

Badger Fly Fishers



Newsletter

December 2015

Annual holiday party will be Tuesday, December 15th

Please join us an evening of holiday fun and fellowship at the Mapletree Restaurant in McFarland. Bring your spouse or a guest too.

Arrive by 6:00 p.m. for cocktails, dinner will be served at 6:30. Cost is only \$16 per person and includes chicken, fish, roast beef, potato, soup/salad bar, coffee and dessert.

Please bring cash (exact amount is appreciated) or a check to the BFF, so that we can make a single payment to the Mapletree. Tip is included and a reservation is not necessary.

Our after dinner speaker is John Janzan, a deep mixed gas diver, technical diving instructor, and videographer who will present a program on shipwrecks of the Great Lakes.

John has worked in front of and behind the camera for Na-



tional Geographic, the History Channel and others. His special interest lies in the deepest shipwrecks of the great lakes and he has many noteworthy accomplishments such as the first dives on the stern of the Carl D. Bradley (370 feet) the first dives on the L.R. Doty (310 feet) and the first penetration of the Bradley's engine room with Tracy Xelowski.

John has written for Wreck Diving and Advanced Diver Magazines, he published the *Diver's Guide to Lake Wazee*.



FDA approves "Frankenfish"

First genetically modified animal OK'd for consumption

Last month the FDA gave the go-ahead to AquAdvantage Salmon, a genetically modified fish designed to reach market size in two years. Growth genes from Pacific chinook and an eel-like fish called an ocean pout are used.

Critics, including Alaska's wild salmon fishery, food-safety activists and environmental groups are angry and worried. Jack Williams, Trout Unlimited's senior scientist said, "This one decision could change wild salmon fisheries around the world forever."

The FDA has determined that the approval of the application would not have a significant environmental impact because of the multiple and redundant measures being taken to contain the fish and prevent their escape. But others ask, "Who will ensure confinement as the use of these fish proliferate in global markets?"

Whole Foods, Trader Joe's, Target and Kroger have all said they are not planning to sell AquAdvantage Salmon.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2016



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8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. plus evening banquet**



ATTRACTIONS

- Commercial exhibits of the latest and finest in fly fishing equipment
- Raffles, and lively auction
- Fly tying demonstrations

LOCATION

American Family Insurance
Training Center Bldg. A
6000 American Parkway
Madison, WI

Use Surface Parking Lots
1 or 2

FEATURED SPEAKER

Gary Borger – Noted fly fishing expert and author

The Badger Fly Fishers Newsletter is published monthly. Articles, photos, information, and calendar events for the newsletter are encouraged and should be submitted by the 1st day of the month of issue to: Dan Johnson, 426 Glenway St., Madison WI 53711. If possible, Word files sent to: johnson7@tds.net are most appreciated.

2016 Badger Fly Fishers Membership

Badger Fly Fisher's dues are \$15.00 annually, assessed on a calendar year basis beginning January 1. Your membership will expire December 31st of each year.

Members of BFF have use of our DVD library and receive our monthly e-mail newsletter. The funds received from membership are used to help defray costs of publishing the newsletter, monthly club meeting expenses and updating and expanding the DVD library.

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Badger Fly Fishers Membership Form

Name:

Street / P. O. Box:

City: _____ State: _____ Zip:

Telephone: (home) _____ (work optional):

e-mail:

(be sure to send us an update if your e-mail changes)

Please check one: New Member Renewal:

Make checks for **\$15.00** payable to **Badger Fly Fishers**

Mail this form and check to:

Badger Fly Fishers
Attn: Bill Engber
1234 Sweetbriar Rd.
Madison, WI 53705

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, December 15th**



Events Calendar

December 15th **BFF - WSA Holiday party**

January 25th **BFF monthly meeting**
Nate Sipple - Carp Fishing 101

February 22nd **BFF monthly meeting**
Charlie Piette of Tightlines for the
"Early Season Spring Creek Trout"

February 13th **BFF Spring Opener**
Gary Borger

March 28th **BFF - monthly meeting**
Mike Goeser of Orivis - Guiding in
Alaska"

April 25th **BFF monthly meeting**
Curt Diehl Dane County
Conservation Specialist
on stream and easement projects

May 23rd **BFF monthly meeting**
Bill Engber and Steve Born
recent trip to Iceland

The Badger Fly Fishers' meetings are normally held on the fourth Monday of each month.
The Wisconsin Smallmouth Alliance meets on the third Tuesday. Both groups meet at the
Mapletree Restaurant on Highway 51, in McFarland, Wisconsin.
Programs begin at 7:00 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m. Visitors and guests are always welcome.