

News from the President

Hello fellow fly fishermen,

It's time for our August club meeting. This month's program will be Lefty Ray Chapa sharing with us about fishing the saltwater cuts on the Texas coast. Lefty Ray Chapa (www.leftyray.com) is a San Antonio, TX based, award winning, professional photographer and writer specializing in music photography, sports and outdoor subjects like fly fishing, kayak fishing, saltwater fishing, and duck hunting. He is also a lecturer on the Texas fly fishing opportunities and can be found giving slideshows and seminars around the country. When not photographing bands, he is kayak fishing at the Texas coast or guiding fly fisherman on the Texas Hill Country streams.

Lefty Ray's work has appeared in magazines like Newsweek, Texas Highways, Southwest Fly Fishing, Paddler, Shallow Water Angler, Fly Fishing in Saltwaters, Gulf Coast Fisherman, and Texas Parks & Wildlife. His work has also appeared in newspapers like the San Antonio Express-News, La Prensa, and Saltwater Texas. Currently he has a weekly blog in the Sports section, on the Outdoor page of the Express-News (www.mysa.com) and a regular contributor to Southwest Fly Fishing magazine. I have personally fished with him and attended his Fishing the Flats in Kayaks seminar several years ago. If you've been in the club a while you will remember he has presented to our club before, and it is always an informative program.

The Living Waters events for August consist of Wednesday night fly tying, a Fly Tying Theater on Saturday, August 15th, and a presentation August 29th by Jim Gray on "Finding Secret Fishing Spots". Go to www.livingwatersflyfishing.com for more info.

The club officers are meeting tonight to finalize our list of upcoming officers so be sure to come to the meeting Thursday night to vote on our new slate of directors and officers.

The Austin Fly Fishing club has invited everyone to their annual Fly Fishing tutorials meeting on August 21. Check it out on their website.

Annual dues are now "due" for all members for the 2015-2016 year so please bring your checkbook or cash to renew your membership (or you can mail it to our PO box). Randy Johnson is our interim membership chairman since Richard resigned. We really need to get those dues in right away so we know how much \$ we have to work with this next year.

Don't forget to bring your money for the fly raffles and if you want a nice fly box with our insignia on it. Once again we will raffle 3 boxes of 1 dozen flies each-\$5/ticket or 3 for \$10. Boxes are \$6 for a clear streamer box and \$10 for a nice black waterproof fly box. We want to bring in some guides as speakers during the year and this is one of our major avenues to raise the \$ for these programs.

I think that covers it for this month. See you Thursday!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Austin Fly Fishing Club Tutorials August 21