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# HAPPY HOLIDAYS



## The Presidents Message

By Jim Pankiewicz

Hello my brothers and sisters of the fly. As this calendar year comes to a close there are so many things for which I am grateful. As many of you know my wife, Katy, had a brain hemorrhage just before Veteran's Day weekend. She spent four days in the hospital. She was scheduled for surgery the night of November 13. The neurosurgeon came in at 12:40 AM to examine her. He spent a good deal of time and then decided to wait until the next day. She stabilized so they did not do the surgery. We are both profoundly grateful that she has improved. The afternoon of our last club meeting I had taken her for another CT scan and follow up appointment with the neurosurgeon. She still can't return to work and still can't drive, but again, she has made remarkable progress and we are feeling very fortunate.

Our oldest son and his wife had twin girls in July. They are shining lights, they are joy, they are humbling, they are exciting; they are gifts from God to be sure!

Katy and I spent some quality time at our home in Desert Aire this summer. It just feels so good to go somewhere warm. We had friends and family visit in Desert Aire and we enjoyed their company. Oh, and there are fish over in that part of the state too. I managed to put some awfully nice fish in the net this year. I had some very challenging days of carp fishing this season but I also had my best day ever in terms of numbers.

For 2013 I had my best year with my real estate business. I am grateful to my customers and clients for their trust.

Katy and I enjoyed the club Christmas party last week. Special thanks to **Gary Iverson** for finding an alternative site for our party and for our 2014 club meetings.

I am grateful for the chance to have served as EFFC President in 2013. I enjoyed getting to know members better and appreciated all the work that the board and committee chairs did. Much of it goes unnoticed.

Thanks **Gary Iverson, John Gattinella, Dave McCutcheon, Jake Jacobson, Ron Downing, Jerry Buron, Sandy Atkinson, Dale Dennis, Jesse Scott, Bob Banks, Gordon Swanson, Jerry Solie, Gary Medema, Bruce and Lavanda Turner, Mike Schutt, Neil Westover, Carl Johnson, Paul Wiltberger, and Dennis LeMaster.**

Thanks also to all of the members who helped with projects, attended an outing, and made the meetings fun. I particularly appreciate people who have a positive attitude; thank you. It has been my privilege to serve as club president this year.

Keeping in mind all of our blessings this past year I wish all the best to each of you during this holiday season and in the upcoming new year.

### MEETINGS

General Meeting – 4th Tuesday of the month, 7 pm (6 pm Wet Fly hr.) Port of Everett’s Blue Heron Room– 1st Tuesday of the month, 7 pm (6 pm dinner) Village Restaurant  
 Conservation Committee Meeting – 3 rd Thursday of the month, 7 pm Village Restaurant

## Up and Coming Events

Jan 8th

Start of Fly Tying Class

Jan 25th

Winter Fishout

Feb 5th

Continue Fly Tying Classes

March 5th

Continue Fly Tying Classes



# January 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	Board Meeting 7	8	9	10	11
12	13	ST Cutoff 14	15	Conservation Meeting 16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	Winter Fish Out 25
26	27	EFFC Meeting 28	29	30	31	



## Club Outings

By Gary Medema

Our next club outing will be on **Saturday January 25th.**

This is our winter steelhead outing. Fish the river of your choice, or whatever one might be in shape. The Dub Price award is the prize for the biggest fish. We'll meet for dinner and weigh-in at the Village Restaurant in Marysville at 5:30 p.m. For those members who may have never seen the Dub Price award, It's a beautiful water color painting Of a fisherman with a fish on the river bank on a snowy winter day. It was painted by Dub for his father. The only way to win it is to get out there and fish. GOOD LUCK!!



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## Membership Dues

By Gary Iverson Membership Chairman

It's December already and time to pay for your 2014 membership.

Dues remain a bargain at \$30 for members residing in Snohomish County and \$25 (Associate) for those who live outside Snohomish County. Dues are important in managing the club's operating budget, so please pay them on time.

Please send your 2014 dues to Gary Iverson at the address listed on the form on the last page. Do not send your dues to the club's post office box. Please note any changes to your address, telephone number (s), email, etc. Please send checks only - no cash.



## Fly Tying Classes

By Mike Benbow



The club will once again conduct fly tying classes at the **Rosehill Community Center in Mukilteo** starting on Jan 8 at 6:30 p.m. and running for a total of 12 Wednesday evenings until the end of March.

The flies will include some beginning patterns up to intermediate. We will try to pair up beginners with more experienced tiers for a little help. Tiers will need to bring their own vise, tying tools, and thread.

The club will supply all the materials needed to tie the 12 patterns.

The cost remains the same, \$40 for club members and \$60 for nonmembers. Please let any of your friends who'd like to tie flies know about the class. The nonmembers help us cover the cost of the materials, which keeps rising.

This year's tiers include:

**Bob Banks, Mike Benbow, Jerry Buron, Gary Medema, Les Bouck, Rob Gamage, Doug Nordstrom, Chris Grieve, Judy Gattinella, Cliff Bottemiller, Dale Dennis, and Al Vavra.** Class members will get a list of who is tying what pattern on what date (mostly because I haven't figured it out right now).

All have been asked to tie a fly that they personally have had success with.

I'd like to do things a little differently this year by using the first half hour to talk about things like tying tips, materials etc. and have the tier begin closer to 7 p.m. for members who have trouble getting there at 6:30. The close is supposed to close at 8:30 p.m.

To sign up, call the center at 425-263-8180 and say if you are a member so you can get the member price.

Hope to see you there.



# Membership Meeting's

By Gary Iverson

Just a heads up regarding our next membership meeting on January 28, 2014 at the Port of Everett's Blue Heron Room. This is the same room we held the Holiday Banquet, but we'll be using only half the space for meetings. At the Banquet, everyone seemed to like this facility and it should provide our club with ample space to hold future meetings.

As some of you know, we're going to try a few things differently in 2014 than we have in the past. Some of the changes include:

1. Dinner will now be your responsibility. I will work with the Catering Manager of Scuttlebutt Restaurant located downstairs to prepare some off-menu items for members. I'll try to get their banquet room reserved at 5:00 pm. and can seat a maximum of 40. By having a room available, I think we'll have plenty of time to eat, drink and visit with other members before coming upstairs to the Blue Heron Room at 6:00 pm. If you wish, you can eat in their main restaurant and order off that menu too.
2. Tables/chairs setup and tear down is now our responsibility. In our new venue, the agreement with the Port of Everett is that we do our own setup/tear down of tables and chairs and remove all trash from the room when we are done. To have the Port of Everett do this, we would pay an additional \$150 per meeting. So, for each meeting I need 3 or 4 guys to take responsibility for getting this work started. Please know that everyone is expected to help but we need some leaders to get the process moving. The room needs to be clean and ready for the next day.
3. Beer, wine and other alcohol. I need to know if drinking alcohol during the monthly meetings is something you want. If it is, there are a few things we need to do. First, members will bring their own beer or wine to meetings or, if you like, a group of you can be in charge of bringing drinks to the meeting. But please know that drinks cannot be sold for cash, tickets or any other manner whatsoever in this facility. Secondly, we'll need a Banquet Permit. I can obtain that permit easily enough on-line from the Washington State Liquor Control Board. Thirdly, we need several members willing to get a Class 12 or 13 Server Permit. This permit allows an individual to pour beer, wine or mix drinks - essentially becoming our bartender for the evening. To get a server permit, you take a three hour course, pass a test and pay \$20 for the license. I need 3 or 4 people willing to sit through the on-line video and take the test - something to do during these cold and dreary days of fall/winter. I'll even reimburse you for the \$20 fee. Please send me an email if you want to do this.





# Holiday Banquet

By Gary Iverson Vice President

On Thursday, December 5 the club held its annual Holiday Banquet at the Port of Everett's Blue Heron Room. The event was well attended given the relatively short notice to our members. Lots of raffle prizes and auction items were available for bidding, the dinner provided by Moveable Feast was very good, including some very tasty dessert items. Based on comments received, everyone had fun and enjoyed the evening.

We all know that annual events as these are only successful because of the good work from several members and their wife's. I want to say thanks to a few special people who really made this event happen. For without them, this party would not be nearly as successful. **Diane Vavra** and **Mary Bouck** skillfully and cheerfully managed the front entrance while collecting dinner reservations and selling raffle tickets. This is an important function and we are delighted and thankful that both ladies were willing to help out again. Nice work!

**Lavanda Turner**, **Ron Downing** and his wife **Lani** did a great job shopping and wrapping baskets for the raffle and choosing auction items that our members really wanted to win. **Lavanda** and **Ron** are seasoned veterans of the holiday shopping scene and both braved crowded stores and suffered through long checkout lines while keeping a sharp eye for holiday bargain's. A big thanks to you!

Other individuals that made this event happen without incident include; **Dale Dennis** for purchasing and delivering the Poinsettias, **Jerry Buron** for supplying the DVD and music, **Linda Koon** for assisting Ron with the raffle, and several others (you know who you are) who helped from party setup to hauling out the garbage and turning off the lights. Thank you! Thank you!



# Library New's

By Dave McCutchen

Our EFFC Library has transitioned to a DVD library. Today we have 64 DVD packages and with some packages having multiple DVDs. Of those 64 packages, a few are missing from the library. I have been going back through the check out logs and following up with some that have been checked out for an extended period, but we are still missing the following DVD packages:

- Reading Moving Water by Bennett/Watt
- Fly Fishing Stillwater Secrets by Jack Dennis with Brian Chan & Phil Rowley
- Yakima River Trout by Fly Fishing Video Magazine
- Patterns & Techniques for Effective Stillwater Angling by Jerry Buron

Beginning in January 2014, we need someone to take over the EFFC Librarian responsibilities. I will no longer be your librarian but will gladly assist with the transition. The tasks of the librarian are to ensure the library is available at our general meetings and maintain the check out log. Other tasks include buying new DVDs for the library.

If you are interested in becoming the EFFC Librarian, contact either Gary Iverson or myself. Until we have a new librarian the library will only be available for returning DVDs.

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## 2014 EFFC Membership Renewal Form

**Membership dues are \$30 for members & \$25 for associate members**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number including area code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee or Board Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please send your check payable to EFFC along with the completed the renewal form (above) to the following address:

Gary Iverson, EFFC Membership

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