



March 2008

Terry and Roxanne Wilson will speak at the March 27th General Membership meeting. The meeting will be at the Dog Museum on Mason Road starting at 7:00 PM.

The Wilson's have presented innovative, practical fly-fishing methods for bass, bluegill, crappie, gar, and channel catfish for more than twenty years in over a hundred magazine articles published in *Fly-fishing and Tying Journal*, *The Flyfisher*, *Midwest Fly-fishing*, *Warmwater Fly-fishing*, *Fly-fishing Quarterly*, *Bassmaster*, *Ontario Out of Doors*, and many others. They are staff writers for St. Louis-based *Outdoor Guide Magazine*. Terry's original flies for bluegills, largemouth bass, and smallmouth bass have been featured in *Fly Fish America* and *Fly-fishing and Tying Journal* and have been included in the books *Innovative Flies and Techniques* published in 2005 and *Federation of Fly-fishers Fly Pattern Encyclopedia* published in 2000.



Their first book *Bluegill Fly-fishing and Flies* was published by Frank Amato Publications, Inc. in April 1999. *Largemouth Bass Fly-fishing: Beyond the Basics*, their second book was published in 2001. *Smallmouth Bass Fly-fishing: A Practical Guide* is their third book.

Terry and Roxanne are members of the Missouri Smallmouth Alliance and are active life members of the Federation of Fly Fishers. They were presented with the Federation's Don Harger Memorial Award in 1996 for their contributions to the sport of fly-fishing. Roxanne was named 1994 Woman of the Year by the Federation's Southern Council. They are members of the Federation's Warmwater Conservation Committee. The Wilson's live in southwest Missouri, where they enjoy fishing the streams and lakes of the Ozark Mountains. Check out their web site - www.thebluepond.com. Terry will be tying blue gill flies before the meeting.

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Ozark Fly Fishers meet the fourth Thursday of each month at Queeny Park, 550 Weidman Road - Community Room

The newsletter is published eleven times each year and can be found on the club's website or is mailed to members who request a mailing. The deadline for submitting an article is the 11th day of each month. Articles for the November/December newsletter must be submitted by November 11th. Newsletter articles can be submitted by sending to Al Bourisaw, 4731 Brawley Court, St. Louis, MO or e-mailed to troutal@att.net



Federation of Fly Fishers

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President's Message

by Mike Swederska, Sr.

One day, a very long time ago, I was down on Blue Springs Creek. When I got to the parking lot, there were several guys standing around talking about what they had been doing that morning. I went up and introduced myself and I met a soft-spoken man. He said that he and the others were with Trout Unlimited and that they were down checking on the health of the creek. At that time, I was not sure of getting involved with any group even though I was a TU member by mail. The tall soft-spoken man invited me to one of the TU meeting and wrote down his phone number and directions to the meeting on a Missouri Trout map. I guess that was about the early 90's. Being the lone wolf fly fisherman I am, it took a long time for me to make my mind up to go to a TU meeting.



When I went, I met this guy again. He was one of the friendliest people I had ever met. But, the rest of the guys were not so friendly, seeming to snub the fact that I was even at their private meeting. So one nice guy did not make up for all the others. I never went back even though I still remain a TU member to this day. I have changed fishing cars several times since then, but I have always kept that map with that information on it. I put it in with my fishing log. Years later, I found Ozark Fly Fishers and sure enough that soft-spoken guy was there again but this time lots of nice guys surrounded me, so I got involved. Since he was one of the first members I knew and could relate to, we got along great. When I became the outings chair, I talked with him on several occasions about what the club would like me to do. Using his advice and having him on many of my outings always telling me what a great job I was doing pumped me up and kept me going even when I was getting tired. He was a great guy to fish with and very informative. He was an inspiration to me and I am sure to many others. He sat on the board when I became a chair for the past president. I found out later that he was the president of TU when I met him. What a guy. He was always pushing for wild trout and friendship in fly-fishing. His job took him out of town a lot but he stayed active in our club.

Larry Carli was just asking me the other day if I had seen him since he has not been coming to meetings lately. I missed him at the all-day Bob Clouser meeting. He would have been leaning against the wall, as always, about halfway up the seats. I don't ever remember seeing him sit. I'd stand there with him during our meetings whispering things about what was going on but never gave it a thought as to what might have been going on in his life. Then I got a phone call from Joe Aimonette Sunday with news that Roy Cleveland had passed away last Thursday. I am still stunned at the lost of a good friend. My entire family is missing him right now.


I am sure that every one of the members that Roy has touched in his life has wonderful memories of him. I just wanted to pass on some of my personal memories of Roy to some of the new members that may not have gotten the opportunity to meet him. He was one of the best and if you see me standing on the wall during the meetings you can bet that I am thinking of Roy.

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I fish better with a lit cigar; some people fish better with talent.

~Nick Lyons, *Bright Rivers*, 1977

Archives Fly of the Month

by Bob Zagar

Our fly this month is a Sowbug pattern from our archives. The pattern sheet was dated "reissue Sept. 83" so I assume it goes back even further. The pattern is quoted as it was published in 1983.

SOWBUG PATTERN

(Frank Brown – Little Rock, Ark., with modifications by Renick and Taylor. Fly produces in any stream containing this crustacean. Check the weed beds. Particularly useful in the North Fork River below Norfork Dam as this stream is crawling with Sowbugs.)

THREAD: Gray

HOOK: #10 to 18 1X long Mustad Sproat #3906B or equiv. Use large weighted ones for fast, rough water, or small unweighted flies for quiet shallow water. #14 weighted is an all around useful size.

FEELERS: 2 fibers from gray mallard flight feather. These are tied in, divided, at bend of hook (fly is actually a "backwards" tie).

WEIGHT: Lead wire .020" for large hooks, .015" for med. hooks, 010" for small hooks.

UNDERBODY: Solufloss, tapered fore and aft, dipped in solvent, squeezed flat with pliers. Flattened body effect is very realistic, but fly still produces using ordinary dubbed body over lead wire.

BODY: Gray muskrat underfur. Mix in some clippings from back of gray or fox squirrel to roughen mixture.

COVERT: Strip of poly plastic (from smooth plastic bag) 1/8" to 5/16" wide by 1-1/2" long. Taper one end to about 45 degrees with scissors.

RIBBING: Gray nylon thread or fine gold wire.

1. Tie in feelers at bend of hook, divide with thread and cement in position.
2. Wrap in lead wire, tie down and cement (don't crowd eye or bend of hook).
3. Tie in and wrap Solufloss (any dull color) into tapered body (both ends). Tie off with several half hitches, cement hitches and set aside to dry. It's a good idea to make 5 or 6 bodies in various sizes so they may be dipped in solvent and flattened consecutively.
4. Holding fly body by bend of hook, immerse in solvent for 5-10 seconds, shake off excess, let dry 10-15 seconds, flatten with pliers (smooth jawed needle nose preferred). Let dry 10-15 minutes.
5. Tie in at bend of hook: ribbing, pointed end of plastic strip. Apply dubbing to tying thread (use sticky wax if necessary) and wrap body to head, covering Solufloss completely.
6. Stretch poly strip forward, folding it down around eye of the hook, and tie off. Poly should cover lateral edges of dubbed body so that some squirrel hairs will protrude from bottom to simulate legs of this crustacean.
7. Rib closely with gray nylon thread or gold wire. Whip finish and cement. Pick out some fibers on bottom of fly with a needle for legs.
8. Tie it to 4X and go fishing.

I have really enjoyed going back through our archives. What a wealth of information. Let me know if you would like to see more from our rich history.



Dr. George Bohigan recently made a trip to Patagonia, Argentine. He traveled with fellow club members Tom Hargrove and Dr. Bill Friedman, among others, to this beautiful Carrileufu Valley Lodge. George is holding a nice Patagonia rainbow. George reported that the fishing was great, the country beautiful and the food excellent.



MO Conservation Heritage Foundation (MCHF) Cold Water Fund / Mill Creek

We want to thank the following individuals for their enthusiasm in coldwater conservation projects, and their MCHF contribution to help in the preservation of stream and creek habitat in Missouri.

Contributions received as of this month's newsletter have been mailed, and MCHF will be mailing letters of acknowledge to the following donors:

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\$2,144.00

Great All Day Meeting with Bob Clouser

by Mike Krueger

First, I would like to thank all of the club members who attended the all day meeting which featured Bob Clouser. Second, I would like to thank all of the non-club members who joined us at the Museum of the Dog for the all day meeting with Bob.

For all of those in attendance we had a couple of rocky moments, first the PA system quit working but thanks to Bob Temper that was fixed, and second when the bulb in the slide projector burned out I had a few moments of sheer panic. Thankfully, the weekend before I visited my parents in Piedmont and brought back my dad's projector. The program went on as smooth as a Swiss watch.



Bob's program on small mouth bass was extremely interesting and very informative. Not only from a fishing point of view, but his take on conservation on his home waters was quite alarming. For Bob to fish where he has done so for so many years now requires a 50 mile drive to even think of getting a strike. We are fortunate to have leaders in our area who are committed to conservation of our waters to maintain and preserve our natural habitat.

What a treat it was to see the master explain and tie his famous Clouser Minnow. The various materials which can be used are astounding and unlimited. Salt water to fresh water, tarpon to blue gill the possibilities are limitless. Bob was kind enough to tie several variants of the Clouser Minnow. Bob Temper has graciously consented to build a special fly plate of these flies which will be auctioned off at next year's annual banquet. You can be sure this will be a one of a kind item. So make plans now to attend. More about the banquet starting next month.

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The fishing was good; it was the catching that was bad.

- A.K. Best

Fly Tying Tips

by Al Bourisaw

As I sat down to write this month's Fly Tying Tip, the commercial where the guy says, "Remember guys, size really does count," was on the TV. It reminded me that there are at least five things that I look for when tying a fly – ala Dave Whitlock. I thought these points might make a good tip for the month.



Size – Select the hook size that is appropriate for the fish food that you are trying to suggest or imitate. Choose materials that are appropriate for the size hook that is being used to tie the fly. Instead of using medium or small wire for ribbing on small flies, use fine wire; use microfibbers for tails of small flies instead of hackle fibers; or, if making a fur body, use only a wisp of dubbing material. Try using 10/0 or 12/0 thread when tying those small flies. Larger flies may require an underbody to give the fly a real look. As you tie the fly remember that "size does count."

Shape – As you look at the fly, it is important to look at the silhouette the fly gives to the fish. Is the natural food flat or round? What are the proportions of the fly? Many stoneflies have an abdomen that is flat. A crawler or clinger type mayfly has an abdomen and thorax about the same length while the swimmer or burrower mayfly has a thorax that is about one-third the length of the abdomen. Forage fish for the most part look narrow from the top and bottom, but are wide when viewed from the side – sculpin excluded. Are you looking for something that is referred to as a "real" tie or are you looking for a "suggestive" or "impressionistic" tie?

Action - As you tie the fly, think about the action of the fly in the water. On any fly that you tie, what kind of action, if any, do you want the fly to have in the water? If it is a nymph, how long are the legs and what material should be used so that they look real and have action in the water? If the fly has a tail, how long are the tails and what material is to be used so that it appears real and still have some action in the water? Is it a good idea to use a fur for the abdomen instead of some hard material so that the fly looks like it is breathing? Do you use marabou, craft fur, CDC, deer hair, elk hair, mohair or some synthetic material to give the fly action? As you tie a fly all these thoughts are important, if the fly is to successfully catch fish.

Color – For nymphs, in general, the earth colors – grays, browns, black, greens and olive – work best in the fall and spring. In the summertime, brighter colors such as light olive, olive-yellow, cream and light green are excellent colors. The color should match the actual color of the fish food that you are trying to imitate – unless you are tying a suggestive or impressionistic pattern. Try using silver or white material for minnow imitations, orange-brown for crayfish imitations and my favorite leech imitation in olive.

Texture – If you are tying a crayfish or scud pattern, try using a material that has a shell feel to the fish when he takes it into his mouth. If it is a mayfly, try using tying material that is somewhat softer as the mayfly nymph will have a much softer feel in the mouth of the fish. Think about the fish food and how it feels in your hand. Then try to find an appropriate material for tying the fly.

So the next time you sit down at the vise, remember Size, Shape, Action, Color, and Texture do count. Include these five concepts in your next fly and it might just be the "Perfect Fly."



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Name That Fly

by Terry Finger

I'm in the mood for a break after writing articles or more than thirty consecutive issues of this newsletter, so my contribution for this month is a Name That Fly contest. For your identification amusement, I photographed several dry and wet flies. All are classic Catskill patterns. Some have appeared here before, some have not. Some are common, some are obscure. Enjoy; answers next month.



Fly One (1)



Fly Two (2)



Fly Three (3)



Fly Four (4)



Fly Five (5)



Fly Six (6)

Some go to church to think about fishing, others go fishing and think about God.

___Tony Blake

Random Thoughts

by Ty Livingstone - March 2008

WADING IN OVER MY HEAD

I was out fishing this past week, by myself, in a remote area on an Ozark stream, all by myself and thoroughly enjoying the solitude. I ran into deer, eagles, raccoons, wild turkey, some muskrat, and even had the good fortune of acquainting myself with a few wild fish. It was a well needed day out; a mental health outing, an attitude adjustor, nourishment for my soul. I had been plagued by cabin fever like most everyone else and really needed to make the time. It was a cold day, but I was dressed for it and the cold weather gave me a good excuse to tap my flask of sipping whiskey for warmth. Life was good...really good.

Except for one small problem – no-one has ever confused me with being the sharpest tool in the shed and I have also had a notorious reputation as an aggressive wader when fly fishing. My problem is my inability to focus on more than one thing at a time. When I start seeing fishy water, I head toward it and “Katy, bar the door!” What happens after that is anybody’s guess and on more occasions than I care to admit, I have put myself in a “less than ideal” situation. So...back to my recent fishing outing...the temperature was around 25 degrees (which is fine if you are dry and dressed appropriately) and the water was up due to the recent snow and rain. Even though the water levels were a few feet up, it was fishable and wade-able (for those of you intelligent enough to know your limits). I was wading toward the bank and the riverbed started coming up and I assumed (you know the old adage about assuming...I achieved it) that it would continue that way. However, there was a big hole between the bank and me and I waded in over the top of my waders and, whoosh, water down to my toes and up through my panty hose (well, my skivvies, actually). I was baptized and achieved the status of “dumb-ass”. My mother would not be proud and my wife was furious with me when I got home. I had to walk several miles back to my car and was a little chilly when I got there. Cranking the heat on the way home and a little McDonald’s coffee went a long way. The hot shower back at the ranch saved me. I survived to tell the tale.

This is not the first time I had made this mistake and I have a sneaking suspicion that it will not be the last. I have a reputation among my fishing buddies for doing the foolish and I think they enjoy laughing at me and not with me. I am starting to rethink my wading practices. I heard a story about Lee Wulff swimming in full waders to prove that you wouldn’t drown, but I don’t think I am half the man that Mr. Wulff was and I really don’t want to die on the river...at least not yet.

Which brings me to my random thought and point of my story – I think wading in over my (our) waders is a metaphor for life. It is something that we just shouldn’t do and if we do, it may have some very serious consequences. I was just reading a story in the news about some of the mortgage market collapse due to our pending recession and the potential for a government bail-out. The banks made plenty of stupid (reckless) loans and buyers got greedy. They featured a couple that had purchased a home that cost more than a

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Bob Zagar, Tim Ernest, Steve Antonic and Al Bourisaw tying flies at the Bass Pro Shop for the Spring Fishing Program.






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million (\$1,000,000) dollars when they both had high flying jobs when they purchased the house. One of them lost their job and they can no longer afford to make the payment. A proposed bail-out program would give them a break and forgive part of their note to "save" them and help them keep their house. Here is my proposed program – *"DON'T BUY A HOUSE YOU CAN'T AFFORD!"* or to put in us fishing folks language – *"DON'T WADE IN OVER YOUR WADERS!"*. I have no sympathy for those folks... travel light and only buy that which you can afford. I think they need to hit up a rich uncle of something (and his name is not Sam). Now, you might be thinking, "TY, you sound like a hypocrite to me...you wade aggressively all the time...at your own peril on occasion." True...I do. But you won't hear me crying for help and I will own up to the stupidity of my own decisions. If I had a nickel for every time I have made a stupid mistake, I would be able to pay cash for that million dollar home. But I don't and I won't. You think about that...TL.

Go Fish Mandatory Training Date Set

by Malcolm Royce

All instructors and coaches for the GO FISH PROGRAM are required to go through training March 22, 2008, at Forest Park Visitor Center. The program runs from 8 am until 2 pm. For those of you who want to help young people get into fishing, this is the way. The need for training in working with youth is very important and taken seriously by all involved. Get more information by calling Malcolm Royse [636-329-1504] or Denise Otto-Missouri Department of Conservation [636-300-1953].

An Education Again

by Malcolm Royce

Well, I just about had myself believing that I was getting pretty good at casting the old 5 wt. Wrong!! You give me a drift boat, a friend at the oars minding his own business, and a gust of wind, and you have a "hooked in the cheek" oarsman. Lucky for Darrel, it only bleed a lot and I now make him very nervous. I have not hooked anyone since I was 8 and got my Grandfather who was teaching me to fly-fish. But if you fish with me in the future, know that on any cast all hell can break loose. Seems this casting class coming up will be a good thing.

The programs coming up in the near future are really a great way to sharpen up a lot of skills, and gain some insight into this thing we love called fly fishing. If you can not get out of town and fish, at least go get a little fishing smarts. It all helps and keeps things fresh.

All the classes are listed on the calendar somewhere in this newsletter. They are held at Queeny Park or Busch Wildlife Center. A special note is that in May I will be taking all the casting classes at Tilles Park.

I hope you all know these classes are first and for most for Ozark Fly Fishers. If you have any ideas about programs or classes, call and let me know. Malcolm Royse [636-329-1504]

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Busch Wildlife Outing Update

by Ted Calceterra

On Saturday April 19th, we will have a warm water outing at August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area located at 2360 Highway D in St. Charles, Missouri. You can reach August A. Busch by traveling south on Highway 94 from Highway 40/61, then 1.5 miles on Route D. We will meet at 8:00 AM at the pavilion located behind the Nature Center. April is a great time of year to pursue warm water species such as bass, crappie, and bluegill on a fly. Many of these species can be found in shallow water within easy reach of one's fly. Many good flies include the Clouser Minnow, Woolly Bugger, and small top water popping bugs. Boats and electric trolling motors are available to rent and give the angler an extra advantage in casting to those hard to reach places. I hope to see you on the water. (If the pavilion is not available, let's meet at Lake # 35.)

MEMBERSHIP and COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEES RECONVENING

by Kevin Miquelon and Al Bourisaw

The Membership Committee is looking for members interested in serving. We will be meeting again sometime in the next couple of months and have a number of things to discuss. If you have an interest, please contact the Membership Director Kevin Miquelon at kmiquelon@charter.net or 314-753-3644.

The Communications Committee will also be meeting in early April. The committee is in need of members and is looking for interested individuals. The first order of business is to look at the web site and bring it up-to-date. If interested in being a member of the committee, contact Al Bourisaw at 314.487.2120 or troutal@att.net.

Conservation

by Wallis W. Warren

The activist is not the man who says the river is dirty. The activist is the man who cleans up the river. – Ross Perot.

Conservation Lobby Day on February 26th was considered a success by those organizing this effort to personally contact our legislators and bring attention to the conservation and environmental community's concerns.

Approximately ninety participants gathered for an organized representation of specific issues. OFF was represented by members Terry Fingers, Bob Temper and myself, several Stream Team representatives also supported the Clean Streams initiative. While many issues were under consideration, OFF's focus is on preserving and improving stream quality, therefore the CAFO (Concentrated Animal Feed Operations) and in Stream Gravel Mining have become our 'signature' issues. At this time, we are tracking these bills with the help of MVC (Missouri Votes Conservation) and Missouri Coalition for the Environment. We owe much to the dedicated efforts of these groups to keep us informed of legislative issues and their progress.

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OFF members who also belong to the Smallmouth Alliance attended the annual SMA Banquet on March 8th.

NAME TAGS

by Kevin Miquelon

Don't forget to wear your OFF Name Badge at every meeting! It is very helpful, with more than three hundred members, for people to give a quick glance at your name badge and see who you are. Lots of effort goes into making the badges and bringing them to the meetings, so please make an effort to wear yours. If you don't have one (basically, you lost yours), then let us know and we will replace it. Dave Haas has a number of name badges in his possession and would like for everyone to "grab and go" with them. Also, bonus tickets to the raffle are an added incentive if you are wearing your name badge. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

Mark Your Calendar

March 27th – Dog Museum – Terry & Roxanne Wilson
 April 24th – Dog Museum – Nick Gironde, MDC
 May 22nd – Dog Museum – Denise Otto, Gone Fishin.

Stream Team: Details are being finalized for a 'Bio Blitz' on LaBarque Creek in Jefferson County tentatively scheduled for April 5th. LaBarque Creek (Hilda Young Conservation Area) is just outside Eureka. LaBarque is a new MDC 'Conservation Opportunity Area' and an excellent example of a high quality stream. This will be a great opportunity for those that would like to gain experience on a stream project to assist trained Stream Team members with biological and chemical monitoring of the stream. Please notify Bob Temper if you would like to assist.

Now that spring is imminent, many of us are preparing for even more hours on our favorite streams. Please keep in mind the 'Clean Angling Pledge' to inspect, clean and dry your gear after every outing to prevent the spread of invasive species. Even though you may fish the same water often, this is a housekeeping habit we should all develop and practice each time we have contact with water – local or otherwise. Invasives are becoming – or in many areas, already have become a serious issue, and our habits can help protect our fisheries. For more information, go to www.cleanangling.org.

Also, we would like to develop a data base of local water conditions that will enable us to protect our resources. While on the stream, save a few shots on your camera for examples of algae bloom, bank destabilization, in stream gravel mining or any practice detrimental to the stream. We would like to have the location, date and description of the problem or activity to support our efforts and document the challenges that we face. As anglers, we spend more time on lesser known waters than any other group, and our documentation can prove invaluable in our conservation and restoration efforts. We enjoy these waters and it our responsibility to protect them!

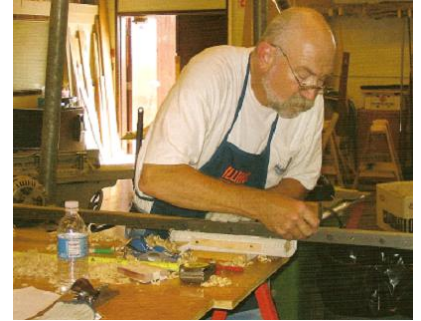
DON'T MISS IT! Youth Conclave 2008

by Kevin Miquelon

Mark your calendars right now for the Wayne & Catherine Moore Youth program for 2008 at the Southern Council Conclave – Saturday, October 4th in Mountain Home, Arkansas at the fabled waters of Dry Run Creek.

Ozark Fly Fishers will be the hosting chapter for the youth program this coming fall. If you are a parent, a grandparent, a great grandparent, an uncle, an aunt, or in any size, shape or form connected to a child under the age of 16, you should seriously consider taking them to the Southern Council Conclave this coming fall. It is one of the most amazing places to fish for trout (rainbows, browns, brook, and cutthroats) on planet earth. There are reported to be more than 10,000 trout per mile. The requirements: 1) Flies only 2) Barbless Hooks only 3) Catch and Release only 4) Must be under 16 or handicapped. We will have all of the gear, stream-helpers (guides), lunch provided, and lots of other fun and giveaways for the kids. More details and sign-up forms will be available in the future. This is an absolutely amazing experience for the kids and you will have memories for you and them that will last a lifetime.

If you would like to get involved in getting kids hooked for life, we are looking for helpers and any donations that might be available (primarily in the form of giveaways for the kids – flies, gear, and other things). Please contact Kevin Miquelon for more information.



Club member Bill Armon is busy at work building a bamboo fly rod. Bill's picture was shown in an article – 'The Necessity of Passion' – by Dave Mosley. The article can be found in the Winter 2008 issue of the Federation of Fly Fishers magazine *FlyFisher*.



Ozark Fly Fishers were also noted in an article in the Winter 2008 issue of the *FlyFisher* magazine – Casting For Recovery Serves About 500 Women in 2007. OFF is a strong supporter of the efforts of Casting For Recovery – both through the volunteer work of the River Helpers and through donations to CFR.

"We supported Casting for Recovery from its inception in the Missouri/Arkansas bistate region. We gain a sincere appreciation for our sport after working with these ladies. Our participation provides us a unique perspective that can only be acquired by serving as River Helpers for those recovering from breast cancer."

- Larry Carli, OFF Past President

Ozark Fly Fishers**Calendar of Activities****2008 - 2009****Fly Fishing Classes**

March 17 th	Reading the Water	County Parks	Queeny Park	7:30
March 19 th	Fishing Dry Flies	County Parks	Queeny Park	7:30
March 22 nd -29 th	Beginning Fly Tying	MDC	Busch Wild Life	9:00 – 12:00
March 26 th	Fish Nymphs/Wet Flies	County Parks	Queeny Park	7:30
April 7,14,21,28 th	Intro Fly Fishing	County Parks	Queeny Park	7:30
April 9 th	Pontoon Boat/Float Tube	County Parks	Queeny Park	7:30
April 12 th	Casting/Knots	MDC	Busch Wild Life	9:00 – 11:00
April 24 th	Fishing WindRush Farm	County Parks	WindRush Farm	9:00
May 5,12,19 th	Intermediate Fly Casting	County Parks	Tilles Park	7:00 – 8:30
May 17 th - 24 th	Youth Fly Fishing	County Parks	Suson Park	9:00 – 12:00

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March 22 nd	Go Fish Training	MDC	Forest Park	9:00 – 2:00
March 22 nd	Tie In/Chili Cook-off	Ted Calaterra	Graham's Club House	9:00 – 2:00
March 27 th	General Membership	Terry & Roxanne Wilson	Dog Museum	7:00 – 9:00
April 5 th	Wet Land for Kids	Malcolm Royce/Bob Zagar	Busch Wild Life	10:00 – 3:00
April 11 th	Newsletter Deadline	Get articles to Al Bourisaw	See page one for details	
April 19 th	Warm Water Outing	Ted Calaterra	Meramec River	TBA
April 20 th	Earth Day Program	Malcolm Royce	Forest Park	
April 20 th	Fly Fishing Program	Malcolm Royce	Shaw Nature Preserve	
April 24 th	General Membership	Nick Gironde - MDC	Queeny Park	7:00 – 9:00
May 11 th	Newsletter Deadline	Get articles to Al Bourisaw	See page one for details	
May 18 th	Women's Outing	TBA		
May 22 nd	General Membership	Denise Otto-Go FISH Prog	Queeny Park	7:00 - 9:00
May 30-31 st	Intro H ₂ OQuality Class	MDC	Montauk State Park	Mornings
June 11 th	Newsletter Deadline	Get articles to Al Bourisaw	See page one for details	
June 26 th	General Membership	B-B-Q/Casting	Tilles Park	5:00 - Dark
July 11 th	Newsletter Deadline	Get articles to Al Bourisaw	See page one for details	
July 24 th	General Membership	Smith Outfitters	Queeny Park	7:00 – 9:00
August 11 th	Newsletter Deadline	Get articles to Al Bourisaw	See page one for details	
Aug. 22-24 th	FYA Outing	Ted Calaterra	Montauk State Park	
Aug 28 th	General Membership	TBA	Queeny Park	7:00 – 9:00
Sept. 12-14 th	Eleven Point Outing	Ted Calaterra	Eleven Point River	
Oct. 2-5 th	Southern Council Conclave		Mt. Home, Ark	
Oct 23 rd	General Membership	TBA	Queeny Park	7:00 – 9:00
Nov. 7-9 th	Catch-N-Release Outing	Russ Hill	Bennett Springs State Park	

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