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## The President's Message: April 2022

There are lots of reasons to join a fly fishing club, but it really comes down to the three F's. Good friends, good fishing, and good food.

First and foremost, SFF is a social club. I started fly fishing as a teenager and for most of the last 58 years I was the only one in my group fishing with a fly rod. I think that fly fishing is the most challenging and the most enjoyable way to fish and I like being around other like-minded individuals. The best part of every event is the comradery we enjoy as a group. It was never more evident than at the Hog Roast this year. I wish all of you could have

April is the month when all the fish in the bay start getting active again. Snook and redfish are on the move. Spanish mackerel are starting to show up and there have even been some reports that trout fishing is starting to recover. The area for our outing includes any water within sight of the Skyway so you should be able to find a place with good fishing.

The meeting this month checks all the boxes. We are going to have a Tie-A-Thon. You can master the basics of tying flies or learn to tie something new. Even if you don't tie at the event, it is a great chance to socialize. Don't forget the food. What could be better than fur, feathers, friends, and pizza!

Stay safe and keep fishing! *Ríck* Rick Warfel, SFF President