

## About the Dr. Ed Rizzolo Annual Fly Tying Festival

Dr. Ed Rizzolo joined the Texas Fly Fishers Club in 1983 and, within a couple of years, he was the Club's Education Director. As part of the duties of the Education Director, he oversaw the Club's Fly Fishing Academy and two fly tying classes. Long after he stepped down as Education Director, Dr. Ed could still be found at the Club's two fly tying courses to support the instructors, forever passing along his knowledge and love for fly tying.

One of Dr. Ed's greatest contributions to the Club was to organize and oversee the Club's Fly Tying Festival. On April 25, 1993, the club held its inaugural Fly Tying Festival and, it has been an annual event every year since. The Festival's philosophy is simple, gather a group of tyers to demonstrate their tying talents and techniques and, invite the general public. And at the center of the action was Dr. Ed, answering all questions and demonstrating proven techniques in the art of fly tying.

On February 7th, 2009, The Board of Directors of the Texas FlyFishers officially changed the name of the event to the Dr. Ed Rizzolo Annual Fly Tying Festival in honor of Ed's many contributions to the success of the festival and to the Texas FlyFishers Club as a whole.

Sadly, on June 6, 2013, Dr. Ed passed away but, his fellow Texas FlyFishers club members will ensure that the Annual Dr. Ed Rizzolo Fly Tying Festival tradition carries on year after year, the Second Saturday of February.

## Festival Address

**Bethany Christian Church  
3223 Westheimer Rd.  
Houston, Texas 77098**

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## For additional Information

**Texas FlyFishers Website  
[www.texasflyfishers.org](http://www.texasflyfishers.org)  
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**The Texas FlyFishers  
Present**

# **27<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Ed Rizzolo Fly Tying Festival**

**Saturday, February 9, 2019  
8:30 am until 4:30 pm**

**Fly tying for everyone...  
Beginner, novice or expert!**



## Welcome our Tyers

Angel Marie Avelar	Bob Logan
Pat Cohen	Capt. Mark Machado
Glen "Catch" Cormier	Ron Mayfield
Steve Flanagan	Chuck Meeder
Jonathon Gonzales	Jared Miera
Benjamin Gossett	Mike Morphew
Jerry Hamon	Joe Nicklo
Kyle Hand	Larry Offner
Fred Hannie	Dr. Rey Ramirez
Don Hanselman	Walter Ross
Bill Heugel	John Scarcelli
Mark Hollier	Geoff Scotty
Kevin Hutchison	Mike Seery
Andrew Jones	Jon Slough
Jack Keller	Capt. Steve Stubbe
Jim Kelly	Martin Stults
Adam Kinney	Capt. Billy Trimble
Alan Kulcak	Martin Weir
Steven Kulcak	Anthony Zepeda
Les Lehman	<i>And, more!</i>

## What is the IRON FLY?

Based loosely on the TV cooking show, the Iron Chef, the 12 tyers in the **IRON FLY** Competition have 12 minutes to select their materials, design and tie their fly *and*, incorporate a "mystery material" in their pattern. The two top scores then tie off, head to head for the **IRON FLY** Trophy. Sounds simple? Well, come give it a try!

## About Pat Cohen – Continued:

My passion for all things fly began with both Smallmouth and Largemouth Bass but now include a passion for chasing golden bones, the carp and, an obsession with Pike. There is nothing in the world like hooking a big pike on a glass rod in small stream hand to hand combat style.

I am a member of the pro team for Predator Fly Gear, Epic Fly Rods, 3Tand Reels, Peak Vises, Cortland Fly Lines, Loon Outdoors, Jackson Kayak, Werner Paddles and Custom Gheenoe Boats. I regularly demonstrate and teach fly tying as well as presentations on fishing for these species at various events and fly shops all over the USA.

## Scheduled Presentations and Times

**9:00 - 10:00 am** – Geoff Scotty – "Swing It: Flies for Steelhead"

**10:00 - 11:00 am** – Pat Cohen – "Smallmouth Bass - Behavior, Tactics and Fly Pattern Ideas"

**11:00 – Noon** - Iron Fly Tyer – Preliminary Round

**11:00 am – 12:30 pm** - BBQ Lunch

**Noon – 12:30 pm** – Iron Fly Tyer Championship Round

**12:30 - 1:30 pm** – "Catch" Cormier and Larry Offner  
"The Magnificent Seven Panfish Flies"

**1:30 - 2:30 pm** – Capt. Billy Trimble – "The Blind Chicken", One of Texas's Most Productive Redfish Patterns

**2:30 - 4:00 pm** – Pat Cohen – "My Personal Favorites- Patterns for Smallmouth and Largemouth Bass"

## About Pat Cohen



My name is Pat Cohen. I live in upstate New York where there is an abundance of warm water streams, lakes, and farm ponds to fish; although most anything with gills is fair game. I began fly fishing in 2008 and since then I have caught more fish than I can count. I have been tying flies since January of 2009. Fly fishing and tying have become an essential part of my life. Since 2012 I have been a full time commercial fly tyer and designer. I have created materials, dubbing and tools for fly tyers.

I specialize in warm water predatory flies, although I am best known for my deer hair bass bugs. The artistic freedom that fly tying offers is what drew me to it. All of my flies are meant to be fished with the exception of the display offerings. I have blended my knowledge and passion for art with my knowledge and passion for fly tying to create a very unique approach to fly making. *Continued*