



Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers

Next Chapter Meeting:

Wednesday March 27, 2019 - 6:00pm

**Round Table Pizza
4002 A Street SE
Auburn, WA**

Be sure to check out our website: <http://www.saveourfish.org/>

For a complete list of Board Members, please visit the website:

<http://saveourfish.org/board>

Newsletter editor: Dayle Conrad

Up and Coming Activities:

March

27 – General Club Meeting

Speaker: Larry Phillips -- WDFW

April

10 – Board Meeting see below for special location

20 -- Disabled Sportsman Fishing Derby

American Lake

24 – General Club Meeting

Speaker: Kyle Jones

May

4 – Auburn Youth Fishing Derby

18 -- Algona Youth Fishing Derby

June

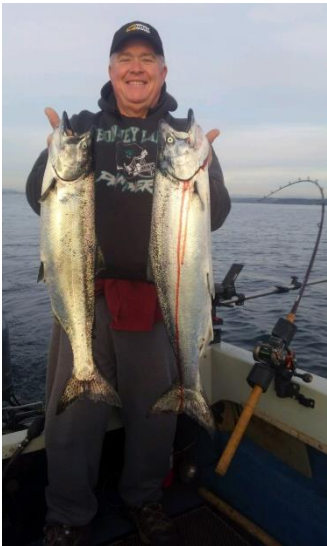
1 – Steel Lake Kids Fishing Derby

27-29 – Columbia River Outing

July

26-28 – Sekiu Outing

President's Message -- Rob Larsen



Well, I just want to say the Black mouth fishing has been very good and I think it will just get better as we move into April. So don't wait -- get out there and enjoy this good fortune. They are 5 to 11 pounds and pretty fun. Fish right on the bottom in 120 to 130 feet of water. It is not fast action but it has been pretty consistent. The real secret is you cannot catch them if you don't get out there and try.

I want to thank all of you that helped out at Flaming Geyser with the Brice imprint ponds. I understand that it went very quickly and turned out well. We still have some additional spots for feeding so please considering signing up. We will be feeding them for a couple months and then they will be released. Cleanup generally goes pretty fast thanks to all of the help you all provide.

I will be spending a significant amount of time trying to get an earlier season at Minter Creek. Our Speaker this month will be Larry Phillips from WDFW. He is coming to discuss additional opportunities and I hope we can encourage him to help us get them. Our interaction will influence the outcome. Let's do all we can to encourage him to help us.

I hope to see you all at the meeting.

Rob Larsen

SOF PSA President



March Speaker – Larry Phillips, Region 6 Director WDFW

This month's speaker will be Larry Phillips the region 6 Director with WDFW. He will be speaking on Minter Creek opportunities for the 2019 season and resident Silvers and Cutthroat fishing in the South Puget Sound. Larry is an avid fisherman and has a wealth of knowledge. Come and learn from Larry Phillips.

April's Board Meeting -- will be held at Greg Hindman's humble abode
April 10th at 6:00PM.

5128 Nathan Loop SE, Auburn, Wa. -- Lakeland Hills.

If you have trouble finding me please call 253-486-5161.

**Puget Sound Anglers 6th Annual
Disabled Sportsman Fishing Derby – April 20th
American Lake 7AM**

**American Lake Park
9222 Veterans Drive SW**

We will be having our Disabled Sportsman Derby on April 20th and we can use a few people to help out with the BBQ. I am still looking for boat captains so if you want to help out please let me know. We will be starting am 7AM. Boat captains should be there by 6:30am. We will fish until approximately 12pm and then enjoy a BBQ with our guests.

Annual Auburn Youth Fishing Derby

Free



Free



Please join us!

The City of Auburn, Auburn Sports & Marine and the Auburn S.O.F Chapter of the Puget Sound Anglers cordially invites youth, 14 years old and under, to the 2019 Youth Fishing Derby. We along with The City of Auburn and The State of Washington happily stock Mill Pond with trophy size trout for the community's youth enjoyment.

When: Saturday, May 4th, 2019

Where: Mill Pond Park, 600 Oravetz Rd. See Below
Lakeland Hills, and across from Auburn Riverside High School.

Time: 8:30AM – 12:00PM



April 20th 8am-- Mill Pond Clean-up prior to the derby

Auburn Kids derby sign-up sheets will be passed around at next month's Board and General meetings. For anyone interested in the pond clean-up at Mill Pond this will be held on Saturday April 20th. See above for directions.

Any questions call Greg Hindman at 253-486-5161.



Brice Ponds Clean Up – Recap Flaming Geyser State Park

The pond clean-up and set-up went very well on 3/2/2019. A big thank you to all who helped out. Approximately 10,000 brood stock steelhead smolts were delivered by the state on 3/13/19.

The fish feeding has started and the fish appear to be doing well. We still have many feeding dates to be filled. There will be a sign-up sheet circulating at the next general meeting for more volunteers.

Thank you,
Bob Holzberger







Ken Kumasawa Memorial Youth Camp

The Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter's Ken Kumasawa Memorial Youth Camp Award Selection Committee and Board of Directors are proud to announce that we have funds available to send two youth (2 girls, or 2 boys, or boy & girl) to the



Conner Williams and
Brody Cochran attended
camp last year

Washington State Junior Sportsmen's Conservation Camp on Orcas Island all expenses paid. The Girls camp date is July 14-20 and the Boys camp is July 21-27. The youth must be in the 12 to 16 year-old age group. The camp includes hiking & outdoor survival, ecology & marine biology, water safety & canoeing, archery & range safety, wildlife & habitat management, hunter's education, fly tying & fishing, leadership skills, first aid & CPR, and marksmanship. Details about the camp are available at www.washingtonconservationcamps.org.



If you have a youth who would like to be considered for camp, please contact Carl Carver at 253-315-2185 or email at crciec@msn.com and title the e-mail SOF Youth Conservation Camp. **We would like to have our youth identified by our March 27th general meeting** so we can make a selection and get them registered and all communication completed early to ensure a spot. The youth we sent last year gave a great report of their experience at our steak & corn feed meeting in August. They expressed their appreciation for our sponsorship and how it was a great life experience that they will never forget.

The Save Our Fish Auburn Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers and Ken's family are proud to honor Ken in this way. He loved helping the youth at the Federal Way Kid's Derby and participating in many other fisheries groups and activities to improve our fisheries. Ken is missed by us all as he was a true friend and fellow fisherman. He's looking down from above and smiling that he is being honored in this way and that he is giving to the youth that he so enjoyed helped to fish.

Tip of the Month – Since trout season is almost upon us.....

from Greg Hindman



Grasshoppers are like double cheeseburgers for trout—fatty, juicy, and packed with tasty protein. A languid hopper strike by a rising monster brown is always a thrill, but sometimes the fish just won't gorge themselves on a surface smorgasbord. When naturals are jumping off the banks but trout won't look at your fly, it doesn't necessarily mean the fish aren't eating hoppers. The smart trout—often the biggest—will wait for hoppers to sink below the surface before taking a bite. To fish the hopper season most effectively, you must learn to fish those patterns dry—and wet. And by wet I mean drowned.

Apply sinking grease to the hopper, and dead-drift it down a seam where you think trout are holding low. You won't need a strike indicator; when a fish grabs it, you'll feel it. Or let that waterlogged pattern swing out at the end of a run, a good foot or so below the surface.

The best secret for fishing drowned hoppers, however, is to weight your leader with enough split shot so you feel steady tension as your rig drifts through deeper, more turbid runs. Pinch on the amount of weight needed to have it drop like a rock, then add an extra BB. Tie a gaudy hopper on 18 inches of tippet below the weight. As you make the drift, when you feel the tension hiccup or lift, assume that a trout has inhaled the fly, and set the hook. It's an acquired feel, but this technique usually turns the biggest trout—especially during bright days in the middle of hopper season.



CCA Banquet – Recap

The CCA SeaTac Banquet held on March 9th was a very successful event again this year. A special thank you to the Auburn PSA SOF chapter members for their continued support in our

annual fund raising event. The fund raising events are vital to CCA's ongoing success and advocacy work here in the state of Washington.

A special thank you to those that attended and donated items for the banquet auction.

Just to note a few--

Thanks Don Payne for building the fly rod again this year.

Thanks Greg Hindman for obtaining the Bob Ball guide trip.

Thanks Kathy Carnino for the basket and hand tied jig board.

Thanks Rick Lavaty for the art work pictures.

Thanks Bob Pornn for helping with set up Fri. and Sat.

And of course the banquet committee members:

Russ Carver

Carl and Irene Carver

Joe Slepski

John Rickert

Robert Shirley

Shawn and Laura Seeger

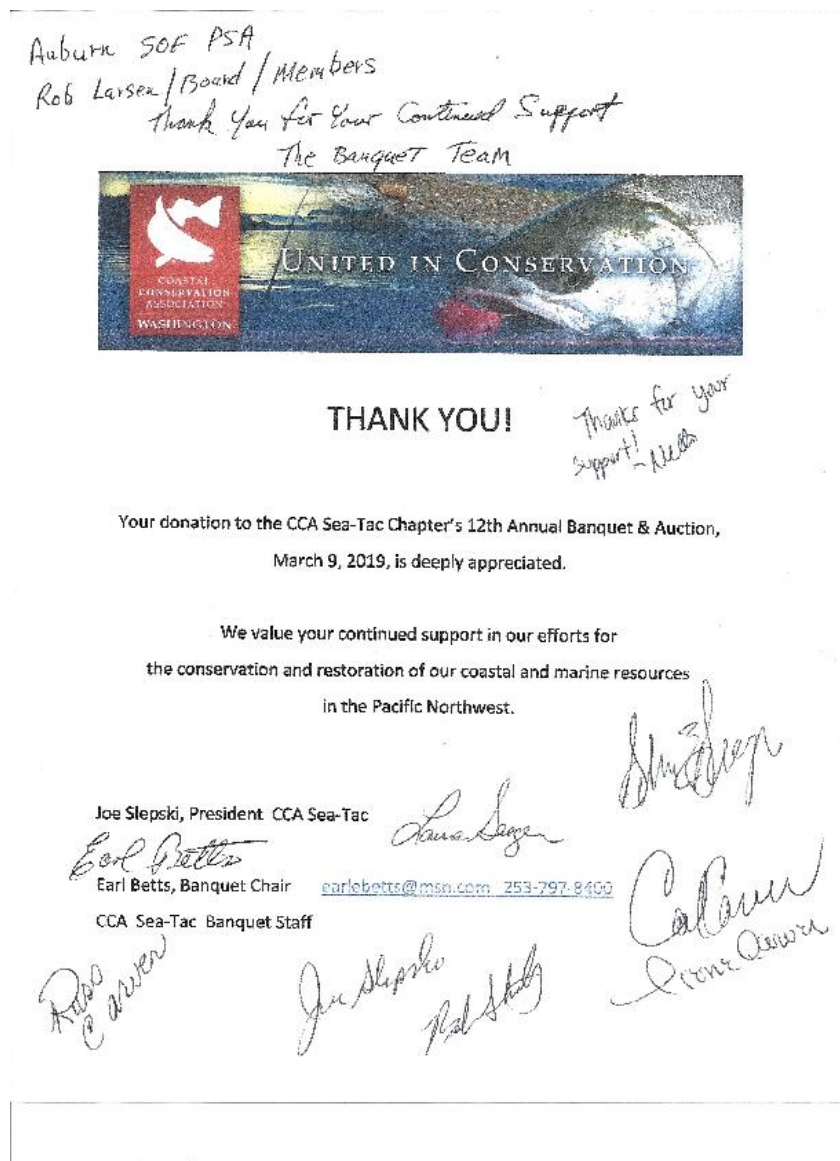
Eva Betts

As you can see, the Auburn PSA SOF chapter members are deeply involved and committed to helping CCA continue its advocacy work here in the state of Washington.

Insuring we, as sportsmen/sportswomen, have an equal opportunity to enjoy the resource while protecting it as necessary.

Earl Betts

Banquet Chair 



Raffle News

March 2019 Raffle News

It sounds like we are having a lot of success this spring especially in the Sound for Blackmouth. Keep fishing and have fun! Anyway, this month's feature prize is an 8' Lamiglas Certified Pro rod. Very nice, lightly used XCF 802 10-20LB- ½ to 2oz. I will also have a new Pen Spinning reel up for grabs and maybe one of the few remaining PSA hats. As usual, we will have a member only drawing for 10 raffle tickets and the final ticket drawn will pick one knife from a great assortment of styles and brands. Like every month, we only have a few cotton hats left so if you don't win one in the raffle buy one instead. We are designing a new hat and will be looking forward to them in the next few months. I will have assorted corkie's and yarn for sale also so feel free to give us an offer for what's left. Thanks for reading!



We NEED Donations!!!!!!!!!!!!

Make sure to bring a friend and spread the word about the great items and games we are offering up! ☺
Thanks for reading!

Greg Hindman

Columbia River Outing – June 27th – 29th

Location - Vista Park at Skamokawa, Washington

Alternate location – Elochoman Slough Marina, Cathlamet

You don't want to miss this fun time with the club! More details are coming soon. Mark your calendars!
Call the park for your reservation. It is about 2 ½ hours from Federal Way – 137 miles.

PRICES:

Trailer with hook-up	\$35
Trailer with electricity	\$30
Trailer in tent site no hook-up	\$25
Tent site	\$20
Yurt(16 ft.) Need to bring bedding	\$55
Yurt(20 ft.) Need to bring bedding	\$62
Tepee- Need to bring bedding	\$55

*Bunk beds in Yurts and Tepee/restrooms nearby

Address: 13 Vista Park Road, Skamokawa, WA. 98647
Phone # 360-795-8605

*Boat launch in the park. Launch into a smaller river that flows into the Columbia River.

Here is another choice for our Columbia River Outing

Elochoman Slough Marina & RV Park - 500 2nd Street, Cathlamet, WA. 98612

They have a lot of openings compared to Vista Park that weekend.

Prices:

Small Cabins \$100 for two or more nights or \$125 for one night. Sleeps 4

Large Cabins \$120 for two or more nights or \$135 for one night. Sleeps 6 to 7

*All cabins have a bathroom with shower, microwave, and stove top. No pets or smoking allowed in the cabins.

Dry Camping - \$18-\$25 (the \$25 site has a view)

RV Camping \$35 a night which includes power and water

Yurts \$45 Sleeps 4

Elochoman Marina is closer to Longview and about 10 miles away from Vista Park.

They also have a BBQ covered area we can rent for \$25 a day which is nonrefundable if you cancel.

Elochoman SloughMarina & RV Park 360-795-3501

Visit Our Website

The website has the recipe of the month, links to our sponsors, and a year's worth of past newsletters.

There is a new link on the Hogpen web page to submit photo's for the Hogpen, which will provide the pictures for the Newsletter, Website, and Christmas Banquet.

Let us know what you think of the new design! www.saveourfish.org



Save Our Fish Facebook Page

The Save Our Fish [Facebook page](#) is a Public Group currently with 36 members. If you are on Facebook and haven't requested to join the group, now is your chance.

Let's see how many members we can get this year! This is a great way to get club information. It can also be used to connect with other members to fill an empty seat in the boat, see where other members are fishing (if they are willing to share), or post videos, photos, or other fishing and conservation interests.



Please be courteous during the meeting

Take your conversations outside the meeting room or hold them until the break so that others can hear whoever is speaking.

Thank you!

Membership – New and Renewals

It is time to renew your SOF membership. You can pay by mail or online at

<http://www.saveourfish.org/Membership/Membership.htm>.

The membership form is attached at the end of this newsletter or you can contact our member chair, Rich Gregory, at rwgav8@hotmail.com.

Click here to pay: https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=FIzb14yBeNX1SNG80QYPNONcJJjwgtgiJxdurg11BSvD-4EIX_IssRDmduLv7mgOlq4MR0

Use the **“Donate with a Card”** option if you don’t have a Paypal account.

You will get an email confirmation/receipt after you complete the payment process. Make sure you fill in your email address!


Here’s what the top of the form looks like. **Click the \$ sign to fill in your amount then click the + sign on the “Add special instructions” and tell us what you are paying for. Example: 2018 dues for Greg Hindman.**

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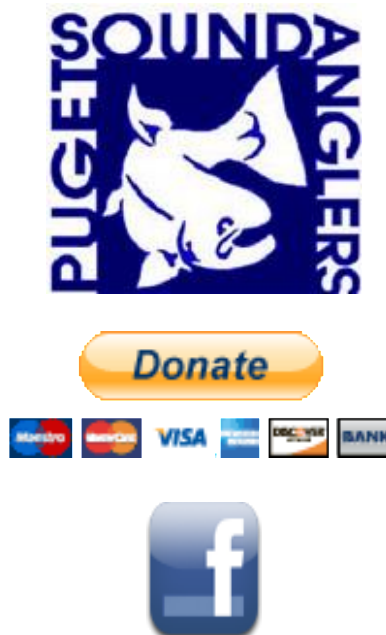
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 Add special instructions to the seller:

You can also get to this Donate link via our main web site <http://www.saveourfish.org/>

It looks like the below:



The membership form is available online <http://www.saveourfish.org/membership.pdf> and at the end of this newsletter.

Floats for Sale by SOF

SOF purchased Paulownia wood floats (similar to Thill balsa floats) from Auburn S&M at a deep discount and is offering them to members. They are slightly blemished and were rejected by Beau Mac because the brass ring at the bottom is not well seated. This is probably not a problem if a bead is used below the float, but can be easily fixed by applying silicone or heating the ring to melt the glue to allow reseating. They sell at Sportco for \$3 each. There are six sizes: 1/4 oz, 3/8 oz, 1/2 oz, 5/8 oz, 3/4 oz, and 1 oz. Most bags include a bobber stop and two beads for each float. They are priced as below:

18 bags of 18 floats--3 each of all six sizes for \$20

2 bags of 15 floats--3 of each size (except 3/4 oz) for \$17

19 bags of 12 floats--3 of each of the four smallest sizes for \$12

3 bags of 12 floats--4 each of 5/8, 3/8, and 1/4 oz for \$10

23 bags of 20 floats--10 of each of the two smallest sizes for \$15 (No bobber stops or beads in many of these bags because we ran out.)

Save Our Fish PSA Hats for Sale

Now you can proudly advertise your PSA chapter. Hats are embroidered with a colored PSA logo on the front and Save Our Fish stitched on the back.

Quantities are limited, so bring your money and get yours at the next meeting. \$10



SOF PSA Vests for sale

If you would like to purchase a vest with our Puget Sound Anglers logo on it, please see Kathy Carnino to order.

Prices range from \$60 to \$70.

A Good Angler Never Gets Skunked...



He Or She Simply Runs Out Of Time...

Member Classifieds

Do you have any items in the garage that have just been collecting dust over the years? Maybe a fishing pole that you just don't use anymore. Why not sell it to a fellow member in the new classifieds section? Send a brief description of the item you would like to sell and photo if available to sof.psa@hotmail.com and we will include it in the next issue of the newsletter.

If you have a website or product you would like to share, please send the information to:
Sof.psa@hotmail.com

Kent Historical Museum

<http://gkhs.org/>

What a gem! This museum is located close to the Kent Senior Center where we have our SOF Christmas parties – 855 East Smith Street

Check out the exhibit: History of the Fenwick Fishing Pole

Cast your ticket in their raffle for a chance to win a Fenwick trout salmon fishing pole!

SOF Sponsors

[Auburn Sports & Marine](#) – Kids derby, rod donations, gift certificates



[King Salmon Marine](#) – Kids fishing derby donations



[Bass Pro Shops](#) –



[Silver Horde](#) – Raffle donations



[Big J's Outdoor Store](#) – Carbon River Cleanup



[Sportsman's Warehouse](#) – Federal Way Kids Derby donations



[City of Orting](#) – Carbon River Cleanup



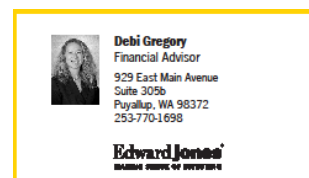
[Pro-Troll Fishing](#)



[Gamakatsu](#) – Jig hook donations



[Debi Gregory](#) – Christmas Banquet Donations



[Los Pinos Mexican Restaurant](#) – Carbon River Cleanup



[Washington Sportsmen's Show](#)



[Walmart](#) – \$1,500 Grant



[Round Table Pizza](#)

Hog Pen

Do you have a picture from your latest fishing adventures? Be sure to send it, with your descriptive caption to sof.psa@hotmail.com for your chance to have it be featured in the Hog Pen.

Ice Fishing in Michigan: courtesy of Dayle Conrad's brother David Grimm





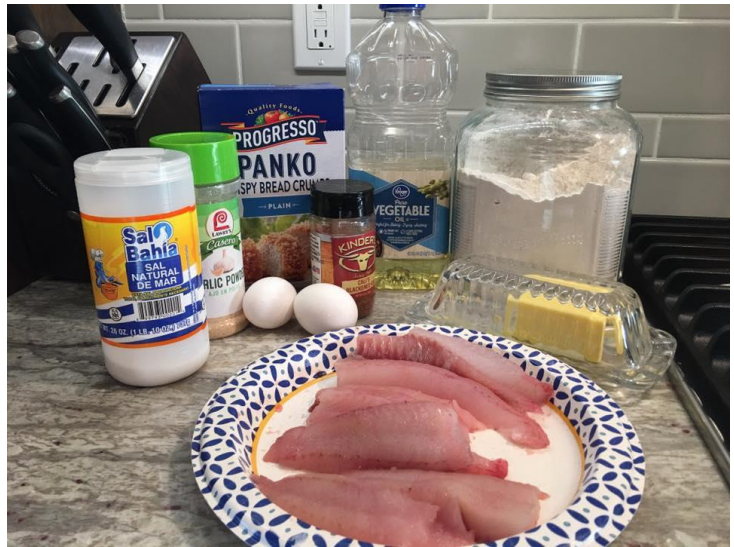
Frank Urabeck with Blackmouth
at undisclosed location
Who can name the background?

Recipe of the Month

Panko crusted Walleye (River Dragons) with Remoulade Sauce

[VIP Outdoors Facebook page](#)

Walleye - Trim all red meat off (red area between flesh and skin). Cut into equal size pieces, for even cooking.



In a Ziplock bag mix

- 1/4 cup flour
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 table spoon blackening seasoning

Put pieces of River Dragon in bag and shake. Remove fish from bag, shaking off all excess seasoned flour.

In a bowl mix two eggs. Take floured fish and put it in egg wash. Remove fish letting all excess egg drain off.

On a paper plate or bowl pour a pile of Panko

Roll River Dragon in Panko.

In a preheated frying pan with a 1/4 inch of oil over medium high heat, place River Dragon into oil. Don't overcrowd the pan, It will drop the temp of the oil. There should be a small bubble slow fry, not a crazy hot sizzle. Let it go a couple minutes on each side until Panko is evenly browned.

Take the fish out and put it on a paper towel to absorb any extra oil. Season with salt (if desired) while hot.

Remoulade Sauce:

Mix the following. Add more or less to taste.

- 1/2 cup Mayo
- 2-3 Tbs Stone Mustard
- 2 Tbs Horseradish (less or more depending on how much bite you can handle)
- 1 tsp Fresh lemon juice
- 1 tsp Hot Sauce (Tapatio)
- 1 tsp Worcestershire



Save Our Fish Chapter

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2019 MEMBERSHIP FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:		Date:
Current address:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Primary Phone (Home, Cell, Work <i>Please circle</i>):		
Alternate Phone (Home, Cell, Work <i>Please circle</i>):		
Email Address:		
Sponsor:		

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is for the 2019 calendar year. **Dues paid through January 31, 2019 are at rates shown below, reduced by \$5.00.** Dues paid February 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019 will be at the full annual rates shown below. Contact Rich Gregory at 253-209-0586 or sof.psa@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

MEMBERSHIP SELECTION

<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Renewal
Adult: 18-61 – annual dues \$30	
Family: heads of household and all other family members younger than 18 – annual dues \$40	
Juvenile: 17 and younger – annual dues \$15	
Senior: 62 and older – annual dues \$20	

PAYMENT

☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ Roster ☐ TRN ☐ Email

Please check appropriate membership selection above, complete form, and bring to meeting or mail with check to:

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