# TIGHTLINES

MIAMI VALLEY

FLY FISHERS

The Monthly Newsletter of the Miami Valley Fly Fishers

## March Meeting

Our next meeting is March 9, 2020, at the Presidential Banquet Center, 4572 Presidential Way (Directions on Website)

DINNER RESERVATIONS REQUIRED (Meal Price - \$15.00)

Make your dinner reservation online . . . HERE by March 5th

(Cash bar)

The fun starts at 5:30 p.m.

# **MVFF Annual Auction**

### Get ready for another great event!

The time is quickly approaching for the MVFF Annual Auction on March 9th. The festivities will begin at 5:30 p.m at the Presidential Banquet Center, which is the larger building to the left of our regular meeting location. This will provide us more room for this event. Joe Bremmer will once again be the auctioneer. He has graciously done this for the



club the past few years at no cost. (Also, please note there will be a cash bar - no \$1.00 beer!)

I would like to remind everyone that this is what generates the essential funds for the club every year. Everyone has done a great job of supporting this event in the past and I ask for you to do the same this year. Donate and bring your cash or checkbook along. We will be accepting payments through the PayPal portal on our website again this year. You can pay with your mobile device either through your PayPal account or charging by credit card; however, you the buyer will be responsible for the fees associated with the transaction.

I know time is getting short, but if you have donations that need to be picked up ahead of time please contact me at (937) 215-2046 or <a href="mailto:edrconstruction@yahoo.com">edrconstruction@yahoo.com</a>. I will make arrangements to have them picked up or meet at a convenient place for all parties involved. Any large items please make sure we know in advance so we can plan our set-up accordingly.

Also anyone that would like to volunteer to help this year it would be greatly appreciated. Contact me at (937) 215-2046 or email <a href="mailto:edrconstruction@yahoo.com">edrconstruction@yahoo.com</a>.

We've gained lot of new members over the past year who may not be familiar with the MVFF Auction so we still have more info on the event on page 7 of this issue.

Thank you all and see you March 9th,

Eric Rice

# President's Thoughts ...



Hello again anglers and friends,

This month is the annual auction! I cant wait to see all the great donations again this year. Joe Bremer will once again be auctioneer. He always does a superb job. Remember to get your flies to Rich Blankenship soon so there is time to get them ready. Bring anything you wish to donate to the meeting / auction on the 9th of March. We will be in the building to the left of Kohler Banquet Hall for the auction again this year. Hope to see you all there.

I just got back from an awesome trip to the White River in Arkansas. If you have never been you are missing a treat. Streamers and nymphs were the techniques used to chase big browns, rainbows, and cutthroat trout. The fishing was tough this year, but several club members landed nice browns and rainbows. The lodging, food, fishing, guides, and company were all wonderful. Kelly Neuman has put together a great package at the White River Lodge. Thanks to Ron Lewis for heading up the trip again.

Volunteers are in short supply these days. Anyone that can help at the auction would be greatly appreciated. It would be nice to see some new faces getting involved with the different activities we set up at as well.

I have been informed that The Really Great Fly Fishing Swap Meet will be held Saturday April 25th

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### Flies Needed for Auction

We are in crunch mode to get flies together for the March 9th MVFF Annual Auction which is just a little more than 1 week away!

For those of you taking either the beginner or intermediate fly tying class, just bring your flies to the March 3rd or March 5th class. One of us will be at the classes so you can bring them to either one.

If there are circumstances that you want to submit flies, but will not be at the March meeting, please contact one of us and we can make arrangements to pick up or have them dropped off.

The sale of flies tied by members makes up a significant portion of the total auction proceeds and easily supports the costs of the tying classes. We would appreciate any contributrions you can make.

Thanks.

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#### President's Thoughts (cont'd)

at Mother Stewart's Brewing Co. Starting time is 8:00 a.m. Contact Scott Smallwood if you are wanting to set up a personal booth at 614-257-8044 or <a href="mailto:ScottGSmallwood@outlook.com">ScottGSmallwood@outlook.com</a>.

Mid-Week Fly Fishing outings begin March 11th. Check the website calendar at <a href="https://www.mvff.us">https://www.mvff.us</a> for times and places. There are more events scheduled than ever before.

We hope to see you at the Auction. Get your donations of flies, gear, books, etc. together and come prepared to bid on items. It will be a funfilled evening.

Tight lines,

Eric Rice MVFF President

### Dues!

Club membership dues for 2020 are now due, and must be paid by our March meeting to remain in good standing. Our club dues support a number of important club activities, services and programs, including youth education programs, fly tying classes and Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing. Paying your membership fee of \$35 is simple. You can pay using the Pay Now link located on the MVFF website, at <a href="https://mvff.us">https://mvff.us</a>; or you can mail your check made out to MVFF to our post office box at: MVFF, P.O. Box 151, Wright

Brothers Station, Dayton, Ohio 45409. Better yet, plan to attend the March meeting which includes our great fly fishing auction and pay your dues in person! (PS: Remember to make a reservation on our website by March 5th if you plan to eat dinner with us.) If you have any questions or need information about renewing your membership, please contact me at (937) 620-7863, or at <a href="mailto:karenbw@hotmail.com">karenbw@hotmail.com</a>.

We look forward to seeing you at meetings and on the river.

Karen Via Secretary

# Notes from the Library

#### March 2020

We are grateful for the response to the library questionnaire and will be making some additions and changes to better serve the membership. There have been several members who have donated magazines. It is beyond our capacity to store and carry a large number of magazines. Our interest is in making these available to members and organizations. We will make room at each monthly meeting to display donated magazines. These will be free to members to take. After each meeting whatever magazines are left will be passed on to PHWFF or disposed of. If there is a particular article that you believe the membership could profit from archiving, we will place that article in a binder of articles and make it available.

Filming of the intermediate fly tying class has begun. At a future date we will be linking these videos to the list of fly recipes listed on the club website.

A special thank you to Bob Stroup for his donation of an exceptional part of his trout fishing library. Among the catalog is such authors as local writer Jim Robey and the founder of the Penn State fly fishing program, George Harvey. Some books are first editions and/or signed by the author. These will be placed in the March auction and the proceeds given to the club treasury to support future speakers and events. Thanks also to Tom DeRoss, George Daskalakis, and Ken Davy for donations to the library. We recently acquired Joe Humphrey's video Live the Stream and his seminal work, <u>Trout Tactics</u>. Check it out. J.W.

Again, thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the questionnaire.

# March Fly of the Month



Instructions by Bill "Woody" Woodward

Photography by Bob Cain

- 1. Tie in thread at midpoint of hook shank and wrap back to hook bend. (If making a bead head fly, insert bead on hook before tying in thread.)
- 2. Tie in 10-15 pheasant tail fibers at the hook bend to form tail. Wrap thread over butt end of hair to middle of hook shank, then cut off remaining hair butt fibers. Let thread hang.
- 3. Tie in a 2-3" inch length of oval gold tinsel at the hook bend with its length extending out over the hook bend. Wrap thread back over tinsel butt and return the thread to the hook bend.
- 4. Apply hare's mask dubbing to thread and wrap it forward to the middle of the hook shank forming a small tapered abdomen.
- 5. Wrap the tinsel forward over the dubbed abdomen in 4-5 evenly spaced turns and tie off with several thread turns. Trim off excess ribbing.
- 6. Tie in a 1/2" wide turkey quill segment, shiny side up and pointing toward hook bend, at front of the abdomen. Snip off butt end of quill segment. Let thread hang.

### **Hot Spot GRHE Nymph**

#### Recipe

Hook......Nymph, size 8-16
Thread....Color to match thorax, 6/0
Tail....Hare's mask guard hairs, Brown hackle fibers, or Pheasant tail fibers
Rib.....Oval gold tinsel or copper wire
Body.....Hare's ear dubbing, light
Thorax...Bright colored dubbing of your choice
Wingcase..Turkey quill segment or Pheasant tail fibers (coated with fixative)
Head.....Thread (Brass bead optional)

- 7. Apply generous amount of brightly colored dubbing (Orange, Red, Yellow, Blue, Pink, etc.) to the thread and, ensuring that quill tie-in point is covered, wrap the dubbed thread forward to about one hook eye length behind the hook eye (or bead head). Ensure that the thorax is more heavily dubbed and thicker than the abdomen.
- 8. Pull the turkey quill segment forward over the thorax to just behind hook eye (or bead head) and tie off with several thread turns to form wingcase. Be sure to keep the wingcase centered on top of the thorax. Trim off any excess quill segment.
- Form a thread head, whipfinish, trim thread and apply head cement.
- 10. Using dubbing needle or brush, pluck out fibers from bottom of thorax to form legs.

**Note:** This "Hot Spot" technique can be used with almost any nymph pattern. Fish really key in on the bright thorax. In off-colored water, use fluorescent colors for best results. Hot Spot nymph patterns are also deadly on bluegills and crappie.



# Rod Building Class Week 2: Rod Wrapping Basics 101

In today's class, we covered the fundamentals of wrapping. Jim's setup made it easy for the class to see the wrapping demonstrations in detail.



# Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing

The 2020 Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing program kicked off on February 19th with the start of the very popular rod building class. We had nine veterans for this first class. Participants were provided with their rod kits and Bill Bennett gave an overview of the class and rod-building tips. That was followed by removing burrs from the rod guides and temporarily attaching guides to the rods according to standard measurements. On February 26th Bill provided instruction on wrapping. This was followed by participants fine-tuning their guide positions with the rods under stress. And some began practicing the wrapping technique.

Nathan and Karen Via, MVFF PHWFF Program Chairs, could still use a couple of volunteers. You might consider stepping up to volunteer, particularly if you have some rod building experience. If you would like to get involved in MVFF's Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing program, contact Nathan - he can be contacted at (937) 367-3381 or nocturn56@aol.com.

# The Why and How

I recently read a dedication in a fly fishing book to the author's father. His father had given him his first fly fishing kit for his seventh birthday beginning a lifetime of pleasure and adventure.

My grandfather gave me my first pocketknife and flagged down a N.O. & W. train for my first train ride. What I did not know was that grandpa was a fly-fisherman. Not until thirty-three years after his death when by default I inherited his last fly-fishing kit.

Grandpa was a giant standing at five-foot six, wearing a size six shoe, and 6 7/8 hat. He was a brakeman for the short-line, an avid hunter, fisherman, and smoked White Owl tobacco. His house was built by the Delaware & Hudson Railroad in 1851 as a way house for workers and beasts hauling coal cars on the gravity railroad between the coal mines in Carbindale and the canal boats at Honesdale, PA. The Van Hawken trout stream ran thirty feet in front of his house and twenty feet behind the red one-room schoolhouse my father attended for eight years.

Once while visiting Grandpa he asked if I wanted to go fishing after dinner. I was ten. We took the old Buick up to Promton Dam, staked a metal hook stringer into the bank with a stout stick of unknown origin, and started fishing. Before long Grandpa was into the

walleye and perch; building a nice stringer. From above us came a voice:

"Charlie is that you".

"Yep". Grandpa replied.

"Have any fish on that stringer"?

"For awhile".

With a chuckle Joe O'Dell Grandpa's friend, neighbor, and fisheries warden walked on down the shoreline. When it was too dark to see, grandpa freed the fish on the stringer and we went home happy. That was how I learned about seasons and limits.

Dad had lived his life very frugally once even selling the frames around the family pictures. Dad stopped hunting and fishing when we moved to Alabama in 1964, six hundred miles south of grandpa and where he had grownup. Dad died in Texas four days after my sixty-second birthday, twelve hundred miles from the Van Hawken. For some reason for all his intent to shun the past, for he was an adopted son born of the depression, dying penniless, he had preserved the one thing that he thought defined the only father he ever knew, Grandpa's fly fishing gear. I inherited that kit because my brothers were not interested in fishing. Perhaps Dad knew that one of us, perhaps me, would find value in what he valued and take up where grandpa had left off. So, I have with pleasure, adventure, and new friends. J.W

#### You're Invited: TU Madmen Gala

We hope you will join us on March 21st at the historic Simon Kenton Inn and continue to support the many Chapter activities, with a focus on protecting the Mad River Watershed.

The Board of Directors of Trout Unlimited Madmen Chapter #477 is pleased to announce this year's Annual Meeting which will be held in conjunction with the Chapter's first-ever Gala event at the <u>Simon Kenton Inn</u> in Springfield, OH. All Chapter members, their guests and others interested in supporting the Mad River are invited to attend. This is NOT a formal attire event.

The "meeting" portion of this affair will be brief with the main

emphasis being on fun, food, entertainment and camaraderie. "Social Hour" begins at 6:00 p.m. with a cash bar, looping fly fishing videos and guest fly-tiers Kevin Ramsey and George Daniel. A buffet-style dinner from 7:00 until 8-ish followed by a 15-minute (or so) business meeting. Our main presentation by George Daniel will follow. The evening will conclude with our biggest raffle yet, including a Thomas & Thomas fly rod and reel (TBD) as the Grand Prize.

Here is a link to the Eventbrite page where you can purchase tickets <a href="https://2020tumadmengala.eventbrite.com">https://2020tumadmengala.eventbrite.com</a> Please feel free to share it with anyone you think may be interested in supporting our efforts.

Thanks!

Tom Allen

### February 2020 Raffle Winners

Semper Fly Rod, sock and rod/reel case

Bass Pro Shops Extreme Qualifier 350 Bag with 5 utility boxes

Tom DeRoss

Simms Waterproof Wader Pouch, Indian Rooster Neck, Micro Fine Dry Fly Dubbing Dispenser,

Solarez 3-pack fly tying cure resin and 2 packages Daiichi hooks

Becky Calfe

Fishpond West Bank Wader Belt

Joe Gilmore

Weller Special Reserve Bourbon with Felt MVFF Fish Valentine Coaster

John Balazs

Valentine Fly Gift Box (13 Flies) and Rainbow Trout Trail Mug Sam Hudak

New Style MVFF Cap

George Barr

# Mid-Week Fly Fishing Events Scheduled

Here are all the events from March through October. More events (more fishing opportunities!) than ever before. They are all posted on the Club Calendar where you will see further information and they are on the MVFF Facebook page in Events. We hope folks take advantage of them. ~ Ken Davy

3/11/2020	Possum Creek Ponds	4790 Frytown Rd, Dayton, OH 45417
3/25/2020	Carriage Hill Park	7800 Shull Rd, Huber Heights, OH 45424
4/9/2020	Deer Meadow Park	4321 Pinnacle Rd, Moraine, OH 45439
4/15/2020	Madison Lakes	81 Olive Rd, Dayton, OH 45417
4/22/2020		4347 Springfield St, Dayton, OH 45431
	Eastwood Lagoon Lofino Park	
4/30/2020		640 Grange Hall Rd, Beavercreek, OH 45430
5/6/2020	Deer Meadow Park	4321 Pinnacle Rd, Moraine, OH 45439
5/14/2020	Rosewood Park	475 Roselake Dr, Centerville, OH 45458
5/20/2020	Wellfield Park	612 River Rd, Union, OH 45322
5/28/2020	Argonne Lake (kayaks)	4790 Frytown Rd, Dayton, OH 45417
6/3/2020	Indian Riffle Park	2900 Glengarry Dr, Kettering, OH 45420
6/10/2020	Lofino Park	640 Grange Hall Rd, Beavercreek, OH 45430
6/18/2020	Arthur Fisher Park	5661 Dayton-Liberty Rd, Dayton, OH 45417
6/24/2020	Miami View Park	5911 Munger Rd, Dayton, OH 45459
7/1/2020	Stubbs Park	255 W Spring Valley Pike, Centerville, OH 45458
7/9/2020	Rip Rap Road Park (wading)	6858 Rip Rap Rd, Dayton OH
7/15/2020	New Park (kayaks)	Old Springfield Road, Vandalia, OH 45377
7/23/2020	Oak Grove Park	1790 E Social Row Rd, Dayton, OH 45458
7/29/2020	Delco Park	1700 Iron Horse Trail, Kettering, OH 45429
8/5/2020	Rosewood Park	475 Roselake Dr, Centerville, OH 45458
8/12/2020	Oak Grove Park	1790 E Social Row Rd, Dayton, OH 45458
8/19/2020	Eastwood Lake (boats)	1385 Harshman Rd, Dayton, OH 45431
8/27/2020	Arthur Fisher Park	5661 Dayton-Liberty Rd, Dayton, OH 45417
9/9/2020	Dr. Michael Bowers	
	Lake (kayaks, long portage)	Wenger Road, Englewood, OH 45322
9/23/2002	Delco Park	1700 Iron Horse Trail, Kettering, OH 45429
10/8/2020	Carriage Hill Park	7800 Shull Rd, Huber Heights, OH 45424
10/21/2020	Kiser Lake (Boats, no motors)	4889 OH-235, Conover, OH 45317
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### Waterfalls Lodge Fishing Trip Openings

# We still have a couple of openings for the Spring trip to Waterfalls Lodge in Ontario, Canada

This is a great opportunity to get on board for some outstanding fly fishing in Canada for smallmouth, pike, walleye, and other Canadian fish. We have cabins for 22 fishermen, and the trip includes an evening meal in the dining room and a 17' bass boat for every pair of fishermen. The dates this year are May 30th through June 6th.

Waterfalls is a drive-in fishing resort and has a chain of seven lakes to fish. It is located about 3 hours N/E of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. You won't be disappointed in the trip and it is a really fun getaway. You can spin fish for walleye if you prefer, or deep water lake trout.

If you are interested in additional details, give me a call or catch me at the March meeting. First come on the 2 openings, so get a buddy and get on board for a great trip. The price is \$750.00 for the week. Check out the lodge at www.Waterfallslodge.com.

Jim Calvert Cell: 925 1211



### **Cold Water Safety: Surviving a Cold-Water Accident**

Spring is coming, but water temps will be cool for a good while. And the water does not have to be very cool to exact a toll on our bodies. Thanks to Jeff Warden for passing along this information.

When preparing for a boating trip, the easiest but most dangerous thing to overlook is maintaining your body's temperature. Water cooler than the normal body temperature of 98.6 degrees can cause heat loss. Cold water will cool a body 25 times faster than cold air of the same temperature.

Falling into cold water triggers the body's cold water immersion responses, beginning with an uncontrollable gasping reflex. A well-fitted lifejacket will keep the airway out of the water -- which is most important when the gasping reflex begins. Heart rate and blood pressure increase dramatically, increasing the risk for cardiac arrest. The victim may hyperventilate and find it difficult to get air into the lungs.

Any water less than 59 degrees will trigger the physical response to cold water, but some studies suggest that the water can be as warm as 68 degrees. The colder the water, the more severe the response. Total immersion in cold water is very painful and the disoriented victim can quickly panic. With these combined reactions, the victim may drown quickly. The best prevention for this danger is to wear a lifejacket.

The colder the water, the greater the risk to the unprepared person. If the water temperature is under 50 degrees, the window of opportunity for rescue is only a few minutes if the involved person is not dressed for the water conditions. Nearly 90% of boating fatalities are due to drowning and nearly half of those are attributed to the effects of immersion in cold water.

Should an immersion occur, try to get out of the water as quickly as possible. Do not try to remove clothing or shoes. Air trapped between layers of clothing will help keep a person afloat and also protect from direct exposure to cold water.

Should you manage to keep your head above water and stay afloat, the following chart provides a general idea of survival times in water of varying temperatures. Factors that may alter these estimates include clothing or protective gear, the individual's health condition, and water conditions.

	Survival Time	
Water Temperature	Exhaustion	Death
32.5	Under 15 min.	15 min. or less
32.5-40	15-30 min.	30-90 min
40-50	30-60 min.	1-3 hrs.
50-60	1-2 hrs.	1-6 hrs.
60-70	2-7 hrs.	2-40 hrs.
70-80	3-12 hrs.	3 hrsindefinite

#### Citizen Scientists Needed!

The Ohio State University and the Little Miami Watershed Network want to determine how many visitors use the corridor for recreational hiking, walking, birding, paddling and other nature based activities through a statistically valid sampling plan. This information will be used to calculate the benefits individuals derive from participating in outdoor activities and the contribution of those activities to the regional economy.

Do you want to help?

Become a Citizen Scientist! Help the Ohio State University and the Little Miami Watershed Network gather information about the Little Miami River Corridor. Volunteers will distribute requests for recreational users to take an online survey from April 1 - October 31 at parks and other recreational sites in both Greene and Warren Counties. Additional information is available by emailing <a href="mailto:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:limbather:li

~ Jeff Warden

### 2020 MVFF Annual Auction (info for our newer members)

Many MVFF members, particularly our long-time members, know all about the Annual Auction and look forward to it each year. However, we have added a good number of new members in the past two years and this event might be new to them.

The 2020 MVFF Annual Auction will be here before you know it (March 9th), so it is not too soon to begin preparing! The importance of the auction cannot be stressed enough; the club generates about half of its revenue from this single event, which helps support our speaker program, fly tying classes, and other events and activities of our club.

For the new members and those not familiar, there are a few guidelines. As you begin to gather items for donation it is important to remember - NO JUNK. If you would not pay money for it no one else will either. Also, you may request a donation voucher for tax purposes as we are a

non-profit 501(c)(3).

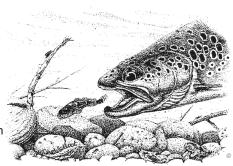
Items that sell well are fishing items of course, as well as camping and hunting gear. A sample of your favorite wine or spirits and your favorite patterns of flies are also perennial favorites (so start tying some collections for inclusion in this year's event). This is also a wonderful time to go through all of your gear, pull out the stuff you no longer need or use, and bring it to the auction. One man's junk (but no junk here) is another man's treasure.

If you have a skill or a membership to various clubs, these make excellent items for bid. Examples are members who offer guided trips to their favorite body of water, or a half day of fishing or golfing at a private club. We have had some spectacular trips in the past that have been very popular. Whatever it is you can donate to the auction truly helps support the club. Secondly, be sure to show up and bid on the items! This would be an excellent meeting to bring along a guest or two that have a passion for the sport. We will be extending the opportunity for other clubs as well to join us. They will have an opportunity to pick up many quality items at a fair price. The more members and guests that show up the more funds will be generated for the club. If anyone needs to drop off anything early or because you cannot make it to the auction, you can get in contact with Eric Rice at (937) 215-2046 or edrconstruction@yahoo.com.

### **ODNR** Division of Wildlife Resources

#### 2020 Trout Stocking Dates

Just over 83,000 rainbow trout will be released this spring at 66 Ohio public lakes and ponds. Rainbow trout releases will take place across Ohio from March 13 - May 17 as long as areas are ice-free and accessible to anglers. Stocking of these public lakes and ponds are excellent opportunities for families to fish together. Fishing for catchable-sized trout is a great way to introduce young people to the outdoors. Rainbow trout are raised at state fish hatcheries and measure 10-13 inches before they are released by the ODNR Division of Wildlife. The daily catch limit for inland lakes is five trout per angler with no minimum size limit.



http://wildlife.ohiodnr.gov/fishing/trout-stocking-dates

~ Jeff Warden

# Mid-West Fly Fishing Expo

It's not close to home, but it is a rather large two-day affair. If you are in the vicinity it might be worth a visit.

Saturday, March 14: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Sunday, March 15: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Warren, Michigan Cash Only at Door

Adults: \$10

Adult 2-Day Pass: \$15 Kids 16 & Under: Free

For who is speaking, tying, or casting when - go to <a href="https://midwestflyfishingexpo.com/seminars-schedules/">https://midwestflyfishingexpo.com/seminars-schedules/</a>

### Gold Name Tags?

Have you ever noticed there are members who have gold name tags while most are green? Even the new clip-on laminated ones are somewhat different with a green or gold border that distinguishes one from the other.

Many years ago the gold name tags were developed for MVFF Board Members. When you were elected to the Board you were issued a new tag in gold. You continued to use that tag after your term of office was over. And the leadership long ago indicated that the gold badges were not to instill any sense of importance or exclusivity to the wearer of the badge. In fact, it was stated that the hope was that one day most members would be wearing a gold badge. The gold badge was an indication that the member had made a commitment to the club, doing necessary work to sustain and enrich the club for others.

### **MVFF**

Miami Valley Fly Fishers Inc., established in 1975 and reorganized in 2016 as a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, is a non-profit organization dedicated to the improvement and preservation of fly fishing in Ohio. Our goal is cleaner water and brighter streams.

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#### **CALENDAR**

March 3,10,17,24,31 Beginners Fly Tying Class Rona Community Church

6:00 p.m.

March 5,12,19,26 Intermediate Fly Tying Class Rona Community Church

6:00 p.m.

March 7,14 Rod Building Class (sorry, class is

illed)

March 9 MVFF Indoor Meeting

Presidential Banquet Center 4572 Presidential Way

5:30 p.m.

March 11 Mid-Week Fly Fishing

Possum Creek Ponds

4:30 p.m. (see Calendar page)

March 14 -15 Mid-West Fly Fishing Expo

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March 24 Deadline for April Tightlines

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March 25 Mid-Week Fly Fishing

Carriage Hill Pond

4:30 p.m. (see Calendar page)

Check the MVFF Calendar page or our Facebook Events page for updates & details

https://www.facebook.com/MiamiValleyFlyFishers/

Remember, you can find many photos of MVFF happenings on our <u>Facebook</u> page.

https://www.facebook.com/pg/MiamiValleyFlyFishers/photos/

#### Ohio Power Regulations

Same as last year for Bass and Sunfish.

http://wildlife.ohiodnr.gov/portals/wildlife/pdfs/

### Help!

We have had some very good articles from members in prior issues. It would be great if more of you would submit materials. So if you have been on a fishing trip and want to write an article and share pictures, please send info my way. Maybe you have tactics, equipment tips or some

other knowledge you would like to share. Or you have run across interesting websites you think others might also enjoy. We would welcome the contributions.

Also, If you have ideas on what you would like to see in Tightlines let me know. My contact info is on this page. Thanks.

~ Tom Arnold

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# Dinner Reservations

Worth repeating here - you now make your dinner reservations (by March 5th) online.

Make your dinner reservation . . . <u>HERE</u>

