

TU chapter 420 – Tulsa FLY FISHER'S

# Streamline

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TU420 OKLAHOMA CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED  
TULSA FLY FISHERS AFFILIATE CLUB OF FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS

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**NOTE: THE FULTON LEARNING CENTER IS PART OF TULSA PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

**IF TULSA PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED DUE TO WEATHER ON THURSDAY FEB 10TH**

**THE MEETING WILL BE CANCELED OR RESCHEDULED.**

**KEEP UPDATED BY GOING TO OUR WEBSITE: [TULSAFLYFISHERS.ORG](http://TULSAFLYFISHERS.ORG)**

## February Regular Meeting

We are combining 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 - February 10 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:

Best First Effort by a beginner during the meeting - to be judged by all demonstrators.

How it works - a number will be assigned to each completed fly (the tier will also get a copy of the number) so that demonstrators will not know the tier. Flies will be returned to the tier.

**Prizes** - A \$25 gift certificate from the Gadget Company for the best fly in each category.

All attendees are asked to bring their best example of a fly in these categories; trout, bass and bream. A raffle ticket will be issued for every fly presented. You will be given a number to attach to the fly and one as a “claim ticket.” The flies will be judged by all attendees. Winner has bragging rights to “Best Bass (Trout or Bream) Fly” for the year.

All flies will be presented to **PROJECT HEALING WATERS**  
[projecthealingwaters.org](http://projecthealingwaters.org)

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

**Mike Shuman**  
**(918) 443 - 9184**

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CDC Parachute Emerger by Bob Bates

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Fly tiers from all over the world came to the 2010 FFF Fly Fishing Fair and Conclave in West Yellowstone, MT. During the Fair Arno Laubscher from Nelspruit, South Africa tied a Klinkhammer variation. This variation uses CDC instead of dubbing for the thorax.

The best time to use this pattern is when the insects are hatching. Cast a floating line, and let the fly float on the water surface. In moving water let it float drag free around boulders or current seams where the hatching insects are drifting or collecting. In still water let it sit on the surface for a while, and if fish are not interested move it a little to attract their attention. Like many good emerger patterns part of the fly is underwater where the fish can see it, and part is above the surface where you can see it. It looks like a helpless hatching insect. View the pattern on the FFF website.

## TIPS For Beginner Fly Tyers from the FFF website. <http://www.fedflyfishers.org/>

- A stable vise, with good jaws to hold the hook firmly, provides the basic starting point for good fly tying.  
Always tie or wrap your thread in a motion over the top of the fly away from you.
- Sharpen all larger hooks (size 10 and up) before they are used to tie a fly.
- Before using a hook, check and make sure it is sharp and will not straighten out under pressure.
- A common problem with new fly tiers is breaking the thread. To get a feel for how tight to wrap your fly, intentionally apply force on the thread until it breaks.
- To avoid sloppy heads, do not tie too close to the hook eye.
- Tie carefully and correctly from the start. Speed will come with practice and repetition.

### **For dry flies:**

- Avoid all unnecessary wraps of thread. Don't wrap three times when two will do.
- Use the lightest weight materials
- Use the least absorbent materials
- Choose the best quality hackle
- **Wet flies or nymphs should be constructed with materials as water-absorbent as possible.**

## Message From Your President:

Oh-boy January weather in Oklahoma, don't you just love it? It's nice early in the week and then around Wednesday it clouds up and gets colder, and then colder and then, sometimes, by Saturday, your day to go fishing it's 20 degrees and the projected high temperature for the day, it's only supposed to be 30 and oh by the way, it snowed 4 inches too. But, by the next weekend, it's near 70 on Friday, and the club outing that nearly everyone agreed was a good idea to postponed last week to the next weekend is on again and it's gonna be 55. Geez, I love January!

There is a lot going on in the next few months. Here's just a few things coming up soon. The Fly Tying Expo and Swap Meet on the 10th, the Lower Mountain Fork Club Outing on the 19th, Kids Only Day at The Trout Pond For Tulsa the 21st (A secret, we'll be stocking on the 14th, so those of you taking the time to read this will be "in the know"... shhh.) and all that just in February alone. Please, get more details on all of this on your OKTU/TFF web site [www.tulsaflyfishers.org](http://www.tulsaflyfishers.org).

Something else is on my mind today, too. Not long ago one of our Trout Unlimited members ask me why he should continue his membership in Trout Unlimited. He said, "What has Trout Unlimited done for us lately?" At the moment I was a bit dumbfounded by his question. Probably because I'm a lot closer to all that Trout Unlimited does everywhere to get to concerned about what they have actually done for us in Oklahoma, ever. I simply told him to just keep enjoying the quarterly magazine and let me think about the why. What I should have asked him was, to paraphrase what John F. Kennedy once ask of us all, ask not what Trout Unlimited has done for you, ask what you can do for Trout Unlimited?

My dear friends, with the 140,000 members of Trout Unlimited, together, lots of things are happening and around us all and for all of us. Together, little bits of streams and rivers here and there are getting cleanup up and cleared up. Cattle are being fenced back away from the banks of what used to be productive trout streams that, over time had become muddy and near lifeless, yet within a year now anglers are seeing and catching trout once again. Road culverts and dams, each of them a hindrance to trout moving up to what used to be their spawning grounds are coming down and young trout fingerlings are being seen only one year after the removal. This doesn't happen without 100's and 1000's of men, women and young people getting out there with picks, shovels, and their bare hands to make these things happen. Some give their time and energies, some give money and sometimes many give both.

So, it's not just about Oklahoma and what is going on in our own back yard, but for all those things. Don't drop your membership in Trout Unlimited, it is one thing that you can do for Trout Unlimited. Those dues don't just buy you a quality Trout fishing magazine. Adding these, one day soon, our own local habitat improvement on the Lower Illinois River will happen, yes it will and Trout Unlimited did help with that in an Embrace-A-Stream grant. Lastly, check out your Trout Unlimited web site at [www.TU.ORG](http://www.TU.ORG) ... Really, take a look at it and "drill down" past the home page, there's more there than what is on the surface... and from what I know from being your state Council NLC there is more coming to that web site soon.

See you at the next meeting, or on the river!

FISH ON!

Scott Hood

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## Meet your Secretary

### Sandi Scott

I lived in Chicago until the age of 10, and went on summer vacations to the lakes of northern Wisconsin. In 1954 my family moved to the Oakland area of Bull Shoals lake, before the lake had even completely filled, and warm water fishing was the focus at that time.

In 2004, my husband Syd became interested in fly fishing and joined the Tulsa Fly Fishers. He wanted me to also get involved so I began going on some of the outings with the club though didn't try to fish. We took the beginning fly fishing course given by your VP Dale Deuvall at the community college and when the club outing was to the lower Mt. Fork, Dale took us under his wing and helped me catch my first trout. (see picture). I have been active in TU420 – Tulsa Fly Fishers since that time, and am now trying my hand at tying, but as yet my average cost per fly tied by me is about \$200.00. Though I'm sure that average cost will go down as I tie more flies, *if I don't buy anymore gadgets or supplies for a while.*

I look forward to serving the clubs this year as both Secretary and Streamline news editor. Please let me know if you need to be added to our mailing list or have ideas of what you would like to see in the newsletter. E-mail to: [tffstreamline@cox.net](mailto:tffstreamline@cox.net)

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## UPCOMING TU420 - TFF OUTING FOR FEBRUARY

The outing is Saturday February 19th at the Lower Mountain Fork, Broken Bow. OK. Activities are being planned by Doug Haskins [dghaskins@cox.net](mailto:dghaskins@cox.net) and John Johnson [rndad@valornet.com](mailto:rndad@valornet.com). Further details will be given at the February meeting and listed on the web site.

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## OTHER CLUBS EVENTS

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### North Arkansas Fly Fishers

March 17, 18, 19 2011

**The Sowbug Roundup** is a fly tying show. It is the foremost gathering of fly tyers in the USA. Every year more than 100 fly tyers from all over North America and Europe meet and tie at the Sowbug Roundup. Mtn. Home, Ark.

Demonstrations by 100+ Expert Tyers  
Seminars, Tying, and Casting Instruction  
Drawings and Auctions

Admission: Adults \$5.00 for All 3 Days  
Under 12: Free with Parent  
**For more info check out their web site**  
<http://www.northarkansasflyfisher.org>

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## Tri-Lakes Fly Fishing Club

April 2, 2011

The Tri-Lakes Fly Fishing club is making plans for their **annual Expo** on April 2. This is Missouri's biggest fly fishing expo with fly tying demos, silent and live auction items along with raffle items.

This year Capt Sodie and Craig Phillips will present Fly Fishing the Florida Keys and they will show us how to tie their famous furled leaders, and Larry Offner will present Fly Fishing the Big Easy. We hope you can join us.

The address of the expo is Brighton Highway Assembly of God Church, 5403 N Highway 13 in Brighton MO.

Directions are :

**From the south** (Springfield and I-44) head north on Hwy 13. Turn right on South 215. Turn left on F (that should be a 4 way stop). The church is approximately quarter mile on the left. We'll have signs posted.

**From the north** – head south on Hwy 13. Turn left on South 215. Turn left on F (that should be a 4 way stop). The church is approximately a quarter mile on the left.

If you have questions, feel free to email Sharon Yoker: [smyoker@prodigy.net](mailto:smyoker@prodigy.net)

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## Northeastern Oklahoma Fly Fishing Club The Okie Flyfishers,

April 29, 30 2011

### 10TH Annual Smallmouth Rendezvous – Fly Tying Extravaganza

SPONSORS:

Northeastern Oklahoma Fly Fishing Club

Native Women Flyfishers

Calvary Assembly of God Church

FREE ADMISSION

9:00 am to 4:00 pm daily

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check out their website for more information.

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