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Next Meeting...

Thursday -- April 12, 2001

Doors open at 7:00 pm

Meeting starts at 7:30 pm

Northwest Senior Center
5429 - 32nd Ave NW in Ballard
"1 Block North of the Locks"

Guest speaker for Thursday is Brian Hartzell of the Western Washington Wally Club. Brian is also a Sportco Fishing department employee. If you want an introduction to Walleye fishing then this is the meeting for you! Plenty of tips on where to go and tactics on how to fish some of our states hot locations.

Last Meeting:

Thanks Larry, for bringing in the video on dam removal and the positive recoveries that the 3 communities enjoyed. We were all impressed with the results: new parks, improved fishing, new business growth, all hallmarks that we will soon enjoy after the Condit and Elwha Dams are removed.

BTSC Membership

We have **gained** 12 new members since the 1st of the year: Stephen Bailey, Frank Burden, Steve Chapman, Jim Christensen, Nicholas Hebb, Rick Johnson, Ryan Robinson, John Skafton, Peter Stafford, Chris Wilke, Doug Woods, and Orio Yamamura.

There are 3 transferred-in members: Chris Gardner, Kelly Labonty, and Ray Laidet. With these and the 37 renewals our current chapter total is 347.

Sturgeon Fishing Trip

There are 2 spaces available for a Sturgeon fishing trip July 16 and 17 out of Ilwaco at the mouth of the **Columbia River**. Price is \$70 per day. Call Mike Kelly for more info 706-8807.

Fishing Licenses

April is the month to buy a **new license** (WILD) and to return your old punchcards. Our harvest statistics are needed to determine the recreational quotas. All **un-returned cards** are counted as full and that grants more to the other users. Also now is the time to start your fishing log. Write down the days you were successful before returning your punchcard.

Congratulations Joe!

Joe Yee won the grand prize at Outdoor Emporium's 5th Annual Sale, an Aqua Vue **underwater camera**. We can't think of anyone more deserving than Joe. He wears a WDFW volunteer baseball hat (a coveted item) and is always seen helping at the Kid's fishing ponds. Congratulations. We also can't think of anyone who needs it less than Joe, a **master angler**. So if you lose your equipment overboard, call Joe.



This is the fish Fred Zingleman told us got away. He lied. Fred caught this beauty the last week of March 2001, and that's about all we know for sure.

WCTU Update

The May Council meeting has been **moved** to June 1-2 in Tacoma. July exec board meets in Aberdeen. September Council meeting and **2002 Officer elections** will be in Federal Way / Des Moines area. November exec board will be in Monroe.

The WCTU web site has 29 pages and is growing, with over **1700 hits** to date. Soon to come, Chapter Pres. bulletin board; chapter project page, wild steelhead, awards info, state raffle, and Lines to Leaders pages.

A new Council **Logo**, decals, patches and mugs are all in process. Keep these in mind if you're looking for early Holiday shopping ideas!

-- *Larry O'Neil, VP Membership,
WA Council Trout Unlimited*

Operations Crunch!

The Ballard Trout and Salmon Chapter's board members have been concerned for some time about our **operating budget**. We always seem to get by, but never comfortably. This explains why. It also presents some ideas for how you can **help your chapter**.

Our major expense is this monthly **newsletter**. It averages 2 sheets a month and is sent "non-profit bulk," the lowest rate available, to about 335+ members. Folding, labeling, etc., is all done by volunteers. The total cost is approximately \$125 a month, which breaks out to **\$5 per member per year**.

Our main source of funding has been and still is the selling of Washington Council of Trout Unlimited **raffle tickets**. We get 40% of what we sell. If this were our only source of income, we would need to sell \$4000 worth of raffle tickets each year just to break even on newsletter expenses.

Our average ticket sales are only \$2800 per year. There is **no additional** funding available

from Council or National for our chapter operations -- those funds are dedicated to **restoration** efforts and **education** programs.

1. We've been attempting to cut costs by **e-mailing** the newsletter to as many members as possible. If you have e-mail access at home or work, **please** contact either **fzingle@gte.net** or **wa.native1@juno.com** to get on our e-mail list for newsletter distribution. Guaranteed not to be used for any type of mailing or advertising lists.

2. Another **easy way** to help make up the difference in funding is for every member to purchase a \$10 bonus book of 7 Council raffle tickets for your chance at 1 or more of 5 great prizes. To make it even easier, just send, along with your check, a **SASE and 7 return address labels** for the ticket stubs, and we'll send you your tickets! Again, guaranteed not to be used for any type of mailing or advertising lists.

3. Another idea to help with our finances is to sell a booklet, or just some individual raffle tickets, to **neighbors, friends, & co-workers**. They all want to support fish recovery and aquatic education efforts, and this offers them a way to get directly involved.

Let's be champions for the fish and the future generations. If we all do our share it will work!

-- *Your BTSC Board*

Celebrate Earthday

The 2001 **Earthday Banquet** and Auction is coming fast. It will be held in the Washington Convention & Trade Center in Seattle, WA on Saturday, April 21, 2001. We have almost filled our first table, and need 10 more to fill the second!

Bring your \$50.00 to the BTSC April 12th meeting and reserve your ticket to this **prestigious event**. It will be a great happening, with all sorts of auction items besides fishing gear.

Visit the www.halcyon.com/earthday/index.htm site and view the **auction items** from your home. Hope to see you there!

-- *Fred Zingleman*



This "extension" of Wallace Falls is shooting 30,000 Coho smolts into the BTSC rearing pen at Ray's dock on January 11th. This Wallace Falls Hatchery employee was assisted by members Doug McGar, Don Miller, and Larry O'Neil. --Photo by Doug McGar.

Upcoming Events...

Apr 21 Earth Day Banquet and Auction, Washington Convention & Trade Center, Seattle. Tickets \$50 -- *see article.*

May 5 Grays Harbor Chapter Banquet, in Aberdeen, to support "Friends Landing" Disabled Persons Fishing Access project.

Jun 1-2 Council Spring meeting, in Tacoma.

Aug 14-19 "Roll on Columbia" TU National Convention, Portland OR. Contact either Chairman Jim Derry at (360) 896-6967 e-mail: ohio12@qwest.net, or Marketing Director Jim Wilcox (888) 820-1164 e-mail: jimwilcox@wwdb.org.

Shoreline Stream & Wetland Inventory & Assessment

City of Shoreline will hold a series of Open Houses to discuss plans on stream and wetland inventory and assessment. Three meetings will focus on **specific** wetlands, and a fourth will overview city-wide watershed conditions. This is being done to help the city form policies ensuring **compliance** with clean water and endangered species acts:

Thornton Creek Watershed - Tues Apr 3, 7-8:30 pm, Parkwood Elementary School, "Reference Room," N 155th & Wallingford Ave N.

Boeing Creek - Thurs Apr 5, 7-8:30 pm, Shorewood High Cafeteria, N 175th & Fremont Ave N.

McAleer Creek - Tues Apr 10, 7-8:30 pm, Shoreline Center, "Spartan Room," NE 185th & 1st Ave NE.

Citywide Watersheds - Wed Apr 11, 7-8:30 pm, Shoreline Center "Mt Rainier Room," NE 185th & 1st Ave NE.



Larry O'Neil tries his hand at "imprinting" one of the newly delivered Coho at the rearing pen. --Photo by Doug McGar.