ROGUE FLYFISHERS

P.O. BOX 4637, MEDFORD, OREGON 97501

Organized in 1971, the Rogue Flyfishers seek to promote fellowship among individuals and groups to further interest in the sport, to improve angling techniques, and to educate members and the public in ways to preserve and improve the natural resources, environment, and conditions for fishing in the Rogue Valley.



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THE ROGUE FLYFISHERS PRESENT:

"THE JOYS OF FISHING THE CHEWAUCAN RIVER"

This informative and enjoyable program is hosted by Clayton Gillette who has fished this beautiful and pristine river for decades



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16TH — RED LION HOTEL 200 N. RIVERSIDE — MEDFORD OR Wet Fly Social Hour 6 to 7 PM - Buffet Dinner 7PM Announcements and Raffle to follow

Don't miss this opportunity to prepare for our outing on June 25th and 26th!

This body of water is clean, clear and loaded with healthy and feisty fish. Clayton will be sharing slides, techniques and even tying flies specifically for this river!

Even if you can't make the outing, you won't want to miss this opportunity to view and learn about this often overlooked "little bit of Paradise!"

BRING YOUR RAFFLE MONEY AND A FLY FOR THE SKIN AND WE'LL SEE YOU THERE! (Guests are always welcome!)

June president's message.

Most really significant progress seems to come in great strides that change our thinking in an abrupt and revolutionary way. It seems that the greatest advances in science came when an original thinker broke the mold. Rather than building incrementally on established knowledge (dare I say dogma?), the rebel proved that everyone else was wrong. For example, continental drift. Within my lifetime the notion that whole continents were drifting about over the surface of the earth changed from fanciful nonsense to the accepted principle upon which most branches of geology and geophysics are based. At a scientific meeting about 50 years ago I heard someone in the audience challenge the speaker, saying how absurd it was to think that such a thing could happen. The speaker's retort was, "Well, anything that does happen can happen," whereupon he went ahead and made the case for continental drift. Another example is Mendel's contribution to genetics. At the time when he was working out the particulate theory of inheritance the prevailing belief among essentially all other biologists was that some sort of so-called germ plasm was contributed from each parent, and then became something of an admixture in the offspring. Then Mendel came along and showed us all that, sorry boys, you are all wrong, and here is how it really works. Mendel passed on to his Great Reward years before his work was rediscovered by a couple of other geneticists whose work showed similar results, and while writing up their efforts searching the literature to see if they had found something new and original, they found Mendel's landmark paper. And it is a curious twist of circumstances that Mendel was doing his work at the same time that Darwin's great treatise was being debated, because Darwin's weakest point was

how variation was inherited, and in fact his proposed mechanism for the inheritance of traits would eventually diminish variation. Mendel's work answered that problem, but was not combined in our so-called neo-Darwinian concept of evolution for another 40 or more years. Throughout the history of science there are many other examples. Copernicus, Newton, so many others. Their common attribute seems to be that an original thinker examined the data in a fresh way and reached conclusions that proved everyone else to be wrong. That's when real progress is made.

Something like that seems to have occurred in the development of my angling skills, such as they are. Rather than improving bit by bit slowly over time, major advances have resulted from trying something new and different, followed by a learning plateau. Once the innovation has proven its worth, practice may not have made perfect in my case, but it helped. In the beginning salmon eggs were standard bait, and the issue was whether to use the dark red ones or the pale ones with the eye spot, and also hook and leader sizes were important considerations. Then one day a friend showed me the virtues of natural bait, and immediately the catch rate improved significantly. In fact, if catching fish is your only goal. I recommend natural bait such as grasshoppers or worms or insect larvae taken from stream bottoms, or sand crabs on the seashore. The next advancement in the enjoyment and reward of fishing began one evening when I overheard a couple of guys talking about fly fishing, and I mentioned that I'd like to learn how to do that. "Come up to the casting pool next Sunday and we'll start you out," are among the sweetest words ever spoken in my presence. They started me casting and tying flies, and for many years it was a problem of learning how to tie the established patterns, and when and how to use them. That was another plateau, because this was IT! I had ARRIVED! I had become one of the elite, an expert. Boy, was I smart! But now I find myself on a new plateau of greater enjoyment and fulfillment. One day several years ago I looked at one of the bugs I was trying to imitate, looked at the fly tied on my leader, and shook my head. "I can do better than that," I thought. After a few fits and starts at the tying bench I started catching fish on my own creations. Talk about joy and fulfillment! The frosting on the cake now has become sharing all of this with my angling companions. And you know something? I have become something of a dunce, a veritable numbskull, astride this new plateau. I find that almost everyone has something new to show me, something that I may have never thought of or maybe learned once and then forgot long ago. I am reminded of the truism that if someone knows it all he never learns anything.

And so I would like to invite all our new Rogue Flyfishers to join me up here on this higher plateau. You may not catch as many fish, or all those big ones you read and hear about, but I can guarantee a more satisfying and fulfilling experience. It will be thrilling to watch the excitement on a newcomer's face as he hooks his first steelhead. He will think you are some kind of latter day Izaak Walton, which inflates the ego in an altogether acceptable manner. But we, you and I, will know better, won't we? We'll know that we really aren't very smart at all, just lucky.

So Many Fish, So Little Time - June

Regretfully I must report that I have not been fishing in a month. That auction committee takes a lot of time, especially when an unforgiving task master cracks the whip. About a month ago I made a couple of quick trips to Lost Creek Lake, with one fish to show for my troubles. However, Otis and others report that Agate Lake and the ponds have come alive. This cool weather ought to extend their seas on for a while. I walked some of the bank at the Holy Water last weekend, found one old exoskeleton from a hatched salmonfly, and also one in progress. No bugs were flying. Warmer weather should bring out the salmonflies in greater numbers, but in any case the fish probably know that this is the season and should respond accordingly to dry orange bodied artificials.

However, excellent reports are coming from Diamond Lake. Fish seem to be taken on a variety of patterns, but numbers and sizes are larger using chironomids. Diamond Lake is probably your best bet.

Looking ahead, this is a good year for salmon, if you go for that sort of thing. May and June are the slowest months for steelhead, but we should begin to pick up a few in July. June is really an excellent time to cast for trout, using a dry salmonfly imitation. So check out Agate Lake and local ponds, and Diamond Lake if possible, and let me know how you do.

An Oldie But Goodie

By Otis Swisher

There is something about the language, the choice of words if you will, of the classical writers of fishing literature that is very appealing to me.

When I read R.D. Blackmore (1825-1900), Isaac Walton (1653) Dame Berners (late 1400's) I feel transported to another time, as well as to the different streams of which they write. But mostly, I get to see an under-appreciated way of approaching the life of the fly fisher.

As I read, I leave behind the "How To" of modern fisher wordcraftsmen who seem to be appealing to our insatiable appetite to "catch more and bigger" as if it were the goal most to be achieved each time we visit a river or lake.

When the rod in its case is balanced in the corner of our "tack room"; when the tying vise is resting silently and alone on the desk or table; when all the myriad of fly tying materials are scattered disjointedly on the desk/table; when our frantic pursuit of learning that "just one more thing" which will guarantee us not just success but success in amounts disproportionate to what we ought to expect our home waters to be able to produce each time we set foot on their graveled runs and riffles; then, perhaps, we would best benefit from a bit of retrospection which can come from the old timers' classics.

Maybe it's their point of view which is so refreshing. Maybe it's their command of words which are placed in juxtaposition so new to our senses but so commonplace to them. Modern idiom which resembles the sound and fury of our pace of modern life is replaced by a casualness which portrays a mental picture more like what our nature says "That's the way it ought to be."

If I may, I'd like to share a few quotes from the pen of a person known to me only as a "name from the past" before Bob Shuck brought his work to my rather drab consciousness with the loan of a book: ROGER CARAS' TREASURY OF GREAT FISHING STORIES.

Let me introduce you to R.D. Blackmore, 1825 - 1900, known to most of us from our High School days as the writer of LORNA DOONE.

On the loss of a big fish: "Too quick for words was the thing that happened."

Do you consider your fishing stream to be "contumacious?" (ie; perverse, resisting authority, unruly, rebellious, stubbornly disobedient)

Agree with this, or not? To be a fisherman "One must have a temper equable."

Do you have the feeling that he is talking about you when he states "His heart was INDITING of the trout most sinful when upon the rise."

Take time now to digest these longer passages: "Surely no trout could have been misled by the artificial fly of that time, unless it were either a very young fish, quite new to entomology, or else one afflicted by a combination of myopy and bulimy."

Could there be a better description of the time of a Mayfly hatch than: "...the caracole of Mayflies, skies blue and white, with fleecy clouds, the west wind blowing softly, and the trout in charming appetite."

"The genuine angling mind is steadfast, large, and self-supported"- I always knew that, but never was able to put it into words. How about you?

And for those who turn on your lamp, arrange a hook in your fly-tying vise and proceed with your artistic endeavor: "As a poet labours at one immortal line, compressing worlds of wisdom into the music of ten syllables, so toiled the patient (flytyer in the story) about the fabric of a fly comprising all the excellence that ever sprang from maggot".

I highly recommend a reading of R. D. Blackmore's "Crocker's Hole". Warning: Keep your dictionary handy.

FISHING AND EATING ON THE UPPER WILLIAMSON

by Gary Graham

Eleven club members and friends spent part or all of Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday enjoying all that the Upper Williamson River had to offer. Everyone caught fish and some folks limited in the hundreds, Rainbows, Brooks and Browns. All fished were released or escaped! Most fished were between 7-10 inches, but Carol, Steve and Sonija hooked larger fish and told great fish stories, hard to believe at times!

John and Gary were kept busy with everyone's help feeding the group with 3-5 meals per day.

Due to the cool morning temps (22-28 degrees) a morning camp fire, hot coffee and muffins greeted the folks emerging from tents, campers and pull trailers. As the fishers gather up their waders, boots, fly rods and fly boxes a breakfast of eggs, little pigs, potatoes, melon, rolls and jam were ready. Lunch was served when hungry fishers returned with whopping tales of the morning's successes. Soup, and red beans with ham hocks plus Steve's sour dough biscuits were the first courses for lunch followed with cookies from three different kitchens. The Fisher folks drifted back to camp in the late afternoon with more whopping stories and were greeted with snack time and something to wash it down. By dark everyone was back from sessions 3 or 4 on the river and ready for dinner. Dinner was more endless than Lunch or Breakfast so I will let your imagination finish the fishers day before they tumbled into warm sleeping bags and dreamed of the ones that got away.

It was a great club outing and I am truly sorry many of you missed out, but John, Carol R., Kathy, Carol C., Daryl, Doug, Steve, Sonija, Bob, Susan and Gary did not.



Using RFF e-mail

Are you receiving the RFF e-mail?

The club e-mail is normally used for reminders of club activities and to keep in touch between our regular meetings. It is very effective for getting out a message on short notice. Some members are having difficulty receiving the club e-mail. There are several reasons for this but the main culprit is that we may not have your correct e-mail address. The second reason is that some of you have over active spam filters. If you are not receiving RFF e-mail now but you want to receive it, we can fix that quite easily. Follow the steps below.

 E-mail me using the e-mail you want the club to use and request that you be added to the list. Send to <u>Rogue_Flyfishers@mail.vresp.com</u> or <u>wildrogue2003@yahoo.com</u>.

• You may add yourself to the RFF e-mail on the homepage of our website. You may add additional e-mails if you have more than one or you may also add family and friends. All the additional e-mails are at no cost to the club so there is no need to be shy about it.

• Add this e-mail to your contact list

<u>Rogue_Flyfishers@mail.vresp.com</u>. This will tell your spam filter that you want to receive this e-mail.

• You may also need to go into your spam filter and add <u>Rogue_Flyfishers@mail.vresp.com</u> to your allowed list. Take notice of the underscore between Rogue and Flyfishers.

The club uses a bulk e-mail program named Vertical Response. The RFF and Vertical Response are not responsible for your pop up ads or malware. Those probably came from your friends forwarding all those dumb jokes or opening up messages or links from sources you don't know.

If you should want to remove yourself from our mail list, it is very simple to do. At the bottom of every message there is an unsubscribe link. Just one click and you are gone.

The <u>RFF website</u> has recently had an overhaul and is looking really good. One of the features of the website is the newsletter. Just click the newsletter link and you will see the most recent newsletter. If you decide to take yourself off of the print newsletter mailing list, it will conserve money that we can spend on conservation projects. You can also link to the website using the RSS icon. The RSS icon is orange in color and has a square shape with rounded corners.



It also has a dot in the lower left corner with two arches around the dot similar to a rainbow. Try it out and you will find that it is quite easy to use. RSS means Real Simple Syndication. News organizations use it extensively. Give it a try.

Tom Collett

SOFT

The Southern Oregon Fly Tyers invite you to attend their meetings the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is June 8, 2010. The meetings start at 6:00 PM, at the Madrone Hill Mobile Home Park community building near Gold Hill. Bring a friend, come early so you don't miss anything, and stay late. Tyers need not be experienced, and those with all levels of skill are welcome. Each meeting a member is encouraged to demonstrate a new or different skill, from simple to difficult. For more information, call Dan Kellogg at 773-4724.

Our May Expo night had a great turnout and a very enjoyable evening, made possible by these outstanding tyers:

Dick Bonamarte – Stayner Ducktail. Bill Logan - Bill's Copper Jack. Mike Marchando – Graciously volunteered to tie at the last minute. Dave Roberts - Tiny dry flies and Catskill dries. Jim Ulm - Chironomids.

Our June meeting will be another special night at SOFT. Again, there won't be any tie-along on this evening. June 8 will be a dubbing night with several tyers demonstrating blending and dubbing techniques, not necessarily any finished fly. Move from one demo to the next whenever you feel like it. Bring a guest, and a notepad.

CASTING CELEBRATION

EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6 EXCEPT CLUB NIGHT

Otis Swisher and John MacDiarmid continue to cast at Hawthorne Park every Wednesday at 6 (except for club Wednesday, the third one in the month.) Those guys just love forming loops and they can help you with your cast. Need more distance? Usually, you need to aerialize more line or speed up your cast to shoot more line. BOTH start with improving the basic cast. These casting geeks are there to help you! A little bit of instruction and a lot of practice will have you reaching the feeding fish in the holy water most casters can't reach! We finally have good weather; come on out!

FUTURE PROGRAMS

June--Clayton Gillette, a long time member of our club and past president will present the June Program on fishing the Chewaucan River. Clayton is a 5th grade teacher and fishes all summer long. He has a regular circuit that includes the Chewaucan, Owyhee, John Day, Alaska and trips into local rivers and lakes in-between. Then he fishes the week-ends during the school year. This guy knows his water and techniques and is willing to share. It should be a great program.

July--No program for our Picnic. Bring your rods and we will work on our presentation casts. How do you adjust the cast to present the fly for no drag and more hook-ups? We'll show you how for most situations.

August--No program booked at this time

September--Jeff Putnam a FFF Certified Two Handed (read Spey) Casting Instructor from Sacramento has a great program for us on spey techniques for both two handed and single handed rods. The more casting options you have, the better you can cover the water. Jeff will stay in town for a few days and give spey lessons on the river. You can book these lessons through Gary Anderson Custom Rods (541-582-4318).

Have a request or interest for future programs, call John MacDiarmid at 541-840-0183 or email him at <u>jmacd@jeffnet.org</u>.

On The Fly

June 2010

"Fly tying is a school from which we never graduate"



TYING NEWS

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DIRECTIONS: Take Gold Hill Exit #40, off of I-5 and go west, toward Jacksonville, 1.3 miles, until you reach the brick entrance way to the Madrone Hill Mobile Home Park on the right. You'll pass a golf course parking lot on your left shortly after leaving the freeway. After you turn right into the mobile home park, proceed to the community building which is located about 100 yards ahead on the left. The address is 8401 Old Stage Rd. Please park your vehicle on the bare dirt in the parking lot to avoid the wooden septic covers in the grass.

PATTERN OF THE MONTH – CDC & Elk

Hook:Daiichi 1100 or 1170, standard dry #12-18Thread:Brown, 8-0.Body/Hackle:CDC feather.Rib:Copper wire.Wing/Head:Fine tipped deer hair.



Tying Instructions

Step 1: Mash the barb and mount the hook in the vise. Start the tying thread two eye widths behind the eye and wrap a thread base back to a point just above the barb.

Step 2: Select a CDC feather of the proper color and size, fibers 2 times the shank length, gather the tip fibers together and tie it in by the tip just above the barb.

Step 3: Spiral the thread forward to just behind the eye. Grab the butt of the CDC feather and wind it forward around the shank in touching turns. Stoke the free barbules backwards as you make each turn. Tie off and secure with thread wraps. Trim the CDC butt.

Step 4: Select a small bunch of straight, fine tipped deer hair and even the tips in a stacker. Measure the bunch so the tips just reach the outside bend of the hook, trim the butts square with the front of the eye, and tie down the wing to the top of the shank with tight thread wraps.

Step 5: Form a small thread head in front of the stubs, whip finish, and cement.

The CDC &Elk was developed by Hans Weilenmann in 1992 as a modified Elk-hair caddis. Since then it has become a firm favorite with a multitude of anglers across several continents. It combines the proven silhouette and buoyancy of Al Troth's famous pattern and the dubbed body look and straggling filaments from sprawling insect legs or a trailing shuck. It has become a go-to fly for many mayfly hatches, a general search pattern to cover hatchless periods, an emerger pattern, and a wet fly. It is a pattern deceptive in its simplicity and versatility. Martha, this is an extremely effective 2-material, 2 minute-to-tie winner.

While originally designed to be a dry caddis imitation, it has proven to be much more useful. Try it during mayfly hatches, an emerger in the film, or a straight wet. The CDC & Elk has proven to cover the full spectrum of dry, damp and wet. Lee, you have to try this one.

Tying Tips:

Selecting the right CDC feather is the key to tying success on this one. Not only do the barbs need to be the proper length but the stem must be long and flexible enough to complete the body and hackle. Here is a simple little tip for firmly securing the deer hair wing. After the first 4 initial thread wraps, take one additional wrap about halfway through the hair stubs and another in front of the stubs. It keeps the wing on top and keeps it from pulling out. Any tier can produce dozens of these babies, so tie some up, give them a test flight and let me know how you do.

THE PASSING OF THELMA RUFF

Thelma Ann Klepp Ruff, 78, passed away May 6, 2010, at her home, in Medford, Ore. A former resident of Eugene, Ore., she called Medford home for 48 years. She was born in Rainier, Ore. She was a graduate of Willamette University, (1953) in Salem, Ore., and a member of the Alpha Chi Omega sorority. She also was a member of the American Association of University Women and the United Methodist Church.

While in Eugene, Thelma and Dick had two of their three children, Susan and Jonathan. In 1962, they moved to Medford for Dick's position at Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation. Later, their third offspring, Sonja, was born. Dick passed away in 1976.

In keeping with Thelma's resistance for bouquets during the blooming season, the family requests contributions/memorials be made to: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 9320 SW Barbur Blvd. Ste.140, Portland, OR 97219.

A memory of Thelma Ruff By Dale Heath

The Dick Ruff Award is viewed as the highest honor the Rogue Flyfishers can bestow on a member. Dick passed away in 1976. After many years, his wife, Thelma, has now joined him. Dick and Thelma Ruff were very good friends with Reed and Mary Ryan. In fact, they were all having dinner together the evening that Dick suffered his fatal heart attack. The RFF established the Dick Ruff Award to honor Dick and the Reed Ryan Memorial Fish Habitat Fund to honor Reed.

These two couples were very dear to many of us and believed in the core values of the RFF, fish habitat and conservation. Dick and Reed were very active in the club and contributed a lot of ideas, inspiration, blood, sweat, and tears, along with their dollars. I had the honor of escorting Thelma Ruff to Reed Ryan's memorial service in 2006.

At Thelma's memorial service, as I was talking with her children, I remembered and related the story of Dick teaching me how to make Norwegian pancakes. They're a lot like Swedish pancakes, but much better. Lots of butter, cream, and sugar. They must be served with lingonberry (tyttebærsyltetøy) jam.

> East Lake Chub Removal Volunteers Needed John MacDiarmid, Conservation Chair FFF Oregon Council

Oregon Fish and Wildlife will be trapping and removing chubs for two or three weeks in East Lake during chub spawning season. Beginning on June 29, volunteers will help ODFW staff empty the large trap nets and reset them. If you can help, please email Bend ODFW biologist Jennifer Luke at Jennifer.a.Luke@state.or.us or phone her @ 541-388-6350 X225.



HANK ROGERS MEMORIAL PICNIC *R*E*M*I*N*D*E*R*

July 21, 2010 (3rd Wednesday in July) Emigrant Lake site "A" 5:00 pm arrival / social hour 6:00 pm dinner followed by club raffle \$4.00 parking ... \$5.00 for dinner and raffle ticket BBQ Chicken, ice tea, lemonade and coffee provided Need to bring table sitting and potluck dish



Potluck Dishes:

A-J Salads, K-P Side Dishes Q-Z Bread and Desserts

Club Members working on this years Picnic include: Bob Claypool, Kellie Christensen, Dale Heath, Mick Cuffe, Dennis Remick, Dick Chambers, Rosemarie Davis, Ethel Rogers, Wally Ramsey, Paulette and Gary Graham.

Note: We need three club members to help clean the Ashland Lions' BBQ Grills on Thursday Morning at 10:00 am at the Ashland Car Wash on Siskiyou Blvd. Call Gary at 541-512-1841 to volunteer.

Upper Rogue Outing

Most of us spend a good amount of time fishing the Rogue River below Lost Creek Dam; however, few of us venture above the dam to fish the headwaters of the Rogue. The North, Middle, and South Forks of the Rogue River, as well as a number of tributaries, offer anglers the opportunity to fish for several species of trout in a wonderful setting. Much of this area is within the Rogue River National Forest, and several campgrounds, picnic areas, trails, and other amenities are available. The Rogue Flyfishers will join the Southern Oregon Fly Fishers for a joint outing to this area on Friday, July 9 and Saturday, July 10. We will camp at the Union Creek Campground, which is to the left of Hwy 62 just before you cross Union Creek. If you don't want to spend the night, you are welcome to come just for a day. We will meet in the campground at 10:00 AM each day to talk about the area and the fishing, then head out from there. Bring your favorite small-stream rod, a floating line, and an assortment of dry flies, wet flies, and nymphs. If you are so inclined, you can also bring a sink-tip line and some streamers to work the log jams for the occasional brown trout. If you are interested in going, please sign up at the June meeting, or contact David Haight at tmdrhaight@peoplepc.com.

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Alumaweld in very good condition. Balanced oars with a spare third, recently repainted, trailer with bearing buddies, good tires and a spare. Included is a removable canopy against sun or rain. This boat also comes with a 3 hp Evinrude outboard for the lakes. \$2,500.

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DATE	KEY CONTACTS	ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION	RFF PARTICIPANTS
May 1, 2010	Bill Rittenhouse (541-858-5981) & Sam Whitridge (541-776-7371, ex. 209) Natural Resources and Watershed Education, OSU Extension, Jackson County	Kids & Bugs program at Bear Creek Park in Medford. Volunteers in- structed kids in fly casting and fly tying.	Ken Bonsi; Paul Cook; Rich Fiebelkorn; John Hamilton; John MacDiarmid; Bill Rittenhouse; David Wang; John Ward.
May 14, 2010	Bill Rittenhouse (541-858-5981) & Sam Whitridge (541-776-7371, ex. 209) Natural Resources and Watershed Education, OSU Extension, Jackson County	In support of the 15th Annual Bear Creek Watershed Education Symposium, RFF volunteers instructed school kids in fly tying.	Ken Bonsi; John Corson; Rich Fiebelkorn; Jim Harleman; Steve Haskell; Dennis Remick; Bill Rittenhouse; John Ward.

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Rogue Fly Fishers membership Application and membership Renewal Form

Applying, or renewing, as (check one): Individual ____(\$30.00), Family _____(\$35.00), or Junior _____(under 18, \$5.00) Member. (Note: New members joining Rogue Fly Fishers before June 30th pay a full year dues; <u>new</u> members joining after June 30th pay half dues. Dues accompany your application. With membership, you will receive a member's patch, membership directory, name badge, and letter of further information and welcome. Monthly dinner meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month with a social Wet Fly from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. followed by dinner with raffle, announcements and club business, and program until approximately 9:00 p.m. Renew in December for the following year.

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List Family Member's Names	_
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Wow! The 2010 Auction was a spectacular and successful event. The evening began with payment tables where guests moved quickly through the payment process and received their bid numbers. They perused the silent auction which was beautifully organized and when the silent auction ended, the room was sealed.



Guests then dined off beautifully decorated tables, enjoying top notch cuisine and a variety of fine wines. Kellie, who served as "Master of Ceremonies," thanked the fabulous folks whose time and energy made this event possible.

A few noteworthy guests were in attendance. Rosemarie Davis and Frank Schnitzer, recipients of the club's "Golden Demon Award" were introduced to the membership by Gary Graham and Mac MacNair. Also in attendance was one of this years RFF scholarship recipients, Jeremiah Psiropoulos, whom Dave Haight introduced to the club. Jeremiah expressed his gratitude for the scholarship and talked about his aspirations for the future.





Lee Wedberg, our esteemed leader, made a couple of announcements and then desserts were enjoyed along with divine chocolates from our loyal friends at Dagoba Organic Chocolates in Ashland. Then it was time to get down to business as Kellie introduced our auctioneer for the evening Bryon Millard. The bidding was congenial but competitive and lively. Bids were made by raising your assigned number in the air and recorded as items were won. This new and



improved system made the bidding process fun and efficient.! After the festivities ended, folks made their way to the payment tables where they paid for their items.

Our wonderful group of student volunteers gathered the treasures together and delivered then to the lucky winners. The event closed at 9:45 PM,. We sold 162 silent auction items and 18 oral

auction items. Although the final tallies are not in, this year's event may well have reached our target goal of \$15,000. We had a much more diverse selection of items this year and the feedback has been very



positive and appreciated. Thanks to all of you who made this auction a success. To those of you who did not attend, you missed a really fun evening and we hope to see you at the next one! Congratulations to all the winners!

A certain lucky winner of this year's coveted "Willie Boat," generously given by Ethel Rogers ,has his former "fish catching vessel" for sale in this month's classifieds. A true RFF legacy will be yours with purchase!

EVENTS AND OUTINGS -

Due to the continued onslaught of rain and unpredictable weather, the casting class at TouVelle Park that was scheduled for June 5th had been postponed. We will reschedule this class as soon as possible. Several people have expressed interest in repeating the "Beginner's Fly Fishing Class," so Kellie is working on putting another one together.

"The Holy Water Walk and Stalk" on June 11th has been cancelled. Our host is injured and unable to attend and Kellie could not find an alternate host.

ANY LADIES INTERESTED IN THE WOMEN'S FISHING DAY ONJUNE 19TH SHOULD EMAIL HER AT kclmbr@msn.com OR CALL HER AT 541-776-4094. Let's all hope for some sunny weather soon!