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On The Water

by Dave Smith

The holiday season is here, with Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the New Year just around the corner. I hope you have a chance to spend time with family and friends during this special time.

As my second year as Club President comes to a close, I'd like to thank those leaving the Board at year's end. A special thanks to Art San Roman, Julia Bell, Dani Rose, Ed Bowen, and Mike Becker for all your help and dedication.

Our Club Holiday Party will be held on Sunday, December 7th. During the celebration, we will induct the new Board members for 2026. Please welcome the following individuals to their new roles:

- Vice President: Colby Burke
- Trustee 2027: Shawn Henderson

- Trustee 2028: Al Palmer
- Membership: Jonathon Ramirez
- Casting: Bill Slaughter

Thank you to all our new Board members for stepping up to serve. I will continue as President for 2026, and I look forward to another great year together.

Be sure to check The Leader each month for updates on club events and outings. Christmas will soon be here, so let Santa know what you'd like for your next fly fishing adventure!

Wishing you all the best this holiday season. Until next time, I hope to see you on the water or at the tying bench.

Dave Smith
President, Dallas FlyFishers



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A festive background image for the holiday party slideshow. It features a close-up of pine needles and red berries, with a soft, snowy or misty atmosphere. The text "DALLAS FLY FISHERS ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY" is overlaid in a mix of green and red fonts. Below this, the invitation text is in a red serif font, followed by the event details in a black sans-serif font. The title "HOLIDAY PARTY SLIDESHOW" is in a large, bold, red serif font. The final paragraph is in a black sans-serif font.

**DALLAS FLY FISHERS ANNUAL
HOLIDAY
P A R T Y**

**Come celebrate the holidays with the DFF
at Besa's Italian Restaurant**

7602 N. Jupiter Rd, Garland, TX 75044 • Sunday, December 7, 2025
Doors open at 5:30 pm. Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm.
Registration is closed. Contact Jeff Ziehm at 214-202-2826

HOLIDAY PARTY SLIDESHOW

The membership received an email with a private link to upload your 2025 fly fishing photos you would like to include in the Holiday Party Slideshow. We want to revel in and reminisce about the fly fishing fun you enjoyed this year, so show us where you've fished, with whom you fished, the fish you caught, and the fun you had.

Happy December Fly Anglers!

With the cold of winter right around the corner, be sure and get all the fishing in that you can while those largemouth are still chasing bait! If you have any content that you would like featured in the newsletter, please reach out to Colby Burke, colbymburke@gmail.com

Sincerely,
The Dallas Fly Fishers

Reach us:
<https://dot.cards/dallasflyfishers>

or use your mobile to scan the QR code here:



2026 Calendar

The 2026 Programs and events calendar. We are gearing up for another great year at the Dallas Flyfishers. **Danny Soltau** has been hard at work setting things up.

March 7, 2026 - Merit Badge University, Trevor Rees-Jones Scout Camp, 11217 FM 2970, Athens, TX 75751

March 14, 2026 - Trinity River Flyfest, Fort Worth, TX

March 26-28, 2026 - The Sowbug Roundup, Mountain Home, AR

March 28, 2026 - Beginner Fly Fishing Class, The Core, 234 Parkway Blvd, Coppell, TX, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

April 11, 2026 - Beginner Fly Fishing Class, Rosemeade Recreation Center, 1330 E Rosemeade Pkwy, Carrollton, TX, 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

April 28, 2026 - Beginner Fly Fishing Class, LLELA (Lewisville Lake Environmental Learning Area), 201 E Jones St, Lewisville, TX, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

To Join DFF, complete the form below and mail along

with your check to:

Dallas Fly Fishers
8349 Club Meadows Dr.
Dallas, Tx 75243

You can also join or renew online at

<http://www.dallasflyfishers.org/membership.html>

MEMBERSHIP / RENEWAL

New Member ☐ or Renewing My Membership ☐ (Check one) Date _____

Name: _____ Spouse's name: _____

E-mail address: _____

Home phone: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Are you a current member of the Federation of Fly Fishers? Yes ☐ No ☐ (check one)

New Members:

Annual membership dues: \$36 per year
After July 1st, pay \$18 for half year
After Oct 1st, just pay for the following year

Renewing Members:

Annual membership dues: \$36 per year