



Streamline

January 2016

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

Event Calendar

[January 14 - General Meeting](#) - Chance Maxville will speak on Fly Fishing Roaring River

[January 15-17 - Project Healing Water Fly Fishing OK Outing](#) - Roaring River in Missouri

[January 23 - Outing](#) - Roaring River in Missouri

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.](#)

General Meeting

[Thursday January 14](#), Chance Maxville will present "Fly Fishing Roaring River. This will be a good introduction, or reminder, to our next outing. Don't miss these tips.

We meet at the HARDESTY REGIONAL LIBRARY, [8316 E. 93rd St.](#) on the north side of the Creek Turnpike, east of Memorial Drive.

Follow us Facebook

There are now **570** members on Facebook and growing. 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.](#)

Other Facebook groups our members support are:

A Message from Your President



Hello,

Happy New Year to everyone and I hope you had a great Holidays this year. I for one had an amazing Christmas this year, everything I wanted had to do with being warm, comfortable and indulgent in the finer things in life like a new pipe and some holiday tobacco (don't smoke kids, it's not good for you!), liabilities and all... As many of you know, we have had the unfortunate event of mass

Tulsa Fly Tyers - 52

Tulsa Area Trout In The Classroom - 44

Oklahoma River Warriors - 125

Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing

Oklahoma

PHWFF

PHWFF will meet on January 5th to begin rod building. Same location, Graves Boy Scout Reservation.

The first outing of the year will be at Roaring River [on January 16th.](#)

Contact Chris Gorman ... for more information or to help out..

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flooding in our rivers and lakes here in Oklahoma and many of our surrounding areas. As inconvenient as it might be to our fishing lifestyle, it is even more inconvenient to the fish and the habitat that depend on these waters for their survival.

But not to worry! There are some great local area organizations and programs that are designed to organize volunteers for the purposes of keeping our water ways clean and beautiful for generations to come. I would like to urge each and every one of our members and non-members, to volunteer some of their time and give back to their local waters that have provided us with so much. If you're reading this letter then it means you have already made the smart decision to join, or at least sign up to be informed, by your local Trout Unlimited and Tulsa Fly Fishers organizations. But there also some other great organizations that tackle the tasks of keeping our waters clean and even more enjoyable like the Oklahoma River Warriors program that has been started by Scott Hood, definitely check out their Facebook page and see the great event that they had at the Arkansas River recently.

Hope to see everyone at this month's [January 14th](#) member meeting,

John Sellars, President of Oklahoma Trout Unlimited & Tulsa Fly Fishers

Womens Initiative

Hey Ladies,

Time to *Ring in 2016 New Year* with a **ROAR**, ...no I don't mean listening to Katy Perry's award winning song, I am talking about the roar that is the **Roaring River (aka RR)**. January's focus is on the RR, as in Roaring River State Park – just a hop n' skip from Tulsa in Cassville, MO. So Ladies, let's make a showing and resolve to get involved this month for some *planning, doing and learning...* the best way to honor our Fishy Self in the coming year!

To start things off **plan** on attending our TU/TFF monthly meeting [Thursday January 14th](#) where the focus speaker will be discussing the particulars of fishing the RR. This is an excellent opportunity to get some first-hand knowledge on what to expect and how to fish the RR. Once you have the basic info, let's **do** it! The first outing of the year is [Saturday January 23rd](#) and it's time to get our waders wet, take the wrapping off all those fishy presents you may have received and go fish the RR. This is an easy day trip and I'll try to organize carpooling in advance of the trip...watch FaceBook for more details or reach out to me. And finally to tie it all together, **learn** more by signing up

Roaring River Outing

The first outing of 2016 will be a [Saturday, Jan. 23](#) day trip to the always popular Roaring River State Park near Cassville, MO. We'll meet at the pavilion across from the park store just before [8AM](#).

Fishing begins when they sound the horn [at 8AM](#). We'll fish until noon; then meet back at the pavilion for a group lunch. Brisket and soft drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert and your fish tales to share with the group! After lunch we'll disperse again and fish until the [4PM](#) horn signals the end of legal fishing hours.

Unless exempt, you will need a valid Missouri fishing license to fish. Wading is prohibited in most of the park and felt soles are banned in Missouri. Portions of the park have special regulations, single hook, barbless, etc. Details on the three park zones and regulations and can be found here:

<https://mostateparks.com/page/54247/fishing>.

The hatchery puts some large fish in the river during the C&R season, don't miss the chance to hook a big fish!

Beginners Fly Tying Class

This spring we'll offer a Beginners Fly Tying

another Fly Fishing class [on Saturday January 30th](#) (ask for details) ... a great way to reinforce your fishing trip experience and ask all those questions that occurred to you while fishing the RR.

So LADIES, join me in **ROARRRRRing** in 2016 with a resolve to being fishy and wetting lines!

Terrie



Terrie Blackburn and friend

Did You Know?

By: Phil Lilley

class. The class was especially designed for those who would like to learn without investing in materials and equipment. The club will provide the materials and loan you the tools to explore a variety of techniques and types of flies. The flies are examples of their fly type

and the techniques are applicable to other like flies.

The cost is \$40 for the 8 weeks of instruction. Here's the schedule and a brief syllabus:

- 3/2 Tools use and general terminology and a basic wet fly
- 3/9 Improved Woolly Bugger - palmering and counter winding
- [3/16](#) Gartside's Gurgler - fun with foam
- [3/23](#) Clouser's Deep Minnow - bucktail handling tips
- [3/30](#) Pheasant Tail Nymph - a proven fish catcher
- 4/6 Elk Hair Caddis - a durable dry fly
- [4/13](#) Zebra midges - the most common fly used on the LIR
- [4/20](#) Tap's Bug - spinning deer hair

We will meet in the classroom at the Bass Pro Shop in Broken Arrow. From the front door it's on the second floor and back in the right hand corner; look for the restroom sign. Class starts [at 6:30](#), but the instructor usually arrives around 6 to set up the room. Class usually ends by [8:45](#) and we're out of there by [9:00](#).

We have 10 sets of tools to loan, you are

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Roaring River State Park is located seven miles south of Cassville, Missouri, on Highway 112. This state park covers 3,358 acres and includes a nature center, new lodge, swimming pool, cabins, motel, campground, restaurant, a well-developed system of hiking trails, and more. The park was donated to the state of Missouri in [1928 by Dr. Thomas M. Sayman](#). There's so much [history](#) at Roaring River from the spring to the lodge that it's a must-see.

[Roaring River Spring](#) emerges from the base of a shady limestone bluff and produces an average of 20.4 million gallons of water each day, making it the 20th largest in Missouri. The two-and-one-half-mile spring branch is separated into three fishing zones. No wading is permitted, except in the catch-and-release area in Zone 2.

welcome to bring your own, but class size is limited to 12 participants as a lot of one-on-one assistance is usually needed by beginners. If you would like to participate contact Mike Shuman at okflyfisher@aol.com or [918-443-9184](tel:918-443-9184).

OKTU and the Tulsa Fly Fishers Offer Fly Fishing Clinic

Friends, if you have someone that has asked you to teach them to fly fish this is your chance to get it done for you. You know what we mean, especially if you tried and failed to teach your wife or a friend how to cast a fly using a fly rod, it can be very frustrating.

We hope to solve this problem with the Jenks Community Education program offered [on Saturday January 30th](#). Sign-ups are under way at this time. Class size is limited so sign-up early. For \$15 participants will learn all the basics... the language of fly fishing, including understanding lines and rod weights, reels, where to fly fish, habitat, what to look for in both warm and cold water to find the fish, knots, fly tying demos, casting and more.

Casting is learned ON the water and inside, where weather is not an issue using the Olympic size swimming pool of the Jenks High School Aquatics Training Center on the Jenks

The hatchery is at the head of Roaring River, adjacent to scenic Roaring River Spring. About 270,000 12-inch rainbows are stocked annually, along with a few thousand 10- to 11-inch brown trout and a handful of three - to five-pound lunker

rainbows each season. Amazingly enough, anglers catch several hundred lunker trout topping three pounds from the stream each year.

During no-creel fishing in the winter, anglers can experience catch after catch of larger trout. At times anglers and visitors can see eagles flying over the stream or perching in nearby trees. The no-creel season lasts from the second Friday in November to the second Sunday in February.

Camping accommodations are outstanding with 187 sites and 26 rustic cabins. The new Roaring River Inn and Conference Center offers fine dining and great rooms.

Winter Catch and Release Season

- Winter catch and release season is from the second Friday in November to the second Monday in February. Days of the week - Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday only.
- All anglers must possess a trout permit during the winter catch and release season.

High School Campus.



David Games provides casting instruction

No equipment is required, however if a participant has his or her own fly rod they may bring it. The clinic begins [at 10:00 am](#) with classroom setting. There is a lunch break [at 12 noon](#) class resumes [at 1:00 pm](#) with hands on knot tying, fly tying and casting.



release season.

- The area open for winter fishing is from the hatchery to the bridge below the old dam in the lower campground.
- Only flies are permitted during winter catch and release season. A

fly is defined as an artificial lure constructed on a single point hook, using any material except soft plastic and natural and scented bait that is tied, glued or otherwise permanently attached.

For Roaring River reservations and information, call [\(417\) 847-2330](tel:417-847-2330) or [1-800-334-6946](tel:1-800-334-6946).

NOTICE ALL ... "DID YOU KNOW?" is a feature of our monthly Streamlines newsletter. Do you have something you think ever member needs to know? Just write a couple paragraphs and send them to us. (Editors Note, we reserve the right to determine whether your item is truly something everyone needs to know. Facts only please.)

TFF Dues Changed

Dues for 2016, and following years, was changed by the approval of the revised bylaws at the November meeting. Fees this year are:

- Regular \$20
- Supporting \$25

Randy Billington demonstrates fly tying

jenkscommunityed.com ... search Sports and Outdoors or call [918-298-0340](tel:918-298-0340) during weekday business hours.

Trout in the Classroom

Trout In The Classroom Going Strong

Before Christmas all schools were reporting great growth in their Kamloops Rainbow fingerlings. Release dates for both East Central High School ([March 9](#)) and Jenks High School ([April 22](#)) have already been set. Members of OKTU and TFF are encouraged to volunteer to help at release outings. These field trips to the Lower Illinois River are the exciting culmination of the program and are fun to be a part of. Release dates for Union High School and Broken Arrow High have not yet been determined.

Members interested in helping on release dates should contact OKTU's Youth Education Coordinator [Scott Hood](#).
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- Supporting \$25
- Youth \$8
- Lifetime \$150

At the meeting [on January 14th](#) you may pay by cash or check. Checks may also be sent to

Tulsa Fly Fishers
[PO Box 54108](#)
[Tulsa OK 74155](#)

Membership of the TFF may go to www.tulsaflyfishers.org to review the revised bylaws.

2016 Schedule

The Meeting room has been scheduled for 2016. Two of the dates will **NOT** be on the usual second Thursday due to library events that are held that day. However, all will be on a Thursday.

- [January 14](#)
- [February 11](#)
- [March 10](#)
- [April 7](#) - a week early
- [May 12](#)
- [September 15](#) - the third Thursday

- [October 13](#)
- [November 10](#)

Remember we do not meet at the library during June, July or August. The December meeting is the annual dinner meeting.

We meet at the HARDESTY REGIONAL LIBRARY, [8316 E. 93rd St.](#) on the north side of the Creek Turnpike, east of Memorial Drive.

The Welcome Mat!!!

In a couple recent posts to Facebook a discussion came up about newcomers feeling welcome at our Trout Unlimited / Tulsa Fly Fishers meetings.

As a member of TU's Board of Trustees, coming up through the ranks as your Council Chair and as your past National Leadership Council member I can tell you this, it is a common problem at Chapter meetings everywhere.

My friends, here's how EVERYONE reading this can help at the next meeting and all those meetings to come. I own a sales training and advertising company called COSEC. Our name is an acronym from these three words ... CONTACT SELL ... CLOSE and here's how each of you can use the same to help EVERYONE, feel more welcome at our meetings. (I say everyone, because some people have been coming to



Kamloop babies doing well

Scott Hood

OKTU Youth Activities Coordinator

Members, if you have a youth group that you

would like to expose to Fly Fishing, fly casting, or fly tying please contact me at shood91849@aol.com .

Two "Summer on the Fly" Programs are Scheduled

In conjunction with the national Trout Unlimited Headwaters Youth Education Initiative, Scott Hood has announced dates for two "Summer on the Fly" programs for local area youth.

In cooperation with the Jenks Community Education program the Oklahoma Chapter of Trout Unlimited will be host to this first ever local program [on June 17th](#) and 18th. This "youth only" (10 to 15 yrs old) program will be offered similar to the regular adult fly fishing clinic with a couple additions.



This Summer on the Fly program will be

meetings and may still not feel all that welcome.)

First.... When you come into the next meeting get a name tag and wear it.



Second... Walk around and introduce yourself and look for a little common ground with the people you meet. "Where are you from? Broken Arrow, wow me too?" "Where have you fished lately ... oh ... I've never fished there... how was it?" This is the CONTACT step and in about 1 minute you'll make a new friend.



Third ... Talk to them about becoming a member of TU and of TFF ... (and if you aren't yet please join TFF at the next

This Summer of the Fly program will be offered at no charge for the participants thanks in part to the local help of NatureWorks. Also, a second day of real fishing will be offer [on Sunday afternoon](#) when participants are encouraged to bring parents out to show and share with them what they learned during the clinic. (The location of this outing has not yet been determined.)

Class size on this is limited to 40 and sign-ups are not being taken yet. Check the TULSAFLYFISHERS.ORG web site every so often, Facebook or in this newsletter for the announcement of open sign-up.)

The second Summer of the Fly program will be held in conjunction with Camp Fire's Summer Camp held at Lake Fort Gibson. A single day of the week long summer camp will be dedicated to teaching fly fishing and conservation ethics to those attending the camp and interested in water sports. That day is [July 7th](#).

Volunteers will be needed for the "hands on" fly casting clinic. Camp Fire Summer Camp youth sign-ups begin in the spring. Anyone interested in helping should contact [Scott Hood. \(shood91849@aol.com\)](mailto:ScottHood. (shood91849@aol.com))

meeting, dues are due!) As for Trout Unlimited ... this CONSERVATION organization is all about water and making fishing better. SELL your new friend on becoming a member of both. More common ground when we are all members.



Ted Williams renowned Atlantic salmon fly fisher talking with friends

Finally ... CLOSE the deal sit next to them ... and maybe even ask them to go fishing with you some day... make an effort ! I can assure you from my own

experience that in doing so you may find some friends for a life time ... I know I did!

Don't just leave all the greeting to the board and the executives of your organization thinking that they are the face of OKTU and TFF ... YOU ARE THE FACE OF OKTU and TFF.

Next meeting ... help to roll out a welcome mat, make people feel welcome by talking to them ... make it someone you don't already know and perhaps you'll meet some delightful people who, very likely, also like to fly fish!

Thank you, Scott Hood

Other Local Events

[Saturday January 9th](#) - Fly Tying Extravaganza at the Creek County fairgrounds [from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm](#). Sponsored by the [Oklahoma Fly Fishers](#).

Mark Your Calendar for these coming events

- February 11 - General Meeting - Fly Tying Extravaganza

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