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Special points of interest:

- Fly tying class on January 14th 7:00pm at the Moose Lodge
- Fly tying class on January 21st 7:00pm at the Moose Lodge
- Fly tying class on January 28th 7:00pm at the Moose Lodge
- 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.
- We need a new chairman for the club fishing contests. Contact Tom Zapp at (847) 489-1750 for more information if you are interested.

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Let the fundraising begin!!!!

Beginning in October the KSFCA became a member of the SponsorZone XChange. Every member of the club should now have a SponsorZone XChange card. When you visit a participating business, the use of these cards generate funds for our club. It's

simple and easy to use. When you visit a participating business, simply present the card when you pay your bill

and the merchant will log in your card number and amount of the purchase. Then the company that operates the SponsorZone XChange collects that information and the appropriate donation from the merchant and passes those funds on to the club about once a quarter.

Obviously this is a tremendous opportunity to generate funding for the various projects that the club sponsors (Kids Fish-N-Fun, Pike River Revival, Rearing Pond, Life Rings, etc...). The key to taking advantage

of this opportunity is to have all of our members using their card whenever visiting a participating business. From October through December, 2013 less than 10 members used their card. One reason for this is that it

took time to distribute the cards to all the members. Of the cards that were used, only three of the cards have been registered. The biggest advantage



to registering your card is that you will receive a notification when new businesses are participating in the program. If you need help with the registration process please contact Troy Alley at 262-748-3537. Please make sure you have your card with you at all times and make sure you use your card whenever possible. If we all remember to use our cards when possible we should easily be able to meet our 2014 goal of raising an additional \$1,000 for the club this year.

Annual stocking of lake sturgeon in Lake Michigan scheduled

News Release Published: September 25, 2013 by the Southeast Region

Contact(s): Brad Eggold, Southern Lake Michigan fisheries team supervisor, 414-382-7921

MILWAUKEE - More than 1,100 lake sturgeon will be released into Lake Michigan by Department of Natural Resources fisheries crews who helped raise the fish and the public who are encouraged to take part in this annual celebration. The event takes place on Saturday, Sept. 28, with registration at 11 a.m. Prior to release, the sturgeon will be blessed by a member of the Oneida Nation. The stocking of the 6-to-8-inch fish, aimed at helping restore a self-sustaining population of lake sturgeon to Lake Michigan, will occur at 12:30 p.m. at the dock located at the north end of Lakeshore State Park.

"This is an important step on the long road to restoring lake sturgeon to Lake Michigan," said Brad Eggold, DNR Southern Lake Michigan fisheries team supervisor. "We hope these fish, and the ones stocked in previous years, will survive and thrive and ultimately help bring this magnificent fish back."

The fish were raised in the Milwaukee River through the efforts of the Riveredge Nature Center to operate a streamside rearing facility. A streamside rearing facility is

basically a mini-hatchery. Water is drawn from the Milwaukee River, pumped into sand filters and then into an 8-foot by 20-foot trailer. The trailer has four fish raceways capable of holding 1,200 lake sturgeon when full. In the past, stockings were from lake sturgeon raised at the Wild Rose Fish Hatchery. The primary benefit of using a streamside rearing facility for lake sturgeon is that they will be raised on a native water source throughout their entire early life.



"This will maximize their ability to imprint to this water source and greatly improve the odds that, at maturity, the sturgeon will return to Lake Michigan to spawn, which is the ultimate goal," Eggold said.

"Without the cooperation of the Riveredge Nature Center staff and its volunteers, we wouldn't have any fish to stock. They've provided the location for the trailer and more importantly, the support for the day-to-day operation of the

facility," he added.

Lake sturgeon can grow to 200 pounds and live 100 years. Female sturgeon don't start spawning until they are 25 to 30-years-old and males start at about age 15.

Getting to adulthood will be a challenge for the sturgeon. DNR surveys reveal good habitat for young fish, overwintering and spawning areas, but the lake sturgeon must first survive these initial



months, and then subsequent years of eluding predators and finding sufficient food. Recent gill net surveys completed by the DNR caught 10 juvenile lake sturgeon ranging from two to four-years-old. This indicates that fish raised at the facility and stocked in the Milwaukee River are surviving and using the harbor and nearshore areas as nursery grounds. These are the first sturgeon caught by DNR crews that were raised in the streamside trailer.

The sturgeon stocking project is funded through a cooperative effort among agencies and public partners. Wisconsin DNR, the Great Lakes Fishery Trust and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service provide the majority of the funding.



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DNR offers opportunity for free, fishing, fun

News Release Published: January 7, 2014 by the [Northwest Region](#)

Contact(s): Kevin Harter, DNR public affairs, 715-416-2230

By John Gozdziwski, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Northern Region Director

Free often comes with a footnote, or a condition, but what we are offering you is 100 percent free, so come join us for the second annual winter Free Fishing Weekend, Jan. 18-19. Have some free fun, but be safe. Always approach ice as unsafe. If the ice is 2 inches or less, stay off the ice; 4-inches are enough for ice fishing on foot. It takes 5 inches for a snowmobile, or ATV; 8-12-inches for a small car or pickup and 12-15-inches for a medium track. Before you go out, make sure you are dressed properly, have a charged cell phone, personal flotation device or float jacket and ice rescue claws. If fishing alone, make sure you tell someone where you are going and when you will be back. Now that you are properly prepared, come join us Jan. 18-19. The beauty of ice fishing is that it can be a solitary, serene experience done alone on a turned-over pail, with a friend or family member in a pop-up shelter, or a social gathering in a fully equipped ice fishing house. I have enjoyed all the options, but none more enjoyable than ice fishing over the years with my now grown three sons. We have our favorite lakes for bluegill, northern pike and walleye. When they were younger, they also chased tip-ups, com-

peted for the biggest fish bragging rights, and when the fish weren't biting, tossed the football around. These are mental scrapbook memories we treasure and again were brought up, along with photos of past years, over the recent holiday season. No fishing license or Great Lakes salmon stamp is needed to fish any Wisconsin water. This includes all inland waters and Wisconsin's side of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River and other boundary waters. Other fishing rules apply, such as limits on the number and size of fish anglers can keep and any seasons when anglers must release certain fish species. Ice fishing is a great way to get outside during the winter and to fish anywhere without a boat and Free Fishing Weekend is a great time to discover what it's all about - fun with friends and family and, of course, the fish. So gather friends or family, get the thermos and tackle box out. Or invite a new friend to frozen water fishing. Get the kids to turn off the video games, and try some real fun. It doesn't have to be official, or organized, but that is good too. We encourage fishing groups, local chambers of commerce, youth group leaders and others to consider hosting

their own Free Fishing Weekend events and to fill out an electronic form with their event details so DNR can help publicize those events that are open to the public. DNR tackle loaner sites have ice fishing gear for loan that groups and individuals can use, and the agency can supply limited quantities of age appropriate materials about ice fishing, fish populations, and fishing in general. If you haven't tried ice fishing, we encourage you to do so to find out why interest in winter fishing is growing. About 110,000 more Wisconsin adults ages 16 and over reported ice fishing in 2010 than the previous decade. That's an estimated 590,700 Wisconsinites, according to the most recent National Survey on Recreation and the Environment, ages 16 and over enjoying the hard-water season. Looking for ideas, or more information, our customer service folks are here for you. Stop by one of our service centers, or call seven days a week, from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., toll free, 1-888-WDNRINFO (1-888-936-7463). Or, online, go to dnr.wi.gov and search ice fishing.

So, come on out Jan. 18-19 and make a memory

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Cutting Edge Seasonal Tactics

10:00 - 11:30 am - March 8th

Capt. Matt Thayer – Port of Sheboygan

Midsummer Kings and Lake Trout

1:00 – 2:30 pm – March 8th

Capt. Jason Coslow – Port of Muskegon

KC-1 Sportsfishing - Top 10 Tournament Fisherman

King Fishing Techniques

3:30 - 4:30 pm – March 8th

Capt. Bob Bachler – Port of Waukegan

Captain Panel Discussion – Ask the Captain Your Questions?

10:00 - 11:30 am – March 9th

Keeping It Simple for Salmon

12:30 - 2:00 pm – March 9th

Capt. Nick Nault – Port of Sturgeon Bay

Plugging For Salmon With Brads Cut Plugs

3:00 - 4:00 pm – March 9th

Capt. Rich Gorske - Port of Racine

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JANUARY 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 <small>Club Meeting 7:00pm</small>	14 <small>Fly tying 7:00pm</small>	15	16	17	18
19	20 <small>Board Meeting 7:00pm</small>	21 <small>Fly tying 7:00pm</small>	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 <small>Fly tying 7:00pm</small>	29	30	31	

Important dates this month

- 1/13/14 - Club meeting at the Moose Lodge 7:00 pm
- 1/14/14 - Fly tying at the Moose Lodge — Ice Jigs
- 1/21/14 - Fly tying at the Moose Lodge — Lake Michigan Flies
- 1/20/14 - KSFCA Board Meeting 7:00pm
- 1/28/14 - Fly tying at the Moose Lodge — Lake Michigan Flies (cont'd)

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Guest Speakers	*Jim Zondlak Jerry Vigansky

2014 Schedule of Club Events

- 02/03/14 - Board Elections
- 02/22/14 - Awards Banquet
- 05/10/14 - Kids Fish-N-Fun
- 05/18/14 - Monthly Tournament
- 06/08/14 - Monthly Tournament
- 06/13/14 - Coho Classic Tournament
- 06/14/14 - Coho Classic Tournament
- 06/15/14 - Coho Classic Tournament
- 08/10/14 - Monthly Tournament
- 09/14/14 - Monthly Tournament
- 09/20/14 - Pike River Revival

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