



Kansas City
Chapter



November 2020

Club Meeting Date:
Nov 24 (Cancelled)
7:00 pm

Executive Board Meeting
Nov 2
(Zoom Meeting)
7:00 pm

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

Next Club Meeting Date
Dec 22 (Cancelled)

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For More Information

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

Special Announcement about 2021 MTFA-KC Dues



If you were a member of MTFA-KC in good standing in 2020 the E-Board has voted to carry over your membership through 2021. Please fill out the application with any changes you may have incurred this past year, *phone number, home address, or e-mail address*. If your information is current, please fill in your name and write across the application "NO CHANGE".

If you are a new member please print and fill out the application on page 6 and mail in with a check payable to Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association-KC. If you are interested in serving on a committee or help in anyway, please contact David Cook or Gary Davisson.

Our hope is to be able to get back to having meetings, speakers, club dinners, and outings in 2021.

The E-Board

Happiness Is Getting Rid of Stuff

A few weeks ago, I was contacted by a friend (Steve) who had purchased a house that he and his son were going to flip. When they opened the house, they found a cluttered place but in that clutter was a fly-tying desk with a lot of fly-tying tools and materials. Steve asked me if I would be interested in looking at what was there, the answer was of course, Yes. I asked a fellow fly-tyer and club member to go with me and I was glad I did. There were more boxes, packages, bags, drawers, and bins with items in them than you could imagine. We only skimmed the surface. I asked what they were going to do with all of it and his response was. "it's going to the trash". I commented that our club could use it for fly tying classes, and we would be happy to clean it out of the house for them. Saturday, David Cook, Darrell Durst and I started at 10:00 in the morning hauling things out and finally had everything out at 12:30pm.

The gentlemen's name was Lou Goodson which I found out was a long-time member of our club. I learned from David that the Goodson's were also highly active in the Southern Council of Fly Fishing.

The point of this article is if your son, daughter, or grandkids have no interest in fly fishing or fly-tying; either sell your equipment and materials or donate

Upcoming Events

Nov 2,
E-Board Meeting
Zoom Meeting
7:00pm

Nov 24,
Club Meeting (**Cancelled**)
Fleming Hall 7:00pm

Dec 7,
E-Board Meeting
Zoom Meeting
7:00pm

Getting Rid of Stuff Cont'd

it to a club, preferably MTFA, don't let it go to the *trash*. Have a plan for your fly-fishing gear and fly-tying materials.

When a person takes a fly-tying class with us, MTFA furnishes all the materials and equipment needed for the class. MTFA can always use fly-tying tools and materials. Fly fishing gear such as rods, reels and etc. are used in either our fly fishing school or raffles to supplement the club.

Gary

Bennett Springs - Catch & Release Season

October 31st was the last day of the regular trout season. Catch and Release begins on Saturday, November 13, 2020 and runs through February 8, 2021 (8:00 AM - 4:00 PM) Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday only.

Catch & release season is a great time to take a beginner, a son or daughter, and a great time to work on your fishing skills.

(PS: Please use barbless hooks)



MTFA Officers

President: David Cook
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(816) 896-5221

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Members at Large:

Merril Miller
Roger Theroux
Marvin Allison
Ken Hicks

Benefit for Disabled Veteran's - Nov 7 K&K Flyfisher's, Overland Park, KS.



(Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association-KC) sponsor's a PHW (Project Healing Waters Chapter). Hope you will come out to this event and support this great organization. It's a great opportunity to meet & talk with Factory Rep's, cast that rod you have been looking at and check out fly tying. K&K has been a great supporter of PHW. Hope you will come out and support PHW and K&K Fly Shop. **Gary**

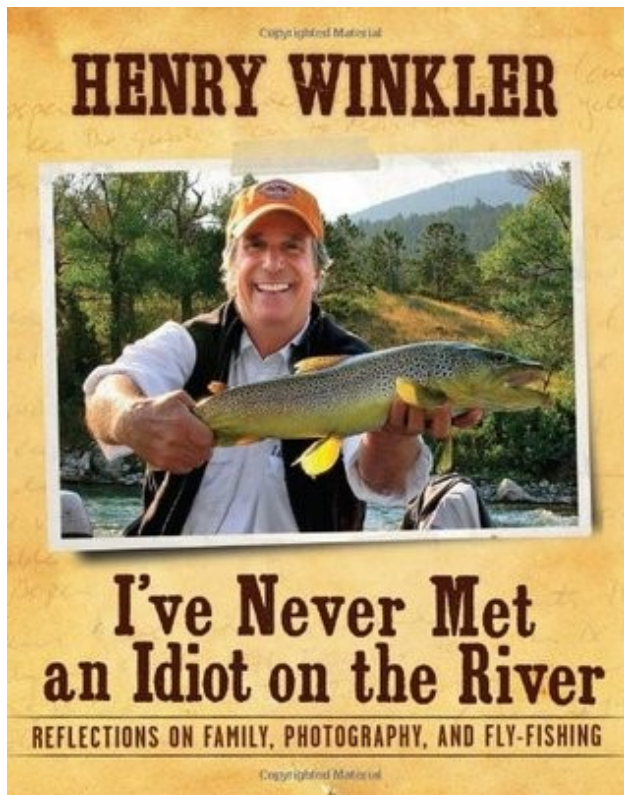
MTFA Board Members for 2021

At the November e-board meeting due to the Covid-19 situation, the committee decided that the current MTFA officers would stay as is through the 2021 year. The MTFA current office holders are:

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

Members at Large: Merril Miller, Roger Theroux, Marvin Allison. We would like to announce that *Ken Hicks* and *Mike Davis* are now members.

A Great Read



I've Never Met an Idiot on the River: Reflections on Family, Photography, and Fly-Fishing by Henry Winkler

In this delightful collection of humorous anecdotes and heartfelt observations, Henry Winkler shares the joy and wisdom he's accumulated while honing his skills as a fly fisherman. An accomplished sportsman who meticulously records the measurements of every fish he hooks, Winkler has learned that his yearly trips to the river are not just about catching trout. More importantly, they're about adopting the proper perspective on life. Or, as Winkler puts it, when he's fly fishing, the river acts like a "washing machine for my brain," recharging him and reminding him that anything is possible. Winkler makes a habit of sharing his angling adventures with his wife, Stacey, and their three children, Jed, Zoe, and Max. The Winkler's' annual trip, where they can escape the busyness of everyday life, has brought them together as a family. On the river, Henry has grown to appreciate the support his wife and children give him, learned to listen, and developed the confidence to publish his outdoor photography in his first non-fiction book.

President's Message:

This month's message is the same as last month's—Go Fishing. I'm allowing excuses for those of you who have plans to go hunting but for the rest of us—no excuses. Go.

A new winter trout fishing lake is available in the Kansas City area. The city of Belton is partnering with the Missouri Department of Conservation's (MDC) Community Assistance Program for fishing at Cleveland Lake Regional Park. MDC stocked the lake with rainbow trout. The lake opened for trout fishing on Nov. 1.

The 7.6-acre Cleveland Lake is at one of Belton's newest parks. Access is via South Cleveland Avenue. Besides rainbow trout in winter, the lake is scheduled to receive fall stockings of channel catfish.

And then there is the old standby, James A. Reed Memorial Wildlife Area in Lee's Summit. Look for trout on the second weekend in Nov. For the other lakes at JAR, there is also good crappie and bass fishing in Nov.

Here's the lineup for Kansas City area winter trout fishing. The MDC hotline for stocking info is 816-525-0300. EXT 2

Coot and Plover lakes, and Honker Pond for youth only, MDC's James A. Reed Memorial Wildlife Area at Lee's Summit.

Chaumiere Lake, Kansas City Parks and Recreation.

Capital Federal Sports Complex, Liberty. (Also known as The Bluffs)

Johnston Lake, Raymore.

Jesse James Park Lake, Kearney

— David Cook



8643 Grant St, Overland Park, Ks.
913-341-8118.

Fly Tying Class - Free 1 Hour
2 Students (1 Instructor)
Call for your Appointment
1 Hour each - Saturdays
9am until 3pm

Learn How to Tie - Dry's, Nymphs or
Streamers, Basic to Advanced -
You Choose

Healing Saturday
To Benefit Wounded
Vets through Fly Fishing
Live - On Line November 7th



Great Fly Fishing Prizes
Get Your Raffle Tickets Now!

10 Important Steps To Handle Trout Properly

1. **Keep the fish in the water:** Keep the fish in the water as long as possible. If you want a picture, get every thing ready, lift the fish up, take a picture and get it back in the water.
2. **Over-Playing The Fish:** When you hook a fish, he fights and will do everything to survive. It does not know you are going to release it. Use a heavier weight rod and use the strongest possible leader. The added strength will allow you to bring the fish in quicker.
3. **Take A Picture Quickly:** Keep your phone or camera accessible. Photo your fish while holding over water not a hard surface.
4. **Wet Your Hands:** When handling trout or any other species, wet your hands to protect their slimy coating.
5. **Crimp The Barbs on Your Hooks:** This makes the extraction of the hook a lot faster and easier.
6. **Use a Rubberized Net:** Using a rubberized net will protect the fish's slimy coating and you don't have to worry about hooks getting caught in the net fabric.
7. **Don't touch the Gills:** Gills of a fish allow them to breathe underwater, they are a vital organ.
8. **Revive The Trout If It's Tired:** After a tough struggle, and receiving too much exposure to the open air, their blood can lose significant levels of vital oxygen and it will have little energy left to swim away.
9. **Be Gentle:** *Do not squeeze the fish.* Realize that their internal organs are extremely delicate and fragile.
10. **Keep the Fish Calm:** Holding a fish upside down is actually the best way to keep it calm.

Enjoy, 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.

Name Birth Month EMAIL

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: _____