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Special points of interest:

- Next issue of this newsletter will have the "Notice for Election of Officers & Board Members".
- January edition will have the listing of upcoming events for 2017.
- Fly Tiers Xmas Party to be held on Tuesday, Dec. 20th, starting @ 7:00 pm.
- KSFCA 2016/2017 Fly Tying Classes started Oct. 18th & run thru Mar. 28th.
- If you know a business owner or individual that may be interested in becoming a supporting member of the KSFCA please contact Jon FioRito at 262-220-4606 for additional information and details.

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KSFCA Nominations of Officers & Board Members for 2017

It is that time again. Nominations for 2017 KSFCA Officers will take place at the KSFCA December General Meeting, on December 5th. Nominations will be taken again before the Elections at the January General Membership Meeting to be held on January 2, 2017, at 7:00 PM, at the Moose Club, on 30th Avenue. Interested members must be in attendance to accept a nomination. All officer positions are for one year. Anyone that would like an officer position who is a member in good standing, should be in attendance to accept a nomination at the December meeting of the KSFCA.

At the present time the Office of Secretary is vacant and must be filled, along with the Office of the Treasurer, (that will be open) at the end of this term. These two key positions must be filled and the present officers are seeking KSFCA members to take on the duties that these positions require. Two Four Year Board positions are currently open, as well as one Two Year Board Position and one One year Board Position. Several committee positions are also open and need to be filled. Speakers, Supporting Members and Fundraisers are in need of a Chair, or Co-chair.

Board meetings are held on the Third Monday of the month of an officer. This is a great group who strive to continue the good work of the KSFCA.

Many hands make light work and have the most fun. Let Jon FioRito know if you have any questions relevant to the duties for any committee or office.

See you all at the December Meeting of the KSFCA!!!

KSFCA Wishes All a MERRY CHRISTMAS & a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Fish hatchery to close in Marinette County...

(FOX11online.com / BY ERIC PETERSON, FOX 11 NEWS)

Marinette County (WLUK) - The end of an era is coming to a fish hatchery in Marinette County.

The Thunder River Rearing Station will soon be silent.

The change is a result of a new strategy for stocking fish into Lake Michigan.

For the past 76 years, the facility west of Crivitz, has raised fish, most recently brown trout fingerlings. "We're scheduled to stock all of our fish by the 26th of November. Then we will be closing permanently," said Amy



Gardon, Thunder River Rearing Station Foreman.

Gardon has been working at the station since 1989.

"It wasn't a complete shock, I mean, the suddenness of it was, but we've kind of been stealing ourselves for this inevitability," she said.

"Yeah, it's kind of sad," said Rob Vellella, Thunder River Rearing Station Employee. Vellella works part time. His second season at the hatchery will be his last.

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(Article & Pics Can't from pg. 1)

"It's kind of a shame as far as a fishery. It's hard to say how everything will turn out in the future. But this was a real addition to the fishery and especially in the Marinette–Menominee area. It will be a challenge going forward how this turns out," said Vellella.

The Department of Natural Resources says closing the facility comes down a new fish stocking strategy for Lake Michigan.

"There are too many predators, and not enough prey. We really want to promote a strong healthy diverse fishery in Lake Michigan," said Todd Kalish, D.N.R. Fisheries Bureau Deputy Director. Kalish says stocking will continue for sport fish like Chinook salmon, while other species like brown trout will be reduced. And since the strain of trout are raised only at Thunder River, the facility will be closed. Two full-time workers will be transferred, including Gardon.

"Yeah, it's sad, but I'm just, I, just proud that I was able to be in one location for 27 years, and I'm proud that this facility is so beautiful, and the public enjoyed it so much," said Gardon.

The hatchery will be closed by the end of November.

Any future plans for the facility are unknown.



Thunder River Fish Rearing Station to close permanently, Oct. 25, 2016



(fish hatchery to close in marinette county, photo #1)



(fish hatchery to close in marinette county, photo #2)



(fish hatchery to close in marinette county, photo #4)

The various types of flies tied so far this 2016-2017 season

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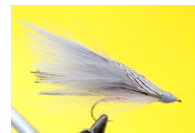
Ballou Special



Mickey Finn



Gray Ghost



Joe's Smelt



DNR Warden John Sinclair leaving the Kenosha area



(e-mail received, addressed to Lynn Davis, on October 11, 2016)



Photo by: Jim Zondlak

On Tue, Oct 11, 2016 at 1:41 PM, Sinclair, John M- DNR <John.Sinclair@wisconsin.gov> wrote:

Greetings,

I'm sure I'll talk to you all in the coming weeks, but I wanted to let everyone know this information at the same time. I recently accepted a transfer to Dane Co. for work. I will be leaving the Kenosha station in November and, as of right now, I am unsure who will be taking over my responsibilities here. Warden Brad Latza (Racine), is always a resource and can be reached at (262) 822-6454.

I want to say that it's been a pleasure getting to know all of you, as well as your great association members. You've all taught me new things, shared some fun stories, and helped me with tips and calls over the years. As the only warden assigned to half of the County, your help and support was invaluable. Kenosha was my first station as a new warden, and the past 3.5 years have flown by. I've learned an incredible amount while working here and that was in no small part because of people like you. The community support I've received has been nothing less than impressive. I'm thankful to have been able to work with you and your association on the many projects you've undertaken. All of you do amazing things to support your community and protect our resources. Thank you!

WDNR Warden
John Sinclair

Fishing Report

Courtesy of: Lake Michigan Angler: By: Rob Wendel

Brown trout and steelhead are getting started in Kenosha and Racine Harbor's. Good numbers of steelhead were caught from shore in Racine on Brad's Thin Fish or Spawn Sacs. Very few boaters are going off shore but the fishing remains very good for those getting out. Good numbers of big lake trout and young king salmon are out in 130 feet of water. Dodgers and flies or spoons are both working well. On the Fox Chain crappies are biting well on minnows around the docks.



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Photo By: Dick Kessler

Jacks' fly of the month...

Article by: Jack Springer

- Dec. 6th: Craig's Crawdad - Trophy bass and trout love them, known on some waters as crayfish, mudbugs and crawdads. This crustacean is a major food source for all species of bass, especially the smallmouth found living in rivers. This fly has uncanny realism to the real crawdad!
- Dec. 13th: Classic Grouse - This classic wet fly, is not only beautiful, but a real fish catcher. The grouse feather makes this fly a real Christmas tree type ornament, something us fly tyers should be proud to show-and-tell at Christmas time.

- Dec. 20th: Fly Tyers Christmas Party - Guest tier is John Randall, Racine, WI - Retired Johnson Wax Entomologist.



*****MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!*****



- Dec. 27th: Matt's Bluegill Killer - Matt Hetchler has won 3 years running the Boy Scout fishing trophy using this fly through the ice. Simple to tie, deadly through the ice!
- Bob's Emu Slayer - The best summer bluegill pattern around. The use of emu (some fishermen think it has better action than hackle) is unique and different in fly tying. Part of fishing is anticipation of positive results—you will not be disappointed by this little fly. These two flies and their recipes will be available on December 27th at fly tying at the Moose Club. See you there. The fly is from Bob Haase, El Dorado, WI.

The next edition of this publication will cover the flies to be tied during January.

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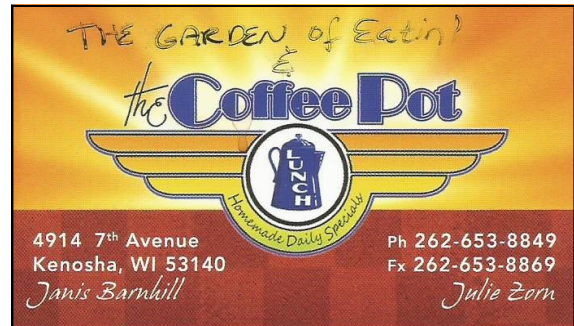
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Salmon and trout egg-take efforts

(Courtesy of: Great Lakes Basin Report, November 2016)

Fall egg-takes have been completed, or are starting soon, for wild Chinook and coho salmon and for captive broodstocks of brown, rainbow, brook and lake trout. Chinook and salmon eggs were collected October 4 and October 20 at the Little Manistee River Weir and October 11 from the Swan River Weir near Rogers City. Collection of coho salmon eggs began October 17 at the Platte River State Fish Hatchery Weir and ended October 27.

The Wisconsin DNR was able to supplement Michigan's needs with an additional 500,000 eggs from their Strawberry Creek Weir. These additional eggs will ensure Michigan produces the required number of salmon for stocking in 2017.

The coho salmon egg-take got underway at the upper Platte River Weir October 17. The coho run has been very strong this fall, with 16,691 adults passed above the lower Platte River Weir and an additional 1,491 adults harvested. The goal was nearly 5 million coho eggs at the Platte River Weir, and we had no problem hitting the target.

All Chinook salmon eggs collected at Michigan's weirs will be reared in Michigan. The DNR will continue to provide coho eggs to neighboring states with 3 million staying in Michigan, 1.1 million going to Indiana and 800,000 going to Illinois, thanks to a strong run of fish.

Captive broodstock egg-takes for brook trout and lake trout are in progress until mid-November at the Marquette Hatchery. Brown trout egg-takes at Oden State Fish Hatchery were completed in mid-October. Rainbow trout egg-takes at Oden will begin in December and continue until mid-January. Captive egg-takes occur every one to two weeks.

Captive broodstocks will provide 220,000 brook trout eggs, 410,000 lake trout eggs, 3.3 million brown trout eggs and 1 million rainbow trout eggs. An additional 640,000 splake eggs (brook trout and lake trout hybrid) will also be collected. For more info: Michigan.gov/hatcheries.



LAKE MICHIGAN/METRO AREA LAKES

(Report by: WDNR, October 28, 2016)

In Kenosha County, anglers reported catching a few lake trout at 200 feet on a flasher/fly combo. Pier fishing was slow. Most anglers are focusing their efforts in the harbor. The is still slow, but a few brown trout, two steelhead, and a few kings were reported on spawn sacs, spoons and shiners. Only a few kings were reported on the Pike River on orange yarn eggs just upstream from the Hwy. E bridge.

In Racine County, fishing pressure was light last week. One angler fishing near the boat ramp reported catching two steelhead on spawn sacs. Only a handful of pier anglers reported catching a few brown trout. With more than an inch of rain, Root River flows brought in an increasing number of salmon. Fish were processed at the Root River facility on Oct. 17, and 829 fish were passed upstream. So far this fall, DNR crews have handled 1,585 Chinooks, 336 cohos, six rainbows and seven browns.

Trout and salmon continue to stage in the Milwaukee boat harbor for the run up the Milwaukee, Menomonee, and Kinnickinnic rivers. A large number of Chinooks moved from the harbor into the rivers last week. Small rainbows, brown trout, and a few nice cohos have been landed by anglers fishing with shiners and fatheads on the shoreline behind Summerfest. A large number of trout and salmon were stacked up in the Lakeshore State Park lagoons, but very few anglers were fishing for them. One angler lost a large brown trout and a large Chinook in the lagoons. A large number of Chinooks were stacked up at the McKinley boat launch, but the fish were very dark. Anglers under the Hoan Bridge have been targeting brown trout and rainbows with shiners and fatheads but the catch rate has been low. Anglers on the Grant Park shoreline have been targeting trout and salmon at the mouth of the Oak Creek with crank-baits, spoons, and spawn sacs

In Ozaukee County, the power plant discharge area in Coal Dock Park still has high fishing pressure, but success has slowed down. The north slip marina area has also slowed considerably. Chinook and coho salmon were caught in Sauk Creek.

In Sheboygan, fishing pressure has been very low and very few fish have been reported lately.

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DECEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 KSFCA Club Meeting 7:00 pm	6 Fly Tying 7:00 pm 'til 9:00pm	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Fly Tying, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	14	15	16	17
18	19 KSFCA Board Meeting 7:00 pm	20 Fly Tyer's Xmas Party	21	22	23	24 Christ- mas Eve
25 Christ- mas Day	26	27 Fly Tying, 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve

Important dates this month

- * 12-05-16 - KSFCA Club Meeting at the Moose @ 7:00 pm
- 12-06-16 - Fly Tying @ the Moose Lodge, 7:00 pm –9:00 pm (Craig's Crawdad)
- 12-13-16 - Fly Tying @ the Moose 7:00 pm– 9:00 pm (Classic Turkey and Grouse)
- 12-19-16 - KSFCA Board Meeting at 7:00 pm
- 12-20-16 - Fly Tying @ the Moose 7:00 pm– 9:00 pm (Fly Tyer's Xmas Party)
- 12-27-16 - Fly Tying @ the Moose 7:00 pm– 9:00 pm (Matt's Bluegill Killer & Bob's Emu Slayer)

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Publication	* Dick Kessler Lynn Davis
Electronic Comm..	* Mike Smith Jim Zondlak Lynn Davis
Guest Speakers	* Jon FioRito Jerry Vigansky

2016 Schedule of Club Events

- 01/04/16 - Board Elections
- 02/27/16 - Awards Banquet
- 05/07/16 - Kids Fish-N-Fun
- 05/15/16 - Monthly Tournament & Fish Fry
- 06/12/16 - Monthly Tournament & Fish Fry
- 07/24/16 - Monthly Tournament & Fish Fry
- 08/07/16 - Monthly Tournament & Fish Fry
- 09/17/16 - Pike River Revival (to be confirmed)
- 09/18/16 - Monthly Tournament & Fish Fry
- General Club meeting are held on the first Monday of each month at the Moose Lodge 7:00pm (no meeting in July)
- Board meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 7:00pm location T.B.D. (no meeting in June)

New Fish mapping tool available on line

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If you would like to support these activities, please contact us by phone, mail, or email. We welcome anyone interested in becoming a member. If you are not interested in becoming a member, but would still like to support these important activities in our community, we do accept financial donations.



DNR Warden John Sinclair at KSFCA
Kids Fish-N-Fun on May 7, 2016

Our DNR warden John Sinclair has accepted a transfer to Dane Co. for work. A warden hasn't been assigned to take his place yet in the Kenosha area.
Warden Brad Latza (Racine), is always a resource and can be reached at (262) 822-6452.



WDNR Warden John Sinclair spoke about the September to May night fishing rules. John also said that any calls to the DNR can be anonymous. Report violators to 1-800-847-9367,

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