

2013 CLUB AWARDS

Honorary Member: presented to someone inside or outside the club for special service to the club. Membership is good for one year.

Benjamin Beale and Cecilia Beale

For three straight years Benjamin and sister Cecilia have donated a week for two to El Encuentro Lodge to the Marty Seldon Conservation Fundraiser. This generous donation has proved to be enormously popular and has been a significant money raiser for the club's conservation efforts.

The President's Award: selected by the President for outstanding support during a year.

Member of the Year: for outstanding service to the club.

Dave Pellone

Since Dave joined Flycasters in 2011 he has stepped in to man the monthly raffle table. In 2013 he joined the club's board of directors and was fishmaster and co- fishmaster on two fishouts. He contributes his time and talents whenever he is asked.

The Harry D'Angelo Award: for a member who gives significantly of his/her time and effort over a long period of time.

Walt McIntyre

Over the years Walt has been active in the club as a board member, the merchandise chair, the raffle chair, and contributes to Flycasters seminars as an instructor as well as a participant. He has been the fishmaster for some of the most well attended and successful fishouts the club hosts.

The Ken Eugene Award: for a member who has preformed a singular (or many) service(s) for the betterment of the club.

Wade Goertz

Wade has been seminar chair since 2010 and has served as a director, vice president and president of the club and is currently the club treasurer. He is also the editor of the club's newsletter and has hosted several fishouts.

The Jim Thatcher Award: for member who gives significantly of his/her time and effort, without regard to their own interest, for the specific betterment of the Club and it's activities.

Chuck Hammerstad

Since taking over as Conservation Chair Chuck has made numerous trips all over California and the country to attend conservation round tables and has integrated himself and Flycasters in a host of conservation activities... including the Marty Seldon Conservation Fundraiser. He is currently a director on the Flycasters board and regularly updates the club on conservation news.

Distinguished Service Award: for the member or members who have performed a service of special significance to the Club.

1) Mike Lovejoy –

Mike has distinguished himself in Flycasters by serving as club fishmaster for the past 5 years as well as serving as treasurer. He is a frequent fishmaster and gives his time whenever he is asked.

2) Bob Levin

Bob moved hundreds of miles away to ????? and still managed to keep connected with Flycasters by serving as the keeper of the master calendar, keeping the club informed and up to date on all of its activities.

The Houwink-Seldon Conservation Award: for the member who has contributed the most to conservation activities for the club, for the benefit of all fisherman, environmental improvements, local state or federal conservation activities or work in the NCCFFF.

Mike Culcasi

Mike has been an integral member of the Conservation Committee which has hosted the Marty Seldon Conservation Fundraiser the past 3 years. His contributions to the fundraiser as well as the ongoing efforts of the Conservation Committee are greatly appreciated.

The Editor's Award: for the member who submitted the best article or articles to the club's newsletter in the past year.

Chuck Hammerstad

Chuck regularly posts the Conservation News to the Flylines – keeping our members informed on developments in the area of environmental conservation and how it impacts our sport and how Flycasters members can lend their collective voice to the solution.

The Wading Staff Award: for the member who has given exceptional service to the programs of the Education Foundation during the current year.

Shiz and Judy Nakawatase

Having received the Wading Staff several times it is no surprise it once again falls into the hands of Shiz and Judy, whose dedication to Flycasters Education Foundation and the STEP program helps make both such a huge success in teaching schoolchildren – and teachers – about the importance of clean water and a healthy environment for spawning California Steelhead.

Honorary Lifetime Member: For member in good standing, who has given exemplary service over a period of at least ten years, made special and unique contributions above and beyond what might be expected by membership or the holding of regular office and contributing outstanding contributions, locally or otherwise, to the art, science. Literature, enjoyment or instruction of fly fishing or to the conservation of the outdoor resources upon which our sport depends. Contributions must be made over an extended period of time rather than a single event.

Victor Inouye

Victor Inouye has taught literally hundreds of Flycaster members the art of fly tying. He began by taking over the Beginning Fly Tying Classes when legend Dick Nelson suffered some health setbacks and then tied alongside him when Dick was able. Victor's abilities at the vice make him a frequent guest tier at sports shows and Fly Fishing expos over the years and he is always a superb ambassador of Flycasters of San Jose wherever he goes. Even after he moved up the peninsula Victor battled the traffic on Hiway 101 to attend meetings, and especially to teach fly tying. Always a patient instructor, Victor makes tying look easy, and he inspires his students to do better than they think they can – he carries on a tradition of excellence which is the hallmark of Flycasters of San Jose.

FISHING AWARDS

Angler of the Year: (Determined by Big Fish Card point system)

20-20 Award: (Catch fish over 20 inches on a size 20 fly)

Ring of the Rise Award: (Largest fish on a wet fly)

The Broken Paddle Award: for the member who has been involved in any humorous situation while on Club fishout. (A 'goof-up')