



**Kansas City  
Chapter**



**October 2008**

**Club Meeting**

**MTFA— Annual Club Chili  
Dinner & Raffle  
October 28, 2008  
Fleming Hall  
7:00pm**

**Next Club Meeting  
Christmas Party  
December 2, 2008  
Fleming Hall  
7:00pm**

**Executive Board Meeting  
November 11, 2008  
Fleming Hall  
7:00 pm**

**Location**

**Fleming Hall  
21906 SW Woods Chapel Road**

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**Annual MTFA Chili Dinner and Raffle - October 28, 2008**

Our annual **Chili Dinner** will be an extra special event this year. We will have dinner from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Bring your favorite side dish or dessert. We already have commitments for three pots of chili and three soups for dinner. The club will be supplying catsup, onions, crackers, cheese and of course hot sauce. For those not bringing chili/soup we need side dishes and desserts. Don't forget that you will receive a free ticket for every item you bring, either food or a raffle item. We will be having some really special items for our raffle this year, including a fly rod, and we will be selling tickets for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. This is a fun evening and a great time to bring a friend and introduce them to other members of the club.

To those club members that are tying flies for the **Bakers Dozen** (13) flies for one of our raffle's, if you have not turned them in to David please let him know that you plan on having them to him either before the dinner or the night of the dinner. If you have not started yet you still have time. We hope you will participate in this event.

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**2008 Membership Dues are Due.**

Dues for the upcoming year will be \$15.00 per person or \$25.00 per family. 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 or fly tying class. For your convenience you will find the MTFA membership application on page 5 of the newsletter. Please get them turned in as soon as possible.

Thank You.

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**Catch and Release at Missouri trout parks**

The winter catch-and-release fishing season in Missouri's four trout parks is a good time for beginning fly fishers to learn how to catch trout on a fly or for us ol' timers it's a great way to keep our skills sharp.

You can fish from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Montauk, Roaring River or Bennett Spring on Friday through Monday from the second Friday in November through the second Monday in February. Maramec Spring is open daily during this same period.

**For More Information**

Visit the website for the latest News and updates  
[www.geocities.com/kcmtfa/](http://www.geocities.com/kcmtfa/)  
Email: [kcmtfa@yahoo.com](mailto:kcmtfa@yahoo.com)

## Upcoming Events

**October 28, 2008**  
Annual MTFA Chili Dinner.

**November 22, 2008**  
Fly Tying Classes Start at  
Bass Pro in Olathe.  
9:00-11:00am

**November 29, 2008**  
Fly Tying Class  
Bass Pro in Olathe.  
9:00-11:00am

**December 2, 2008**  
Annual Holiday Party  
Fleming Park Club House

**December 6, 2008**  
Fly Tying Class  
Bass Pro in Olathe.  
9:00-11:00am

**December 13, 2008**  
Fly Tying Class  
Bass Pro in Olathe.  
9:00-11:00am

**December 25, 2008**  
Merry Christmas

**January 7, 2008**  
Kansas City Sport Show  
Starts

## MTFA Officers

President: David Cook  
(816) 272-5194

VPresident: Roger Theroux  
(816) 523-5119

Secretary: Gary Davisson  
(816) 896-5221

Treasurer: Debbie Jacques  
(816) 356-5710

Members at Large:

Charles Jacques  
Gary Rose  
Marvin Allison

## MTFA Fall Derby—Roaring River State Park

We had an outstanding fall event at Roaring River. Twenty one members competed in the Fall Derby. The biggest fish award went to Ken Stonner (14" rainbow), with second place going to David Cook (13" rainbow) and third place was a tie between Carol Cook and Tom Criswell both with a 12 1/2" rainbow.



Derby winners (L to R): Tom, Carol, David and Ken

The Saturday night club banquet had 30 people in attendance. In the past the food had always been very good but this time we were very disappointed. We will probably be looking for a new place to

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## Properly Cleaning Your Gear and Chemical Use

The Federation of Fly Fishers is committed to educating the public on their role in preventing the spread of invasive species and providing the most accepted and current information regarding prevention techniques. One of the most common requests is for information about what chemicals can be used to kill the invaders that might be on our gear.

There have been many studies to determine what chemicals or methods can be used to destroy specific invasive species. This information is helpful to researchers and scientists who work with individual species in laboratory or field studies and must properly dispose or decontaminate research materials. However, the use of chemicals to clean recreation equipment is not well supported.

Because of the breadth of invasive species (plants, parasites, invertebrates, animals & microbes), there is no single chemical that can be used to decontaminate recreational equipment and effectively kill all possible species without damage to other native aquatic organisms. Additionally, for each chemical different quantities must be used, further complicating the appropriate use of chemicals. The Federation of Fly Fishers **does not support the use of chemicals** to clean waders, boots, boats, float tubes or other recreational equipment.

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**“Many men go fishing all of their lives without knowing that it is not fish they are after” - Henry David Thoreau**

The Federation of Fly Fishers supports and encourages the methods to inspect and remove from plants and dirt your gear, clean your gear with fresh water, preferable high pressure hot water, and thoroughly dry your equipment. If it is not possible to follow this simple cleaning regime we suggest alternating between two sets of wading boots or upgrading to rubber lug sole boots with screws for traction. Finally, the FFF suggests that to best reduce the spread of invasive's you use only boot footed waders without felt soles. We do not recommend the use of separate waders and wading shoes as these are much more difficult to keep invasive free.

### **Frequently Asked Questions About Chemical Use:**

#### **I have heard that Formula 409 kills some invasive's. Is this true?**

This is a great example of the problem we run into as we look at chemical control. Extensive testing in California and other places has shown that Formula 409 can be effective in ridding gear of New Zealand mud snails. Unfortunately, Formula 409 is not approved by the EPA for use in this manner. Therefore, any use of it in this way is actually a violation of the law. In fact, Formula 409 has now put a disclaimer on the bottle informing people that it is only to be used as a household cleaner.

#### **But if it works, why shouldn't I use it?**

First of all, you should never use a chemical treatment of any sort in or near the water. It is logical to assume that a chemical that kills mud snails will also kill other creatures. It is difficult to justify using a control chemical if it also harms desirable species. Another risk with using 409 or any other single species chemical is that many people will not be aware of the limitations of the chemical. 409 will kill mud snails but it has no impact on whirling disease, zebra mussels, Eurasian milfoil or a host of other invaders. If an angler believes that by treating with one chemical they are protected against all invasive's they may actually spread other organisms while believing they are protected.

#### **How about using salt?**

Salt can be helpful with some specific creatures. However, it again does not kill all of the species we are concerned about. In addition, accidental and incidental spills of salt or salt water onto the ground can be extremely damaging to the environmental. Imagine a boot washing station at an access point that is filled with saline water. It is reasonable to expect that every person who cleans their boots will spill a little water on the ground. The cumulative impact of these minor spills will be to create a dead zone surrounding the cleaning tank.

#### **Will washing with plain water kill the invader?**

No, it probably won't. However, we are not looking to kill the organism, just to insure that we don't move it to other waters. If every angler would carefully wash their boots before they leave a site we will significantly reduce the number of invasive's that are spread. It is simple to clean off in the water at the site. By not using chemicals you can actually rinse right in the stream or lake. There is no pollution and you are only leaving behind what is already there.

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**What else can I do to prevent spread?**

The most important thing is to make part of your angling experience. Do it every time you fish and insist that those you fish with do the same. Purchase boot foot waders with rubber soles. You will be surprised at how easy it is to make sure that these types of waders are always clean. Finally take the Clean Angling Pledge and encourage others to do the same.

From the CleanAngling.org web site.



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have the Derby Banquet next year. The winner of the rod raffle was Jerry Gaines, and you might know the winner of the gift card was Marvin Allison. Way to go Marvin.

A big thank you goes to those that helped cook breakfast and those that made our Derby 2008 a success.

If you did not make it to the derby be sure and plan on being at the one next year.



Breakfast anyone?



**“An angler is a man who spends rainy days sitting around on the muddy banks of rivers doing nothing because his wife won't let him do it at home. Author Unknown**

  
*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.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ NEW MEMBER [ ] RENEWAL ( )

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE (HM) \_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE (WK) \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Send Newsletter via email: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

BUSINESS OR OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED BY: (MEMBER) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever before been a member of the MTFA? \_\_\_\_\_ Year joined? \_\_\_\_\_

Applications are subject to approval by the Executive Committee.

Individual Dues	\$15.00
Family Membership	\$25.00

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

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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: \_\_\_\_\_  
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