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#### August Meeting

DATE: August 30, 1983  
PLACE: St. John's Episcopal Church  
Room 010, Education Bldg.  
River Oaks and Westheimer  
TIME: 7:30 Fly of the Month  
8:00 Main Program

#### July Meeting

New President Jim Darby outlined his plans and goals for the coming year. Jim feels that strong committee work is the key to the success of the club. He called upon members to pick an area of interest, and volunteer for that committee.

Dan Edwards reported on a new airline which offers bargain fares to Chile. Dan plans a November flight to Santiago and then a helicopter hop to the south to some of the world's finest sea-run trout fishing.

Last month's program was an excellent slide presentation by Brian Bilinski, detailing his recent trip to the Yellowstone area, where he fished out of the two Rivermeadows locations. Brian's slides made everyone want to leave for Wyoming directly from the meeting.

#### New Members

A warm TFF welcome is extended to the following new members: Wayne McCleskey, Wright Guthrie, Joseph Slovacek, Sam Mataloue, Constance Burke, and Mike Kasper.

Rod Raffle

Norm Crook reports that the raffle, held at the July meeting, brought in more than \$500.00, and was thus a success. The rod was won by out-going President Eliot Tucker.

Never was a rod taken fishing sooner after a raffle. When his name was called, Eliot marched to the front of the room, grabbed the rod, and charged out the door on his way to Port O'Connor.

Dues

Club dues are now overdue. They're \$20.00 per year. If you joined during the year, they're pro-rated at \$5.00 per quarter. Our firm-but-fair treasurer, Gary Shepherd, is getting ready to purge the membership list, and you don't want to be taken off. Get your check to Gary at the August meeting, or mail it to him at:

Texas Flyfishers  
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Federation of Flyfishers

Someone recently asked John Scarborough, "Just who are the Federation of Flyfishers?" His answer, "We are." The Federation speaks with a loud voice, shares flyfishing information, and publishes a fine magazine. Federation dues are \$20.00 per year, a real bargain. See John about the Federation.

Information

Want more information about the Texas Flyfishers? Call the following:

Jim Darby	681-7261 (h)	266-9300 (o)
John Scarborough	465-5196 (h)	893-9167 (o)
Charlie Thanheiser	781-7780 (h)	266-0845 (o)

August Outing

The August 6th outing, headed by Jim Johnson, went to Anuahac, fished East Bay, and toured the North Jetty area. It was primarily a learning experience, although one redfish was caught. A fine time was had by all.

### Fly-tying

Norm (Lack O'Hackle) Crook's beginners' fly-tying class is full. Fifteen eager students will meet once a week for six weeks, starting in October.

### Rod-Building

Morten Lovstad will be scheduling some rod-building sessions this fall. If you are interested in building a rod, contact him.

### Texas Conclave

Brooks Bouldin says that plans for the first Texas Conclave, to be held in Austin the first weekend in March, are developing very well. This is one you will not want to miss. Mark your calendars now and watch these pages for more details.

### Conservation

Brooks reports that the prospect of another brown trout stocking in the Guadalupe this year by Texas Trout Unlimited is unlikely. Hopefully there will be some carryover from last year's stocking.

### More Conservation

Brooks recently visited the John Wilson Redfish Hatchery at Flour Bluff. This \$1.2 million hatchery was made possible by funds raised by the Gulf Coast Conservation Association and land donated by Central Power and Light of Corpus Christi. The hatchery has already produced four million redfish fingerlings which were released into Espiritu Santo Bay, the first such planting anywhere in salt water.

Brooks was mighty impressed with the staff, the facility, and the fish. It is not recorded what the fish thought of Brooks. Speaking of the GCCA, if you would like information about that terrific organization, contact Eliot Tucker.

### Want Ads

If you have anything of a fishing nature that you would like to sell, trade, or buy, we'd be glad to list it for you in this newsletter. There is no charge for this service. Call Ken Jacoby at 999-6669 (o), or 1-409-273-2991 (h). Also call him with your fishing news.

Fishing News

At first, Sam Bean's sons had trouble keeping the rainbows from breaking off. The powerful and acrobatic trout had torn-up the 5X tippits. But now, their fourth day on the San Juan River in north-western New Mexico, Sam could see that the boys were getting the knack. They were playing the fish easily, letting them take line off the reel, and landing more than they lost.

Sam, his fiancée, and the two boys released 28 deep-bodied rainbows to 19 inches that day. Ten were over 17 inches. Brassy nymphs, fished downstream, did the trick.

The trip had started badly, with high water everywhere in the Taos area. Taylor Streit, of the Taos Fly Shop, recommended the San Juan and guided Sam's party in fine fashion. The boys, experts now, can't wait to get back to those desert rainbows.

Another Houston M.D., Bill Bennett, spent all of June in Colorado, dodging high water. He too ended up on the San Juan, where he enjoyed superb fishing for rainbows to 18 inches on a variety of nymphs and midges. Bill is no stranger to that river, and he considers it the best in the west.

Bill is planning a Thursday-through-Sunday trip to the San Juan in November, and would like to invite club members to go along. You get there by flying to Albuquerque and driving three hours to Farmington. If you're interested in some blue-ribbon trout fishing, requiring only a modest investment of time and money, contact Bill at 661-4689.

Morten Lovstad caught a 20-inch redbfish and two specks at Port Aransas in mid-July. Another member also fished.

In a case of mistaken identity, someone reported seeing Eliot Tucker fishing the Port O'Connor jetties the last week in July. Although the fellow looked exactly like Eliot, he was using casting tackle and live croakers to catch a string of hefty redbfish, and therefore could not possibly have been our ex-president.

The surf was clear and calm off Follet's Island one morning early in August. While fishless bait-casters looked on with envy, Norm Crook caught two fine specks, lost three others, and had a huge redbfish leisurely snap him off, before the wind came up and fishing stopped.

Unlike the secretive Herb Penning, Norm is glad to tell what fly he used. It was a Crook's Creation, size four.

Outings Schedule

Roger (Bring 'em back alive) Rowe has developed the following outings schedule for this year:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Fishing</u>
September 17, 18	Port Aransas	Specks and Reds
October 1	Village Creek	Bass
October 22 (tentative)	Chandeleur Islands	Specks and Reds
November 12	Fayette County Lake	Bass
<u>December 3, 4</u>	<u>Guadalupe River</u>	Rainbows and Browns
<u>January 7, 8</u>	<u>Guadalupe River</u>	Rainbows and Browns
February 4	Fayette County Lake	Bass
March 10	Upper Colorado River	White Bass

Roger would like someone to explore Village Creek with him before the October outing. This is a Big Thicket canoe trip with bass fishing. Roger's number is 981-5868. Don't miss these outings.

Loose Hooks

We are proud to report that John Hannah, whose writing has appeared in national magazines, will be writing a column for this newsletter on a regular basis, beginning next month.

Someone borrowed Brooks Bouldin's autographed copy of Gary Borger's Nymphing, and forgot to return it. His friend's inscription makes this copy invaluable to Brooks, so please check your bookshelves, and if you find it, return it.

We've had lots of favorable comments about the drawing of the brown trout which appeared in last month's newsletter. It was done by none other than Orvis's genial tackle department manager, Dave Hayward. Dave will be doing more artwork for this newsletter in the future.

While admiring this month's Fly O' the Month, done by old Lack O'Hackle (Norm Crook), it occurred to me that there is no lack o' talent in this club.

We are sad to report that J. Frank Shinkle passed away last month. On behalf of all TFF members, we extend our sympathy to the family. Mrs. Shinkle has asked Walter Jensen to assist her in disposing of Frank's fishing tackle. Walter has inventoried the tackle, and the following items are being offered for sale:

1. Casting rod, Browning Silaflex, plastic case, #312900	\$ 65.00
2. Fly rod, Heddon glass, 8½ foot, 9 wt., metal case	75.00
3. Spinning rod, Heddon Pal, 6 ft. 7 inch, #7423, pro weight	40.00
4. Fly rod, Fenwick glass, FF85, 8½ ft., 7-8-9 wt., metal case	65.00
5. Fly rod, Orvis Battenkill, #7697, 8½ ft., 9 wt., metal case	345.00
6. Casting rod, Garcia Conolon, #2525, plastic case	50.00
7. Fly rod, Orvis graphite, 9 ft., 9 wt., metal case	170.00
8. Casting rod, Heddon Pal, #6309 Mark IV, plastic case	50.00
9. Casting rod, Heddon Pal, #6308, Mark IV, plastic case	50.00
10. Fly reel, Hardy Aiden, WF9F and 200 yd. backing,	120.00
11. Fly reel, Pflueger Medalist, WF9FS, leather pouch,	45.00
12. Fly reel, Pflueger Medalist, WF9F, leather pouch,	45.00
13. Extra spool for Pflueger Medalist fly reel, WF10F,	18.00
14. Extra spool for Pflueger Medalist fly reel, leather pouch,	8.00
15. Spinning reel, Garcia 30-0, 2 extra spools,	25.00
16. Casting reel, Ambassador ABU, Garcia 2650, leather case	25.00
17. Casting reel, Ambassador 5000, leather case	35.00
18. Casting reel, Shakespeare Wonderreel model GA	25.00
19. Casting reel, Ambassador 6000, leather case, oiler, parts,	45.00
20. Casting reel, Ambassador 5000, leather case, oiler, parts,	35.00
21. Spinning reel, Shakespeare, closed face, #1797,	20.00
22. Trolling motor, Shakespeare, Wondertroll, 3 speeds, reverse,	50.00

If you are interested in any of these items, call Walter after 6:00 PM at 468-6289, or see him at the August meeting.