



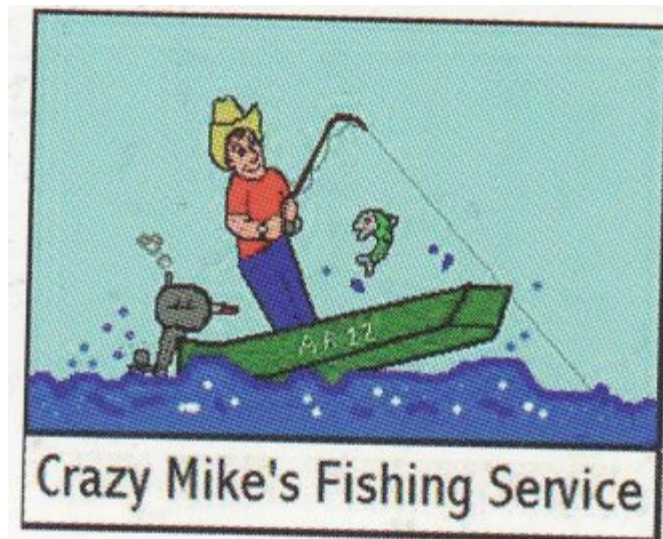
TU chapter 420 – Tulsa FLY FISHER'S

Streamline

MARCH 2011

TU 420 OKLAHOMA CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED

TULSA FLY FISHERS AFFILICATE CLUB OF FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS



Regular Monthly Meeting, Thursday March 10 at 7:00 PM

Guest Speaker ... **“Crazy” Mike Neher** will be talking about all the shoals on the first 20 miles of the White River and how to access them by car and then by foot. Mike will also be providing some of the interesting facts about them and the area that some of the shoals are in. Mike has been a full time guide on the White River for more than 30 years. This is a self help program for people that would like to come and wade fish the White River. There will be a question and answer session after Mike's presentation. A word of advice... be sure to bring a pad and pen so you can take notes. If you have ever wondered how to get to that “favorite” spot in the first 20 miles and wade fish it without a boat... **this is a meeting you don't want to miss.**

TFF Outing Saturday, March 17-19
Sowbug Round-up 2011, Mountain Home, AR

Everyone is invited to meet up on **Saturday night 7PM** for Brats and Burgers. Meeting place is in a home on the White River just upstream from Rim Shoals Resort. To get there, just drive like you are going to Rim Shoals. When you cross the railroad tracks, go RIGHT on the private road all the way to the last house on your LEFT. OKTU/TFF will provide the Brats & Burgers. Please bring your own beverages and something to share with everyone You know, like chips, dips, cookies, ice cream or something. Any questions, contact Scott Hood (918) 636 6179. Scott is the social chairman for this outing.

Looking for Helpers!

Saturday, March 12th is **BIG BROTHERS & BIG SISTERS DAY** at The Tulsa Trout Pond.

From 10am until 2pm Big Bro's and Big Sis's from all across Tulsa County will be bringing there Little Brothers and Sisters to the pond to fish for trout. We need volunteers to help those that come and have no clue how to fish as they are all invited. (Even some of the big's that come don't know that much about trout fishing.) Bring your fly rod if you want to fish and encourage those attending to give it a try. There will be plenty of fish! Dale Duevall will offer a short course in fly casting to all those interested and Mike Shuman will be set up to show anyone wanting to learn how to tie flies. Everyone is encouraged to come to help in any way they can. Show your support for BBBS of Oklahoma by giving up part of your Saturday and helping us out.

March 12-13 have been announced to be **Fly Fishing Weekend at Bass Pro**. (March is Fishing Extravaganza Month at BPS).

They have asked if club members could be on hand from 10am to 3pm on those two days to tie flies and offer help fly casting on their pond. We need some volunteers to help on this ... you do not need to be an expert tier or caster, we just need some of our folks from the club there especially to hand out brochures and to act like we know what we are doing casting and or tying! (What I do all the time!)

Contact Scott Hood (918) 636-6179 with times you can help out at either event

APRIL 14, 2011 Regular Monthly Meeting (Rescheduled from February 2011) 7:00PM

We are combing two previous meetings into one this year; a fly tying exposition and our annual swap meet. There will be demonstrations by some of the best tiers in the Green Country area.

Want to learn how to tie a fly for trout, bass or sunfish?
Need that special "new to you" rod, reel or waders?
Have fly-fishing gear that you don't use, but is in good condition? **Attend the 2nd Annual Fly Tying Extravaganza and**

Swap Meet.

When – April 14 at 7:00 pm

Where - TPS Fulton Professional Development Center at 8906 East 34th Street.

To help people learn to tie basic flies three “Newbie” stations will be set up for those

who want to try their hand at constructing a fly for:

Trout - elk hair caddis, instructor is John Johnson

Bass - olive wooly bugger, instructor is Scott Hood

Bream - bead-eye leech, instructor is Mike Shuman

Contests: See our Website for more information

All flies will be presented to **PROJECT HEALING WATERS**

www.projecthealingwaters.org

If you have questions, or want to demonstrate, contact:

Mike Shuman

(918) 443 – 9184

Message From Your President:

Happy March and thank you God for ending February! Man’oh man was it cold enough for everyone? Cindi and I were both looking for places we could move to!

I want to keep this message short this month. Sometimes I ramble, sorry.

If you haven’t taken action and written our Senators and your Congressman about the potential lack of 24/7/365 water in the Lower Illinois River please do it now. So far, there has been no change in what the USACE and SWPA have to say about allowing a “leak” of water to continue into that river. Since the leak in the sluice gate has now been repaired it seems that somehow, what was once water unaccounted for all the time because of the leak, that now this "saved" water belongs to someone. (Hum, we tax payers paid to have the leak repaired, to the tune of \$1.5 million, yet the water we have saved with those tax dollars is now someone else’s water?)

If you’ve missed all this and have no clue what I am talking about, you should go to your OKTU/TFF web site... www.tulsaflyfishers.org and click on the Conservation page and read one of the letters we have prepared for you to download and mail. Then, if you agree add your name and address to each of them and mail them ALL. If we don’t succeed in finding a solution to this and get the Lower Illinois River watered at all times when SWPA is not generating, then this "year around" trout fishery we have all come to enjoy and to love, is surely DOOMED to be 4 to 5 months a year at the very best. Thanks to all who have already taken steps to write and comment.

This new and very serious issue has taken a front seat priority over the habitat improvement project we have all patiently waited for. Let’s get this water issue

resolved then we can all refocus on the in-stream needs of the Lower Illinois River.

Scott Hood

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS. For more information on these and other events check out our website at <http://tulsaflyfishers.org>

Saturday, April 2 8:30am-10am

2011 Oklahoma Trout Unlimited / Tulsa Fly Fishers Fly Fishing Clinic ... It's Not Just For Trout Anglers
8:30am to 10:00am Registration Required.

Saturday April 2 9am-5pm

TRI-LAKES FLY FISHING EXPO

Outing Saturday, April 16th

Lake Pawhuska, Pawhuska, OK.

Event April 29 & 30

Smallmouth Rendezvous and Fly Tying Extravaganza in Tahlequah, OK. Sponsored by the

Northeastern Oklahoma Fly Fishing Club.