



The Prez Sez *by Ken Hofmeister*



SO, WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH SFF?

Good things! When asked how things are going with the club, my answer is an enthusiastic "great!" For example, consider the following areas:

FINANCES

Current balance is \$2,742.29 and we know that because of some impressive financial procedures and records provided by Tom Gadacz. This will increase when we sell \$2,012.00 worth of SFF logo shirts and hats at our February membership meeting. Auction brought in \$761.00 clear. As a FFF charter club, we have club insurance to cover us in the event of accidents and hazards that come with the sport.

MEMBERSHIP

SFF has 86 paid, and 3 honorary members. Two checks are in the mail and 19 members have not renewed memberships and will be removed from the membership lists at the end of February. New members are jumping right into committee and officer roles while participation at club functions and events is at an impressive level. 2009 is year for focus on youth education and participation.

CASTING CLINIC

Thirty-two men and women turned out for the January Ft. DeSoto casting clinic which was judged a raging success by participants. Jury is still out on the level of improvement; however, members report feeling good about their progress. No birds were harmed during this event.

BOY SCOUT MERIT BADGE COLLEGE

Plans are underway to mentor twenty scouts at the May merit badge college. Ten members are needed for this project and more will be needed for ongoing merit badge counseling. It's the "tell the truth" thing that is hindering extensive SFF involvement in working with the scouts.

PROJECT HEALING WATERS

SFF continues to teach vets to tie flies, cast, and fish at Bay Pines Veterans Administration on Wednesday mornings and Tuesday evenings. Check web site for details and sign-up information.

PIG ROAST

The West Coast of Florida's great social event of the year is scheduled for March 28 from 4-8 p.m. at John and Stacy Zientarski's. The unfortunate pig comes considerably earlier and the auction items arrive about 3:30. A committee consisting of Al Pitcher, Pat Damico, Mark Hays, Charlie Most, Tom Trukenbrod, Alan Sewell, and Robert Fischer will work with others to ensure that the auction items are as much fun as Captain Bob and as satisfying as the roasted pig with trimmings. Board recommends for February membership approval \$1,500 be allocated for purchase of auction items (not including kayak for raffle). Pig Roast is a major fund raiser for the club and explains our \$15.00 membership fee.

MARINE QUEST

SFF will show hordes of kids and Pinellas residents how to tie flies and tell lies at the SFF booth during the Marine Quest on April 25. Check web site for sign up and details.

.*Ken*

SFF UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 28th - Pig Roast
- April 25th - Marine Quest Club participation
- May - Boy Scout Merit Badge College

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OUTINGS -REVIEWS & PREVIEWS by *Richard Oldenski*



February Outing - Feb. 21, 2009 - Ft. DeSoto

January Outing - 25 hearty members came out for the January outing at Pinellas Point. Some of us actually fished. The temperature at 07:30 was 38 degrees, and it never got above 60. The fish must have been cold, as they were not biting. However, Mark Hays managed to catch a 22 inch redfish. At Noon we gathered around hot coffee, bratwurst and German potato salade and celebrated the fact that we could wet our fly lines while our northern housebound friends could only dream of fly fishing in Florida. You should have been there!

February Outing - Because February's weather can be very unpredictable, we'll stay close to home and fish at Ft. DeSoto Park. There are holes and channels there that hold fish in any weather, and you can always find a spot that is out of the direction of the wind. Start fishing whenever you're warm enough to get on the water, but be sure not to be late for lunch at Noon at shelter #10 at the North Beach picnic area. The signup sheet and maps will be at the February meeting.

Recommended Flies for the January outing and Newsletter Reference for Instructions:

Clouser Deep Minnow - Jan. 2007 p.6
Ada Potato - May 2008 p.9
Grass Schrimp - Aug. 2008 p.8
Jiggy - Dec. 2007 p.7

Future Outing Previews:

March 2009 - Snook haven
April 2009 - ? Lake Pasadena
May 2009 - Night Snook Extravaganza

Fishing Tournament -

Snook - Tom Trukenbrod - 30 inches
Trout - Mark Hays - 20 inches
Redfish - Mark Hays - 22 inches
Sunfish - Don Manning - 10 and 1/2 inches
Bass - Don Manning - 14 and 1/2 inches
Open Catogory - Tiger Vertregt - 26 and 1/2 inch Gar

FEBRUARY MEETING ~ COASTAL CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION

Don Roberts, current Tampa Chapter CCA president, and Robert Fischer will present our February program. Robert Fischer's name is the last one on the Tampa Chapter's CCAF Fly Fishing Tournament Trophy. Many SFF members are also members of CCA and regularly read the Tide magazine. I've been a member since the 1986 gill net ban and subsequent 1987 game fish status for redfish. Without the presence and influence of CCA, our current fly fishing would not be nearly as productive. CCA accomplished what many felt was impossible by putting the resource first and relying upon the best available science to support their recommendations.

"CCA Florida is a statewide, nonprofit conservation organization working in an advocacy role to protect the state's marine resources and the interests of saltwater anglers." CCA Florida is comprised of 28 local chapters. We look forward to hearing of current challenges and recent accomplishments.*Ken Hofmeister*

AT LEAST YOU CAN LOOK GOOD

Alan Sewell always says that whether or not you catch fish, you can at least look good! Well, now we are without excuse since we have a new order of Suncoast Fly Fishers hats and shirts available at the February 19 membership meeting.

Hats \$7.00

Long Sleeve Shirts \$45.00

Short Sleeve Shirts \$40.00

Treasurer Tom Gadacz will accept cash or checks at the February meeting. Imagine how cool you'll look working the SFF booth at fishing shows. Think about the questions you'll get from envious "wanna be's" as you approach the water. Won't it be neat to send Paul Sequira and Judd Sheets pictures of you holding trophy fish just under your official SFF logo? Law enforcement officers won't even bother to check your boat or your catch when they see the logo—they'll know you know stuff and would be safe and legal. Fish, of course, will tremble at the sight of the logo.*Ken Hofmeister*

SUNCOAST FLY FISHERS INFORMATION

SUNCOAST FLY FISHERS

Our Aims and Purpose

The Suncoast Fly Fishers are dedicated to sharing their total fly fishing experiences and to developing interest in fly fishing in both fresh and saltwater. We shall promote and teach both fly fishing and related subjects of fly tying, rod building, fly casting and knot tying.. Through collaboration, fellowship, conservation and sportsmanship, we will help members become more skilled, have more fun and be more productive in the sport. Suncoast Fly Fishers support the conservation of natural resources, boating safety and fishing regulations.

BENEFITS OF SUNCOAST FLY FISHER MEMBERSHIP

- Monthly membership meetings with outstanding local speakers on fly fishing, fly tying, rod building, marine conservation and exotic fishing trips worldwide.
- Free fly casting, fly tying & knot tying instructions.
- Monthly club outings in local fresh and saltwater locales topped off with top notch lunches and story telling of the day's catch.
- Joint outings with other clubs in Florida.
- Monthly electronic newsletters with local fishing and club activity information plus fly tying instruction sheets and color photos.
- A professional website with fishing reports, links, club activity photos etc.
- Club hats and shirts.
- Annual award winning Pig Roast with first class auction.
- Charter club of the Federation of Fly Fishers.
- Make new friends and find a fishing buddy for your next fishing adventure.

Suncoast Fly Fishers, Your Board Of Directors Working For You

Activities are at the heart of any successful organization. SFF's BOD has instituted the following Standing Committees to help us maintain a high level of activities that have proven to be popular with the membership and some new ones to fill a need as expressed through membership surveys. These committees are generally chaired by board members but you do not have to be a board member to fill that position. If you would like to volunteer to participate on any of these committees, please speak to any director.

Committees are as follows:

- Casting Skills - Pat Damico
- FFF Liaison - Pat Damico
- Fly Tying - Alan Sewell
- Membership - Pat Damico & Joe Dail
- Newsletter - Paul Sequira
- Outings - Richard Oldenski & Mark Hays
- Publicity - Roger Blanton
- Programs - BOD
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- Raffles - John Rodgers & Tom Hummel
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Suncoast Fly Fishers Activities and Information

SFF's 2009 Election

Three Director's positions, the Secretary and the Treasurer's positions will become vacant in March. All of these positions are for two year terms and all of the incumbents are eligible for reelection under the Bylaws. The Nominating Committee consisting of Charlie Most, John Craig, Terry Kirkpatrick and Ken Doty interviewed all incumbents who have agreed to run for another term. Therefore, at the February meeting the Committee will nominate the following:
Treasurer: Tom Gadazc, Secretary: Joe Dail, Directors: Roger Blanton, Pat Damico and John Rodgers .
Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor at this time; the nominations will then be closed. The election will be held at the March meeting.
.....*PS*

PIG ROAST 2009

SFF's premier event of the year is fast approaching. The Pig Roast will be held on Saturday, March 28th between 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm at the home of our favorite hosts, Stacy and John Zientarski. Ticket prices are the same as last year, \$20 per person and it is the best bargain in town. Capt Bob will be providing the entertainment again this year and the event is shaping up to be the best ever.

The Auction Committee will consist of: Tom Trukenbrod, Pat Damico, Charlie Most, Robert Fischer and Al Pitcher. They will do their best to get plenty of desirable auction items but we need the help of all SFF members.

Some of the most popular auction items in the past have proven to be the flies tied by our own members so start putting some together right now. Other items made by members or unique items purchased and donated by members are also very much in demand at the auction.

So mark your calendars and reserve that evening to spend with your friends for good food, a fun evening and lots of good auction items. Remember, this is our biggest fund raiser of the year and the money we make on the Pig Roast, provides those wonderful free lunches you all love so much at the monthly outings. Be generous, dig deep.*PS*

SFF's Bring What You have Auction

January 15th saw SFF's annual auction and as usual it was a rousing good time with plenty of laughs, good fellowship, generous members and plenty of fishing and non-fishing items to auction off for the total benefit of the Club. Sadly, because of serious health reasons, our favorite auctioneer Alan Sewell wasn't there. However, the awesome trio of Zientarski, Miller and Hofmeister did a fantastic job with questionable items and a hard sell — tight fisted crowd and we still made money! Great job guys and a really fun evening. I have a hunch that we will see some of that stuff back next year. Pictures on page 11.*PS*

FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS

DUES NOTICES *by Joe Dail*

Club members are beginning to receive dues renewal notices from the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF). Such dues should be paid directly to FFF, and you should NOT wait until Club dues are renewed in September. Since FFF memberships expire 12 months after they started, and all Club memberships expire at the same time (in September), the dues periods for the two organizations do not coincide, and it was decided that it would be simpler for the Club's volunteer treasurer, and that there would be less room for error, if members deal directly with FFF with respect to FFF dues. Accordingly, the Club collects FFF dues only from new members, which gives the Club credits toward incentive fly rods awarded by FFF to charter clubs for obtaining new members.

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Suncoast Fly Fishers Activities and Information

ON THE FLY-ON THE WEB-ON LINE

Recently I was contacted by fly fishers from Canada and from Montana. Both found out about us from our web site and had been reading our newsletter "On the Fly." A fellow from St. John's Canada told of his river being frozen to the bottom and the temperature at -28°. He was tying salt water flies found on our newsletter in anticipation of a Florida trip. He profusely praised the quality of our newsletter and told me how proud we should be of this publication. I agreed.

SFF Board decided in the February Board meeting to publish "On the Fly" ONLY in electronic format. Currently, eleven members receive a black and white four page (sometimes six) copy that costs nearly a dollar to send and consumes inordinate printing and mailing time for our editor. Many organizations are publishing their newsletters exclusively by electronic means to increase efficiency, save costs, and save trees.

The black and white "mailer" issue is a pale and slender version of a colorful and robust publication. We would want our readers to get the best product available. Some members don't or won't do computers. Perhaps friends or family members could help them. A library is another option. Finally, other club members could share their copies. We'll be sure to have a reference copy available at each membership meeting. A critical success factor for SFF is good communication. Paul Sequira has made a mighty contribution to our success with a premiere publication. Judd Sheets took it a step further by posting current and back issues on the SFF web site. Let's work together to find a way to go all electronic and still keep everybody on board.*Ken Hofmeister*

Pinellas Point Outing January 17, 2009



Mark Hays shows us right where he caught his 22" redfish, actually in sight of the barbecue grills where Richard and I cooked the Brats and served 25 cold and hungry but hardy SFF members. As Richard said — "You should have been there!" ...PS
Photo credit: Ken Hofmeister

Kayak? I'll Take a Canoe! *By Capt. Pat Damico*

Kayaks are everywhere! What happened to the canoes that were popular before kayaks took over the paddle fishing world? Have they gone the way of the horse and buggy? Growing up in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania, where lakes, streams and rivers dotted the hilly landscape, the romance of adventure into inaccessible areas was a strong attraction.

When I graduated from eighth grade, my father gave me a gift of a used fifteen foot Grumman, Aluminum canoe. I owned this vessel for over fifty years

Before my sixteenth birthday, when a driver's license was legal, my canoe sat next to a small lake that had a decent population of Largemouth Bass and Panfish. Fishing at night with deer hair bugs that cast like feather dusters would be interrupted by a large splash followed by a struggle that often drug the light craft around before a Lunker Bucket mouth was lip locked. Several other small lakes were close enough so that two of us would carry the silver beauty to another lake. The stream that was formed by the main lakes overflow began as a mysterious tree covered wonderland that contained trout that worked their way upstream in the spring. I pursued these fish constantly, alone, or with my boyhood fishing friends.

The adventures of Ted Trueblood, A. J. McClane, and Joe Brooks that I read voraciously in fishing magazines stimulated my interest in the mysteries of catching fish with home tied flies. My trusty canoe carried my old hand me down fly rod that was broken more than once when I ran into some obstacle, usually a tree, while using my other primary means of transportation, an old purple colored bicycle that my buddies and I painted, easily identifying us as we rode thru the neighborhood to our next fishing destination. We didn't have TV to distract us from a world waiting for us to discover.

A driver's license, and roof rack, was our ticket to larger streams and rivers where Trout and Smallmouth Bass were waiting for our carefully concocted offerings. Many hours were spent drifting and pad-



Photo credit: Pat Damico

dling our way into the unknown.

During our college days, two of my fishing companions and I would put that canoe on the roof of one of our father's cars and head to Maine to camp and fish for Brook Trout and Landlocked Salmon the week preceding our summer jobs. Our trusty canoe transported an assortment of gear, to our place of adventure. Yes, we caught fish, on flies that we carefully tied during the winter, gingerly placing them in a Perrine aluminum fly box especially for our Maine trip. During

the winter, as we tied each fly, the thought of a giant jaw inhaling our feathery offering, made our destination at the end of a fourteen hour trip seem like it would never arrive.

When alone, I sat in the front facing the rear seat which usually had a stone placed under it to balance the craft. Sitting in the stern seat and paddling resulted in a severe dunking because of the lack of stability with the bow off the water. Kneeling on a flotation seat on the floor lowered my center of gravity further increasing stability and relieving stiff muscles. Laying the paddle across the gunnels freed both hands for casting. The floor served as my stripping basket where the fly line could remain untangled ready for the next cast. When two of us fished, we could both cast simultaneously and tease one another about missed fish.

I do now have a kayak and I understand its many advantages. A Kevlar kayak solo canoe, which I recently purchased used, is another great craft, but it will never replace the memories of days spent on the water with my old Grumman. The day I helped the new owner load it on the roof of his SUV was both sad and happy. He was going to start taking his children fishing in it, and I felt I was passing on something that would continue to give someone else a lot of pleasure and wonderful memories.

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Fly Tying Bench—Borski's Butterfly by Al Pitcher

Butterfly (Original Design by Tim Borski, Tavernier, FL)

This fly was originally designed for bonefish in the Florida Keys. However, it will work very well for trout and redfish in the grassy areas of Tampa Bay and around the mangroves for snook. Although the instructions for this fly only specify the #2 hook and the colors as noted below, I believe both the colors and hook size can be altered. The colors and hook size used were based on the CD "Borski Ties Flies", Series 2.

Materials

- Hook: Mustad 3407 or 34007 size #2
- Thread: Danville's Flat Waxed Nylon; copper
- Body: Dubbing; tan or medium hare's ear
- Dubbing Wax: Optional
- Wing: Craft fur; tan or shrimp
- Collar: Strung Rooster Saddle Hackles; Natural Fur-nace
- Weight: Lead wire; .025 or .030
- Weed Guard: 33# Rio Saltwater hard mono
- Glue: Fly Head cement and Hard as Hull head cement with acrylic polymers
- Permanent Marker: Tan or dark brown; the color can be modified depending upon the craft fur and dubbing used color combination use



Butterfly: tied and photographed by Al Pitcher

Tying Instructions:

Step 1: Mash the barb down and modify the hook by bending, at the eye, a 45 degree angle towards the hook gap. Place the hook in vice hook point down.

Step 2: Starting at the hook eye, lay down a base of thread back to the hook bend. At the hook bend, tie in a 4" piece of lead wire at its midpoint. Move the thread forward to 1/4" of the modified bend. Fold both pieces of the wire forward so that they are perpendicular to the hook shank (one on each side) not on top of the hook shank. Secure the wire with thread.

Step 3: Fold the remaining wire back towards the hook bend insuring that it lies on the hook shank between the wires that are perpendicular to the hook shank. Wrap the thread back over the top of the lead wire to the hook bend.

Step 4: Spin a small amount of dubbing on the thread and wrap the thread and dubbing forward insuring that the lead wire is covered. This step makes the fly look better and softens the sound when it lands on the water.

Step 5: Rotate the hook so the hook point is facing up. Cut a small amount of craft fur, and clean out loose and short fibers like you would do with deer hair. Measure the craft fur to be 2 or 2 1/2 times the hook shank. Tie in the craft fur directly in front of the dubbing. Once secure, pull the craft fur forward and make two or three turns of the thread behind the craft fur forming a base. This will help keep the craft fur up.

Step 6: Select a neck hackle and remove the majority of the fuzz, but not all, from the lower portion of the hackle. Tie in the hackle in front of the craft fur and palmer forward until you reach the modified hook bend, tie in, and trim off excess. Make a few turns on the hackle to insure that it lays back.

Step 7: Cut a 2" piece of hard mono and fold it in the middle making a "V" shape. Tie in this double mono weed guard under and slightly behind the hook eye. Once the weed guard is secure, pull it forward and make two or three wraps of thread behind the weed guard to form a base. This will help keep the weed guard standing up. Note: The weed guard for this fly is longer than your normal guard, but it will allow you to fish it in heavy grass in skinny water. Whip finish and apply Hard as Hull to the thread.

Step 8: Use a permanent marker to bar the craft fur as shown in the photos.

Fly Tying Bench— THE PICKET PIN *by Charlie Most*

THE PICKET PIN, A FLY FOR ALL REASONS

Leaving the job after two years as head night houseman at Sun Valley Lodge was a bit traumatic. The work took only four to five hours a night, leaving much of the day for either skiing or fishing, depending on the season. Talk about heaven on earth!

I still had lots of trout flies but I was going home to study wildlife biology, and Oklahoma had no trout fishing in those days, and certainly no skiing.

The Izaak Walton League clubhouse and lake about two miles north of Oklahoma State (then Oklahoma A & M) was said to have some fish, and I walked out there to see. The fly I tried didn't imitate any insect I've seen but had proved deadly in Idaho's Trail Creek beaver ponds and the high lakes of the Pioneer Range just east of Sun Valley.

It was called the Picket Pin and developed by Jack Boehme of Missoula, Montana. The wing was tail hair from a small ground squirrel and since the little rodents were known as picket pins, that became the fly's name. When alerted, these creatures stand upright to resemble the stake or picket pin cowhands carried to tie their horses.

Since ground squirrel fleas are known vectors of bubonic plague, most tiers no longer touch them because safer gray squirrel tail hair makes a fine substitute.

I let the fly sink along some lily pads near shore and saw that telltale twitch of the leader and tightened up on a nice bluegill. That was only the first of many that day, and the Picket Pin has since become one of my most effective panfish flies.

MATERIALS:

- Hook ----- Mustad 9671 or 9672, Size 8-10
- Thread ----- Black or olive
- Tail ----- Fiery brown hackle fibers
- Hackle ----- Fiery brown hen or saddle.
- Body ----- Peacock herls, reinforced with brass wire
- Wing ----- Gray squirrel tail hair
- Head ----- Peacock Herl

INSTRUCTIONS:

Step 1. Start the thread at least two eye-widths behind the hook eye and wrap back to the hook bend. Strip a dozen fibers from a fiery brown hackle and tie them in as a tail. Tie in the tip of a fiery brown hackle feather. High quality neck hackles are wasted here since you don't need floatation, so use a hen hackle feather if long enough or do like I do and tie in a narrow saddle hackle by the tip.

Step 2. Tie in a three inch strand of gold wire or gold colored thread along with the tips of four peacock herls after first breaking the herls back a half inch from that fragile end.

Step 3. Twist the herls around the gold wire or thread (thread is easier but not as tough) and grasp this bundle with hackle pliers. Twist herls and wire/thread until you get a rope-like section an inch up from the hook. Wrap that inch around the shank working towards the eye. Now twist another inch section and wrap it forward. If you try to twist up too long a section, some of the tips may break. On reaching where the thread was originally attached, tie off the herl and wire strands. Now wrap the hackle forward and it tie off.

Step 4. Clip off a round toothpick-size bundle of gray squirrel tail, comb out the base fluff and stack to even the tips. Hold this bundle directly above the front of the body and take a turn of thread around the hair only. Lower that hair bundle down to the hook while adding light tension to the thread. Squirrel hair is very hard and will not compress under the thread wrap so this tightening loop helps keep the hair from slipping out. After three or four wraps, clip the hair on a diagonal from the hook shank up and back, and cover the butts with gentle thread wraps. Now touch the wrapped hair butts with a small drop of super glue.

Step 5. The head is a single peacock herl wrapped over the squirrel tail butts. Be sure to break off a half inch of a single herl, tie it in and wrap forward to just behind the eye. Whip finish and the fly is done.



Picket Pin; Tied and photographed by Charlie Most

SFF Casting Clinic January 24, 2009



Top: Capt. Pat had his hands full with a record 32 participants for the Casting Clinic. Center: Here the mob spreads out to practice what they've just "learned". Bottom left: Some of the good ol' boys get together during a break. Bottom right: Charlie Most provides some private instruction for the eager pupils. Photos: Ken Hofmeister

A Future Fisherman Gets Hooked

A note from Al Pitcher. Attached are a few photo's of our 4 year old grandson, Alex, on his first real fishing adventure. He loved reeling in the fish. It's not a fly rod we used, but he is hooked on fishing. The fly rod will come next. We were fishing with Ken at his "secret" spots in Tampa Bay. Ken let Alex drive the boat; this boy was in "pig heaven." He is a true fisherman. As you can see, we caught 15 Ladyfish. By the time we got home he told everyone we caught 23. By the time he left to return to Texas, we had caught 33. His dad and our son, Chris was with us. This was the first time he and I had an opportunity to fish together in many years. What a pleasant day. God is good. Al

Photos: Ken Hofmeister



Editor's note: I'm not sure what Alex's plans were for those Lady Fish, but it may have something to do with Tom Jones' fish soup.

SFF Auction January 15, 2009



The Jan. 15, 2009 Auction

Top Left: Some of the items. Top Right: Bob Switzer & Norm Sande closely exam another fine casting fly rod outfit. Center Left: More goodies for auction—do I see a couple of million Ada Potatas in that bag? Center Right: A tough sell to a tough crowd—John Zientarski, Woody Miler and Ken Hofmeister worked the crowd hard. Bottom Left: Tom Jones describes the culinary virtues of his world famous fish chowder to Ken Doty . Chef Tom Jones in the kitchen ready to serve it up.

Photo credits: all—Paul Sequeira except bottom right—Ken Hofmeister.



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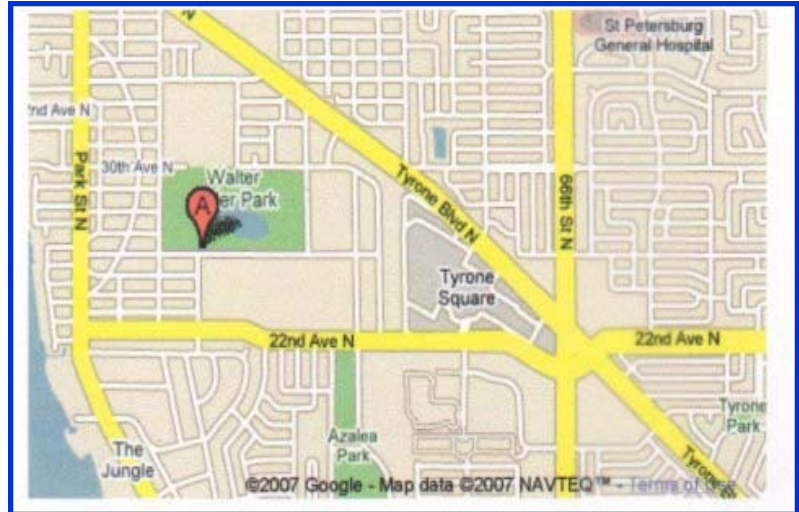
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Next Club Meeting: February 19, 2009

Time: 6:30-7:00 PM Outdoor Activities

7:00-8:30 Meeting & Program

Location: Walter Fuller Park

7891 26 Avenue, North, St. Petersburg, FL 33710

Program: Don Roberts and Robert Fischer will discuss

Coastal Conservation Association's Current Activities

Featured Tyer: Pat Damico demonstrating Lefty's Bug

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