

### TVFF Club News

December 2016



## This Month Program TVFF Christmas Social 15 December @ 7PM

Join us as we gather to celebrate the season and enjoy some endof-year fish(y) tales. Refreshments will be provided but you may bring your favorite to share.

Let us rejoice in our blessings, be thankful for our family and friends, and thank God for the strength to overcome our adversities.

We are fortunate to end the year with membership up 28% as we look forward to an exciting New Year.

#### This Month's Activities

> 15 Dec Club Social

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# Wishing you the joy of family The happiness of friends And the Love of Christmas



Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year





#### **Meet the 2017 TVFF Board of Directors**

A special thank you to the above members for their devotion. Board members serve a two year term. To ensure continuity of management, terms of office are staggered with the President, Treasurer, Communications Director, Activities Director and Membership Director being elected one year and the Vice President, Secretary, Conservation Director and Education Director being elected on alternate years.

Nominations for the offices of Vice President, Secretary, Conservation and Education will be accepted at the September 2017 meeting and elections will be held at the November meeting.

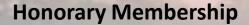


#### **Johnny Chamness Award**

This year's Chamness award goes to David Darnell. For the last 4 years David has spent many hours on the road as he traveled from his Tennessee home to served as President. His leadership and generosity was instrumental in the our continued success.

First awarded in 1998 to Johnny Chamness for his unselfish devotion to the club. It represents the true spirit of our club, to give unselfishly to our fellow members, and to share our love of fly fishing. We are proud to add David to the list of past recipients who have given much to ensure the success of our club.

Congratulations David and thank you for your leadership over the past years.



The Board of Directors wish to recognized Roger Bower, Jim Daughtry and Ralph Shuey for their contributions to the Tennessee Valley Fly Fishers and to the sport of fly fishing by awarding them lifetime Honrary Membership. A plaque with their names inscribed will be commissioned and displayed at club meetings.

#### **Courtesy Membership**

The Board of Directors wish to recognized Mike Proctor – Bjorgo for his generous contributions to the Tennessee Valley Fly Fishers by awarding Mike a Courtesy Membership. Mike donated a full day fly fishing trip for 2 on the Caney Fork complete with 2 nights at the Riverview Cottage complete with breakfast.

NOTE: This was the first year TVFF has awarded Honorary and Courtesy membership during the Annual Banquet.



Mark Shepard accepting the award for David Darnell who was unable to attend



Ralph Shuey (top) and Jim Daughtry (bottom)accepting their lifetime Hornorary Membership from Vice President Dick Curtis



#### **TVFF Annual Banquet and Auction**

The 2016 annual TVFF Banquet/Auction was held Friday evening, November the 11<sup>th</sup> with over 80 attendees, guests and family members present.

The TVFF banquet buffet opened at 6:30 comprising of a traditional holiday dinner with all the fixings. Desserts provided by the families in attendance were shared and enjoyed by all. Thank you to all who provided these dessert plates ..... they were delicious!

At 7:15 the auction began with Victor Luna doing an exemplary job. Fun was had by all and the auction was another success for the club. Items auctioned included an assortment of rods, reels, fishing packs, clothing, fly tying materials, etc.

Some notable items included a multi-day guided fly fishing adventure to western NC with lodging supplied by TVFF members Chuck & Dianne Gibb, a guided trip for 2 on the Caney Fork with 2 day lodging wit guide Mike proctor-Bjorgo, a fly plate by the late Walt Holman that was donated by his wife, Gennie Holman, another Ted Crona fly plate and an assortment of items donated by numerous fly shops & outfitters familiar with TVFF. Many thanks to all members and the numerous businesses for their contributions.



#### And The Lucky Winner Is.....

All eyes were on the drum as the lucky ticket was drawn, but, only one would take home the \$1200 Orvis Helios combo. Finally the ticket was drawn and the name was read....Corey Pedigo.



Congratulations Corey! We hope you enjoy your new rod and in case no one mentioned it, this rod comes with strings attached.

You have to send in a picture of the first fish you catch on this beautiful rod.





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