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NOTES FROM THE NOVEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

Treasury balance as of 10-31-75 is \$3613.09. The proposed 1976 budget is as follows: Annual dinner meeting-\$1000.00, dues renewal-\$2850.00, fund raising-\$3000.00, for a total of \$6850.00.....A CFFA Goal meeting was held and the following is a list of programs in order of preference for which fund raising efforts will be geared to: Land easements, CFFA movie on fishing in Connecticut, CFFA scholarship, Research grant, Educational support, Major programs, Library donations, Major conservation project, and a CFFA clubhouse. In general, the consensus of opinion was that a CFFA clubhouse was not desired. In general, it is planned to maintain the present size of CFFA and expand only if present activities do not suffer. CFFA thought to be too passive with the DEP. work outings will be maintained with refreshments and personal contact.....Eastern Council of CFFA-The following is a list of upcoming programs: November- Bob Jones on the Atlantic Salmon, December- No meeting, January-Paul Kukonen, February-Lake fishing, March-Saltwater fly fishing including movies, April-Shad fishing, May-work and fishing outing on the Willimantic River.....Work outing on the Blackledge River was a success with a good turnout. Suggestion made to purchase some fish for the "No -Kill" section of the Willimantic River. The rearing pool has been cleaned and stocked with 2000 brown trout.....CFFA bumper stickers are in and will sell for \$1.50. Collection box to be set up for a CFFA auction..... Commissioner Gill has stated that he will not push to have reservoirs opened to public fishing.....CFFA programs will include: December-Hoagy Carmichael showing the movie on the Garrison Rod, January-Paul Kukonen.....CFFA now has 265 members.....Fly tying school is in the works. Advanced school is still in the works..... The CFFA Annual Banquet will be held on February 7, 1976 at the Tobacco Valley Inn. The price again will be \$10.00. Sid Neff will be the speaker.

Anyone who would like to contribute stories, tales, jokes, cartoons, ideas, or anything else that would be of interest to the general membership, please forward it to:

Ron Zawoysky
336 Hunter Road
Tolland, Ct., 06084

Also, anyone that would like to sell, swap, or needs a particular item, forward the information to the above address, and it will be printed in the next issue of "Lines and Leaders".

AUCTION

Donations of equipment, articles, books, etc., are needed for a CFFA auction in March.

YOU CAN HELP!!!!!!!

Bring articles to the general membership meetings or contact me and I'll come to your home and pick them up. Or drop me a note or give me a call.

Mark Leggitt
31 Vermont Drive
Bristol, Ct., 06010

Phone No. 583-2984

CONNECTICUT FLY FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL BANQUET

WHAT: CFFA ANNUAL BANQUET

WHERE: Tobacco Valley Inn-Dunfey's Tavern (Bloomfield Avenue Exit off I-91 in Windsor).

WHEN: Saturday, February 7, 1976

AGENDA: 5:30-Annual Bussiness Meeting

1) Election of officers

2) Audit of treasury

6:15-Cocktail Mixer

7:00-Dinner

Meal

Roast Beef with Gravy

Entree'

or

Baked Stuffed Shrimp

FEATURED SPEAKER: Sid Neff-Traveled fly fisherman and photographer for Trout Unlimited's publication TROUT

RAFFLE: Lots of prizes as always

DINNER RESERVATIONS: \$10.00 per person (complete including tax and tip)

The banquet will be on a reservation only basis and reservations will be on a first come, first served basis. Reservation forms are below and should be returned before January 25, 1976 to:

Joe D'Addario, Jr.
3 Roxbury Road
East Hartford, Connecticut 06118

DINNER RESERVATION

I will require reservations for _____ persons at \$10.00 per person. DATE _____
Check or Money Order in amount of \$ _____ enclosed.
(Make payable to "CFFA")

Mail Reservation to: NAME _____
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East Hartford, Ct., 06118 HOME PHONE NO. _____
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CONNECTICUT FLY FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Fly Tying School

FOR: Beginners and Neophytes

CLASSES: There will be seven lessons. Classes will meet on the following seven Friday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Raymond Hall Library basement next to the Post Office, Main St.

NO.	DATE	SUBJECT
1	1/9/76	<u>Equipment and Materials:</u> A general discussion
2	1/16/76	<u>Bucktails:</u> #8 Dark Edson Tiger; #8 Black-nose Dace
3	1/23/76	<u>Streamers:</u> #8 Black Ghost; #8 Black Marabou
4	1/30/76	<u>Wet Flies:</u> #10 Picket Pin; #10 Black Gnat; #12 Dark Cahill
5	2/6/76	<u>Nymphs:</u> #10 Scraggly; #12 Dark Stenonema
6	2/13/76	<u>Dry Flies:</u> #12 Dun Variant; #14 Blue Dun
7	2/20/76	<u>Dry Flies:</u> #14 Adams; #16 Light Cahill

EQUIPMENT: All necessary hooks and materials will be furnished, Students must supply their own vise, bobbin, thread, scissors, etc. It is suggested each tyer bring a portable lamp.

INSTRUCTORS: In addition to the two main instructors, several expert tyers will be on hand to assist students.

CLASS SIZE: Limited to the first 25 people submitting applications.

TUITION: \$15.00

CFFA FTS Enrollment Application

Date _____

Please print required information, check appropriate boxes, forward the tuition, and mail to: John Cannata, Registrar, 19 Grande Rd., East Hartford, Conn. 06118

NAME _____ PHONE _____

STREET _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

C.F.F.A. Member Non-member

Have you had prior tying experience? Yes No

A note of acknowledgement will be sent to all applicants.

For additional information contact Mark Philippe, Director, 9 Fales St., Hartford, Ct. 06105 Phone 232-1019



by Gary J. LaFontaine

[Montana Missives is a stream of letters containing tales of Trout. They are reprinted here with the author's permission..... Ken Parkany]

" Just finished a few days on the Wind River of Wyoming (hit it earlier when it wasn't prime, so I went back). Fabulous! An interspersed pool and riffle fishery, with great fish-holding riffles.

Needless to say, on the riffles I popped Trude patterns (Royal, Lady Heather, and Rio Grande King). In every case there was a waiting fish, mostly rainbows. Nothing of spectacular size, but numerous fish. June wasn't a 400 fish month, but maybe July.

Two nights ago it was warm, and on the Clark Fork above Deer Lodge, I indulged in the first night fishing of the year (truly love the moments of dark, but only fish 10 to 20 nights a season).

The upper Clark Fork, because of deep holes and brown trout, is a great night stream. There is a very large moth (in process of finding out the scientific name) that is constantly flopping into the water. A dry muddler is a good imitation.

On this night, I cast the muddler in a selected hole, carefully fishing each occasional "gerwoosh"! At about 11 o'clock I caught a 3 pound brown (wondering what such a small fish was doing out at such a dangerous time of night). At about 1 o'clock I caught a 6 pound 5 ounce brown. (Ed. note: western fishing, anyone?)

Then I went downstream to find my partners and brag a little. I found Bill Seeples as he was wrestling a 10 lb. 12 oz. behemoth onto the shore (now being mounted). So all I could do was gape, not brag. Bill was so excited that I thought he was going to talk himself out of air and suffocate.

We proceeded on down to find Tom Welsh, a fella who "couldn't catch the big ones". We found him ——— waiting with a 7 lb. 1 oz. brown. Bill and Tom gloated all night, naturally, agreeing that any fool who couldn't catch at least a 7 lb. fish, shouldn't be out harassing the little ones!

Companions make or break a trip, and these two are great.

Most of my fishing this month has been in few hour stints (as usual), but July is normally the "hot" month for numbers. The night on the Clark Fork was the only notable occasion so far this month (except for maybe a 64 trout day on the Bitterroot, but that's the Bitterroot!)."

THE QUALITY CONCEPT

"The sport now stands on the threshold of achieving the kind of fishing that all men dream about, if only enough anglers are strong enough in their dedication to see it through. The choice for the future seems clear: quality fishing, or none at all."

from The Year of the Angler,
by Steve Raymond, 1973.

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DECEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Program: The movie "The Garrison Rod" will be shown with commentary by its producer Hoagy B. Carmichael.

Where: Knight's of Columbus Hall on Bloomfield Avenue in Windsor.

When: Wednesday, December 10, 1975.

Time: Fly tying-6:45 P.M.
Program-7:30 P.M.

This program will be of interest to anyone that is interested in bamboo rods, making them, or just plane learning about them. "The Garrison Rod" shows step by step the making of a bamboo rod from raw bamboo to the finished product. Mr. Carmichael has promised to bring a few specimens of Garrison rods along.

"Hoagy B. Carmichael is an avid fly fisherman who whiles away the days between seasons as a TV producer. He requests that his middle initial be used to avoid confusion with "that other fellow who writes songs". The initial stands for "Bix" the first name of a cornet-playing friend of his father, and for whom he was named. He also admits that the first lullaby he remembers was "Stardust." "

Fly Fisherman magazine, Spring 1974

We would like a big turnout for this meeting so bring a friend or two. Spread the word around to your fishing buddies and friends. As usual, doorprizes and refreshments will be provided.