

Hello fellow fly fishermen,

It's time for our April club meeting. This month's program will be presented by another one of our own Bill Adams. Bill lives in Hamilton and is the Area Coordinator with Project Healing Waters. Some of you may not know, but San Gabriel Fly Fishers is the sponsor club for PHW working with Bill to support the recovery of our wounded service men through fly fishing and tying activities. Bill has moved the activities from Ft Hood to the VA facilities in Waco, and we have folks going up to help tie flies and teach casting. Bill is on the Pro Staff of TFO rods and is an avid striper and hybrid fisherman. Bill will be updating us on the current status of the PHW program and letting us know what we can do to support the program. He will also be talking about fishing Lake Whitney and Lake Belton for hybrids and small mouth bass which he has been catching the past few weeks. Just yesterday he was catching hybrids on Lake Belton in the 6 to 7 pound range. Bill always provides a lot of useful and interesting information so join us this Thursday night. I'm going to let Bill do his presentation at the start of the meeting so don't be late or you will miss it!

We have a group of fly tiers meeting on Wednesday mornings at 9:00am. For info contact Brooks Bouldin.

Be sure to keep checking the Living Waters Fly Fishing website for all of Chris' upcoming activities. The annual Brushy Creek One Fly tournament is this Saturday, April 4. The Brushy Creek cleanup and crawfish boil is scheduled for April 18-this is a great opportunity for cleaning up the creek (conservation) and enjoying some great crawfish with your fishing friends! Several of our folks participated in the cleanup last year.

Registration will be opening soon for this year's Fly Fishing Expo in New Braunfels on May 29-31. We will once again have a booth and you should mark this on your calendar. It is a great time to learn more about our sport as well as see (and buy) all of the great new gear that is out. There will be free basic casting instruction, as well as classes you can take on casting, fly tying, and area fishing information. Admission for all 3 days is only \$20 for IFFF members or \$10 for one day. Friday night has the International Fly Fishing Film Tour, and there is a Saturday night banquet. This is the big Fly Fishing event of the year for Texas.

Check it all out at <http://txflyfishexpo.com> .

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 have been doing well with our raffles and everyone has been winning some nice selections of flies.

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