The annual banquet was a record setter netting over $11,000. Huge thanks to Pete Martin who put in an enormous amount of time on the phone, on the road, knocking on doors and mailing letter in order to make this event such a success. Many thanks to the entire banquet team and thanks to all the members who donated items and attended the event. This is just fantastic news.

April is a huge month for KK. Frank Turek and Kokanee Karnival volunteers manned the stations at the spring angling clinic at Shevlin Park. The kids loved playing hooks and ladders, visiting each of the four stations and having the opportunity to fish. Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) supplied 1500 legal fish for the event. Many kids landed their first fish. Volunteers from Sunriver Anglers prepared and served the lunches every day. On April 21st KTVZ did a 90 second spot on Kokanee Karnival. You can view it on the KTVZ.com website under the story Gone Fishin’ at Kokanee Karnival.

In 2014, COF members donated more than 4,200 hours of service and traveled more than 19,000 miles to staff club activities. Over 65% of those hours were devoted to conservation and education programs, and nearly 1,800 of those hours were spent on our well-recognized Kokanee Karnival and relatively new Next Cast youth programs that teach kids to value fishing and respect the tremendous outdoor environment we all enjoy in Oregon.

The Crooked River Cleanup is scheduled for May 2nd. Come on out and enjoy a great lunch, spend some time with friends, make some new friends, pick up some trash and get a little fishing in. Should be a fun day.

~Lee Ann Ross

THE LAKES AND THE LOWER DESCHUTES OPENED APRIL 25TH. THE FISHING SEASON IS ON. GET ON OUT THERE AND WET A LINE.
The May Program is entitled Lakes at Large. At last count [pre-godforsaken drought] there were over 6,000 lakes in Oregon—bodies of water of every size, shape and description. Join long-time Oregon flyfishing writer Don Roberts on a ramble—propelled by an old fashioned slide show—which veers from one end of the state to the other, as he samples a variety of still waters containing an assortment of species...mostly trout. Along the way, Don will share his observations regarding techniques, fly patterns, and his approach to decoding lakes. Expect both some offbeat philosophy and off-the-wall opinions to help fuel the journey. Don is a well-know name in the fly fishing industry. He published the book Nymph Fishing Lakes in the 70s, was the founding editor of the magazine called Flyfishing the West, and was an early contributor to Gray’s Sporting Journal, as well as Outdoor Life and Patagonia. Today, semi-retired, Don continues to research and write the Pioneers & Legends column and articles for Northwest Fly Fishing, and articles for Flyfishing & Tying Journal, Salmon Trout Steelheader and others.

OUTINGS

Davis Lake
(Bass) May 7–9 (Thur-Sat)

Come join the fun with this multi-day trip to Davis Lake for Bass or just come for one day. There will be a BBQ/potluck with our own Charlie Schillinsky doing the honors Friday at 4:00 PM. Why 4:00? Because the evening fishing is great for Bass. Charlie will have a brisket or pork butt and participants will bring the side dishes. We need an RSVP to help Charlie plan the BBQ and help Larry with the camping logistics. RSVP to the outing leader: Larry Godfrey (lgodfrey@bend-broadband.com or 541-382-5860).

We will be camping at the Lava Flow Campground at Davis Lake. This is located on the west side of the Cascade Lakes highway, about three miles south of Wickiup Reservoir and just south of where the lava flow comes next to the road.

What to bring.

Floating device: boat/motor, float tube, pontoon boat, kayak, or pram. Davis Lake is pretty tough to fish from the shore. Check the boating regulations. Motors are allowed with very strict speed limits. Electric motors are preferred.

Rod/Lines: STOUT! 6 to 8 wt. with floating line, intermediate, sink tip, or fast sink depending on type and depth of fishing. Some of the bass are over six pounds. I use my 91/2-foot, 8-wt steelhead rod.

Leader: NO NONSENSE! You don’t need a long leader but is must be stout. I use three feet of 40# and three feet of 20# mono. The bass are not leader shy, and I can rip my flies out of the reeds. A seven-foot tapered leader to 15# would be fine.

Flies: Weedless flies are extremely helpful. I use the following, in order of preference: POPPERS (black, yellow, frog); RABBIT STRIPS (black, purple, olive green) four to five inches long w/ barbell eyes; DRAGONFLY nymphs; DAHLBURG Divers.

Net: You don’t need one. Stick your thumb in their mouth and grab their lower jaw.

Stringer: Bass are excellent to eat and there is no limit. Bass are an illegally introduced species in Davis. Two-way radios: for those that have them it helps to keep in touch.

Regulations: BASS, no Limit or size but you must have barbless hooks in case you catch a trout. TROUT, 2 trout per day, 10-inch minimum and 13 inch maximum.

More Information:

Oregon Section of Westfly http://www.west-fly-fishing.com/oregon/oregon-thismonth.php select month & Davis Lake for Fishery

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OUTINGS

Lower Deschutes Float Trip

Warm Springs to Trout Creek
Saturday May 30th

Considered by many to be the premier trout fishing trip in Oregon. We will drift the stretch from Warm Springs to Trout Creek. The famous Deschutes Redband Rainbow is the fish of choice this time of year. Depending on water temperature and air temperature, it will be the middle or tail end of the Salmon Fly Hatch, which Anglers come from all over the country to fish. Note that this is a drift trip, so a boat of some sort is required. Drift boats and pontoon boats are common. It is mostly flat with some minor rapids. I will be in my drift boat (yes I have room). If you have a boat and would be willing to row other club members, let me know. This is not a beginner’s trip, but beginning rowers should feel comfortable with signing up. Also, strong wading skills are needed. For fishing, I would rate this an intermediate/advanced skill level trip though I’m more than happy to teach beginning skills for those in my boat. For those signed up, I’ll send out more info 2 weeks before the trip on what to expect along with gear & fly options.

~Outing Leader: Eric Steele, RSVP steelefly2@msn.com, 541-549-2072

Capt’ Caddis Crappie On-a-Fly Challenge

June 12,13,14
Meet at Prineville Reservoir Resort

“Fins Up” fisherfolk. Plan now to join us on the high seas of Central Oregon for the annual Capt’ Caddis Crappie on-a-fly Challenge at the Prineville Reservoir Resort, June 12, 13 and 14. Why fish for crappie? Because it’s FUN! After fishing all day, we’ll gather for a potluck Saturday evening. You’ll need a float tube, boat, pontoon boat, kayak or other watercraft plus fishing gear.

• For more information or to RSVP, contact Andy Smith (541-388-4346 or Andysmithbend@gmail.com) or Betsy Brauer-Mullong 541-389-4372 (call before noon)
• For resort information (camp site reservations, boat rentals and all accommodations), contact Prineville Reservoir Resort (541-447-7468 or Prinevilleresort@yahoo.com)

Annual Crooked River Cleanup and Outing

Saturday, May 2

Meet at the Big Bend Campground (the campground just downstream from Bowman Dam) at 9:00 a.m. around noon, we’ll all meet at the campground for lunch. After lunch, there will be a club fishing outing on the river. Members will be available to provide instruction on nymphing techniques. New members should check out the Crooked River fishing PowerPoint presentations on the COF website (http://www.coflyfishers.org/cof/cofpresentations.php). The presentations provide a good start for a successful trip to the Crooked. This outing is a good opportunity to volunteer for a club conservation activity, get a free lunch, and catch a few rainbows and whitefish.

We need an accurate head count for lunch. If you plan to help, email me (rossleeann@yahoo.com). Vegetarian? Let me know. Bottled water will be available or BYOB.

~Lee Ann Ross
The Central Oregon Flyfisher

MAY 2015

WILD WOMEN OF THE WATER

What a wonderful time the Wild Women had at April’s Fly Shop Hop with Jeff & Tina Perin in Sisters at the Fly Fishers’ Place. Mary Ann led a fabulous casting clinic, Christopher guided us in creating great fly pins and Jeff fed us his yummy BBQ chicken! Thank you, thank you!

• Our May Fly Shop Hop will be with Peter at The Patient Angler on Tues, May 19. Put it on your calendar, so you don’t miss out!

• Fly Fishing 101 & Fly Fishing 201 classes are coming up in May. These are great classes for all women fly fishers! 101 is on May 16 and for beginners and May 30 is our 201 class for ladies that have fished for at least a year. The Wild Women have first dibs. After the first week in May, the classes will open up to other women. Don’t be left out…. sign up NOW! For information and sign up, please contact Mary Ann Dozer at flyfishingpursuits@gmail.com.

• June 6: Wild Women of the Water outing with all the 101 and 201 participants and any other women that want to join us. We’ll send out a flyer with more details.

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EDUCATION

Beginning Casting

Monday, May 4 | 6:00–8:00 p.m. | $10 | Farewell Bend Park | Instructor: Jeff Perin from The Flyfishers Place in Sisters

We have had a lot of requests for a beginning casting class, so this is your chance. If you know how to double haul, this class is NOT for you. The class will begin at the beginning. Bring your rod, set up with a reel, floating line and a nine-foot leader. Come on out and have some fun. Class size is limited to 10 students (need at least 6 for the class). Meet Monday, May 4, at Bend Park & Rec (the Bend Parks & Rec headquarters at 799 SW Columbia St) from 6:00–8:00 p.m. Cost: $10.00, Payable to: COF, and write Beginning Casting Class in the memo field. Mail to: Lee Ann Ross, 3062 NW Underhill, Bend, OR 97701. Questions? rosslecarn@yahoo.com.

Intermediate Casting

Monday, May 18 | 6:00–8:00 p.m. | $10 | Farewell Bend Park | Instructor: Jeff Perin from The Flyfishers Place in Sisters

For those who want to improve their casting, this is the class for you. This class will build on basic casting skills—no advanced casting techniques. Class size is limited to 10 students (need at least 6 for the class). Meet Monday, May 18, at Bend Park & Rec (the Bend Parks & Rec headquarters at 799 SW Columbia St) from 6:00–8:00 p.m. Cost: $10.00, Payable to: COF, and write Intermediate Casting Class in the memo field. Mail to: Lee Ann Ross, 3062 NW Underhill, Bend, OR 97701. Questions? rosslecarn@yahoo.com.

Net Building Class

May 14 & 19 | 1:00–3:00 p.m. | $40 each | 61302 Columbine, Bend | Instructor: Steve Stevens

A wood net building class will be offer by Steve Stevens. Class will include rasping, sanding, drilling of holes, varnishing and lacing of new plastic bags. No advanced woodworking skills are needed. Final appearance will depend upon how much time and effort each participant spends on the details of shaping and finishing. Two sessions are required: May 14 and May 19 from 1pm to 3pm. The cost is $40. We will meet a Steve’ shop: 61302 Columbine. The first six responders can attend. To register call Questions? Dave Dunahay, dunahay@bendbroadband.com.
TYER’S CORNER

East Lake
Callibaetis Emerger

- **Hook:** Tiemco 212 TR Dry Fly-Emerger Hook
- **Thread:** Olive dun 8/0
- **Ribbing:** Fine gold wire
- **Tail:** Spirit River UV yarn (tan), Mallard dyed wood duck
- **Body:** Tan Hares Ear Plus
- **Thorax:** Superfine Callibaetis dubbing
- **Hackle:** Sandy Dun or Grizzly (color it with a tan marker)
- **Wings:** Mallard dyed brown tied Catskill style.

**Directions:**

1. Tie in the UV yarn at a point where the thread hanging is even with the hook point. Tie in the wood duck (adjust so the tips are the length of the finished tail) and then the ribbing. Wrap the thread down to a mid-point on the hook bend. Tie the materials in at the same time results in a thinner abdomen.
2. Dub the body up to the original tie in and wrap the rib up to the same point.
3. Tie in the hackle and make the thread loops as shown in the hackle stacker video. Measure so that the finished hackle stack reaches the eye of the hook.
4. Tie in the wings at a point half way between the eye and the body.
5. Wind the hackle up and back down the thread loops as shown in the video and tie off.
6. Dub the thorax with the superfine and figure 8 through the wings leaving a small area in back of the eye to tie in the hackle.
7. Stroke the hackle fibers back and pull through the divided wings. Make a couple of loose wraps around the thread loops and pull the thread loops forward to put the hackle in place. Pull down to tighten and whip finish.

~Mike Telford

MEMBERSHIP

Update

Wear your COF nametag to all COF meetings and be entitled to fill out a raffle ticket at the Membership table and put it in the container for the Nametag Raffle. Can’t find your nametag? Ask me for a new one. Once per year, at the annual banquet, a ticket will be drawn from the container and the winner will receive a very fine prize, usually a premium fly rod. This year’s winner, Ted Royalty, won a Sage Accel fly rod valued at $450. This is the only prize you can win at the banquet without having to spend any additional money, and while we want you to attend the banquet, you don’t have to be present to win.

Welcome New Members

Richard Hachten   Robert Stewart
Nick Seidel       Ruth VanKrieken
John Sherry       ~Tim Schindele, membership@cofflyfishers.org

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Analysis of the Merkley/Wyden Crooked River Collaborative Water Security Act of 2014

[SENATE BILL 1771]

In the COF February 2014 newsletter, the conservation article stated that the development of this legislation represented “compromise in the truest sense” and that “few parties to the agreement got what they wanted.” The undersigned, all former COF Conservation Chairs and all retired biologists, view the matter differently.

We believe that all stakeholders except those concerned with fisheries got all or most of everything they wanted. PGE got the Wild & Scenic boundary moved; the City of Prineville got all the water it requested; and the irrigators will get their requested first take mandate and all the additional water they requested (including the McKay Creek exchange). Additionally, no irrigation allotments can be used in support of ESA purposes (water for threatened steelhead), and irrigators do not have to participate in a mandatory drought management plan incorporating proportional reductions in water allotments. In contrast to the above benefits to others, fish will get little water and the timing of water releases for fish will be dictated by the first take mandate given to irrigators.

The plan to increase releases of water from the Prineville Reservoir began when Rep. G. Walden introduced a bill that, among other things, would provide irrigators with a first take mandate for securing additional water. Several environmental and fishing organizations opposed the first take water security mandate in Walden’s bill and sent a letter to Senators Merkley and Wyden expressing objections to the first take mandate and describing several actions that needed to be included in any legislation crafted to benefit fish and wildlife. It is our opinion that support of the M/W bill places COF in the position of supporting first take of water for irrigation over the needs of fish and that the overall bill is not a good compromise for fisheries. In view of the overwhelming benefits provided to irrigators (and few for fish) the undersigned former Conservation chairs do not support the Merkley/Walden Senate bill.

~John R. Anderson, Phil Havens, Max Johnson, Gene McMullin and Bill Seitz

Comment by Lee Ann Ross, President of COF

There are obviously multiple views on the Crooked River legislation. The McKay Creek exchange provides water from the reservoir in exchange for not taking water from the creek. McKay Creek is a prime steelhead spawning ground and is currently undergoing extensive restoration work. The drought management plan in the bill is not mandatory for any of the participants. The total capacity of the reservoir is 148,640 acre feet with 62,527 acre feet unallocated which can be released for the benefit of fish.

To me, the most important part of the legislation is that, “to the maximum extent practicable,” the annual release schedule will be implemented “to maximize the biological benefit for downstream fish and wildlife taking into consideration multiyear water needs of downstream fish and wildlife.” Before the bill, fish had no standing. Now they do. Whatever ones’ view on the bill, the bill is now law. It is now time to turn our attention to implementation.

Update

In April your board of directors voted unanimously to add COF’s name to the already impressive list of conservation groups opposing the transfer of federal public lands to state governments. There has been an attempt by some US congress members to do this as part of the states-rights movement. There is even a bill introduced in the Oregon house that would require transfer of federal lands to state ownership: https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2015R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HB3444

Unfortunately, states are not in a position financially to manage huge land transfers and conservation groups are concerned about public land access and degradation. Learn more at http://blog.trcp.org/2015/03/27/the-sale-of-your-public-lands-is-more-possible-now-than-ever

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### CONSERVATION

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The subject of fish hatcheries is controversial and COF has no position on the subject. Speaking for myself, I am pro-hatchery in places where wild sport fish are not viable (lakes are an easy example) but hope for the day when habitat restoration allows for more wild fish in our rivers. Some of you may be aware that Montana stopped planting hatchery fish in all rivers decades ago. The results have been spectacular. Here’s a short video on the subject: [https://vimeo.com/123030884](https://vimeo.com/123030884)

- ODFW is looking for some volunteers. First up are redband spawning surveys in the upper Deschutes River above Crane Prairie Reservoir on May 7. Volunteers will be paired with ODFW/USFS staff to help look for trout redds. Survey reaches are 1–3 miles and there are usually some downed trees to climb over. Waders and polarized glasses are a must and probably mosquito repellent this year! If you would like to help please contact Jennifer Luke, jennifer.a.luke@state.or.us, 541-388-6366.

- ODFW is also looking for help stocking steelhead fry this spring. The fry need to be hiked into the Crooked River Canyon (May 18–20) and Whychus Creek/Alder Springs (June 1–2). The bags of fish and water are 25–35 lbs. ODFW has some backpacks for people to use. If you would like to help please contact Terry Shrader, Terry.M.Shrader@state.or.us, 541-325-5347.

~ Yancy Lind, conservation@coflyfishers.org

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### SOCIAL MEDIA

Update

Have important information, outing updates, river conditions or fly fishing news that you’d like to share through the COF Facebook Page? Send me an email and I’ll make sure to schedule it in!

The Facebook Page is doing well and we are very close to 2,000 Likes! Keeping a well maintained digital presence is crucial for keeping COF membership strong and growing, so make sure you “like” us on Facebook today! In addition, COF now has a profile on LinkedIn. I encourage all members to include their membership to COF on their LinkedIn profiles.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me for all of your Social Media concerns.

~ Molly Vernarecci, COF Social Media Coordinator, socialmedia@coflyfishers.org

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~ Molly Vernarecci, COF Social Media Coordinator, socialmedia@coflyfishers.org
IFFF RENDEZVOUS NEWS

IFFF 50th Anniversary Homestay Program

BEND, OR | RIVERHOUSE CONVENTION CENTER | AUGUST 11–15, 2015

In 2015, IFFF will celebrate its 50th Anniversary, a landmark event that celebrates both the history and the future of the federation. The celebration will take place in Bend, OR, the ideal time to welcome global affiliates to our U.S. home and to showcase our international credentials.

We are looking for members of local fly fishing clubs who would be willing to host our global members by participating in the IFFF’s Homestay Program. The IFFF meeting will be held in Bend from August 11 to 15, 2015 at the Riverhouse.

The Homestay program will involve hosting an IFFF member from a foreign country during the week of the IFFF’s International Fly Fishing Fair, probably from August 10 to 16. In exchange, the host member would be able to stay as a guest in the foreign visitor’s home for a week. Participation in the program would also include taking the foreign guest fishing on a local stream or lake during the week and providing transportation from the host’s house to IFFF events. Presently, the IFFF is expecting about 18 people from foreign countries including Japan, England, Norway and Australia.

This would be a great chance to host a fellow angler, meet some interesting people, improve international (fishing) relations and get a chance to travel to a foreign country to fish.

~ Eric Steele

Volunteers should contact Marv Yoshinaka at mpyosh@chamberscable.com or 541-593-5461. They can also contact Kuni Masuda, (IFFF Board of Directors) at kmasuda@yahoo.com 360-573-3310 or 408-406-8830 cell.

LIBRARY

Update

In April, I acquired the following new book and DVDs for the library:

Charlie Craven’s Basic Fly Tying: Midge Magic, Fishing and Tying,
by Davy Wotton, (two DVD set)

Wet Fly Ways,
by Davy Wotton (DVD)

Wet Fly Tying,
by Davy Wotton (DVD)

The book by Charlie Craven is an up to date book (full color) with very clear, well-written instructions. It is good for both a beginning and intermediate tier; suggested by Dolores Marsh, so it has a good recommendation.

The DVDs were recommended by Bill Seitz, so they’ll be very good.

Along with these purchased books, we received many donations from Steve Stevens. Some of those are the following:

Trout, from The Wildlife Series, edited by Stolz and Schnell

The Fly Tyers Nymph Manual, by Randall Kaufmann

Tying Dry Flies, by Randall Kaufmann

Secrets of the Saltwater Fly, by f-stop Fitzgerald

Rivers of the Heart, a Fly-Fishing Memoir, by Steve Raymond

A Practical Guide to Fly Tying, by Bob Gerding

Library books are available for checkout at the COF general meetings, every third Wednesday of the month (except for August).

~ Kathleen Schroeder, COF Librarian
2015 COF Fundraising Banquet Review

The COF fundraising banquet on April 11th at The Riverhouse Hotel & Convention Center was a great success. A total of one hundred & twelve COF and Sunriver Angler members, and their guests, registered to enjoy great food, good people, and the chance to bid on fishing trips, artwork, fly fishing equipment, handcrafts, and gift certificates.

While exact numbers are yet unavailable, I would like to thank the attendees for their willingness to raise just over $11,000 for COF youth programs, conservation and habitat restoration efforts, club activities and member services.

It takes your donations, attendance, and money to make the banquet a success. It also takes volunteers. I have been asked who made the colorful and creative table certificates that describe each item and donor. Please thank Tim Schindele, who made over 150 certificates!

**COF Banquet volunteers include:**

- Corol Ann Cary
- Todd Cary
- Allen Caudle
- Craig Dennis
- Sandy Dunahay
- Dave Dunahay
- John Krefl
- Karen Krefl
- Delores Marsh
- Kathleen Martin
- Debbie Norton
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**COF Business Sponsors**

The following businesses are considered sponsors of Central Oregon Flyfishers. This year’s banquet donations are noted.

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**Buy A Square Raffle is Still Open!**

One reason the exact banquet return can’t be calculated is because we still have an ongoing raffle. 19 squares are still available for your chance at winning a Deschutes River spey rod and reel package. There are only sixty-four total squares on the raffle board.

Fin and Fire in Redmond donated the spey rod and reel package, a value of $540.00, to COF for the fundraising banquet. The package is an Echo 71304 TR 7 weight, 13 foot two-handed rod, Echo Ion 8/10 reel, Airflo 540 grain Skagit compact, and Airflo 30 lb. running line.

A winner can’t be drawn until all the squares are sold. Bring your cash or check to the May 20th COF meeting and buy a square or three. Let’s sell out the board and draw a winner on May 20th.

1 square for $10.00 or 3 squares for just $25.00

**Let’s Sell Out the Board Right Now!**

Call me, 541-388-8956, or email me, pcmartin@bendbroadband.com and I’ll sell you squares until May 15. Put your name on the raffle board before all the squares are sold. We can sell out the board before the May COF meeting. You need not be present to win but you do need your name on the board to win. Offer ends May 15 to allow delivery of your check.

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2015 Banquet Business Donations

The following businesses also made generous donations to the 2015 COF fundraising banquet. Please thank them with your visits and purchases throughout the year.

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- Frank Amato Publications, Portland, OR
- Great Harvest Bread Company
- Ida’s Cupcakes
- IFFF Oregon Council and NW Fly Tying Expo
- International Federation of Fly Fishers, Livingston, MT
- Joel King
- Katie Wendel, www.SipItEvents.com
- Longboard Louie’s
- McMinnimins Pubs & Breweries
- Naked Winery
- Newport Market
- North Sales Footwear
- Oregon Body and Bath
- Petes Kellers Photo LLC, www.camerabooks.com
- Pizza Mondo
- Quilt Works
- Rat Hole Brewing
- REI
- S-Wireless Northwest Inc
- Simms Fishing Products, Bozeman, MT
- Sportsmen Warehouse
- Starbucks Coffee, Downtown Bend
- Sun Country Tours
- Team Fish Inc, www.teamfishco.com
- The Fly Fishing Shop, Welches, OR
- The Name Tag Raffle Rod, Sage Accel 590-4, 9’, 5 wt., 4pc
- The Fly Fishers Place, Jeff Perin, Sisters, 1 day guided trip for 2, walk or wade / your choice of location, everything included
- The Patient Angler, Peter Bowers, Business 3rd in Southeast Bend, The Name Tag Raffle Rod, Sage Accel 590-4, 9’, 5 wt., 4pc
- The Pine Tavern
- Tower Theatre Foundation
- Trader Joes
- Tumalo Creek Kayak & Canoe
- Wanderlust Tours

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2015 Banquet Awards

A t the COF annual banquet, Karen Kreft (photo 1) received the COF Flyfisher of the Year for her amazing efforts at establishing a robust and thriving youth fly fishing program, the Next Cast. Coral Ann Cary (photo 2) and Cliff Price (photo 3) were recognized by ODFW for their volunteer service and contributions to trout and salmon conservation in Central Oregon. Jen Luke (photo 4) received the Bob Mullong Volunteer of the Year award which recognizes the Kokanee Karnival volunteer who exemplifies the spirit, dedication, and leadership shown by Bob Mullong.
NEXT CAST FLYFISHERS

Update

The Next Cast Flyfishers program provides opportunities and coordinates activities for young fly anglers in the area. We are able to help provide fly fishing instruction through classroom activities, our fly fishing summer camp, ongoing COF events, and individually through mentorship and teaching.

We hope that by providing these opportunities, young anglers will be exposed to fly fishing and increase their interest and level of involvement.

Upcoming events include:

- **Crooked River Clean-up:** May 2, 2015. The Next Cast Flyfishers will join other COF volunteers at the Crooked River to pick up litter along the river. After all the work is done, we will have a BBQ and then we will fish. Several of our Next Cast Committee members will be in attendance to help with fishing.

- **Next Cast Flyfishers 3-Day Fish Camp:** June 15-17, 2015, Shevlin Park, Bend, OR, this camp is coordinated through Bend Parks & Recreation (http://www.bendparksandrec.org/Recreation_Programs/) and registration will be included in the summer activities catalog. Camp attendees learn all aspects of fly fishing including knot tying, bug collection and identification, fly tying, casting and fly fishing in Shevlin Pond.

  We will need several volunteers for each of the three days. The camp runs from 9:00 am–1:00 pm each day. The schedule will include casting and fishing each day, along with sessions on gear and equipment, knots, fly tying, bug collection and identification, regulations, where to fish and safety.

  Please let me know if you are available any of the three days to volunteer with the camp.

- **International Federation of Fly Fishers 50th Anniversary:** August 11-15, 2015 in Bend, OR. The IFFF will hold their 50th anniversary fair in Bend this summer. The fair will feature classes for instruction in a variety of fly fishing topics, displays and demonstrations, and other events. Watch this newsletter or visit the IFFF website (http://www.fedflyfishers.org) for details.

  ~Karen Kreft, nextcast@coflyfishers.org, 503-409-0148

EVENTS

**Sunriver Anglers Club Presentation**

**June 18: Sunriver Angler’s Club Presents Special Program On Deschutes River**

On Thursday, June 18 at 7 pm the Sunriver Anglers Club will present a significant program illustrating the current state of the upper Deschutes River and the efforts being undertaken to restore stream flow and improve water quality in the river basin. All COF members are invited to attend. The program will include a video presentation by cinematographer, Scott Nelson, who has created a powerful video which describes the current condition of the river and how this came to be. We will also have a visual presentation by Jason Gritzner, USFS Hydrologist, showing the conditions of the river and the adjacent stream banks at different stages of the draw-down which annually occurs when upstream reservoir storage cycles begin.

Following the two visual presentations, Tod Heisler, Executive Director of the Deschutes River Conservancy, will describe the status of efforts now underway to improve the river.

The meeting will be held at the SHARC in Sunriver. For additional information concerning the June 18 program, contact Ron Angell at 541-593-3242.
## UPSTREAM EVENTS  May 2015

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### In the Future

- Wild Women of the Water Crooked River Outing, June 6th, Contact Kari Schoessler, wildwomen@coflyfishers.org
- Annual Cap’n Caddis Crappie-on-a-Fly Challenge, Prineville Reservoir, Contact Andy Smith, andysmith-bend@gmail.com, 541-388-4346
- Next Cast 3-Day Fish Camp, June 15, 16, 17, 2015 at Shevlin Park, Contact Karen Kreft, nextcast@coflyfishers.org
- Sunriver Anglers Club Presentation: The Deschutes River, June 18, 2015, Sunriver SHARC, Contact Ron Angell, 541-593-3242
- Williamson River Outing June 16–19th, Contact Yancy Lind, conservation@coflyfishers.org
- IFFF 50th Anniversary, August 11–15, 2015, RiverHouse Convention Center, Bend, OR; Contact: Sherry Steele, steelefty@msn.com
- COF Annual BBQ, August 18th, Shevlin Park, Contact: Herb Blank
- Sunriver Fly Fishing Festival, September 19 and 20, 2015

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