



Streamline

February 2017
Oklahoma Chapter 420 of Trout Unlimited &
Tulsa Fly Fishers an Affiliated Club of the International Federation of Fly Fishers

Event Calendar

February 9 - General TU/TFF meeting with guest speaker Scott Branyan - "Fly-Flinging with the Flows: Using the Right Tackle and Method for Various Water Conditions on Arkansas' White River Tailwaters"

February 15 - 2:00 pm ET, Learn about our Native Brook Trout. US Fish and Wildlife Service broadcast.
<https://nctc.fws.gov/broadcasts>

February 18 - OKTU/TFF outing at Taneycomo. Group lunch at 11:00.

February 25 - Jenks Community Education - Scott Hood presenting "Learn to Fly Fish Oklahoma"

If you have a friend who is not a member who might be interested in this information please feel free to forward this issue to your friend. [Forward this message to a friend.](#)

February 9th General Meeting



Scott Branyon

Scott Branyan owns and operates the longest running driftboat fly-fishing service in northern Arkansas. He celebrated 20 years of service in 2016. His preferred practice is to guide on stretches of the Arkansas White River which are less heavily fished and which provide a variety of fishing opportunities. His aim is "to provide his clients with the best overall fly-fishing experience possible on any given day, whether they are beginners or experienced fly anglers".

New Member Discounts !

If you are planning to apply for membership to Trout Unlimited (TU) or International Federation of Fly Fishers (IFFF) you should be aware that there are discounts that are available to new members. These discounts are not obvious or present on their respective websites. TU offers a 50% discount (\$17.50) to new individual members of which our chapter will receive a \$15 rebate. If you pay the full price, we do not get a rebate.

IFFF offers a \$20 first year subscription fee and \$30 second year membership fee for new members. For every 12 new members, TFF earns a TFO Lefty Kreh fly rod which is used for fly fishing classes, demonstrations, TIC and various other chapter events.

If you have questions, please see a Board member or pick up an application at the monthly General Meeting.

Follow us on Facebook

There are now **856** members on Facebook and

Scott started fly-fishing in 1975 and since then has fished all of Arkansas White River tailwaters, as well as streams in Missouri, Wyoming, Colorado and Alaska. Scott is a native Arkansan and a freelance outdoor writer/photographer. He has guided clients from over 40 states and several international locations. In 2005, he was presented the Coy C. Kaylor Conservation Award by the Arkansas Chapter of Trout Unlimited. He supports TU and several other conservation organizations. <http://www.flyflinger.com/index.php>

We meet at the HARDESTY REGIONAL LIBRARY, 8316 E. 93rd St. on the north side of the Creek Turnpike, east of Memorial Drive. Doors open a little after 6:00 pm. Meetings are open to the public and free. Raffle tickets available for prizes.

A Message from Your President



Hello ,

There are lots of things going on with our club, right now. New TU420 Caps! Fun Outings! Fantastic and informative Speakers! And, a bit of business.

Check out the New TU420 caps! These will be available soon. Nuff said.

Outings! Heath Tiefenauer, our club VP and Outings Chair, has lined up some fun outings. In January, we made a trip to the Roaring River, and got to work with our Veterans and Project Healing Waters. This is always a joy to participate in. So far, each year, I've been able to assist a veteran in catching their first fish on a fly rod. Seeing their smile is the same as seeing the smile of a child with their first fish. Do yourself a favor and volunteer for the next Project Healing waters outing.

This month, our outing will be in Missouri, again, at Taneycomo. Hopefully, the weather and generation will allow for some good daytime fishing as well as nighttime fishing. There are lots of scuds in Taneycomo and if you come to the outing, I will personally show you how to rig your rod to fish the riffles with scuds.

Pat Daly has done a great job in scheduling speakers for our meetings. You should mark your calendars and make an effort to attend our monthly meetings at the Hardesty Library. Scott Branyon will be our guest speaker at our February meeting and you can read more on that in this issue of Streamline.

growing. **551** are Trout Unlimited Members. An easy way to find someone to go fishing with, brag about your success, or just keep up with what's going on. [Here's a quick link.](#)

Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing Oklahoma

Veteran's Services Partnership (VSP) / PHWFFOK



Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing Oklahoma outing at Roaring River State Park 2017!



Scott Hood working with Billy Caperton at Roaring river.

Also, next month will be our annual Fly Tying and skills meeting. We will have tables setup for fly tying demonstration, knot tying and custom leader building, both traditional and furred. March will be a good meeting to attend for improving your fish catching skills.

Now for a bit of business. In an effort to consolidate finances and work load between Tulsa Fly Fishers (TFF) and Oklahoma Trout Unlimited Chapter 420 (OKTU420), the Board has decided to no longer accept payments for TFF membership dues. The Tulsa Fly Fishers will still be recognized as an International Federation Fly Fishers (IFFF) affiliated club, as we will continue to report to the IFFF and to pay the annual fee, if any, to maintain TFF's membership, whether Charter or Affiliate, to the IFFF. However, your TFF member dues will no longer be a requirement.

In addition to your annual TU membership dues, that you pay directly to TU National, donations are always appreciated and will significantly contribute to the quality of events OKTU420 offers to our members. Donations made to OKTU420 Chapter will be used for guest speaker fees, outings and other group activities for both warm water and cold water fly fishing interests.

This effort to consolidate the financial aspects of TFF and TU will provide efficiencies and greater transparency to how OKTU420 supports our meetings, activities and outings. In lieu of your annual TFF dues, please consider donating to our OKTU420 chapter, and as a reminder those donations are all tax deductible unlike the previous TFF payments.

In short, no more TFF Dues and please be sure to make all donations to Trout Unlimited Oklahoma Chapter 420.

Stay fishy, my friends!

Phil Curtis

President of Oklahoma Trout Unlimited & Tulsa Fly Fishers

2017 Conservation Issues

We're tracking issues that could impact our fisheries and conservation in 2017, including:

- Legislative proposal to sell the Grand River Dam authority (GRDA)
- Legislative proposals to sell and/or transfer water from our eastern Oklahoma streams
- Legislative proposals to transfer and/or sell off our National forests and public lands. Less than 1% of US lands remain public with fishing, hunting and recreation access. Over 70% of all US trout fisheries are within public lands. Over half of all our drinking water comes from your public lands.
- Governors report and action steps from the final Arkansas/Oklahoma joint study commission to keep our Scenic Rivers clean.
- Pebble Mine Issues at Bristol Bay, AK

Pat Daly

Conservation Chair



A successful day!

The Roaring River was cool and clear with only a few clouds in the sky; perfect conditions for the PHWFFOK fly fishing event on the 21st of January. 16 veterans and their family/friends along with 12 TU420 volunteers enjoyed a day of fishing, conversation and a briquette provided by Joel Kantor. Many thanks go out to all that participated and helped. And THANK YOU veterans for your service.

Join us on June 2, 2017 at Dale Fulton's Lodge for the 3rd Annual Lloyd Wicker Memorial 2-Fly Tournament and fund raiser!

VSP / PHWFFOK.

Note: Want to help with a contribution? ... please send a check to OKLAHOMA CHAPTER #420 ... SUBJECT: VSP / PHWFFOK ...and mail it to PO BOX 54108 TULSA, OK 74155 . Your contribution is 100% tax deductible.

If you are interested in volunteering or you are a veteran wanting to participate, please email phwffok@gmail.com for more information or you can check out Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing Oklahoma on facebook for events, class times, and locations.

2017 General Meeting Schedule

. All of these dates are the second Thursday of the month.

- March 9 - Phil Curtis' fly tying with members and guests. Phil will focus on popular fly patterns, materials and 'how-tos'. There will also be tables demonstrating furred leaders, knots and custom leader building.
- April 13 - Guest Speaker: Joel Kantor - 'Smallmouth Adventures on the Fly'

Trout in the Classroom

Trout growth progress has been posted on the TIC Facebook

page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/tulsaareatrountotheclassroom/>



Spring fingerling release

The spring release of TIC Kamloop fingerlings by Tulsa and area schools has been set for the following:

March 2 - Catoosa
March 9 - East Central
April 7 - East Central
April 19 - Broken Arrow
April 27 - Okmulgee
???? - Union

Volunteers are needed to help with the release as well as casting, fly tying and stream studies. Please let Scott know if you are available to help on any of those days.

Adult Education

Jenks Community Education will again be offering classes for those wanting to learn more about fly fishing in Oklahoma or fly tying. These are one day classes (~6 hrs) with classes at the aquatic center.

Learn to Fly Fish Oklahoma - February 25th, 8:30 to 2:00. The class is geared for adults from 16 years and up and cost \$15 with early enrollment. Scott Hood will be instructing and no equipment is required. Casting instructions will be provided by Scott and TU420 volunteers.

Introduction to Fly Tying - March 25, 8:30 to 2:00. Phil Curtis will be demonstrating the basic building blocks of fly tying. All equipment and materials will be provided but you may bring your own tools if you feel more comfortable with them. The fee is \$20 for early enrollment.

Enrollment for these classes can be by accessing the Community Education website at jenkscommunityed.com, calling the JCE office at 918-298-0340 or enrolling in person at 951 West Main Street, Jenks.

Scott Hood
Youth and Adult Education Chair

Note: Want to help with

- May 11 - Rob Woodruff - Entomology
- June 8 - TU/TFF Picnic

We meet at the **HARDESTY REGIONAL LIBRARY, 8316 E. 93rd St. on the north side of the Creek Turnpike, east of Memorial Drive.** Doors open a little after 6:00 pm. Meetings are open to the public and free.

February Outing

The next outing will take place on February 18th at Taneycomo, MO. Remember to bring your Missouri fishing license.

Lunch will be at 11:00 at the Pavilion in the Outlet #2 parking lot. More details will be provided at the February General Meeting. Hope to see you there!

Contact Heath for information: **Heath Tiefenauer** at outings.tff@gmail.com See you there!

Women's Initiative



Terrie Blackburn

Campfire members thanked Terrie and Chapter 420 for casting and fly tying instruction last year and invited us back this year. Terrie is currently working on improvements for this year's activities scheduled for October 6th through the 8th.

Casting for Recovery is scheduled for October 13th through the 15th. Terrie will be updating the activities for this event in later issues of the Newsletter.

Watch our Facebook page for postings on future

a donation? ... please send a check to OKLAHOMA CHAPTER #420 ...
SUBJECT: TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM ...and mail it to PO BOX 54108
TULSA, OK 74155. Your contribution is 100% tax deductible.

Members interested in helping should contact Scott Hood
Adult/Youth Education Coordinator for details
... shood91849@aol.com

The Trout Pond for Tulsa is A Hit!

It's still open thanks to donations made to Oklahoma Trout Unlimited
Chapter #420 by NATUREWORKS and by area Trout Unlimited members.



Located at LaFortune Park in the Gardens Park section (51st and Hudson)
the pond will be stocked 1 more time before the end of the winter fishing
season. The posted limit is 4 trout per angler, you must have a current OK
fishing license if you are over 16 years of age.

women focused events. Questions or want to
initiate an event? Send me a text 918-704-0908.

COMING SOON!



Soon you will be able to order our club ball caps on
facebook, the website, at the General Meetings or
by contacting one of the Board members. \$20 will
get you this good looking cap, along with the
knowledge that proceeds go to TU420 conservation
projects, outings, TIC and other worthwhile TU420
sponsored projects.

FLY FISHING FILM TOUR 2017



Make sure you have reserved the evening of March
24th to enjoy the 11th annual F3T adventure
brought to you by TU420. The 2017 lineup of films
is their finest yet with vignettes from Siberia to
Idaho, Mexico, Florida, Kamchatka, Alaska,
Montana and more.

A portion of the ticket sales go directly to support
TU420 as well as fishing and habitat-related
conservation groups. In 2015 they raised over
\$300,000 for conservation partners.

Tickets are \$15 and raffle prize tickets will be
available at the McNellies Pre-party and at the door.
This year we have some outstanding donations of
Brodin fish nets, Winston fly rod and a Fishpond
Summit Sling Pack. Keep an eye out for
announcements and details on facebook, the
TU420 website and in the March issue
of *Streamline*.

You can watch trailers of the films

at: <http://flyfilmtour.com/watch-trailers/>



The contribution by NatureWorks is a "match" donation they contribute \$1.00 for \$1.00 . So if you'd like to help on this project please send a contribution to OKLAHOMA CHAPTER #420 ... SUBJECT: TROUT POND ...and mail it to PO BOX 54108 TULSA, OK 74155. Your contribution is 100% tax deductible.

Scott Hood

Adult and Youth Education Coordinator

Do you have a Boy Scout Troup, Girl Scout Troup or any other youth group that you'd like to introduce to fly fishing? Contact Scott Hood at ... shood91849@aol.com

Mark Your Calendar

for these coming events

- February 25 - Jenks Community Education - Scott Hood - " Learn to Fly Fish Oklahome"

March 9 - General TU/TFF meeting with fly tying instruction by Phil Curtis: "Popular Patterns, Materials and How-tos"

March 24 - Reserve this date for the FFFT (Fly Fishing Film Tour) at Montereau !

March 25 - Jenks Community Education - Phil Curtis - "Intro to Fly Tying"

April 13 - General TU/TF meeting with guest speaker Joel Kantor - "Smallmouth Adventures on the Fly"

April 22 - Lower Illinois River clean-up and fishing

May 29 - Lake Pawhuska fishing event

June 3 - Wicker 2-fly Tourney - Fulton's Lodge

June 8 - TU/TFF Picnic

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