



Kansas City Chapter



December 2023

Christmas Party - December 5th - DAV Building

Club Meeting Date:
Christmas Party
Dec 5 - 6:30pm
DAV Building

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

Next Club Meeting Date
January 24
Fleming Hall 7:00 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. Location is just east of Nolan Road and Highway 40 in Independence.

Dinner menu choice is brisket or baked chicken, baked potato, mixed veggies, roll, salad and dessert.

RSVP to Linda Chase at (816) 405-4124 or email at lschase52@att.net. **Cost will be**

\$10.00 per person. There will be a bucket raffle organized by Jessica Niccoli and Linda Chase.

The board of directors would like to wish you and your family a blessed Merry Christmas and a healthy/fishy New Year. We hope you will join the club on some of the planned activities for this next year. Ken

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Bennett Springs - Catch & Release Season

Catch and Release started on Friday, November 10th and runs through February 12, 2024 Fishing time is (8:00 AM - 4:00 PM) Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday only.

(PS: Please use barbless hooks)



2024 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.

A MTFA-KC Chapter application will be in the December, January & February Troutline. You can also download the application off our web site.

Thank You.

For More Information

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

Upcoming Events

Dec 5,
MTFA Christmas Party
DAV Bldg, 6:30pm
(See Page 1)

Club Trip to Taneycomo
Branson, Mo (**Weather
Permitting**)

Dec 12,
Frontline Fly Fishing
6:00 Committee Mtg
7:00 Fly Tying

Dec 25,
Merry Christmas

Dec 27,
No Club Meeting
(Our Christmas Party is the
December Club Meeting)

Jan 1, 2024
Happy New Fishy Year



MTFA Officers

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Merril Miller
Roger Theroux
Marvin Allison
Linda Chase
Greg Davison

Bob Barnett
David Cook

MTFA Nomination of Board Members 2024

At the November E-Board meeting Ken Hicks appointed the nominating committee for the upcoming election of the MTFA officers. If you are interested in serving, please let Ken know. Our election will be held in January and installation of officers will be held in February at the Luncheon dinner. The MTFA current office holders are:

President: Ken Hicks

Vice-President: Gary Davisson,

Secretary: Jessica Niccoli,

Treasurer: Darrell Durst

Members at Large: Merrill Miller, Roger Theroux, Marvin Allison, Greg Davison, Linda Chase, Bob Barnett.

Rod Building Classes - Starting January 29, 2024

Have you ever wanted to build your own fishing rod but don't know where to start? This is the class for you. Our rod building classes are taught by really experienced rod builders within our club. They know the latest techniques and components for building a top-performing custom rod. Although there are a myriad of learning materials available to help you learn the craft, there is nothing quite like face-to-face hands-on instruction. If you are interested in taking part in this class you may want to start looking into the type of rod blank and components you may want for your custom rod. Call **David** (816) 519-2531 or send a email to: cookd@umsystem.edu and **Sign up ASAP.**

Check out: www.rdpflyrods.com or www.hookhack.com

Hope you will take advantage of this class. The club has rod winding equipment available for use and some great rod builders helping you, step by step.

David

Missouri Fishing Licenses Online:

You can purchase your fishing license and trout permit on line. Very easy to do before you get to your destination. Just go to:

[Online-Sales | Missouri Department of Conservation \(mdc-ccwp.s3licensing.com\)](https://www.mdc-ccwp.s3licensing.com)

Frontline Fly Fishing

Calendar of Events:

December 12 - 7:00pm Meeting at the DAV

December 13 - 5:00pm at K&K Fly Shop (Bring your fly tying equipment. There will be some kits available)





Chalhuaquen Lodge Patagonia
(Jan 6-13, 2024) \$4900.00 + VAT

Estancia Tecka
(Jan 10-16, 2024) \$3650.00 + VAT

Bahamas / Andros Island - Swain's Cay
(Jan 10-16, 2024) \$3650.00 + VAT

FACEBOOK

Join us every Tuesday at 5pm cst
Facebook.com kkflyfisher Face-

Bahamas / Abaco Island - Black Fly Lodge
(Feb 21-28, 2024) \$7000.00

Call for Trip Details (800) 795-8118

Taneycomo - MTFA Winter Club Outing



It's winter time, could be a little cold but lets go fishing. I have a friend that has a saying "If it's 40 or below, Stan don't go". As I get older the really cold weather doesn't appeal to me that much either, but I have been fishing when it was 12 degrees above zero for steelhead. Our club has always tried to make a trip to Branson in December or January to fish Taneycomo. Weather permitting, **December 9th** and **10th** are the dates, should the weather not cooperate we will change the date to another weekend. Plan on meeting at the shelter house below the dam behind the Hatchery close to outlet #2 around 10:00 AM. Get your cold weather gear out and come join us. If you are new to fly fishing and need some help we will be there to help you. It's a great fishery, lot's of things to do, places to eat and many places to stay, so come join us. For more information contact any MTFA Board Member. **David**

Christmas Gift Ideas for the Angler in Your Home

[Sling Packs](#). These are really great packs. Light weight, good storage areas and easy to move from your back to your chest. These vary in price from \$59 to \$120. (Simms, Orvis, Umpqua, Fishpond and Patagonia have great packs)

[Fishpond Dakota Carry on Rod and Reel Case](#). The ultimate carry-on bag for the traveling angler is a must. Prices vary from \$179.95 – \$219.95.

[Simms or Abel Nippers](#). USA made machined-aluminum nipper with razor-sharp stainless steel jaws. Simms next-generation Guide Nippers combine aerospace-grade aluminum architecture with surgically-sharp jaws for ideal performance with light to heavy mono or fluoro leaders and tippetts. Details include 6061-T6 machined aluminum arms and riveted, stainless-steel cutters.

[Simms or Abel Guide Pliers](#). Simms superior Guide Pliers put rusty, decrepit needle-nosers on notice. Able

Christmas Gift Ideas for the Fisherperson in Your Home Cont'd

Pliers and the Hatch Nomad Pliers are similar. These are the top of the line pliers that almost every guide has on their wader belt. \$269.95 to \$300.00.

[Tippet](#).- Every fisherperson 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 fisherpersons 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.

[Clip On Magnifying Glass](#) - As we get older this is great for us anglers. A clip on magnifying glass for the hat. A really helpful tool for tying knots and small flies on small tippet.



[Waterproof Camera](#) -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 fisherperson 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. Most of these cameras are WiFi which is really nice. The #1 rated waterproof camera is the Olympus TG-6, #2 - GoPro Hero 8 or 7, #3 - Nikon Coolpix, #4 - Ricoh WG60. These cameras range from \$230-\$399.

[Tutorial DVD](#) - 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, casters and fly tyers of our sport.

[Orvis Sure Step Wading Staff](#). This folding wading staff offers balance and confidence while fishing in high water. They have three or four different wading staffs available and prices range from \$59 - \$149.

[Yeti Mugs](#). For many anglers, the fishing day can't start without coffee. I am amazed at how the Yeti mugs will keep coffee hot for a long time. Their coolers are also unbelievable and the Yeti products are everywhere from Bass Pro to Westlake Hardware. Check them out.

[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 can not 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. I have personally used FishWest (www.fishwest.com) and Durangler's (duranglers.com).

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

Gary

Fall Fly Tying Class:

Our fall fly tying classes are over and in the book. We had a number of new fly tyers in both our beginning and intermediate classes. We will soon be working on the club calendar and setting dates for our spring classes, hope you will join us. Thank you Linda for the great pictures.



Last class attendees

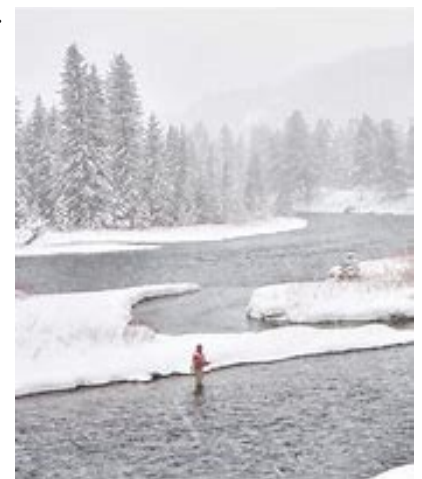
Presidents Message:

Merry Christmas! The trout have finally migrated up to the KCMO area. Be sure to contact Linda Chase to make Christmas Dinner reservations (at the DAV). The seasons are changing so dress for the weather (cold) and the times are changing (we are now on CST) and so don't forget If You See Something Say Something.

Now is the time to get out and try those new flies that you have been tying. Use them, exercise them and wear them out. I'd like to hear your fish stories while eating X-Mas dinner with you.

See you at the Christmas Party,

Ken



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>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

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: _____