



Kansas City Chapter



NOVEMBER 2006

Club Meeting: 4th Tuesday of Each Month

Next Meeting

November 28, 2006
7:00 pm Fly tying
for Sports Show

Executive Board Meeting:

December 10, 2006
Fleming Meeting Hall

Location:

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

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President's Message

I'd like to thank everyone that participated at the October Chili Dinner and raffle. We had some outstanding donations for raffle prizes. The program by Todd Gemeinhardt from the Missouri Department of Conservation about the Winter Trout program was very informative. I have made a few trips to James A Reed since Nov 1. Fishing has been slow there lately but another stocking is due soon and fishing should really pick up.



Todd
Gemeinhardt

The November club outing to Bennett Spring on Nov 11 was a little sparse on attendance but that was expected since it was also the opening of the gun deer season. There were quite a few fly fishermen in Zone 1 on the first Saturday of the catch & release winter season. There were also lots of trout to be caught. The stream was well stocked and the fish co-operated by biting all day long.

We need volunteers to work at this year's Sports Show. There will be a sign-up schedule at the November and December meetings. Instead of a program at the November meeting I would like for all of our fly-tiers to bring their tying equipment so that we make some flies for the Sports Show. The club will have painted lead-heads, chenille and marabou at the meeting so that we can tie some jigs.

Up Coming Events

December 10 - Sunday - Our Annual Christmas Party 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. bring your tying equipment, snacks or desserts to share. The club will be providing drinks and ham and rolls for sandwiches. This is our December meeting and the December executive board meeting.

Jan 9-14, 2007 Annual Sports Show.

Jan 15 - Feb 21, 2007 Spring Fly Tying/ Rod Building Classes - Fleming Hall 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Jan 23, 2007 Election of Officers, Regular Meeting.

Feb 27, 2007 Luncheon Dinner/Installation of Officers

Upcoming Events 2006

December 10,
Christmas Party
Fleming Hall

January 9-14, 2007
Sports Show

Board Election

At the November meeting we will appoint the nominating committee for the upcoming election of the 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 Luncheon dinner. Here is a list of the MTFA offices and the current office holder:

President: Dave Cook
Vice-President: Roger Theroux
Secretary: Gary Davission
Treasurer: Debbie Jacques
Past President: Debbie Jacques
Members at Large: Charles Jacques, Gary Rose, Marvin Alison, Merrill Miller, James (Red) Duncan & Tom Criswell

Catch and Release at Bennett Springs

It was a great time down at Bennett Springs on November 11, for the opening of catch and release season. The weather was great, sunny and with a slight breeze. The water was very clear, with a good number of fish in the stream. Everyone seemed to be catching fish, some more than others as usual. It was really nice to have people ask if it was ok to fish beside you instead of having lure's flung over your head or casting into your drift zone. Thanks go to Kent Inman for the fine photographs of Bennett Springs and some of the folks that were there. I think Kent had the largest catch of the weekend with a nice 3+ brown trout. I hope you will plan to attend next year.



2007 Membership Dues are Due

You may bring your dues to the November or December events or mail them to:

MTFA
PO Box 3203, Harry S Truman Station
Independence, MO 64055

Fly of the Month

The bedspread bug, sometimes called the bedbug for short, was introduced to me by Bob Gaston at Bennett Spring. The reason for the name bedspread is because the original pattern came from chenille pulled off his father-in-law's bedspread. The chenille used today is a pale yellow material that appears to be cotton. Unlike wooly bugger chenille, the fibers are longitudinal. It is encased with two pieces of thread that are woven around the fibers. Bob sells this material at his fly shop.

1. The fly is tied on a size 12, 1/100 – 1/128 jig leadhead painted creamy yellow.

Cut off a small piece of the chenille about 3/8" long, remove the string around the material and tie to the bend of the hook to make a short bob-tailed end. You can trim shorter after you have attached it if it looks a little long.

Tie the chenille end right where the bob-tail is tied in and wrap about four times to the head.

Whip finish and cement the thread.





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