

The **BUFFER**

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The President's Notes

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Happy New Year! Now is the time for Resolutions to do all those things we wish we would do. Why don't you consider some of these?

Attend at least one General Dinner Meeting each quarter.

Go on at least one BUFF sponsored trip.

Take someone else new fly fishing with you.

Fly fish at least six times between May and October.

Learn one new fly fishing skill.

Work on a conservation project on one of our waterways.

Help on one of the BUFF activities (example: Banquet, fly show, training classes).

Lead a new or help with an existing BUFF sponsored trip.

Attend a Board of Director's Meeting.

Organize all the fly fishing bags, rod, reels, gadgets, and fly boxes you own.

If you choose some of these Resolutions, you should catch more fish and have a great time doing it. And BUFF should be that much better for it too.

February 2nd is the Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show. There are still jobs to be filled at and before the show. Lou Haynes needs persons to hand out flyers and some fly tyers to attract attention at BassPro on weekends during January. Please take part of your day at the Show to help out with the setup, take down, or presentation at the show. We will need people at the reception, membership, and BUFF tables. Ken Dixon may still need fly tyers and people to help watch tables while presenters, vendors, or tyers are away from their booths. I am excited about our new location. I think this is going to provide a much better show. Encourage your fly fishing and potential fly fishing friends to attend. Don't forget the raffles. Jerry's Otter Creek rod is going to make a fine addition to anyone's fishing arsenal.

Our Banquet will follow on March 2nd. The Early Bird time has passed, but we need to have a full house this year with our new location. This is going to be a faster paced program based on recognition of the membership that has done so much for BUFF. The Fly Fisher of the Year, Board of Director's Award, and President's Award will be presented along with recognition of the members that have volunteered for various activities over the past year. The raffles are going to be a little

different to help save time. Please purchase as many raffle tickets as you can since this is our only fund raiser of the year. The Banquet Committee is also having silent, blind, and live auctions so bring your plastic and checkbooks.

We will be conducting our election of Officers and Board of Directors at the January General Meeting. Please cast your vote. If you haven't paid your dues for 2013, this is the first month you are in arrears. Please pay them at the meeting or send a check to our PO Box. Make life a little easier on our Membership Chairman -- he is new to the job.

My Resolution for 2013 is to fish more than 100 days (hopefully more than 2012), and still keep a happy home.

BUFF January 2013 Program

“A Year on the St. Joe”

It has been said for the fly-fisherman, the St. Joe River is an enigma wrapped in a mystery. This program will unwrap the mystery of what is quite possibly the best steelhead fishery in the United States. This presentation covers the vast angling opportunities the river and its tributaries offer throughout the year. Included are techniques for steelhead, salmon, smallmouth bass, longnose gar, rod/reel selection, fly selection, terminal rigging, and reading the water.

Speaker Bio.--Dustan Harley

Dustan Harley was born less than a mile from the Saint Joseph River and can't remember a time when he wasn't on the river fishing. He grew up fishing on the rivers of Indiana and Michigan and is lucky enough today to spend most days on those same rivers. He founded Ripple Guide Service in 1999 to give fishermen an unforgettable experience. He guides the rivers of Indiana, Michigan, and Montana for steelhead, salmon, trout, smallmouth bass, pike, and just about anything else that swims. Dustan has also spoken to fly fishing clubs from Tennessee to California. When not on the river, he can be found fishing with his children or designing new flies for the fish he loves to fool.

BUFF MEMBERS DUES FOR 2013

Member's dues cover January 1st of each year to December 31st, and need be paid **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!**

Single memberships are still \$25.00/year.

Family memberships are still \$30.00/year.

Make your checks payable to BUFF and mail them to:

P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242

Or.....Pay at the monthly dinner meeting.

Checks, cash or credit card will be accepted at the dinner meetings.

Skip Morris Fly Tying Clinics

BUFF is proud to present Fly Tying Clinics with nationally acclaimed fly tyer Skip Morris. The clinics will be held on Friday, February 1, 2013 at Christ's Church in Mason. There will be two clinics: 10am - 12 noon and 2-4 pm.

Reservations are required and will be limited to 25 tiers per session. Cost for the clinics will be \$40 for one and \$60 for both. BUFF members will be given reservations priority until January 9 (regular monthly BUFF meeting) and then reservations will be opened to other area fly fishing clubs. Reservations forms will be available at the December & January BUFF meetings and online at www.buckeflyfishers.com.

This is an opportunity to learn fly tying from a master fly designer and tyer. Skip has over forty years of experience at the vise and on the water. He is the author of 12 books including the top-selling fly tying book in America since 1992, *Fly Tying Made Clear and Simple*, now in its 23rd printing.

Skip's books and tying clinics are in huge demand partly because Skip understands not only fly tying and fly fishing in a way few do—but mainly because **he understands the teaching of these skills** with rare depth. **This is Skip's passion.** And he really loves sharing what he's discovered with other fly fishers at all levels. His books and tying sessions are carefully thought out, thorough, and easy to follow.

Each of Skip's original fly designs are tested and tested again, altered this way and that, to make the fly as effective and consistent as he can make it. It's a slow evolution—a fly can take three or more years to perfect (but if one just never measures up, Skip will abandon the design altogether). The finished fly designs are tough, they do just what they're supposed to do (land upright, hook fish effectively, swim or shimmy or float), and fish love them.

For more information on the upcoming clinics, contact Ken Dixon or Bob Gustafson.

BUFF Steelhead Trip Leader(s) Needed

One or two persons are needed to be the Trip Leader(s) for the annual BUFF Steelhead fishing trips. There are usually two trips. The spring trip is run on the last weekend of March or the first weekend of April.

The fall trip is usually run on the last weekend of October or the first weekend of November. The trip is usually conducted in the Chagrin Falls area.

Exact dates and location are up to the trip leader's discretion.

These trips may both be led by one leader, or the trips may be divided up among two leaders. A co-leader arrangement is also welcomed.

The BUFF Trips Coordinator, Steve Bailey, will be available to help with any planning or coordination issues.

There is plenty of experience in the club that can be tapped to help any new leader make this a successful trip.

Please contact Steve Bailey at 513-829-1823 or chiefrsb@fuse.net to discuss your interest in leading these trips.

Advanced Fly Tying Classes for 2013

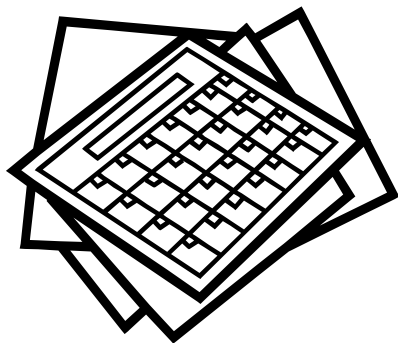
Enrollment is now open for the 2013 Advanced Fly Tying Classes which will be held at the Springdale Community Center. Classes will be held Tuesdays from 6:15 PM to 8:15 PM on:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Room</u>
2/5/13	"B"
2/12/13	"A"
2/19/13	"A"
2/26/13	"A"
3/5/13	"B"
3/12/13	"A"

Additional details as to class content are under development and will be published as soon as they become available. You will need to provide your tying vise, tools, and thread (a few club kits will also be available). All tying materials will be provided. If you wish, bring your light and magnifier (recommended for the small flies session); power will be available for lights. Attendees should possess basic fly tying skills. If you will need to use a Club tying kit, you should indicate that when you register for the Classes.

You may sign up for the Classes beginning at the January BUFF meeting or at any time by contacting Ken Dixon via email at krjdix@fuse.net. Class size is limited to a maximum of 18 tyers.

Please note that this calendar is only current as of the latest Buffer, and is accurate based on inputs from BUFF ops. Efforts are made to ensure accuracy, but be sure to verify dates and times of those events that interest you. Ed.



BUFF 2013 Calendar

January 2013

- Jan 9 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Jan 16 **BUFF Board Meeting** 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Jan 17 **VA Tying** 7pm D. Jones

February 2013

- Feb 1 **Fly tying clinic w/Skip Morris** Christ's Church, Mason 10am – 12 noon and 2pm – 4pm
- Feb 1 **Fly Show Set Up**, The Oasis, Loveland 12 Noon – 8pm
- Feb 2 **Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show** The Oasis, Loveland
- Feb 5 **Advanced Fly Tying Class** Ken Dixon at Springdale Community Ctr., 6:15 pm – 8:15 pm
- Feb 6 **Fly Rod Building Class**, J. Doscher
- Feb 9 **Net Building** Paul Feldman
- Feb 12 **Advanced Fly Tying Class** Ken Dixon at Springdale Community Ctr., 6:15 pm – 8:15 pm
- Feb 13 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Feb 16 **Net Building** Paul Feldman
- Feb 19 **Advanced Fly Tying Class** Ken Dixon at Springdale Community Ctr., 6:15 pm – 8:15 pm
- Feb 20 **BUFF Board Meeting** 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Feb 26 **Advanced Fly Tying Class** Ken Dixon at Springdale Community Ctr., 6:15 pm – 8:15 pm
- Feb 27 **Fly Rod Building Class**, J. Doscher

March 2013

- Mar 2 **BUFF Annual Banquet and Recognition Dinner**, Oscar Event Center @ Jungle Jim's, Fairfield 6pm-9:45pm
- Mar 5 **Advanced Fly Tying Class** Ken Dixon at Springdale Community Ctr., 6:15 pm – 8:15 pm
- Mar 6 **Fly Rod Building Class**, J. Doscher
- Mar 12 **Advanced Fly Tying Class** Ken Dixon at Springdale Community Ctr., 6:15 pm – 8:15 pm
- Mar 8-10 **Steelhead School**, Pere Marquette River Lodge in Baldwin Michigan.
- Mar 13 **Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Mar 13 **Fly Rod Building Class**, J. Doscher

January Menu

Beef Tips and Noodles in a Brown sauce
Peppers, onions and mushrooms

Dijon Chicken Breasts, pan seared

Homemade Creamy Mashed Potatoes

Green Bean Amandine

Rolls and Butter

Desserts

Decadent Chocolate Cake

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There is a species of Caddis whose females are without any wings and they emerge in the winter to breed. Why do it in the winter and what happened to the wings?
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Winters can be a difficult time for aquatic insects because not many can survive a freeze, but it is also a time with fewer predators, well oxygenated water, and an abundance of leaves for insects that feed on decaying plant matter. If only it weren't so cold this would be a fitting time to undergo metamorphosis and develop into a sexually mature adult. The caddis species, *Dolophilodes Distinctus*, has a way of coping with the frigid temperature. The females don't have any wings so they can save their energy for the offspring. Also, the space in the female body normally taken up by flight muscles is used to hold eggs. The males have wings and they can mix their genetic make-up far and wide, thus the health of the species is assured.

Steve Lilly



If anyone has an idea for a future article, or would like to submit one of their own, please contact Steve Lilly at sjlilly@fuse.net or Jon Kennard at jonkennard@fuse.net

Net Building Class

This year's net building class is scheduled for Feb. 9th and 16th. Both sessions are in my home workshop in Blue Ash from approx. 8AM to noon, with about an hour of home work required between sessions. No woodworking skills or experience are required, and most all materials will be provided at cost. It is important that you be able to attend both sessions before signing up for the class. Call or E-mail me if you have any questions, or to sign up.

Paul Feldman
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513-675-2445 cell

PS. Bent wood projects look difficult, but this is a lot easier than you think. You will make a landing net that will amaze you and your friends and family!

2012 B.U.F.F Officers/Board of Directors/Key Positions

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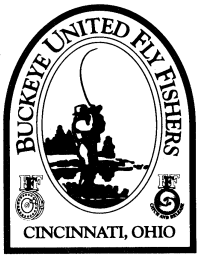
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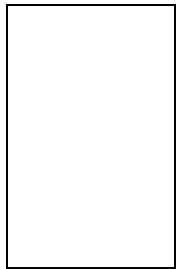


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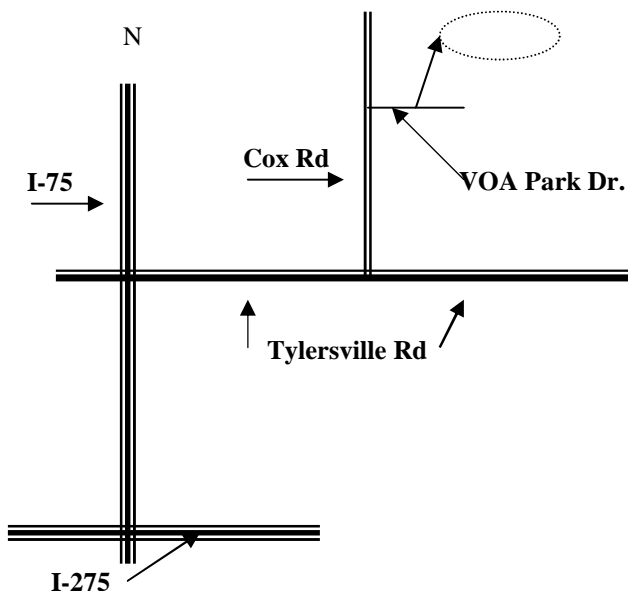
FIRST CLASS MAIL

NOTICE: Dues are \$25 (Individual), \$30 (Family), with a one time \$5 Initiation Fee for new members. New members will pay a prorated membership amount according to month of initial membership for the first year. Annual dues are due January 1. Refer to BUFF website for further information. B.U.F.F., P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, OH 45242

Mailing Address

Next Monthly Meeting – January 9

CALL 513 683 0286 OR SIGN UP ON LINE AT WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT ON THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE MEETING. DINNERS ARE \$15/PERSON FOR A MEAL. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED – DON'T WAIT – CALL NOW!



Directions:

From I-75 -- Follow I-75 north to the Tylersville Road exit. Turn right off of the exit ramp onto Tylersville Road and follow to Cox Road. Turn left onto Cox Road and follow Cox Road north to VOA Park Drive. Turn right onto VOA Park Drive. Turn left onto first drive and follow roadway to Lodge.

From the Warren County area...

Follow Tylersville Road west to Cox Road. Turn right onto Cox Road and follow Cox Road north to VOA Park Drive. Turn right onto VOA Park Drive. Turn left onto first drive and follow roadway to Lodge.