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THE DEPTH FINDER

Luke 5:4—"Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." - Jesus directs us if we listen.

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A Communication for Deep C's Members

APRIL 4, 2022

DEEP C'S & OWL HAPPENINGS

Greetings,

It is with great anticipation I am looking forward to April 9th, our Fishing For Life banquet! I'm excited to bring us back together again, and celebrate all that we have accomplished and the ministry we have done this past year. This year's theme is **GET CAUGHT!** What does that mean to you? To us it is a chance to *Get Caught* in the Lord's work. To *Get Caught* in bringing people to a love of the outdoors. To *Get Caught* in making a difference in the lives of others. To *Get Caught* in bringing peace to a veteran and knowledge and opportunity to our youth.

I want to personally invite you to join the celebration this year, April 9th from 4:00 – 9:00 pm at North Heights Lutheran Church in Arden Hills. Your support means a lot to Fishing For Life. I hope that you can join us on April 9th and look for-



Featured Speaker is our very own
Marathon Man--Jeff Kolodzinski



ward to the fellowship to be shared that night. If you are unable to attend, the silent auction items are available for bidding online at <https://givergy.us/FFL2022> until the close of silent auction. This is our main fundraiser for the year, and I want to thank you for your continued support of our mission and our work at Fishing For Life. Let's **GET CAUGHT** together!

Blessings,

Tom Goodrich 612-987-5466

Get Caught!

Fishing For Life Fundraiser

17th Annual Fundraiser

Entertainment • Games • Live & Silent Auctions
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April 9th
2022

4-9pm

Tickets at [Fishingforlife.org](https://fishingforlife.org)

NORTH HEIGHTS
LUTHERAN CHURCH
1700 West Highway 96
Arden Hills, MN 55112

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Deep C's Men's / OWL Women's April Meetings

CHAPTER	SPEAKER
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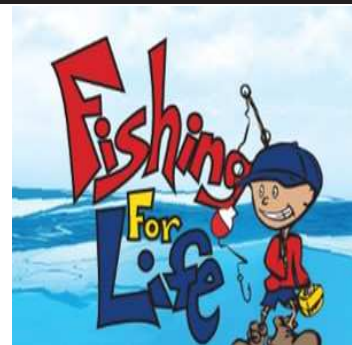
West - April 12 - Cabela's Rogers

South - April 14 - Wes Wheatley's
9943 Harriet Ave, Bloomington

East - April 26 - Fractional Toys
2967 Hudson Rd

North - April 28 - Insurance Brokers
3351 Round Lk Blvd, Anoka

OWL - virtual



Fishing For Life, founded in 2004, is a tax exempt charitable organization whose mission is to inspire a love of fishing and outdoor activities through Christ-centered programming.

Within Fishing For Life, there are Christian ministry chapters. There are five chapters active - West, South, East, North, and OWL for women - each meeting once / month. The 4 men's chapters are named Deep C's and their meetings all begin at 6pm with a free supper. All are welcome .

2022 Theme

“Spend time with the Father to discover evidence of His grace in our life.”

Mark 1:35 - And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed.

Cost for membership in Deep C's Chapters is \$20/year collected in February.

Chapter Leaders & Volunteers

Deep C's Director	Vaughn Blackburn
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Depth Finder Editor	Daryle Hamlin
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West Chapter - Rogers - 2nd Tuesday

Spiritual Leader	Dwight Nelson
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Chapter Coordinators	Kent Lillehaugen Ron Buster
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Food Coordinator	
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South Chapter - Bloomington - 2nd Thursday

Spiritual Leader	Wes Wheatley
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Chapter Coordinators	Pat Adams
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Food Coordinator	---
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East Chapter - Oakdale - 4th Tuesday

Spiritual Leader	Dan Pilla
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Chapter Coordinators	Randy Markey
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Food Coordinator	---
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North Chapter - Blaine - 4th Thursday

Spiritual Leader	Dan Pilla
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Chapter Coordinators	Travis Busch Ken Stahn
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Food Coordinator	
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Outdoor Women for Life (OWL) - meeting virtually

Spiritual Leader	
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Chapter Coordinator	Patti Murray
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Food Coordinator	
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Deep C's / OWL is a Christian group that regularly gathers together to share in their knowledge of and love for the outdoors, and, most importantly, to fellowship with one another through faith in Jesus Christ. We desire to deepen our relationships with Him and with each other. There are currently five active groups across the Twin Cities. Four for men and one for women. All are welcome!

Depth Finder is a monthly publication for our Deep C's groups. Submissions should be emailed to the editor. All articles, testimonies, informational items, pictures, recipes, and items for sale or wanted are welcomed and encouraged. Please make submissions to editor - Daryle Hamlin dbhamlin@gmail.com.

(From BBC)
Here are seven reasons
from Colossians:
(To be thankful this lent
season)



1. Because thankfulness to God for his grace at work among us has been modeled for us in the apostle Paul's own prayer for the church:

"We always *thank* God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you" (1:3).

2. Because thankfulness is one of the marks of Christian living that is worthy of the Lord and fully pleasing to him: Paul prayed that the church would be "strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; giving *thanks* to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light" (1:11–12).

3. Because thankfulness is the one accompanying virtue by which Paul summarizes a life lived by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ: "As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in *thanksgiving*" (2:6–7).

4. Because being thankful is essential to the relational peace and unity of the church: "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be *thankful*" (3:15).

5. Because heartfelt thankfulness is to be the note we strike in all our gospel teaching, encouragement, and worship songs: "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with *thankfulness* in your hearts to God" (3:16).

6. Because everything we do is to be done in the Name of the Lord Jesus with thanksgiving: "And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving *thanks* to God the Father through him" (3:17).

7. Because the prayer strategy for guarding against doubting Christ's all-sufficiency is continual thankfulness in prayer: "Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with *thanksgiving*" (4:2).

Vaughn Blackburn 612-594-0551
(new number!)

High C's Camp Volunteer Opportunities

High C's Green Lake
Sunday, Jun 12 – Thursday, Jun 16
Have 6 need 4 more

High C's BWCA
Sunday, Jun 12 – Thursday, Jun 16
Have 2 need 0 more

High C's Day Camp #1
Tuesday, Jun 21 – Friday, Jun 24
Have 1 need 3 more

High C's Disability Camp #1
Thursday, Jun 23 · 17:00–20:00
Have 7 need 5 more

High C's Day Camp #2
Monday, Jun 27 – Friday, Jul 1
Have 3 need 1 more

High C's Day Camp #3
Tuesday, Jul 5 – Friday, Jul 8
Have 1 need 3 more

High C's Disability Camp #2
Thursday, Jul 7 · 17:00–20:00
Have 7 need 5 more

High C's Day Camp #4
Monday, Jul 11 – Friday, Jul 15
Have 1 need 3 more

High C's Adult/Child Camp
Wednesday, Jul 13 – Sunday, Jul 17
Have 5 need 5 more

High C's Camp Fish
Monday, Aug 1 – Friday, Aug 5
Have 5 need 0 more

High C's HH Camp
Monday, Aug 8 – Friday, Aug 12
Have 3 need 1 more

High C's Catfish Camp
Sunday, Aug 14 – Tuesday, Aug 16
Have 4 need 2 more



2022 Calendar

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APRIL

8-10—R&R Marriage Retreat
9—Spring Fundraiser
21—Bob-106 Radiothon
21-24—High C's Turkey Hunt
TBD—Thorne Bro's Spring Sale/Trout Pond

MAY

7—Crappie Contest
12-14—Governor's Fishing Opener
19—REI-Coon Rapids YMCA
26—REI Cabella's-TBD

JUNE

3—REI-Deloitte
3-4—MN Teen Challenge/ Al Linder Tournament
4-5—Mille Lacs -Boat launch
12-16—High C's Green Lake Camp
12-16—Father/Son Camp BWCA
21—Armed Forces Family Fun Celebration at Lake Minnetonka
21-24—High C's Day Camp 1
23—High C's Disability Camp #1
27-1—High C's Day Camp 2

JULY

4—Interlachen-Trout Pond
5-8—High C's Day Camp 3
9—Clay Oflanagen Memorial Lake Event-Medicine Lake
11-15—High C's Day Camp 4

13-17—High C's Adult/Child Camp @Miracle Bible Camp
24-29—Camp Jim

AUGUST

1-5—High C's Camp Fish
3—IB Golf Tournament
5—Lake Event: Community And Sheriff's Together with the Anoka County Sheriff's Dept, Lake George
8-12—Hospitality House Camp
9—Pastor's Tournament with Jesus In The City
12-14—GameFair (Weekend 1)
14-16—High C's Catfish Camp
19-21—GameFair (Weekend 2)
29-1—LOTW Pay it Forward Trip
30—Military Appreciation Day at the Minnesota State Fair

SEPTEMBER

2-5—Camp Victory??
8-11—Marathon Man
15-18—Deep C's Men's Fall Retreat
23-24—Boat Launch Appreciation Event

OCTOBER

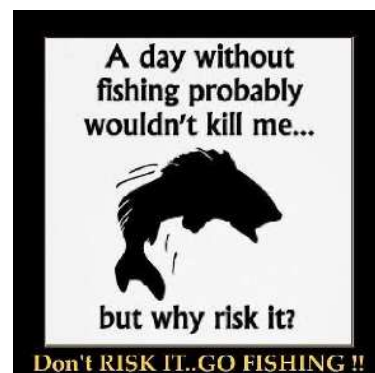
14-16—Outdoor Women for Life Retreat
15—High C's Trolling for Trophies
22—High C's Pheasant Camp
26—Muskie Mayhem Event

NOVEMBER

4-6—NextGEN Deer Camp
11—Veteran's Day
17—Give to the Max Day

DECEMBER

1-4—Youth Muzzleloader Camp
2-4—St. Paul Ice Fishing & Winter Show
13—FFL Christmas Party
15-18—Veterans HarkHouse Spearing, Dixon Lake Resort
26—Youth Spearing



Top Secret Cooking

By Chad Lanners

I recently had the opportunity to do some late season Ice Fishing, with family and friends in South Dakota. This can be one of the best times to get a hot bite. Almost gone are the days of sub-zero temperatures, snow, and ice. Open water is on the way and the late ice bite has begun. This is the time of year when panfish go into feeding mode as they too wait for spring to arrive. If you are willing to keep the ice gear out just a few days longer, you too can take advantage of this amazing bite.

Sunfish Parmesan

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 1/2 cup dry bread crumbs
- 1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon paprika
- 1/4 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/4 teaspoon dried basil
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 pound bluegill or crappie

Directions

1. Place butter in a shallow bowl. In another shallow bowl, combine the bread crumbs, cheese and seasonings. Dip fish in butter, then coat with crumb mixture.
2. Place in a greased 15x10x1-in. baking pan. Bake, uncovered, at 350° for 20 minutes or until fish flakes easily with a fork.



April Special Needs Column

Greetings from the Director's Desk I hope March was good to you. With the ice thawing, ice fishing closing, and open water fishing coming soon its time to renew your fishing license if you haven't done that already I did it the morning of March 22nd before I went to work so I am all set for a fun season of fishing. The Minnesota DNR has a website link with all kinds of information on getting you set to enjoy the outdoors so I will share that with you now <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/licenses/special/index.html>.

A while ago Premier Angler did an article on fishing and disabilities it states that roughly 50-60 million Americans fish public and private waters when you account for things like the cost of the license to bait and tackle that among other things brings over one hundred billion dollars to the US economy. Check out the full article for more information <https://premierangler.com/fishing-and-disabilities-adaptive-fishing-equipment/> Coming up on April 21st from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM its our Fishing For Life and

Reach For Resources BOB FM Radiothon at which time I plan to hit the air and give listeners an update on our July 9th Handicapped event and answer any questions they might have so I encourage you to listen to a great day of interviews by myself as well as many others so I hope you can tune in and join us. Have a great month and I will talk to you in May.



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Cool info on tagged musky info for muskie mayhem event!



Courtnie,

I looked into this fish and it had a note that more info couldn't be found, but I was able to dig it up. Not sure why it wasn't found back in October though. Usually we respond fairly quickly on these tag reports, so sorry again for the delay, and thank you for reaching back out to us on this one.

This fish was tagged because it is part of a muskie stocking study in the metro area. DNR stocked fingerling (age-0 fish; approximately 10 – 11 inches) and yearling (age-1 fish, approximately 16-18 inches) fish at the same time, and are using angler tag reports to evaluate the contribution of the different sized fish to the fishery. We'll use that information to inform our stocking efforts in the future.

The following is the life history of this fish:

- 10/27/2010 stocked as a 14" fingerling that was hatched in 2010. (Age 0)
- 06/07/2016 angler caught and reported this fish as 37" in length. (Age 6)

- 10/09/2019 DNR fisheries research crew electrofished this fish and measured it as 40.5" long and 13.7 pounds. (Age 9)
- 10/20/2021 you caught this fish when it was 42" long. (Age 11)

This is really interesting since often we only have the size the fish was when stocked and then one catch report. This one we have 4 data points for now. We don't really know how long muskie live in Bald Eagle Lake, but this tagging study is helping shed some light on that. I suspect that it is less than 20 years though. We will be doing a 2-year population estimate on Bald Eagle Lake in 2022 and 2023. It will be interesting to see if we catch this fish again and if it has grown much, we may be able to tell if it is a female or male since we do our netting during the spawning season.

Please feel free to contact me if you'd like to chat more about our work on Bald Eagle Lake. Thanks again for the tag report, and enjoy the fishing!

Jim Levitt
Assistant Area Supervisor
DNR Fisheries

Fishing Tips and Ideas

April 2022

by Dwight Nelson

Greetings!

What a great time of the year! The ice is melting, robins are showing up in droves in my yard and spring is here. I got sick of winter a couple of weeks ago and got my boat out of storage March 15 – a record early date for me. It didn't take long to check things out and get a full tank of gas.



The great thing about living in Minnesota is that we can go ice fishing one day, trolling by boat the next day and ice fishing again the next day! I love living in Minnesota.

March 17 I headed down to the dam north of Red Wing. While the primary purpose of the trip was to check out the boat and the changes to the fish finder wiring and network I had made, I was happy to pick up a 18" walleye (the first of the season!) and a couple of smaller sauger. The sauger came on jigs and minnows. The walleye came on a blade bait. The water temperature was 38°F so I had to jig reeeaaal sloooow.

Blade baits rule on the river. If you have not tried them I highly encourage you to pick up a couple and give them a try. They are essential for colder waters



in rivers or lakes. I don't see any reason why they wouldn't work on opener if the water is still cold and especially in very

turbid or cloudy water. The vibration they put out is incredible. Of course there are many different styles now, all variants of the first Heddon Sonar that came out in the 1950s. Their lure was the first lure where an angler could change the action of the lure by changing the tie point. It is still useful and mimicked by others 60 years later.

Remember that walleyes spawn when the water temps reach 38-44°F so the spawn on the river will start real soon. So will the crowds at the dam in Pool 4! Until the first week of May that will be the only walleye action in town for awhile.

Crappies

Crappies spawn later than walleye at water temperatures of 58-64°F. Even so, the process has already started and soon, if not already, large females will start moving in to slightly warmer waters. While some think this is to spawn, early it is just because of food and very slightly warmer water.

Watch where the ice melts first on area lakes. Usually it is on the north side of the lake. That is a good direction to head for large crappies too. They move up in the water column as well to find temperatures that are even just 1°F warmer. When the sunlight pokes through the newly opened up water and the ice has gone, the surface water will warm ever so slightly.

On one lake I started fishing this past winter, guys were saying that last year Crappies were swimming no more that 6-12" under the surface of the water and very shallow. Crappies will move into bays as well where there is little wave action and the sun has warmed the water considerably.

Consider getting a very long pole to be able to pick off these large fish without even casting. (One vendor at the ice show was selling 16' Crappie rods!) If that is not possible put a small bobber on your line about a foot up from your bait (as simple as a hook & minnow & split shot or a 1/32 or 1/64oz jig & minnow) and cast beyond them, very slowly retrieving your bait through the pod. Remember to watch the water temps.

Special Reminders

If you have not purchased your 2022 fishing license, do so now! A special reminder too: If you are over 65 you do not need a trout license in Minnesota. In Wisconsin you need an inland and a Great Lakes license for trout if you fish those waters. You also need a **paper copy** of your license in WI. If you are fishing on the St. Croix River, St. Louis River, or the Mississippi (border waters) you only need a MN license. However, there are some special rules in each state that apply only to their side of the river. I hear some MN CO's have been allowing forgetful anglers to purchase their licenses on-line on the spot, but I would not count on that!

If you are getting ready for open water, remember to replace all your mono line from last year. Exposure to the sun and elements causes it to decay in no time.

Blessings and Happy Fishing to all of you,
Dwight Nelson (dpnelson50m@gmail.com)

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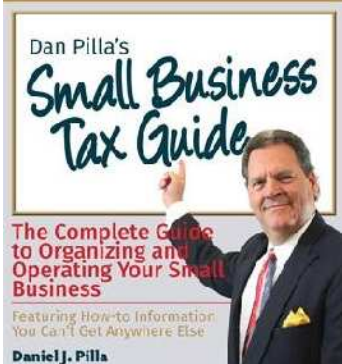
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