

THE LOOP



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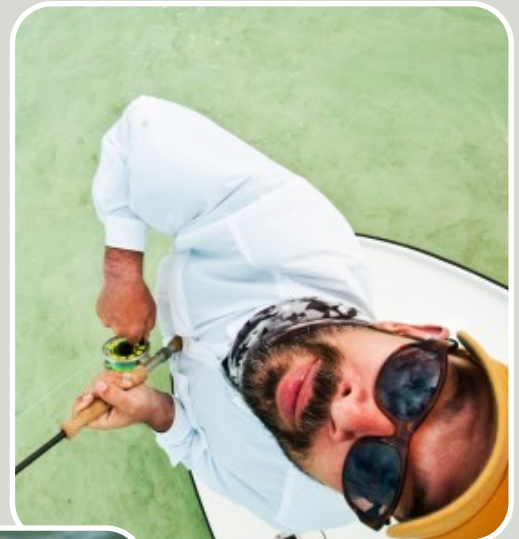


Wednesday,
November 15 at
Juday Creek Golf
Course Event
Center

SJRVFF WELCOMES LOUIS CAHILL.

Louis is a life long fly angler, writer and photographer. He owns and edits Gink and Gasoline, an online fly fishing site publishing daily fly fishing content with the goal of making fly fishing accessible to everyone. Louis leads groups of anglers in the US and abroad including his popular Bonefish Schools, which introduce anglers to the skills needed to become successful saltwater fly anglers.

Louis will present "Bonefishing, an introduction to saltwater for the freshwater angler." This presentation will cover the skills, equipment and strategies needed to land fish on the flats. It is suitable for anglers at any skill level.





Flyfishers,

I want to sincerely and emphatically say thank you to each and every one of you reading this newsletter. I can't thank you enough for your continued support - be it by participating in club activities, buying a raffle ticket at the monthly meetings, bidding on something at the auction, coming out to fish (or even just to eat) at one of our events, or paying your dues promptly and regularly, but mostly for fishing and tying and sharing your passion with 180 other folks that love it just the same. As our lives continue to get busier and our energy starts to wane, it's not easy to put effort towards a fishing club unless you are getting something out of it. So again – thanks for being a member!

It is time to start to think about the future of this club and take it into 2020. Several board members, the vice president and the president's positions are up at the end of the year so please be thinking of a person to nominate for one of these open positions.

The club's award banquet is also just right around the corner, so if there is a club member you feel is deserving of an award, be it for hard work, dedication, tying flies, marked improvement in fishing skills or you want to call someone out for a bonehead move – please nominate someone. Forms should be on the table at the meeting.

Just a few reminders – I know it gets old – but we can't do this without members. So please update your membership as soon as possible. Also, if you fish with someone that isn't a member please consider telling them about the club and encourage them to join, we do have a membership drive contest going now with an amazing prize for the biggest recruiter. One more - please remember to reserve a dinner if you plan to eat. I'm sorry but yes this is a thing from here on out and we need everyone's cooperation. It is something we have to do in order to keep dinner prices reasonable.

For those of you already sick of the strange, cold and gloomy weather here in Michiana and you're ready for a tropical

vacation, the SJRVFF may be able to help. It would be impossible to send everyone to the tropics to catch bonefish – but we can do the next best thing - we can bring the bonefish to you. So please come out and listen to Louis Cahill (yes the Gink and Gasoline blog, Louis Cahill) show you how to do it. Hear a few good stories and maybe make his blog.

If it is the sun in your eyes, wind in the hair and the taste of salt on your lips you are craving – then please drive west on Cleveland Rd. about 6:00 pm with you windows down while eating peanuts. Best of both and cheaper too.

See you Wednesday and if I forgot to mention it: thanks for all you all do!

John



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

Membership renewal dues can be paid at the club meetings or by mail to:

SJRVFF
P.O. Box 933
South Bend, IN 46624

- You can pay your dues by credit card through the web site. Click on the "Join SJRVFF" tab and down toward the bottom you will see where you can pay via PayPal.
- The dues are still just \$20.00 for individuals and \$35.00 for a family membership.



NOTE: YOU MUST RSVP TO HAVE DINNER AT THE MEETING.

Please be sure to RSVP by emailing at terryflyfish@hotmail.com or call and leave a message at 269-424-5138. Please respond by 9:00 pm on the Friday.

NO RSVP, NO DINNER.

MEETING DETAILS:

Doors open at 6:30
Meal at 7:00
Meeting starts at 7:30

Location:
Juday Creek Golf
Course Event Center
14770 Lindy Drive
Granger, IN 46530

Parking is free.

Meal cost \$16.00/
person

MENU

Delicious plated
dinner served to you
by the courteous
staff.

NOVEMBER RAFFLE

Craig has for us a 9ft
7wt 4pc Orris Recon fly
rod taking center stage
with a handful of other
goodies.



2018 ANNUAL TIE-A-THON APRIL 21ST

On April 21st fly tyers from various Fly Fishers International and Trout Unlimited Clubs from around the Great Lakes region will come together for the 12th annual Tie-a-thon to tie and donate flies benefitting Casting for Recovery of Indiana and the Anglers of the Au Sable Youth Program. This Tie-a-thon will mark a special milestone. This year tyers will surpass a total of 100,000 flies donated by individual tyers over the past 12 years. In the 12 years of the Tie-a-thon, tyers have donated 98,458 flies which leaves us 1,542 flies short of 100,000 flies. This year, we expanded the list of flies to include more bass and bluegill flies.



About the Recipient

Casting for Recovery, Indiana (CFR)

The mission of Casting for Recovery (CfR) is to enhance the quality of life of women with breast cancer through a unique retreat program that combines breast cancer education and peer support with the therapeutic sport of fly fishing. The program offers opportunities for women to find inspiration, discover renewed energy for life and experience healing connections with other women and nature. CfR serves women of all ages, in all stages of breast cancer treatment and recovery, at no cost to participants.

Anglers of the Au Sable Youth Program - After the Marathon Clean Up

The Anglers of the Au Sable ("Anglers") mission statement is to preserve, protect and enhance the Au Sable River System for future generations of fly fishers. They collaborate with Crawford County personnel in a way that fully satisfies this mission by educating the youth of Crawford County to appreciate and maintain the special resource that is the Au Sable River, through a river cleanup and fly fishing program.

These are the flies you asked to tie: (tie 100 flies of one pattern)

Fly	Hook Size
Adams	14
Ant	18 - 20
Beetles	14 - 18
Blue Wing Olive Emerger	18 - 22
Caddis Nymph	16 - 18
Clouser's Minnow	4 - 8
Elk Hair Caddis	14 - 16
Griffith Gnat	20 - 22
Hare's Ear	12 - 14
Hopper / Madam X	6 - 8
Mattress Thrasher / Stonefly dry	4 - 8
Meat gazer / Jimmy Rubber legs	4 - 10
Murdoch Minnow	4 - 8
Patriot	12 - 14
Pheasant Tail	14 - 16
Popper	4 - 6
Trico	20 - 22
Soft Hackle	14 - 16
Spider	12 - 14
Woolly Bugger	10

Any questions, contact:

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 timelscott@gmail.com
 574-538-1936
 or
Terry Wittorp
 terryflyfish@hotmail.com
 269-424-5138



INTERMEDIATE FLY TYING CLASSES

Next year being an even numbered year, we will be doing the Intermediate Fly Tying Class. This will be a seven week class building on basic techniques, materials and tricks you need to continue your journey as a fly tier. You will tie proven fly patterns for the local area and beyond. Classes will be once a week for seven weeks starting the first Tuesday of February. The cost for nonmembers of SJRVFF is \$30.00 and \$5.00 for members with a limited of 30 people. SJRVFF will supply all the vises, tools and materials to tie during the class or you are welcome to bring your own vise and tools. For more information please contact Jeff Stanifer at janar3@sbcglobal.net or Dustin New at dustinnew@sbcglobal.net.

ELECTION TIME IS HERE

Election time is here and this is your opportunity to be part of the leadership of the SJRVFF.

How it works

The Board will identify and present a slate to the membership at the November meeting. Additional nominations for the available positions can also be made at that time from the floor by a member in good standing. All members in good standing can then vote on the nominees and we will have our leadership for 2018 set. That's a bit of simplification but we will deal with the details per the by-laws at the meeting as necessary. If you are interested in giving a bit of your time and talents, please talk with a board member.

Positions Available

Each year two of the six directors rotate off of the board and are replaced. Additionally, the President and Vice-President positions are available.

The Perks

First and foremost, you get to give back to the club that has provide many hours of entertainment and invaluable information to you over the years. There's nothing more satisfying than giving back.

Don't underestimate the value of the SJRVFF on a resume.

You have an awesome cast of past directors to draw from for advice and assistance. Over the decades the SJRVFF has been around there's someone who's been there, done that.

A better understand of what goes into making the SJRVFF great.



WEST MICHIGAN FLY SHOW

Hosted by
Great Lakes Council



JANUARY 13 & 14, 2018

**East Kentwood High School
6230 Kalamazoo Avenue Southeast
Grand Rapids, Michigan**

SHOW HOURS:

Saturday: 12pm to 6pm
Sunday: 9am to 3pm

ADMISSION:

Adults: \$10 single day, \$15 both days
Kids 16 and younger: FREE

FEATURING:

6 Free seminars on fishing rivers in Michigan

RAFFLE PACKAGE:

6 Full days of guided trips for 1 or 2 anglers will be provided by each speaker/guide on their designated river. Tickets sold at show for \$10 each.

CARD RAFFLE: 16' Cedar Strip Kayak

THE SHOW INCLUDES:

Fly Casting Instruction, Fly Tackle Dealers, Fly Tier's Showing their talents, Kids Tying Corner, Fly Fishing Clubs, Free Parking --- and more.

Fly Tying Instruction @ \$10
(Limit 20 per session, Advanced Registration Advised)

For questions, contact:

**Don Sawyer at
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For Further Information:

www.fffglc.org

DIRECTORS

President: John Law
Vice-President: Terry Wittorp
Treasurer: Don Reber
Secretary: Jim Lothary
1 Year Director: Jeff Downing
1 Year Director: Tom Rondo
2 Year Director: John Barnhart
2 Year Director: Bob Hagin
3 Year Director: Micheal Kendzicky
3 Year Director: open

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Conservation: John Law
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Librarian: Blake Morris
Raffle Director: Craig Myers
Newsletter: Dustin New
Webmaster: Micheal Kendzicky

The Loop is published the 2nd Wednesday of the month, September through May. If you have story, article ideas, photo, artwork, or need to get something off you chest, contact me at: 574-286-6508 or dustinnew@sbcglobal.net

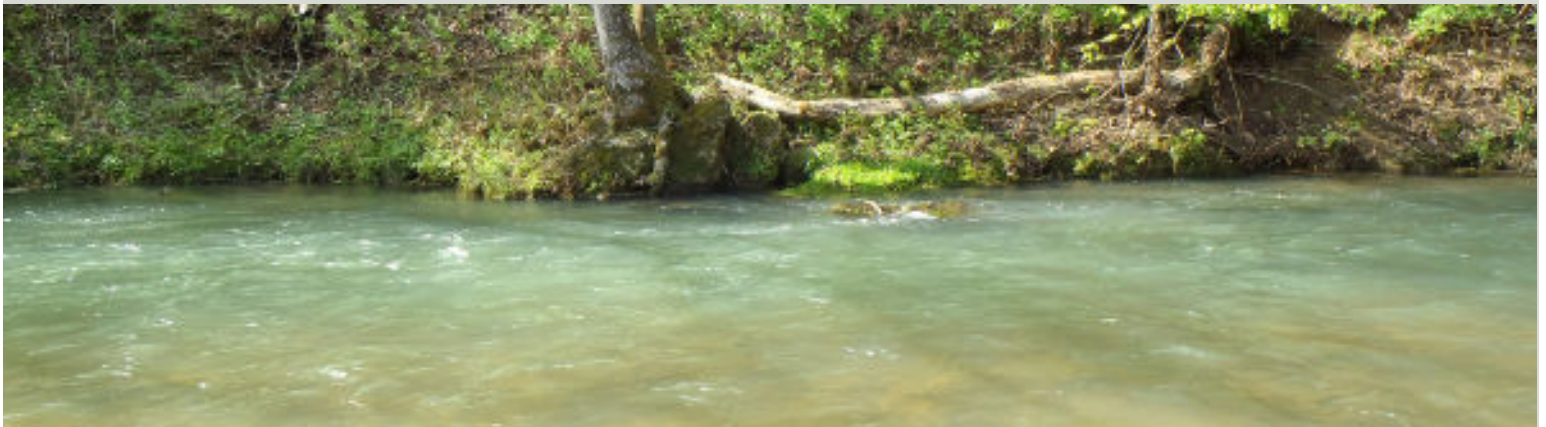


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UPCOMING EVENTS	NOV 23	DEC 20	DEC 25	JAN 17
	Thanksgiving Time to start laying the hints for that rod or reel you want for Christmas	Club Meeting 6:30pm - Juday Creek Golf Course Event Center	Christmas Day	Club Meeting 6:30pm - Juday Creek Golf Course Event Center

CLUB AWARDS AT DECEMBER MEETING!

The club awards are given annually at the December meeting. We are looking for nominations for the following:

- Okee Drifter
- Fly Fisher of the Year
- Fly Tier of the Year
- Harry Hustle

There are several ways to make a nomination. Email any of the board members with you nomination, make a nomination to any of the board members in person at the November meeting or go to the SJRVFF website under the awards section and make a nomination there. For a detailed explanation of each award please go to the SJRVFF Website under the awards section. We need nominations from you...Please help.



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