



Kansas City Chapter



June 2021

Club Meeting Date:  
June 22  
Fleming Hall  
7:00 pm

Executive Board Meeting  
June 1  
7:00 pm.  
(Zoom Meeting)

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

Next Club Meeting Date  
July 27  
7:00 pm  
DAV Bldg KCMO

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**President's Message**

I'd like to thank all the members who participated in the State Derby. Considering the weather and river conditions we had a real good turnout from Kansas City. There's more about the derby on page 2.

We also had a good turnout at the May meeting fish fry. Thanks to Dan Durgan and Darrell Durst for supplying crappie filets. And a big thank you goes to Bob Barnett, Ken Hicks and Marvin Allison for getting the fish cooked. Greg Davison MC'ed the raffle and our club netted \$258 from the raffle.

We plan on holding the June meeting (June 22nd) at Fleming Hall where everyone can participate in fly tying. (cont. page 4)



Frontline's June 8th meeting (7:00pm) will be held at the DAV, 14605 E US Highway 40, KC Mo. Doug Oatman, professional photographer and fly tier will be teaching how to tie a bass fly. Doug started tying flies in 1957 taking his first lesson at Finks from Raymond Fink on SW Boulevard. Doug taught fly tying for Johnson County Park and Rec. and Cabelas for many years and worked for K&K Flyfishers for a few years and now is totally retired. Doug said there is nothing left to do but to go fishing and tie flies.

If you have a fly tying vice, tools and thread, bring them with you and tie along with Doug. All materials will be provided.



Doug is best known for his Salmon Flies

If you do not have a vice and tools we have loaner fly tying kits available. The picture shows some examples of the types of flies you will be tying. If you have any questions please contact Bob Barnett at (816) 309-7071 or Greg Davison at (816) 365-9635. Look forward to seeing you at this event.

**For More Information**

Visit the website for the latest News and updates  
[www.mtfa-kansascity.org](http://www.mtfa-kansascity.org)

## Upcoming Events

June 1,  
E-Board Meeting  
(Zoom Meeting)  
7:00 pm

June 8,  
Frontline Fly Tying Meeting  
DAV Kansas City, Mo  
7:00 pm  
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June 22  
MTFA Chapter Meeting  
Fleming Hall  
7:00pm Fly Tying  
(Bring your vice and  
equipment)

## MTFA State Derby Report



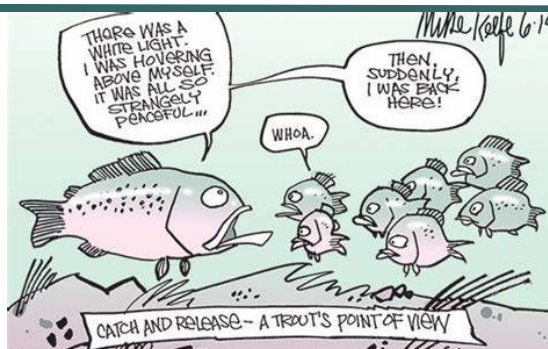
Greg Darlington (St Louis Chapter)

There were 45+ anglers registered for this years derby, and there were 18 tagged fish caught by 15 anglers. We were lucky to get the derby in due to the weather conditions. A memorial service was held at 1 o'clock on Saturday at the Memorial Stone. This year we had a luncheon/meeting/raffle held at the Bennett Springs Lodge Restaurant. The Sunday festivities included a members only raffle at Pavilion B. Hope you will plan on attending next years derby, the Branson Chapter will be the host.

## Club Fish Fry Report

Our May meeting was a fish fry held at the DAV building. The club cooked the fish and the DAV kitchen staff provided the sides dishes and drinks. It was a great time and the first time in over a year the club was able to meet as a group inside. Yea!

Our June meeting will be held at the our normal meeting place (Fleming Hall).



## Steam Your Flies Back to Life (Deneki Outdoors Blog)

Flies do not last forever, and one downside to cramming a bunch of flies into fly boxes (particularly those tied with natural materials) is that they're prone to get a bit beat up over time, even if never fished.



Natural feathers, furs, and hairs can easily become crushed and/or creased when left in a fly box for too long. That not only affects the appearance of the fly, but can also affect the fly's ability to swim, float, or sink as intended. There is a simple solution to keeping your flies fresh.

Don't toss out those matted down flies ever again (unless of course we're [dealing with rusty hooks](#)). Instead, bring them back to life with a quick steam treatment.

Here's how:

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## Steam Your Flies Back to Life Cont'd

1. Fill a teapot with water.
2. Bring the water to a boil.
3. Using a pair of forceps, hold your fly over the jet of steam for a few seconds, rotating as needed.
4. Repeat only a few seconds at a time (to avoid melting materials), watching natural materials straighten back into their original shape.

**Tip:** Picking out trapped fibers with your fingers, a bodkin, or a dubbing brush in between steam sessions can help speed up the process. This process works wonders for restoring beat up hackle or hair on traditional dry flies, but also works well to rejuvenate materials like ostrich or rhea common in many modern salmon and steelhead patterns. Just check out the difference a few seconds made on a well-abused *Fish Taco* below.



Before



After

## BRANSON FLY FISHING EXPO 2021

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**JULY 29-31, 2021**

Thursday July 29 <sup>th</sup>	Noon – 5 pm.
Friday July 30 <sup>th</sup>	9 am. – 5 pm.
Saturday July 31 <sup>st</sup>	9 am. – 4 pm.



### Lions Community Building

1015 E State Highway 76, Branson, MO 65915



Food and Drinks served by the Branson/Hollister Lions Club



## Admission - Free



Fly Casting Demos - Fly Tying Demos - Classes

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**President's Message Cont'd**



Also in May, MTFA had an outing at James A. Reed. Ken Hicks is giving an assist to Chuck Bradbury who caught several catfish on a jig that evening.

And below are some of the other members who attended. Bob Barnett brought the grill and we enjoyed brats and chips and cookies

