Saturday evening after the close of the show, there will be an opportunity to meet & greet friends, with a no-host bar, followed by the annual banquet and oral auction to conclude the festivities. While it is not necessary to buy a dinner to attend the auction, the food will be quite good, and the company even better.

As general chairman of this event, I welcome all of you to join us for the highlight of the year for fly fishers in all of the NW area. The 12 committee chairs have worked very hard to put together an exposition of the best that is to be found for you. We simply hope you will take advantage of it, to the benefit of all of us. As you know, all the proceeds go to support the Oregon Council of the FFF's many projects, including education, conservation, & habitat restoration, plus representing your views so they will be counted in the decisions of the agencies and others who determine when and how we enjoy our outdoor and fishing pursuits in the future.

Please pass this message on to your friends, fishing buddies, clubs (especially the newsletter editors) so they can all be aware. Sign up, join up, and lets all have fun that's what it's all about, isn't it?

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