



Kansas City Chapter



December 2019

Club Meeting Date: December 10, 2019 Christmas Party DAV Hall in Independence 6:30 pm

Executive Board Meeting December 3, 2019 7 pm. Fleming Hall

Location Fleming Hall 21906 SW Woods Chapel Road Lee's Summit, Missouri

Next Club Meeting Date January 28, 2020

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For More Information

Visit the website for the latest News and updates www.mtfa-kansascity.org

MTFA Club Christmas Party - December 10 - 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM



Be sure to put this date on your calendar and join us for our Christmas party at the DAV Hall, 14605 E US Highway 40. This is just east of Nolan RD and Highway 40 in Independence. Please bring a Hors_D'oeuvre or a Dessert to share, the club will be providing the Entree and drinks, so come hungry and wear that special Christmas sweater. We are looking forward to seeing you there. The E-Board

MTFA Nomination of Board Members for 2020

At the November E-Board meeting David Cook appointed the nominating committee for the upcoming election of the 2020 MTFA officers. If you are interested in serving, please let David know. Our election will be held in January and installation of officers will be held in February at the Luncker dinner. Here is a list of the current MTFA offices and the current office holder:

- President: David Cook
Vice-President: Gary Davisson
Secretary: Ardith Haynes
Treasurer: Darrell Durst

Members at Large: Merril Miller, Roger Theroux, Marvin Allison, Ken Hicks



2020 Membership Dues are Due in January



Dues for the upcoming year are, Individual (\$15), Family (\$30), Legacy (\$10). (Family membership includes all family members up to 18 years of age). At age 18 your child must register as a adult. You may mail your dues and form to: MTFA, PO Box 3202, Harry S. Truman Station, Independence, Missouri 64055 or you can bring it to the next club meeting.

Go to www.mtfa-kansascity.org to down load the MTFA membership application or print page 6 of this Troutline.

Upcoming Events

December 10, 2019
Christmas Party
 DAV Independence, MO
 6:30 pm

December 24, 2019
Christmas Eve
No Club Meeting

January 1, 2020
Happy New Fishing Year

January 7, 2020
E-Board Meeting
 Fleming Hall
 7:00 pm

January 9-12, 2020
KC Sports Show

January 28, 2020
Club Meeting
 Fleming Hall
 7:00 pm

KC Sports Show - January 2020

The Kansas City Boat and Sports Show at the H. Roe Bartle Hall starts January 9th through the 12th. We need members to represent MTFA at our booth. This is a great opportunity to showcase our club to people of the area that have not heard of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association or the Project Healing Waters Chapter. At the Christmas Party there will be a sign up sheet with the day and times when you can help the club. Some members demonstrate fly tying while other members just hang out, answer questions and hand out flyers. Signing up gives you free admission to the Sports Show. There will be plenty of time for you to wander around for yourself and view all the exhibits. Do not forget to sign up at the MTFA Christmas party at the DAV in Independence.



The E-Board

President's Message

They used to say it's not Christmas season in Branson until Andy Williams says it is. Well, I've heard from Andy recently and he wanted me to buy his old Christmas CD so I could play "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year". I've been guilty of getting caught up with the related events associated with this time of year (shopping) and not taking the time to appreciate all the wonderful things in my life. Just listening to a little music was all it took to get my mind calmed and think about ways I could honor the past, be thankful for what I have and pray for a future that will continue to bless us.

For me, the most wonderful time of the year begins with Thanksgiving. Taking time for Thanksgiving to be with family and reflect on all my blessings has always been important to me. I get to reflect back on all the old family traditions we used to have. Like going hunting Thanksgiving morning. And of course we ate too much turkey and watched football.

So for most of us, with Thanksgiving weekend over, we are now planning for celebrating Christmas. Christmas with our families, with our friends and even with the people we work with.

And last but not least, we celebrate with the people we fish with. So MTFA will have a Christmas Party with Project Healing Waters. So go back to page 1 if you missed the details. We will gather at the DAV Hall in Independence, Tuesday, Dec 10th at 6:30 pm. I want you all to have a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

David



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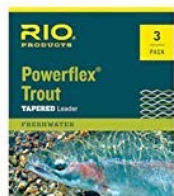
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Christmas Gift Ideas for The Fisherman in Your Family by Gary Davisson

It's that time of year when I get calls or e-mails from the wives of my fishing buddies asking for Christmas gift ideas. Thought I would jot down a few ideas and share them with you. I have listed the manufactures name associated with the product, but there are other companies that make these same products. It's a place for you to start your research.



Tippet - Every fisherman can always use tippet, in sizes 4x, 5x, 6x and 7x. If he/she doesn't have a tippet holder that attaches to the vest or pack they use, get that with the tippet spools.



Tapered Leaders - Some fishermen make their leaders but having some ready to attach to your fly line is really nice. They come in different lengths but around here the most common is a 5x, 6x, and 7x (9'-0" long). Great to have in your vest or pack.



Leader Wallet - Really handy to keep your store bought or hand made leaders organized.



A clip on magnifying glass for the hat. A really helpful tool for tying small flies on small tippet.



So many people are using the camera on their phones instead of using a good digital camera. I really don't like carrying my phone out on the water unless I'm in a boat and then I put it in a dry bag. A good waterproof digital camera is what every fisherman needs. You can take pictures or video underwater of the catch or release of the your catch and you do not care if it gets wet. The #1 rated waterproof camera is the Olympus TG-6, #2 - Go-Pro Hero 8 or 7, #3 - Nikon Coolpix, #4 - Ricoh WG60. These cameras range from \$230-\$399.



A good DVD on casting, fly tying or fishing technique's is a great gift to receive. There is nothing better to do on a cold winter's day but to pop in a video and learn from some of the best anglers and casters of our sport.



A lanyard for your most used tools while out on the water is very helpful. There are many makers of these lanyards, but they all do the same thing. .

Project Healing Waters Report by Jim Kissane

National Fly Tying Competition Brings Steve Licata Back to His New Jersey Roots



For Steve Licata, being selected as a finalist in Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing's annual Fly Tying Competition meant more than

December Calendar

Our regular meeting scheduled for Dec. 10 at the DAV Hall in Independence will not be a fly tying session. Instead, we will combine our meeting with MTFA's annual Christmas Party. Please join us in some holiday cheer and thanks to our great sponsors!

Also, please note that we not have a Fly Tying 101 session at the KCVAMC Jan. 1 because of the New Year's Day holiday.

Dec. 10: MTFA Christmas Party at the DAV Hall, 14605 E. 40 Highway, Independence, MO, 6pm.

Dec. 11: Fly Tying 101, KCVAMC, 1pm.

Dec. 17: General Meeting, Rainbow Fly Shop, 4621 Shrank Dr., Independence, MO, 5pm.

Dec. 25: Merry Christmas! God bless us, every one!

simply being among the top entries; it also earned him a trip home.

Licata and the other eight finalists traveled to the International Fly Tying Symposium Nov. 23-24 at Parsippany, NJ, for the competition finals. Licata is originally from New Jersey, so the trip afforded him an opportunity to visit with family.

"Parsippany is not far from home," he said before making his trip. "I've arranged for my daughter and grandson to come, and maybe my daughter if she can make it. It's go-

ing to be fun."

Licata was selected as one of the three finalists in the Advanced category. Three entrants were also selected in the Beginner and Intermediate classes. Winners, announced at the Symposium after press time for this article, will be invited to the Fly Fishers International Expo next summer in Bozeman, MT, as well as a trip to Freedom Ranch for Heroes.



Healing Saturday a Rousing Success

Once again, our friends at K&K Fly Fishers outdid themselves in hosting this annual fundraiser for our Greater Kansas City Program of Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing. Heart of America Fly Fishers made a \$1000 donation to our program at Healing Saturday, making it one of our biggest fundraising days ever. Thanks to HOAFF, K&K Fly Fishers and to all who donated, participated and volunteered!

December - Fly Fishing Saturday Clinic's

- December 7 - Spring Creek Trout Flies w/ Luke Langton
 December 14 - Fly Fishing Colorado's South Platte w/ Greg McDonald
 December 21 - Winter Trout Fishing in Missouri w/ Elizabeth Peoples -
 Conservation Federation of Missouri
 December 28 - Dry Fly Fishing on Montana's Missouri River w/ Tom
 Caffery



Fisherman Wanted - K&K Hosted Fly Fishing 2020 Trips -

8643 Grant St, Overland Park, Ks.

- Feb 29 - March 7 - Black Fly Lodge, Abaco Bahamas (6 days - 7 nights lodging) \$7375.00
 March 29 - April 4 - Swain's Cay, Andros Bahamas (5 days - 6 nights) \$3650.00 + VAT
 June 14 - 20 - Missoula, Montana (5 days - 6 nights) \$2550.00
 June 28 - July 3 - Hidden Canyon Lodge Montana - Dry Fly Fishing the Mo River (5 days-6nights) \$3200
 Sept 5 - 12 - Katmai Trophy Lodge Alaska - Naknek River (6 days - 7 nights) \$3995.00
 Sept 27 - Oct 3 - Missoula, Montana (5 days - 6 nights) \$2550.00

Note: These are all Guided Trips and prices do not include tips and transportation.

Call for Trip Details and Questions: 1-800-795-8118

K&K has some really great sales going on this month. I did not have room to put them in the Troutline, so take some time and head on over to the shop, say hi to Kevin and his great staff.

Christmas Gift Ideas Cont'd



There is a company called Wingo Outdoors. They have some really cool stuff. Belts, Hats, Socks, Key Fobs, Lanyards and Shirts. Check them out at wingooutdoors.com

[A fly assortment.](#) A great stocking stuffer or a fill in gift. In our area, K&K fly shop has a great assortment of flies and the staff will help you pick the right flies for our local waters.

[A Gift Certificate.](#) If you cannot decide what to give your favorite angler, a gift certificate from the local fly shop will allow them to pick out what they want or maybe apply it to a item.

[A Trip of a Lifetime.](#) Why not give them cash toward a trip of a lifetime to a world class destination! Alaska, British Columbia, Bahamas, Montana, Arkansas, New Mexico or Michigan? Check out some of the hosted trips that K&K sponsors. There are other fly shops around the country that put hosted trips together. For Example: FishWest (www.fishwest.com) and Durangler's (duranglers.com)

Wishing you and your family a very *Merry Christmas* and a *Healthy New Year*.

Gary

Missouri
Trout Fishermen's Association
KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE _____

I wish to become a member of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association, Kansas City Chapter and join in their endeavor to improve the sport of Trout Fishing in Missouri. **I agree to abide by the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules and Regulations of the Association.** These can be found on the chapter website **MTFA-KANSASCITY.ORG**.

NAME _____ NEW MEMBER () RENEWAL ()

ADDRESS _____ Cell Phone _____

(Hm)/(Wk) Other Phone _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ Send Newsletter via email: Yes ___ No ___

BIRTH MONTH: _____

How did you hear about our club? _____

Have you ever been a member of any chapter of the MTFA? Yes ___ No ___

Year joined _____ Most Recent Year Paid Dues: _____

- ___ **Individual Dues:** **\$15.00**
- ___ **Family Membership:** **\$30.00**
- ___ **MTFA Legacy Member: (25 + years)** **\$10.00**

If a Family Membership (spouse and children 18 years of age and under), list those who should receive membership cards and individual email newsletters.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Month</u>	<u>EMAIL</u>
_____	_____	_____
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When this form is completed,
mail to:
Missouri Trout Fishermen's Assoc.
PO Box 3202 Harry S Truman Station
Independence, MO 64055

CODE OF ETHICS

To practice the principles of good sportsmanship and conservation of wildlife, and to encourage others to do the same.
To cooperate with the constructive efforts of the Missouri Conservation Commission and comply with the "Objectives and Purposes" of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association to the extent of using single point hook lures when fishing in Missouri trout water.
To assist in the expansion and development of trout fishing in the State of Missouri, including the wise utilization of available waters and their protection from agricultural and commercial encroachment.
To help conserve wildlife and its natural habitat, cooperating with Federal, State and private agencies directly concerned with the conservation of wildlife, forests, soil and water.
To lend assistance to the Missouri Conservation Commission and its representatives in the enforcement of the laws and regulations for the taking of fish and game in the State of Missouri.

The above has been read and agreed to by: _____