



MICHIGAN STEELHEAD AND SALMON FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Detroit Area Chapter

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Fishermen:

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Our chapter meeting this month is again the last Wednesday (29th).... Troy-Hilton Inn...15-Mile & Stephenson in Troy at 7:30 PM. The November meeting will be the last Wednesday, same time and place. The December blast, our "Second Annual Meeting", is scheduled for the 17th due to the Holidays. Look forward to a dandy get-together that night.

The featured speaker this month is 'one super Steelheader', Dick Swan. His topic will be "Techniques of Stream Fishing". Dick builds his own rods and is a light-line specialist who is recognized as a world record-holder for Steelhead. Feel free to ask questions of Mr. Swan. A brief report on DRIFT I (Detroit River Invitational Fishing Trip), held Oct. 10, 11 & 12th will be given by Joe Tierney.

Elections: The Chapter four officers and several director chairs have to be filled between now and December 31, 1975. The President, Vice-president, Secretary and Treasurer are elected by the new Board of Directors and all positions are one year terms. First however, the nominating committee accepts and reviews all resumes for directors and makes its recommendations to the Executive committee. The Executive committee does not determine who appears on the ballot - that's the job of the Nominating committee. However, the seven man Executive can disallow the entire slate and order a new ballot. The ballot is then distributed to the entire membership for the vote. Finally, the January Directors meeting elects the officers. Every dues-paid chapter member whose State Steelheader membership dues are also paid is eligible to run for the chapter board of directors. To have your name placed on the ballot please send a resume to: Nominating Committee, Michigan Steelheaders, P.O. Box 594, Royal Oak, Michigan 48073. Resumes must be mailed no later than December 1, 1975. The chapter invites and urges you to become involved and run for the following director terms: One 2-year and nine 1-year terms. Three 3-year and one 2-year terms are currently occupied for a total of fourteen director seats. NOTE: The nominating committee will be three individuals not running for a place on the board of directors.

(OPINION)

While on the subject of elections it should be mentioned that three excellent chapter members running for the STATE Board of Directors were not elected last month. Simply stated - our membership failed miserably and in this case apparently didn't give a damn about chapter representation at the state level, Michigan Steelhead & Salmon Fishermen's Association. Ballots cast indicate that about 10% of the entire MSSFA membership were concerned about the caliber of representatives on the state board. Bear in mind that the Detroit Area Chapter contributes 25% of the Michigan Steelheaders! The chapter nominees who were elected are grateful to those who did take the time to vote, and with us, the three who were not elected, are disappointed, embarrassed and surprised at the lack of responsibility. Your officers and directors think, work and live 'chapter' every day to provide meetings, newsletters, tournaments and many benefits and services too numerous to mention. Maybe we ought to take another look at the chapter - is it or is it not worth some effort? Even a vote?

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GREAT LAKES FISHERY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Governor Milliken will appoint three men to this nine man committee before November 15th, 1975. Three of the nine members are commercial fishermen, and one of them is up for re-appointment now. There is not a charter captain in the group. Various organizations in the state are seeking to have Emil Dean, charter captain on Lake Michigan, appointed to represent charter captains as well as the sport fisherman. You can help by writing to the Governor and to your State Senator and Representative urging his appointment. ADDRESS: Governor William G. Milliken, Executive Office, The Capitol, Lansing, Mi. 48903. Your Senator or Representative can be addressed: State Capitol, Lansing, Mi. 48092.

(Bob Rutt)

If you need the name of your Senator or Representative call John Makela at 583-1910.

Newsletter: We've found it ain't easy to put together a format for chapter news similar to the MSSFA "FishLine". Ain't cheap either. But we're workin' on it. We have a few entries for a name for the paper but we'd like more. That doesn't mean that those received have been discounted because only one person has seen them while a whole committee will select one. So, you can still submit a name and even if it's not used at the top of the news it could be chosen as a permanent headline in a feature box within the paper. Those selected will earn the author or artist or cartoonist a free charter trip. Send your entry to:

Newsletter Committee
Michigan Steelheaders
P.O. Box 594
Royal Oak, Michigan 48073

Or bring it to the next meeting. Once we start with the new format I trust we can include some informative and 'hard' fishing news. We'll have several feature columns too, including one for your opinion.

Thissa & thata See you at the meeting. Many more great prizes - the best going to the member who recruits the most new fishermen into the club. Remember, two reels of free line to all new members from Acme Sport, thank you. Bring a friend....HOT LINE numbers: Local - 773-2050; Steelheaders - 381-6583, area code 616; Michigan Tourist Council - 1-800-292-2520....Still some sweat-shirts available at the meeting in medium, large & xtra large. White with our chapter imprinted with our logo - in color. A bargain at only \$4.00. See Dave Gresham....Many important announcements on the 27th - hear about the MSSFA Annual dinner, state board of directors meeting, our executive board meeting, much more....We need fishing partners, joined yet?

Hook A Chinook!

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