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# Tippets, Tapers & Tales

September 1, 2012

## President's Message

Hope you have had a good summer of fishing. Several persons have fished on the grand in two outings this summer. A great time was had by all. We also had a very successful banquet last spring that gives us a little breathing room on our finances. I think this year, as well, is going to be a very interesting year for the Red Cedar Fly Fishers. We already have some programs planned and some possible activities developed. We also have some issues with which to deal. First, and foremost is the fact that Okemos Schools now wants us to pay for our room. If we stay in our current room it will cost us \$123 dollars after the first three meetings. We can however meet in a regular classroom for \$66 a meeting. The board is searching for alternatives and if you have any ideas, please let me know. We will discuss this matter at our first meeting. Hope to see you there.

The second decision we make

will be regarding a banquet. Do we want to have one? Where do we want to have it? When do we want to have it?

Hopefully, we will get these matters settled and move on to a lot of fun things. As President I would like to build some stronger ties with the fisheries program at Michigan State. We have had some discussions with one of the faculty members that came with a student making a presentation. I was able to have the Chairperson and as assistant of the department come to our banquet. They had a good time and took home some raffle items. There are at least two fly fishing clubs at the University that we know of. It would be nice to do some joint things with those groups and start getting some younger folks involved with the club. We might also have another ongoing raffle to raise some funds for additional scholarships or projects. We used to contribute to



groups who, through lawsuits, were protecting the Au Sable and other rivers. We have some traditional activities to build on. Our spring work outing in the Baldwin area has become a club tradition and a fun activity we have been doing since I joined the club. I plan to use some of the time at our first meeting to discuss the directions you want to go this year. However, you don't have to wait until the meeting. If you have ideas please call me or E-mail me.

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1981 McKenzie Cup Winners

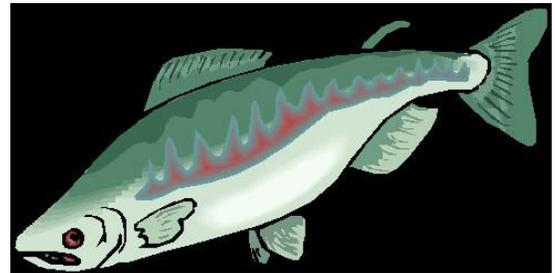
The Red Cedar Fly Fishers is a Charter Club of the Federation of Fly Fishers.  
It's purpose is to promote fly-fishing through Education, Restoration and Conservation

## President's Message Continued

Finally, It is no secret that I am not the most astute fly fisher in the club. I don't claim to be. The picture I submitted is even a little different than the usual big Brown Trout that others used. (There is no worm in that fishes mouth.) But, I do have fun and isn't that what it is supposed to be all about. Yes, I have caught a few large Brown Trout and I think I have only missed one work project since I joined the club. Let's have some fun and make it every member's job to bring some

new persons into the club. Let's spread the fun!

Jim Buscetta



## September Double-Feature Presentation By: Don Sawyer

The Beaverhead Valley of southwest Montana is 2 hours from the Bozeman Airport and is one of the best trout fly fishing destinations in the Lower 48. Dillon is the major town of the area and the Five Rivers Lodge is within an hour's drive to 5 outstanding Blue Ribbon Trout Rivers: the Beaverhead, Big Hole, Jefferson, Madison and Ruby. I went there in mid-September of 2010 and 2011, and even with the many chal-

lenges, we hooked a lot of fish - both browns and rainbows. Most of the fish we landed were in the 17" to 19" range. But that's only the beginning -

Moraine Creek is in the Katmai National Preserve of Alaska's Bristol Bay region and it is only accessible by float plane. The Moraine is a white water river at the top end and the majority of the rainbows there are in the 26" plus category. I called

them 10W30's and they are unmatched in size and strength. Extra entertainment were Brown Bears, up close but not personal.

Two very different experiences for big trout on a fly rod in the US. What is not to like?



## Time to Pay Membership Dues Again

By: Mark Johnson

It's that time again, the beginning of a new year when we need to pay our membership dues to the club again. The Red Cedar Fly Fishers is a 100% club, meaning everyone that is considered a member has paid their national FFF dues as well as the local club dues.

check made out to Red Cedar Fly Fishers and mail it to P.O. Box 129, Okemos, MI 48805.



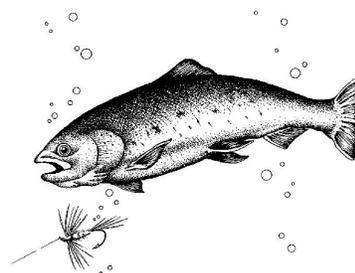
If you cannot attend the September or October meetings and would like to continue to be a member of the Red Cedar Fly Fishers, please send your \$10.00 dues payment in a

## Quote of the Month

By: Mark Noel

"Most anglers false cast too often. Three false casts should be sufficient for any throw and two is better. One is perfect."

-- Joe Brooks



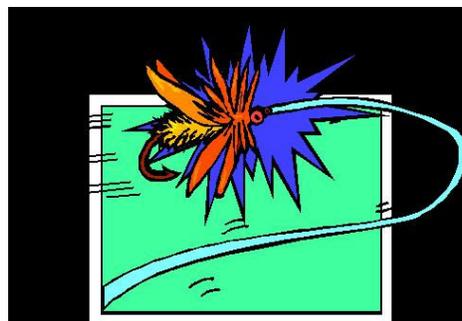
## Sunday Fly Tying Nights

By: Mark Johnson

We will be starting up our Sunday Fly Tying nights in October. These will run one or two Sundays each month throughout the winter meeting at Piazzano's Restaurant in the basement. More details on the days and times for October will be in the October newsletter. If you are a beginner or expert tier, these are open to everyone and are a good place to learn a few new techniques, or just catch up on filling the fly boxes while enjoying the com-

pany of other club members. If you don't tie flies, you are welcome to stop by anyways and just watch and socialize for a couple hours. It's always a good time.

Update 9/6/12—We have planned 2 dates in October for our Sunday Tying Nights and Mark Noel has secured the downstairs at Piazzano's on Grand River for both. October 14th and October 28th from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.



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A couple pictures from our recent club outing on the Grand River at Fitzgerald Park



## Refrigerator Reminders

### September

11th: RCFF Monthly Meeting,  
Social 6:30pm, Business  
7:00pm, Large Group Room,  
Chippewa Middle School

### October

9th: RCFF Monthly Meeting,  
Social 6:30pm, Business  
7:00pm, Large Group Room,  
Chippewa Middle School

14th: Sunday Tying Night at  
Piazzano's on Grand River in  
the Downstairs Banquet Room  
from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

28th: Sunday Tying Night at  
Piazzano's on Grand River in  
the Downstairs Banquet Room  
from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

