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### A Note About Meetings...

There will be no meetings during the summer months. The next meeting will be in September. We will still have monthly newsletters so watch for those in your mailboxes!

## A Message from Ted Fountain

### Free fishing weekend/"Passport to Fishing" event held at Bonneville fish hatchery.

The pond fishing at Mitchell Creek was hot. What a blast that was. I don't know how many kids got there first fish today but the smiles and excitement generated from fishing was worth a million bucks. Many kids couldn't wait, little girls wanted to bait their own hooks, and a lot of parents who brought cameras along went home with some great pictures of their kids and grandkids first trout. Some of the kids were content to just be there at waters edge with the hope that a fish might strike. Bobbers deployed, worms wiggling, brothers and sisters sometimes on the left or right. Cool drizzling rain made it more of a challenge for many of these first timers who stuck it out in hopes of catching two trout. Not all would be so lucky at the station that I was assigned for the day. It seemed that all the trout in our area had moved to the other side of the confined area directly in front of the next station to our left. All that could be done was to redirect our hopeful lads and lasses bobbers into the next stations zone. It was like combat fishing for beginners without all the drama and our job was to help these kids catch fish and if we had to cross a few lines to make it happen then so be it. Their happiness and sense of accomplishment after getting the thrill of having a trout on and to the net made up for any discomfort on our part as a result of a little crowding of our neighbors who seemed to have all the fish to themselves. Who would have



thought that could happen at a hatchery pond? On the way up to Bonneville I saw many boaters and bank anglers fishing or heading to the river and I thought about how nice it would be to catch nice fat chinook. As much as I would like to do that there is nothing that beats introducing kids to fishing and sharing those magical moments when kids catch their first fish. Had so much fun I had to take a nap when I got home. ~Ted Fountain

### An Excerpt from the Sandy Chapter Newsletter

The Coastal Conservation Association has come on the scene recently and addresses some of the bigger political issues we face as anglers. Others are focused on the needs of the fish in our basins through habitat improvement work. So what can we do? The thing I really love about the Steelheaders is the personal relationships I have formed with fellow members. It is one of the strengths of the chapter. People in the chapter are genuine and open. I believe that these relationships we form can be utilized to motivate membership to have a bigger impact in the basin. We are also local. We know the Sandy and its runs very well. This local knowledge means that we can advocate for the Sandy to decision makers. Mike Myrick recently forwarded to the board a

source of funding for projects to enhance fish runs in local streams. What can we do as a chapter to make our runs better? Some ideas have been batted around by members. But it is time to put your time in, make things happen and make a difference for the future of the Sandy Chapter Basin. Our chapter is only as strong as the effort put out by its members.

The next Clackamas River Cleanup will take place Sunday September 9, 2007. Be sure to mark your calendars for this one. Those who attended the event last year enjoyed a BBQ dinner and live band along with a lot of other good people after the cleanup. The cleanup itself had a bit of fun competition to see who could find the biggest, strangest, etc. trash.

## EarthJustice Press Release - Counting Hatchery Salmon as Wild Violates Law



The Bush administration's 2005 policy requiring fisheries scientists to count hatchery-bred fish in making endangered species assessments of salmon runs has been declared invalid. A federal judge in Seattle set aside the controversial policy as scientifically flawed and inconsistent with the Endangered Species Act.

The court also set aside the listing decision for the Upper Columbia steelhead, which was treated with a lower level of endangered species protections due to the abundance of hatchery salmon in its habitat. The ruling came in twin decisions in related cases that were released today.

In setting aside the policy, the court held "in evaluating any policy or listing determination under the ESA, [the court's] polestar must be the viability of naturally self-sustaining populations in their naturally-occurring habitat." The court also focused on statements by federal experts and biologists declaring that the policy was biologically indefensible. "Nothing . . . provides a scientific justification for basing status determinations" on both hatchery and wild fish together.

"Salmon and people need clean water, swimmable streams, and healthy habitat. We all win when we protect and recover wild salmon and their habitat," said Jan Hasselman, an attorney with Earthjustice. "Hatcheries never were meant to be a replacement for self-sustaining populations of salmon in healthy streams."

NMFS's scientific advisors and experts unanimously concluded that it would be "biologically indefensible" to eliminate ESA protection for endangered salmon based on the abundance of hatchery fish. Scientists emphasized that salmon need habitat to sustain themselves into the future while hatcheries rely on an artificial environment that doesn't produce salmon that survive well in the wild. Documents uncovered in the lawsuit showed that political appointees sought to muzzle the agency's scientific experts, forcing some to independently publish their views in scientific journals.

"People in the Northwest want salmon in their rivers and streams for generations to come. We should strengthen legal protections and accountability for wild salmon, not weaken them," said Kaitlin Lovell, salmon policy coordinator for Trout Unlimited.



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ited. TU has worked to improve the operation of hatcheries while keeping attention focused on reducing the need for them by recovering wild salmon to self-sustaining numbers.

The policy originally arose out of a 2001 court decision in which anti-protection groups successfully sued to eliminate ESA protections for the Oregon coast coho salmon. NMFS had included hatchery fish in the definition of the coho's population, but listed only the wild component under the ESA. Based on a strict reading of the law, the judge ruled that the ESA did not allow NMFS to list only a portion of a designated species.

The problem identified by the court could have been solved easily by designating separate populations for wild and hatchery components. However, the Bush administration seized the opportunity to push through a policy designed to take remove endangered species protections for salmon by counting hatchery fish in their population estimates. That policy triggered a nationwide outcry when it was leaked in 2004.

"The presence of hatchery fish should never be an excuse to reduce protections for wild salmon and their habitat. Both wild and hatchery salmon need healthy rivers to survive. Our ultimate goal must be the return of healthy wild fish stocks so we eventually can eliminate our dependence on hatcheries," said Jim Lichatowich, scientist and author of the book *Salmon Without Rivers*.

The court noted that counting hatchery fish alongside wild fish can reduce protections for the wild fish. This was the case when the administration downlisted Upper Columbia River steelhead from endangered to threatened, which the court also set aside.

The groups filing the lawsuits included Trout Unlimited, National Wildlife Federation, Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermens' Associations, Institute for Fisheries Resources, Oregon Wild, Klamath Forest Alliance, Pacific Rivers Council, Wild Steelhead Coalition, Native Fish Society and Federation of Fly Fishers. They were represented by attorneys Jan Hasselman, Kristen Boyles, and Patti Goldman of Earthjustice.



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## Daily catch limit for summer steelhead will rise to 6 fish on the Cowlitz River

OLYMPIA – Starting June 9, anglers may catch up to six summer-run hatchery steelhead per day on the Cowlitz River under a new rule adopted by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW).

At the same time, the fishing boundary below the Cowlitz Salmon Hatchery will move upstream to 100 feet below the barrier dam. Night closure and non-buoyant lure restriction are now in effect upstream of Mill Creek.

Only those fish measuring 20 inches in length with a clipped adipose fin may be retained. Unmarked steelhead and those with a clipped right ventral fin must be released.

The new limit – up from two hatchery fish per day – is still expected to allow enough fish to reach Cowlitz River hatcheries to meet this year’s production goals, said Wolf Dammers, WDFW fish biologist.

“We want to give anglers every opportunity to catch returning fish not needed for hatchery production,” Dammers said. “Increasing the daily limit makes the most sense, because fishery managers can no longer transport hatchery fish downstream to give anglers another chance to catch them.”

That practice, called “recycling,” was suspended under a management plan approved last year by the Federal Energy and Regulatory Commission (FERC) as part of the relicensing agreement for Mayfield and Mossyrock dams on the Cowlitz River. Dammers noted that the suspension will be in effect until studies are completed to determine the effects of recycling on wild steelhead.

While summer steelhead are now moving into the Cowlitz River in increasing numbers, the run isn’t expected to peak until July or August, Dammers said. “These are great fish and we want to make sure they are put to the best possible use,” he said.

Since early May, WDFW has transported several dozen summer-run hatchery steelhead from Cowlitz River hatcheries to Kress Lake near Kalama, where they have supplemented the lake’s recreational fishery. That stocking effort was recently discontinued due to warming water temperatures, Dammers said.

Besides increasing the daily catch limit, WDFW will begin providing local food banks with summer steelhead next week. Fish that are not of food-grade quality will be used to enhance nutrient levels in the lower Cowlitz River, Dammers said.

### Membership Renewals

Block, Jim - 1/07	Olds, Pat - 1/07
Brunton, Glen - 5/07	Reed, B.J. - 1/07
Colpron, Gil - 1/07	Riehm, Bob - 1/07
Erickson, Nick - 1/07	Sarensen, Charles - 1/07
Hickey, Chris - 1/07	Streett, Walt - 1/07
Howell, Dean - 1/07	Thornton, Ray - 1/07
Johnson, Paul - 4/07	Vitello, Paul - 6/07
Leal, David - 1/07	Wisher, Thomas - 1/07
Lingheim, Marty - 1/07	Wright, Greg - 1/07
Mackey, Shawn - 1/07	
Matthews, Don - 3/07	
McWilliams, Robert - 4/07	
Mitchell, Jamey - 1/07	
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## Oregonians can have it all thanks to state agency collaboration

Knappa, Ore – It is possible to ‘have it all’ with Oregon’s state forests, especially when state agencies collaborate and work together with other natural resource groups. The new addition to the Gnat Creek trail is a good example of this “all in” approach. The Upper Gnat Creek Trail near the Gnat Creek Fish hatchery in the Clatsop State Forest opens Saturday, June 16 at 10:00 a.m. as local boy scouts are the first to blaze the trail following a ceremonial ribbon cutting by the Astoria Chamber Ambassadors.

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Rolling up their sleeves and working on this project were the departments of Forestry and Fish and Wildlife, and they teamed with the Columbia River Estuary Study Task Force and Oregon State Extension Service.

“The beauty of this watershed and its offerings has been the result of many years of collaboration,” says Roger Warren, Gnat Creek Hatchery Manager, ODFW. “Our different agencies came together with a vision to link our resources to create the best possible recreation and education opportunities for the public. Today, we’re proud to be expanding and improving our exhibit

### Director’s statement on Puget Sound steelhead listing under the federal Endangered Species Act

The following statement from Jeff Koenings, Ph.D., director of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), concerns the listing by NOAA Fisheries of Puget Sound steelhead as “threatened” under the federal Endangered Species Act.

“The decision by the NOAA Fisheries to list Puget Sound steelhead as a ‘threatened’ species is yet another indication that the region’s aquatic environment is not healthy. Like Puget Sound

with the addition of our newest trail.”

Gnat Creek trail, itself, represents a commitment to recreation. It’s a trail that connects a popular campground with a visitor-friendly fish hatchery, and now it extends even further into the forest - on a path to someday reach a distant waterfall. It’s also an invitation to Oregonians to hike into the woods to see firsthand how forests, fish and wildlife are being cared for.

“The two mile trail provides opportunities for families as well as classrooms,” says Larry Sprouse, ODF Support Unit Forester. “In addition to being easily accessible from Highway 30 with ample parking, the trail offers a variety of vegetation both new and old as well as diverse wildlife viewing opportunities from the salmon and steelhead runs to a multitude of migrating birds.”

The trail begins at Gnat Creek Hatchery where visitors can learn about the salmon lifecycle and how hatcheries play a role in revitalizing listed and endangered native fish populations. Entering the trail, visitors weave through a working forest, one with an innovative plan for managing timber, protecting streams, developing young and old habitat for native wildlife, and having scenic forests for Oregonians to enjoy. This emphasis on multiple values and a wide range of goals is an innovative alternative to the reserved-based approach found on most federal forests.

Walking along the trail, it’s clear that timber harvesting stopped well before it reached Gnat Creek to preserve the vital living space in and along the stream. Salmon and salamanders are among the species that depend on the undisturbed water areas. Deer, elk and songbirds, on the other hand, take full advantage of the harvested open areas for foraging.

A little farther along, the trail moves into more mature woods. Here the visitor is free to marvel at the many sizes and types of trees. A range of natural forest stages, or habitats, is a key management goal

chinook salmon, which were listed for federal protection in 1999, naturally spawning steelhead are highly dependent on the quality of marine waters as well as rivers and streams for their survival. In proposing this listing a year ago, the NOAA Fisheries cited freshwater habitat degradation as the ‘principal factor limiting the viability of Puget Sound steelhead in the foreseeable future.’

“Fortunately, our state is taking steps to address this problem. Steelhead, as well as salmon, will benefit from the Governor’s Puget Sound Initiative and the collaborative recovery plan developed by the Shared Strategy coalition, both of which prescribe concrete actions to improve the aquatic environment. The state’s landmark Forest and Fish law of 1999 has also helped to reduce



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the impact of timber harvest activities on fish habitat.

“In addition, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife is in the final stages of developing a statewide steelhead management plan, specifically designed to guide our efforts to protect and perpetuate wild steelhead populations throughout the state.

“It should be noted that the NOAA Fisheries does not identify current fisheries as a risk to the viability of wild steelhead populations in Puget Sound. The catch of wild steelhead has dropped to less than 1 percent of the total run since the mid-1990s, when selective fishing rules were adopted requiring the release of wild fish. In addition, WDFW and tribal co-managers have intensively reviewed hatchery practices to ensure they will be consistent with the goal of recovering wild steelhead populations in Puget Sound and around the state.

“While there is cause for concern about the status of wild steelhead, as reflected in this ESA listing, returns of wild steelhead have increased to a number of rivers in the Puget Sound area in recent years. The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife will work with NOAA Fisheries, local governments, tribes and citizens to ensure this trend continues in the years ahead as we continue to build wild steelhead populations.”

### **New ODFW warmwater fishing brochures highlight statewide opportunities**

SALEM, Ore. – Are you looking for opportunities to catch warmwater fish? A new series of brochures is now available from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife that provides information on where to find warmwater fish and what tackle and techniques to use to catch them. Full color drawings help anglers identify warmwater fish species which include bass, crappie, perch, bluegill and others.



“The brochures are a great resource for the angler who is new to warmwater fishing,” said Rhine Messmer, ODFW Recreational Fisheries Program manager. “But even experienced anglers will find the information helpful. With this new series we are hoping to introduce folks to the variety of warmwater angling opportunities available throughout Oregon and encourage them to try a warmwater angling outing.”

There are ten brochures covering different areas of the state. Each includes a map and table of recommended warmwater fishing locations and diagrams showing basic tackle and techniques.

“The brochures provide anglers with the information they need for an easy and successful warmwater fishing experience,” Messmer said. “We’ve highlighted a lake or reservoir in each area and provided a map of the waterbody and more detailed site and fishing information.”

The Warmwater Fishing in Oregon brochures are free and avail-

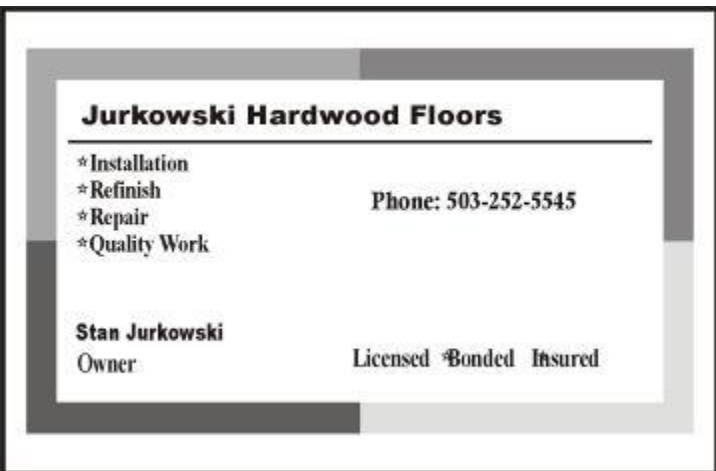
able at most ODFW offices. An online version of the brochures is available on the ODFW Web site, [www.dfw.state.or.us](http://www.dfw.state.or.us).

### **Capsule Drawing**

Milton Hoch's name was drawn, but he was not able to come that night. Milton is our Co-President for this coming year, and usually always attends meetings. All that is necessary to win is to be a paid-up member and be present at the meeting. Could be you !!



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### **Fish harvest card drawing winners announced**

SALEM, Ore.—State fishery officials today announced the winners for the annual fish harvest card drawing, including three grand prize winners of an Alumaweld Drift Boat and Trailer package.

Winners were randomly selected from an estimated 35,000 anglers that returned their cards. All anglers who returned their 2006 salmon/steelhead, sturgeon or halibut harvest cards to ODFW Salem Headquarters by June 1 were entered into the drawing.

The returned harvest cards help fishery managers create a more accurate annual harvest report. Also, review of returned cards

help establish regulations that address under- or over-harvest of certain fish stocks. The 2006 harvest reports for salmon, steelhead, sturgeon and halibut will be posted next month at <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/fishing/>.

“A big thanks to those anglers who returned their harvest cards,” said John Leppink, Marking and Tagging Data Base Coordinator for the department. “Turning in the harvest card helps puts money back into the resource that otherwise might go towards phone surveys or questionnaires.”

Partners in the Harvest Card Program include Alumaweld and the Association of Northwest Steelheaders who donate many of the prizes.

Department fishery officials also credited license agents across the state for encouraging tag purchasers to return their harvest cards. “Without the persistence of license agents, the return of harvest cards would certainly be lower. We greatly appreciate their help,” said Leppink.

Other prizes awarded included: two Northwest Steelheaders framed prints; two Lamiglas fishing rods; three full-day fishing trips with a member of Northwest Steelheaders; five one-year memberships to the Association of Northwest Steelheaders; and five Northwest Steelheaders hats.

Here is the list of prize winners

Grand Prize: Alumaweld Guide Classic Drift Boat Package. Randy Brown Roseburg, OR	Larry Myers Neotsu, OR	Marjorie Scott Coos Bay, OR
Matthew Peterson Hermiston, OR	Third Prize: Full Day Fishing Trip With a Member of Northwest Steelheaders Douglas Helfrich Oakland, OR	Clinton Crotwell Redmond, OR
John Lakey Sutherlin, OR	James Xiarhos Springfield, OR	Fifth Prize: Northwest Steelheaders Hat Van Karambelas Portland, OR
First Prize: Northwest Steelheaders Framed Print Calol Korpela St. Helens, OR	Michael Downing Lincoln City, OR	Ronald Hodge Gaston, OR
Raymond Strobel Warrenton, OR	Fourth Prize: One-Year Membership to the Association of Northwest Steelheaders Barbara Linhart Gresham, OR	Ernie Tuttle The Dalles, OR
Second Prize: Lamniglas Fishing Rod Walter McGovern Portland, OR	Jimmy Crisman West Linn, OR	Donald Shockley Portland, OR
	Donald Claeyes Portland, OR	Francois Serrou Portland, OR

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## **COLUMBIA ZONE: Regulation Changes**

### **Salmon and Steelhead**

Buoy 10 upstream to Rocky Point/Tongue Point

This area of the Columbia River is currently closed to angling for salmon, steelhead and trout. Buoy 10 opens for adipose fin-clipped steelhead and adipose fin-clipped coho salmon August 1 thru 21, and September 4 thru December 31, 2007 with a daily bag limit of two adipose fin-clipped coho or adipose fin-clipped steelhead. During August 22 thru September 3, 2007 Buoy 10 is open for adult Chinook, adipose fin-clipped coho and adipose fin-clipped steelhead with a daily limit of two fish, only one of which may be a Chinook. Minimum sizes for adult salmon are 24 inches for Chinook and 16 inches for coho.

### **Rocky Point/Tongue Point to I-5 Bridge**

This area of the Columbia River is open for adipose fin-clipped summer steelhead during May 16 thru December 31, 2007 as per permanent regulations. This area is also open for adipose fin-clipped adult spring Chinook during May 16 thru June 15, 2007 with a daily bag limit of two adipose fin-clipped adult spring Chinook or adipose fin-clipped summer steelhead. During June 16 thru 30, retention of adult Chinook is allowed with a daily bag limit of two Chinook or adipose fin-clipped steelhead. The retention of Chinook jacks is allowed during May 16 thru July 31 but jacks must be adipose fin-clipped during May 16 thru June 15 and July 1 thru 31, 2007.

This area of the Columbia opens for fall Chinook salmon, adipose fin-clipped coho salmon and adipose fin-clipped steelhead August 1 thru December 31 with a two fish daily bag limit, only one of which may be a Chinook, except during September 5 thru 30, 2007, retention of Chinook salmon is prohibited downstream of a line projected from the lower end of Bachelor Island to Warrior Rock Lighthouse.

### **I-5 Bridge upstream to Bonneville Dam**

This area of the Columbia opens June 6 thru December 31, 2007 for adipose fin-clipped steelhead. This area is also open for adipose fin-clipped adult spring Chinook and adipose fin-clipped summer steelhead during June 6 thru 15, 2007 with a daily bag limit of two adipose fin-clipped adult spring Chinook or adipose fin-clipped summer steelhead. During June 16 thru 30, 2007 this area will open for adult summer Chinook salmon. Retention of Chinook jacks is allowed during June 6 thru July 31, 2007 but jacks must be adipose fin-clipped from June 6 thru 15 and July 1 thru 31, 2007. During August 1 thru December 31, 2007 this area opens for fall Chinook salmon and adipose fin-clipped coho salmon. Other area, gear and bag limit restrictions remain as per permanent regulations.

### **Bonneville Dam upstream to the Oregon/Washington border above McNary Dam**

This area of the Columbia (excluding salmon angling from a boat and from the Washington shore between Bonneville Dam and

Tower Island power lines) opens for adipose fin-clipped adult Chinook and adipose fin-clipped steelhead June 6 thru 15 with a two-fish combined daily limit. This area opens for adult summer Chinook salmon June 16 thru July 31 with a two fish bag limit. Retention of Chinook jacks is allowed during June 6 thru July 31 but jacks must be adipose fin-clipped from June 6 thru 15. Other area, gear and bag limit restrictions remain as per permanent regulations. See page 86 of the 2007 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations.

### **Sturgeon**

Anglers are limited to the use of only one single-point barbless hook while angling for sturgeon.

It is unlawful to use lamprey for bait.

The retention of green sturgeon is prohibited.

### **Buoy 10 upstream to Wauna Powerlines**

This section of the Columbia River is currently open to the retention of white sturgeon seven days per week through July 4, 2007. The daily bag limit is one white sturgeon between 45 and 60 inches with an annual limit of five fish. Catch-and release angling is allowed during non-retention periods.

### **Wauna Powerlines upstream to Bonneville Dam**

The following modifications were adopted for the 2007 mainstem Columbia River sturgeon fishery from the Wauna powerlines (River Mile 40) upstream to Bonneville Dam, including all adjacent Washington tributaries and the Willamette River downstream of Willamette Falls (including Multnomah Channel). The modifications include:

Effective February 1 thru July 31, and October 1 thru December 31, 2007 retention of white sturgeon is allowed on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays with a daily bag limit of one white sturgeon between 42 and 60 inches in length and an annual limit of five fish. Catch and release of sturgeon is allowed on non-retention days, except during May 1 thru July 31, 2007 angling for sturgeon is prohibited from Marker 85 upstream to Bonneville Dam.

### **Bonneville Dam upstream to McNary Dam**

In the Bonneville and John Day Pools the retention of white sturgeon is currently allowed seven days per week. The daily limit is one white sturgeon. Size limits are 42-60 inches in Bonneville Pool and 48-60 inches in John Day Pool. Sturgeon retention in The Dalles Pool is prohibited effective 12:01 am Wednesday, March 28, 2007 through the end of the year. Sturgeon retention in John Day Pool will be prohibited effective 11:59 pm Sunday June 10, 2007. Catch-and-release angling for sturgeon is allowed after retention seasons close except for specific area closures. In The Dalles Pool, sturgeon angling is prohibited during May 1 thru July 31, 2007 from the west end of the grain silo located near

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# Association Page



## North to Alaska Raffle Ticket Sales Winners

It was mentioned last month that two of the winners were Sandy Chapter members, but the Albany Chapter leapt past the Sandy Chapter in total ticket sales with 4,883 tickets sold. Our top ticket selling members such as Art Israelson and Reese Bush are not being forgotten. Chapters are recognizing those within the chapter and the Association has a couple fishing rods for the overall top sellers (yet to be determined).

## Steelheader Members Run the Association

The Executive Committee is very important to the success of the Steelheaders, providing chapter coordination, funding, and advocacy for all the chapters and their members. The ExCom only carries out the activities as directed by the board and chapter delegates. ExCom members are chapter members just like you who have volunteered. Steelheaders needs new people at the Association level. You can step all the way up to an Executive Committee member or take a half step to chair a particular activity or event. Contact Marc Davis at [mdavis@coho.net](mailto:mdavis@coho.net) if you have interest.

The Delegate Assembly is scheduled for August 4<sup>th</sup> in Lincoln City. There are several Bylaw and Policy & Procedure changes already proposed, and we still need additional ExCom candidates. There is still time for members to propose policy changes and to consider running for a position on the Executive Committee.

## Steelheaders Achieve 100% of Legislative Goals

All the bills we opposed were defeated and all that our board supported were passed. This is unprecedented given the breadth of our efforts to protect salmon, steelhead, and their habitats – and of course sport fishing opportunity!

The Governor recognized the Steelheaders with an invitation to the Senate Bill 838 signing ceremony in the Governor's Ceremonial Office. Marc Davis and Phil Donovan represented our board, which made the bill a priority.

In Addition, ODFW is fully funded per the original budget including coastal hatcheries, Hatchery deferred maintenance bill, & the sport fishing marketing research bill proposed by the Steelheaders all passed. The bill attempting to extract more water needed by Columbia fish for migration appears at this writing to be defeated.

## Hall of Fame Nominations Being Accepted.

Any Steelheader can nominate candidates for this award, which is presented at the annual Hall of Fame Banquet

.It is time for you to propose someone you know for their lifetime achievement toward the Steelheader mission of protecting and enhancing our sport fisheries. Both Celebrity and Foot Soldier awards are open to members and non-members and are not to be confused with the member of the year award that is due later in the year. Nominations must be in to the Association Office by mid July for consideration by the Delegate Assembly in Lincoln City on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Nomination forms are available from your chapter president's copy of the Policy & Procedures Manual or by contacting the Association office.

## Extinction Stops Here! Road Show for Salmon

Sponsored in part by the Steelheaders, the Save Our Wild Salmon Coalition's Extinction Stops Here! 2007 Road Show for Salmon Recovery begins in Oregon later this month, and will also spend time in California, Arizona, and Nevada in a campaign to raise visibility about the plight of salmon and steelhead in the Columbia and Snake Rivers, and the benefits of removing the four costly and out-dated dams on the lower Snake River.

At the start of the Road Show there will be Fin, a gorgeous, attention

grabbing 25' fabricated King Salmon that travels on a trailer. Children can climb inside the giant fish and learn about the life cycle of salmon and steelhead.



From mid-June to late July, Fin will tour the west coast, stopping at festivals, farmer's markets, coastal communities, county fairs, and other locations to build support for removing the four lower Snake River dams. To learn more about the Road Show, visit: <http://saveourwildsalmon.blogspot.com/>

If you are interested in getting more involved, or have suggestions for Road Show destinations, please contact Joseph Bogaard at [joseph@wildsalmon.org](mailto:joseph@wildsalmon.org) or 206-286-4455, x103.

## Association's June ExCom Meeting Highlights

The Teaming with Wildlife program can provide matching dollars for qualified projects. Oregon's Conservation Strategy designed to fit this program deals substantially with riparian zones and fish. Volunteer hours will be counted as matching funds, making reporting more important than ever. We are working with ODFW on a new tracking procedure to capture all our efforts.



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Rufus upstream to John Day Dam. In John Day Pool, angling for sturgeon is prohibited from May 1 thru July 31, 2007 from Highway 82 (Hwy 395) Bridge near Umatilla upstream to McNary Dam. Columbia River

ington Water Power, (now known as Avista), where he managed the environmental affairs department. He chaired the Washington Ecological Commission for seven years.

**Shiosaki resigns from Fish and Wildlife Commission**

SPOKANE VALLEY— After more than eight years of service on the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission, Fred Shiosaki of Spokane is retiring from the nine-member citizen panel.

Shiosaki announced his resignation at the close of a commission meeting Saturday in Spokane Valley.

Former Gov. Gary Locke in 1999 appointed Shiosaki to the commission, which sets policy for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. He was reappointed in 2005 to a term that was to have continued through 2010. Shiosaki served as vice-chair of the commission from January 2005 until last January.

An avid fisher, Shiosaki championed recreational fishing and youth outdoor education during his commission service, including programs such as “Fishing Kids” and “Go Play Outside.” He was instrumental in securing state funding for construction of WDFW’s eastern regional office in Spokane Valley, and for completion of a laboratory, shop and storage facility at the regional headquarters.

“Fred’s experience and wisdom—and his dedication to sustaining fish and wildlife resources and recreational opportunity—will be greatly missed,” said WDFW Director Jeff Koenings.


Shiosaki was a member of the all-Japanese/American 442nd Infantry Regiment, graduated from Gonzaga University, and attended graduate school at the University of Washington. After working as the Spokane city chemist, he set up the Spokane County Air Pollution Control Authority and served as its director and control officer for 11 years. In 1985, he retired from Wash-

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## Capsule Drawing

Milton Hoch's name was drawn, but he was not able to come that night. Milton is our CoPresident for this coming year, and usually always attends meetings. All that is necessary to win is to be a paid-up member and be present at the meeting. Could be you !!



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