

Alpine Fly Fishers

Our Next AFF Meeting
Tuesday

September 27

No Meeting
In
August


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The Dead Drift - August 2022

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President's Line

By Larry Gibbs

This summer is going fast for me. July is already here and August is right around the corner. August 13 is an important date, that is when the WA State Council is having it's Fly Casting Fair. See page 2. The last time the WSC had an in-person event was in Ellensburg for our two day event in May of 2019. That fell short in my opinion as we didn't have the attendance nor vendors that we usually had. The Board of Directors had decided we would not continue to have an event in Ellensburg, so they started looking for a different venue location. Then Covid hit the world and everything shut down. So, it will have been 32 months in between in-person events. The BOD decided to start off with a one day fly casting fair and the best location turned out to be Lake Ballinger Park. It was near the Greater Seattle area and yet was priced low enough that we could have an event there that would not require a major fund raising program (ie: Silent Auctions / Raffles/ Live Auctions). We are getting some major help from a couple fly fishing clubs from the Seattle area. Without their help, we would not be able to do a program like this.

I personally would like to see us continue with one day events with the help of local fly fishing clubs. The Greater Spokane area would be a good location as would the area around Kelso - Vancouver. Those areas will give the majority of fly fishers who live in Washington a chance to attend the shows and get some great fly casting and fly tying experience and instruction.

Back on the home front, I am holding my breath (well, not really but you get the drift) that we can have an in-person club meeting the end of September for our club. If we do then we will have some great raffle items.

If any of you have any special requests or have something to say, please do a reply to the email that is bringing this newsletter to you. Since I send BCC style, the reply will only go to me. Is there something you would want the other club members to know about or something you would like to see the club do as a group? Please send me your thoughts so we can have a little communication.

August is here and so is the sun. Protect your skin and keep hydrated.

"Time is but the stream I go a-fishing in. I drink at it; but while I drink, I see the sandy bottom and detect how shallow it is. Its thin current slides away, but eternity remains." Henry David Thoreau

Good Fishing & Stay Safe



Larry

Fly Casting Fair

August 13 + 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Lake Ballinger Park, Mountlake Terrace, WA

- 
- › Walk-in Casting Clinic
 - › Casting Skills Development
 - › Casting Workshops
 - › Fly Tying

In Person Events are Coming Back This Summer

The Washington Council of FFI is re-starting in-person events with a first of its kind Casting Fair. The event at Lake Ballinger Park will be a day-long program of casting skills, challenges and fly tying. We want to invite all FFI members and members of our affiliated fly clubs to join us. Bring your rod and get expert help tuning up your cast.

Bring your friends and get a re-introduction to everything FFI has to offer. More events are in the works, including a new Expo in coming months. Join us Aug. 13 at Lake Ballinger and let's get back in action.

Christmas Gift Drawing

I mentioned in the May newsletter that this coming December, at our Christmas meeting, I will be holding a special drawing. Each time a member attends a meeting this year, they will get one entry into the drawing. So far we have had two meetings so some club members already have two entries for the drawing. First place will be an Orvis Encounter fly rod outfit, a 9'6", 6wt, 4pc, with reel and line. I will also have second and third place winners as well.

Just for clarification, if Nature doesn't treat us well and we have to go back to not having in-person meetings, but rather having Zoom meetings, those who attend the Zoom meetings will each get one credit per meeting towards this drawing.

Fly Fishing International

Fly of the Month

August 2008

Leslie's Quill Gordon

By Bob Bates



The name Quill Gordon is famous for several reasons. One is that it refers to Theodore Gordon a turn of the century fisherman and prolific writer. Another reason is the original Quill Gordon imitated the earliest hatching large mayflies (*Epeorus pleuralis*) in many Pennsylvania and New York streams. Dick Stewart and Farrow Allen in *Flies for Trout* have a picture of a Quill Gordon tied by J. Edison Leonard in the fashion that Theodore Gordon probably used. It had a long swept back wood duck wing and a stripped peacock herl body. The final reason: It is great for catching fish.

Leslie Wrixon was building on a lot of history when she tied this fly at the 2007 FFF Show and Conclave in Livingston, MT. The main change she made was to substitute porcupine hair for the stripped peacock herl. Porcupine hair is much stronger than peacock herl and doesn't need the gold wire rib or lacquer coating for support.

Some mayfly species, like *Epeorus pleuralis*, hatch in faster sections of streams where they have difficulty getting off the water. This is an ideal fly for such situations. It floats fairly well and has a good imitative silhouette. A drag free float is needed to present a fly like this one. If you have trouble with the drag free float talk to some good anglers in your fly club or get a lesson from a certified FFF Fly Casting Instructor.

For more information on Theodore Gordon and the Quill Gordon check the FFF website Fly of the Month for January, 2001.

Materials List:

Hook: Any dry fly hook, sizes 14-18

Thread: UNI-Thread 8/0 Black

Tail: Mixed grizzly and brown

Body: Porcupine hair

Wing: Wood duck

Hackle: Dark Badger

Tying steps:

1. Start thread at front and wind smoothly to rear. You can use any thread you like, but Leslie prefers 8/0 UNI-Thread
2. Use hackle that has no webbing to it so the barbs give a shiny appearance. Pull the barbs off the stem, and lay them down so you can pick them up easily. Leslie put them on a little dish. Then repeat with another hackle, and lay the barbs on top of the first bunch. Pick them up so they mix; snip off the bits of shaft that came with the barbs. Make the tail about shank length. Don't be a slave to the exact formula, the idea is to tie something that is pleasing to the tier, angler and fish. Make one wrap under the tail and one above to raise tail up a bit and spread it.
3. Now for the wings. Barred wood duck is preferred, but mallard flank feather will do also. In gathering up a bunch of fibers, make sure there is enough to look good after they are divided. (Can use an entire feather.) Tie it in about the same length as the tail. Put a thread dam in front to hold up the wing a little. Trim butts on a slope to help shape the underbody.
4. Divide the fibers, and do a figure 8 with the thread to hold them apart.
5. Then post each wing. Two or three thread wraps will do.
6. Leslie's secret head cement for traveling is CA Glue or generic "Crazy Glue" she gets four for a dollar at Wall Mart. Put it in a puddle on a piece of foil for example, and it will last about 45 minutes. Put a little drop behind the wing with a dipping tool or bodkin. Wrap thread to rear to make a smooth tapered underbody.
7. Porcupine hair is very durable, shiny, flexible and will not break when wrapped. Tie it in by the small end. The hair comes in different diameters on the animal. Select hair in proportion to hook size. Also some hair will wrap flat rather with nice quill segments. Usually this is lighter color hair at the larger end. Tie hair on top of hook in front of tail.
8. Wrap the hair forward in adjoining turns. Take a little extra effort to wrap the hair in a tidy fashion. Leave a quarter of the hook shank empty. Snip off the excess and bind down the stub. Save the cut off piece for other flies.
9. Select a hackle with barbs about 1-1/2 gap widths long. Trim some of the larger fibers off the stem for a little more holding power. Tie it down, shiny side up, behind the wing leaving space for the hackle. Move the thread forward and bind down the rest of the stem in front of the wing. Tie it in so when you start wrapping the barbs will be perpendicular to the shank and shiny side forward. Trim off any excess that points forward over the eye. (Traditional Quill Gordon recipes say brown and grizzly or medium dun.)
10. Wrap the hackle four times behind the wing and three times in front. Not a hard and fast rule; it depends on what looks good. Mainly it is what looks good and will float. Move the tread out of the way and snip off the excess hackle. Then put on a whip finish and a little head cement.

Closing comments: This is an easy fly to tie, catches fish like mad and is very durable. The only problem is getting the porcupine hair. Fly shops generally don't carry it. You need to search the internet for it, or talk to some of your Native American friends. Porcupine hair is used for Roaches, a Native American headdress, so some of the items that show up on an internet search will be completed Roaches up to \$450. Just keep looking. If you know eBay there is some available there. I found three companies that had porcupine hair by the ounce: Centralia Fur & Hide; Claw, Antler & Hide Company and Moscow Hide and Fur. You might want to go together with a few friends, an ounce of porcupine hair will last a life time or three. There is always road kill. I saw a good looking one the other day as I was driving to a meeting at 70 mph, but I didn't stop.

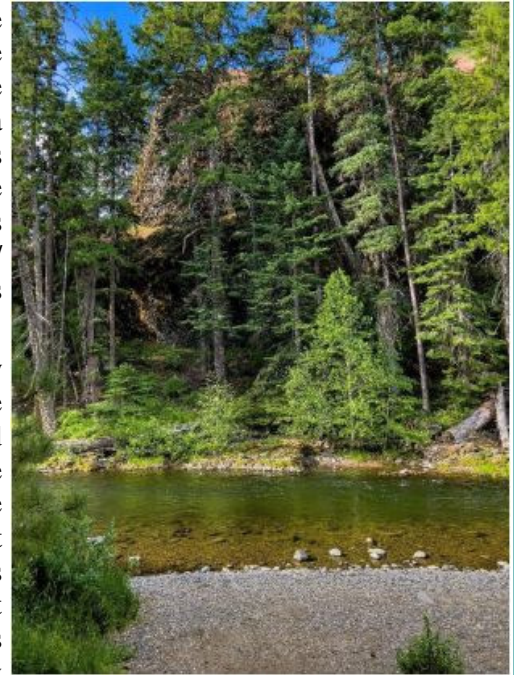
Back of Beyond

Stephen Neal

In Wildness is the Preservation of the World - "Henry David Thoreau"

Stardust-Curiosity-Imagination

Colin, Darren, and I set out to investigate new waters, the truck tires spun on loose gravel as we pulled onto SR410, headed east of the Cascades and down into the Columbia River Drainage. She is the major artery and life-giving element of the Pacific Northwest. Her many roots transport water and life to all the denizens of a broad swath of two countries, seven states, and one province. The Columbia gives us life and it is with great respect that I trace her tributaries. We crossed over the Cascades via Chinook Pass looking for the Little Naches River. The road passes through Mount Rainier National Park and the views of the east side of Mount Rainier / Mount Tahoma, are, to put it mildly, spectacular, a sharp intake of breath is appropriate.



On previous trips through this watershed to visit family in Elko Nevada, I mentally marked the rivers that I passed for further investigation. A forest growing on the flanks of long forgotten eruptions, its rivers fed by snow and glacial melt, it intrigued me. When planning this year's summer fishing trip with Darren and Colin, those mental curiosity notes led me back. With the twin's approval we chose the Little Naches River campground as our destination. (Somehow this information did not reach my daughter, and when we returned, I caught social hell, as our chosen spot was incommunicado, and God knows where. My daughter laughed while holding my feet to the fire. Bad move Gramps!!!) Our chosen spot had fishable water, hiking trails (later info. proved this claim, false), camp water and pit toilets, as you can tell, my threshold of need is on the low side, in my youth, the bar was much lower, water and a bit of earth, that would hold me, a sleeping bag, and tarp, would do. At seventy-two the bar has been raised, no I'm not soft, just creaky. Well maybe a little soft.

Fishing is just an excuse to get outside with my grandsons, I have to confess as a guide I suck at putting my boys on fishable water. I am zero to infinity, on getting them onto fish. I take that back I have got them on fish two times, both times at a U-Fish Park, the experience ruined them, they caught so many fish, that I spent the whole time, releasing fish and detangling lines. I had a rod in my hands every minute they fished, and I never had a rod in the water. After that experience, they were the cocks of the world and they remembered that years later when I offered to teach them casting and spin fishing, I was told that they knew all about fishing and didn't need any more information. Wait, that might be the reason they haven't caught fish; Maybe the waters good and my casting lessons broke them. I have a lot to atone for. Sorry, Darren and Colin. (Bad move Gramps!!!)

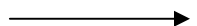
While dodging the midday sun on our one 90-degree day, the topic of their lack of catching came up, as we munched on nuts and a cool liquid of our choosing. I claimed responsibility, every trip I had planned, the stars misaligned, tides, floods, heat, and wind did not favor the boys. I thought I was bad luck for my boys. Colin's answered that Darren, and he thought they were accountable, they had wondered if they were bad luck for me. They reasoned that since I caught fish without them and not with them, that they might be at fault.

Luckily for us, on a show-and-tell hike with the twins I was pointing out a new plant discovery. A fellow camper asked if we needed help, I showed her the plant, she was delighted with the discovery as well. Over the next two day in brief encounters as we passed each other on trips to the river, she opened up with a wealth of past and present successful fishing history and place knowledge, she shared a few of her best spots to fish with us. As we left camp for our journey home, we scouted out the river spots she suggested, there will be a next time, with a better chance of success. Our chosen camp of discovery and lady luck has improved our chances for subsequent visits. (While I hooked three fish, the boys had no luck, thankfully the future holds a better promise.)



I am a fisherman but spending time with all my grandsons is the real reason I go on these camping trips. They are a joy to spend time with. Darren and Colin at thirteen have passed beyond passive acceptance of spending time with grandpa and into budding individuals who enjoy spending time with me, this will probably change as new and more exotic ventures draw their attention. This is as it should be. A child's first steps, towards you is also their first steps away from you.

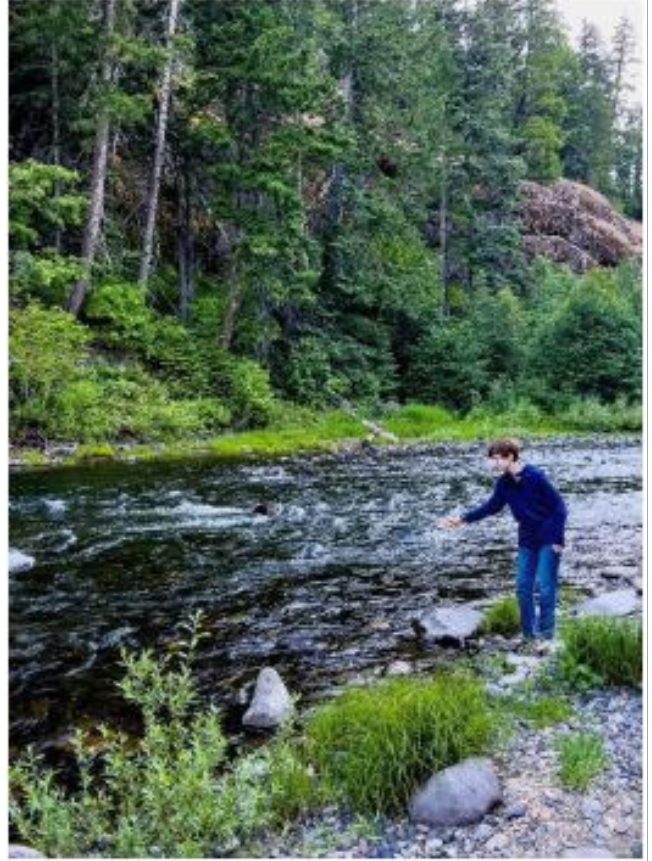
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From our first discovery adventures while strapped in car seats to present day, I have tried to instill in them a sense of wonder, curiosity, and imagination. I want them to turnover a river rock and look beneath, I want them to catch a fish and be curious about its life, how it lives, where and how. I want them to howl with wolves and caw with crows, I want them to gaze at the clouds and use their imagination to create pictures in their minds. Man's greatest discoveries and exploration started with curiosity and imagination. We are stardust, the particles that make, earth, sun, moon, and stars is who we are, as the cosmos grows and expands so should we. Our stardust calls us, to be curious and to grow, to look deeper and reach further. It calls to us to grow beyond our prejudices and maintenance of the status quo, each level in life is just a steppingstone to the next level. What is new grows old and gives birth to new. That is the circle of life. The stardust that is us, knows this, our curiosity and imagination can set us on our true journey.

I want it all for my grandchildren, they deserve a world better than we received it, somehow, we have lost our connection to the stardust that is us. Too many of us have lost our imagination and curiosity, we rely too heavily on what we think we know, and too little on finding what we don't know.

Colin experimented with my spices and made spicy omelets, it made him smile, Darren not so much. Darren drove my truck around camp, Colin sat warily in the back seat.



Pushing the envelope causes discomfort, if we are not uncomfortable, we are not learning. Know that learning and new is always difficult in the beginning, but the dust of chaos eventually coalesces, and new discoveries lead us out of darkness into the light. Curiosity and imagination make the journey through the discomfort easier.

We are all just specks of light and dust in this immense expanding cosmos. Light and stardust connects us to everything that makes up this throbbing and pulsing sphere of living. Embrace your curiosity and let your imagination take you to new possibilities. Thank you, Colin, and Darren, for being my partners in outdoor explorations, I truly enjoy seeing your stardust shine. I will walk anywhere with you. This sentiment applies to all my grandchildren.

Stephen – Backofbeyond.neal@gmail.com

The world is out there, the journey starts the minute you leave the door, go outside and truly live.

“When given the choice between being right or being kind, choose kind – Dr. Wayne W. Dyer

“Many go fishing all their lives, without knowing that it is not fish they are after” - Henry David Thoreau

~ In The Past ~

The Newsletter of the Alpine Fly Fishers
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December of 1978

George & Sandy Vaars, Part-time Editors



This ~ *In The Past* ~ article was published in 1978. The information it contains is 44 years out of date and is not accurate.
This is a historical document only.

Program: Annual wives and or girlfriends Christmas party

Door Prizes: 1.Orvis graphite rod, reel, line (Tickets for this prize cost \$5 each and there is a limit of two per person.

Trustees Report: The Trustees voted for an annual gift giveaway of something too good to throw away and not good enough to keep. (This is to do with fly fishing). These should be wrapped as gifts. If you receive something you don't want or already have we will have a secret way to get rid of the ones you don't want. This project is for members only.

December Fish-Out: Don't forget the fishout will be at Toutle River for winter steelhead.

December News: Will ladies this is the month I've been telling you about, when your husbands take us out to dinner, we we can enjoy their Christmas party with them. This is also the club's annual raffle and election of new officers.

Fly Pattern of the Month:

Comet

Hook:	2-6
Thread:	Yellow
Tail:	Orange calf or buck
Body:	Oval silver tinsel. Wrap underbody of white floss to give the body a taper.
Hackle:	Yellow and orange mixed. Tie back
Eyes:	Silver chain bead

Welcome: We want to welcome Norm Norlander from the Longview club to our club and we are sure he will be a contribution to our club in the future.

From the Editors desk: Being that this is the last month of our doing this newsletter I must say that it has been fun. (But then I have been told I don't know what fun is.)

Electorates: President - Merle Herratt.
Vice President - Russ Grimm
Secretary - Chriss Jones
Treasurer - Joe Reni
Ghilie - Bruce Jones

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Fly Fishers International's

Flyfisher Magazine

The Fly Fisher Magazine is now on line at the below address.

Check it out

<https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Publications/Flyfisher>



FFI Publications

You can log onto the FFI website and go into their Publications section and find the Flyfisher Magazine past issues going back many years.

You can also open up the Loop Journal, a fly casting publication.

You can go to the Osprey section and log onto their new website.

Not to be outdone, you can log onto the Whip Finish for great fly tying information going back many years.

There is also a Current News section you can open.

Just go to the FFI website and log in and start exploring!!!

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Washington State Council FFI joins the Amazon Smile Program



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Amazon Smile donates 0.5% of the price of every purchase to the non-profit of your choice. It doesn't change the price you pay for goods. Amazon takes a sliver of its earnings from the transaction to donate to the non-profit you choose.

Washington FFI supports a range of education and conservation efforts every year from cash contributions. We support Casting for Recovery for women cancer survivors and Project Healing Waters serving wounded veterans. For years we've backed the annual Northwest Youth Conservation and Fly Fishing Academy that has introduced a generation of teens to our sport. Last year we helped organize and fund a successful effort to preserve public ownership of the Ebsen Fishing Access on the Grand Ronde and we helped fund new signage for fishers on the Yakima River.

It takes cash to sustain these efforts, cash we usually raise through our annual Fly Fishing Fair and other events. That hasn't been possible lately. But everyone still shops. Many FFI members shop online at Amazon. Directors of the Washington State Council have joined the Amazon Smile program to help fund our work. You can help by shopping through Amazon Smile.

To join follow these steps:

Visit [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com)

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Every time you shop through Amazon Smile a portion of every purchase you make will help fund FFI education and environmental stewardship in Washington. Several FFI councils nationwide participate in the program so be sure to select Fly Fishers International Inc. Seattle WA when you sign up.

Since our founding 56 years ago, Washington FFI has worked to support the 22 FFI member clubs in Washington and Alaska and design ways to promote and conserve fly fishing for all fish in all waters. Washington FFI pursues projects and partnerships that educate the public about our sport and the habitats that sustain salt and freshwater fisheries. We have a track record of success creating innovative education programs, sound conservation efforts and a strong community of fly fishers statewide. Help Washington FFI continue that success by signing up at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and selecting:

Fly Fishers International Inc. Seattle WA as your non-profit of choice. Thank you.

Editors Note: I already had a link to Amazon on my computer but it did not open to Amazon Smile, so I copied the URL to the Smile site and opened up my link and pasted the new URL in it. Now I open to Amazon Smile when I click the link. It doesn't cost me any more money and the WA State Council FFI gets a donation from Amazon.

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President's Club

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The categories and their associated benefits are as follows:

BRONZE \$5,000 / Payable at \$500/ year or \$43/month

Benefits Include:

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- One-on-one meetings with the President and CEO for each member of the President's Club
- Opportunity to select the special President's Club Award
- Invitation to President's Club destination travel opportunity
- Specially designed President's Club pin, FFI President's Club sticker, and FFI hat

SILVER \$10,000 / Payable at \$1,000/ year or \$85/month

Benefits Include:

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- Invitation to President's Club destination travel opportunity
- Specially designed President's Club pin, FFI President's Club sticker, FFI hat, an FFI T-shirt
- Exclusive individualized fly fishing instruction for President's Club members or person of their choosing

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- Opportunity to select the special President's Club Award
- Invitation to President's Club destination travel opportunity
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- Unique, customized FFI Special edition fly rod when member reaches the \$100,000 level

Editors Note:

I am a proud member of Fly Fishers International and have been for over two decades. I really believe in what the FFI is doing and their goals. We are truly an "All Fish, All Waters" organization with strong beliefs in conservation and education. I belong to the President's Club as well as the Thousand Stewards program. I would really like it if you, the reader, would join me in helping to support Fly Fishers International.

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FFI continues to focus on conservation, education, and community as the underpinning of our work. Our commitment to these principles provides the rock-solid foundation as we lean into the challenge of unprecedented times, and ascend to meet the needs of the evolving demographics of fly fishing.

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August / September 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Don't empty the water jar until the rain falls - Philippine proverb	1 August	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 	10	11	12	13 WSCFFI FLY CASTING FAIR
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 No Club Meeting	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	"In every glass of water we drink, some of the water has already passed through fishes, trees, bacteria, worms in the soil, and many other organisms, including people... Living systems cleanse water and make it fit, among other things, for human consumption." - Elliot A. Norse, Animal Extinctions		

"Happy we who can bask in this warm September sun, which illumines all creatures, as well when they rest as when they toil, not without a feeling of gratitude; whose life is as blameless, how blameworthy soever it may be, on the Lord's Mona-day as on his Suna-day." - Henry David Thoreau, 1817-1862

				1 September	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Club Meeting	28	29	30	"Tis the last rose of summer, Left blooming alone." - Thomas Moore, 1779-1852, The Last Rose of Summer

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