

### **MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ**

Hello All,

With January and February coming to a close, another successful season of fly tying has ended as well. Thank you to all of those who took the time to come out each Thursday, especially those who led the sessions or taught the beginners. I appreciate you demonstrating patterns and sharing your knowledge of fly tying. Anyone with a pattern in mind for next year, it's never too early for a suggestion.

Here comes March 1<sup>st</sup> and the season opener. Even if you are not braving the opening day crowds to fish, it's time to get excited for fishing and using all the new fly patterns we tied. If you are looking for someone to go fishing with don't be afraid to send out a message to the club. You might find a new fishing companion to share some great memories with. Hey, if I am free, I'd love to go fishing. Get your new permits now!

Remember March 14<sup>th</sup> is our banquet at the American Legion. Your ticket needs to be purchased by March 4<sup>th</sup> so we have time to submit our guest count for supper. March 4<sup>th</sup> is this coming Wednesday, so time is running short. More banquet details will come later in the newsletter.

We will have a monthly meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup> so we can get any business out of the way before the banquet. The monthly meeting is at the First Baptist Church.

Hope to see everyone out there fishing,

Greg Curtin

## BANQUET

Get one of these from Jack Kramer.



It will be a dinner for club members only this year but we will be raffling off a very nice rod from name tags during CCFF meetings and events. You must be there to win!!!

Our Annual Banquet date is quickly approaching and now is the time to purchase your ticket. The date of the banquet is March

**14, 2020** and is being held at the American Legion Post No. 5 located at 1423 Tanner Bridge Road, Jefferson City, MO. The Social Hour will begin at 6:00 Pm, with dinner at 7:00 PM. The tickets are **\$17.50**.

You may purchase your ticket by contacting me at 573-680-5237 or at 573-636-6435 & leave your name and message. We must have our dinner number turned in by March 4, so please do not hesitate if you plan to attend. To those that have already purchased your tickets, THANK YOU.

Yours in fishing, Jack Kramer



# OPENING DAY AT BENNETT SPRING



2200 tags sold at Bennett for opener. Our friend and Volunteer at Runge Nature Center Jim Smith got Tag # 1 and pushed the button for the opening whistle.

## **BSSP REQUESTS ASSISTANCE**

Patricia Chambers, the naturalist at BSSP, has asked for help on April 25. John Walther and I are putting together a program for the youth to tie flies at Shelter B (down by the Whistle Bridge). We are looking for help. I will have more information at the March meeting.

(Besides fly tying, meals are provided and a free tag for catch and release only fishing.)

Mike Jaegers

### **STREAM TEAM UPDATE**

There will be an introductory Water Quality Monitoring Class in Columbia on Saturday, April 4. This is a great training for identify the bugs fish eat, so please consider taking it if you have not already had the class. Check out this link for more information and to sign up, https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Workshop -Announcement--Intro-to-VWQM.html?soid=1103604999107&aid=bwO QE5IRUK4

Tree Planting and Fishing:

We will fish Friday, March 6 and Sunday, March 8. We will plant trees on the North Fork of the White at Patrick Bridge on Saturday, March 7. The MDC agent, Nathan Rectenwald has 89 three gallon, eleven 15 gallon trees as well as 50 willow stakes on order. Nathan and his staff will meet us at the Patrick Bridge access at 9am to begin planting. He may also have a backhoe with auger to dig holes for the larger trees, but we should bring shovels for the three gallon trees. We will wear waders to plant the willow stakes at the river bank.

Bob, Greg, Doug, John Wenzlick and I are going from our club, and there will be three other TU members. Most of us will camp at Sunburst Ranch, but three will stay in a room at Dawt Mill. If you want to get in on the fun, let me know.

Saline Creek Monitoring:

With the club trip to Bennett and other things Saturdays in April are already busy. Please let me know if you will be able to monitor water quality on Sunday, April 5 or 19.

Jeff Holzem Stream Team Coordinator



## **MAYFLY PROJECT**

The Mayfly Project is a 501(c)(3) national organization that uses fly fishing as a catalyst to mentor and support children in foster care. The Mission of The Mayfly Project is to build relationships with children in foster care through fly fishing and introduce them to their local water ecosystems, with a hope that connecting them to a rewarding hobby will provide an opportunity for foster children to have fun, feel supported, and develop a meaningful connection with the outdoors.

## **CLUB OUTING ON APRIL 18**

This coincides with veterans fishing day. The restaurant will be open, so let's plan to meet for lunch. We will pass around a signup sheet at the March and April meetings and the Banquet for you to let us know if you plan on going. If you are able to attend any of the mentioned events, let Greg know you are going, so we can give a head count for seating.

## FLY TYING A GREAT SUCCESS

One of the guest tiers this year was Sam Stewart from MDC and the Runge Nature Center. He showed us some new techniques that were very helpful even to a long time tier.

CCFF wants to thank Sam for demonstrating his expert tying skills and for all the work he does promoting fly tying and fly fishing at Runge Nature Center.



## **Trout Slam**

We heard a presentation at the Trout Unlimited Banquet about the new Trout Slam program worked out between TU and MDC. It will be like the trout parks Lunker Pins only for fish on other Missouri rivers and creeks that support trout. Greg will have a handout at the meeting.





## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### March

- 6-8 Tree planting and fishing on the North Fork of the White R.
- 6 Mayfly Tying Event at Bennett

#### April

- 4 John Walther tying at Nature Center, 12 crazy patterns for Bennett Spring
- 15 Teens Day at BSSP
- 17 Mayfly Tying Event at Bennett
- 18 Veterans Fish Free Bennett Spring & Club Outing
- 18 Tri Lakes FF Conclave in Clinton, MO
- 25 BSSP Youth Event

#### May

- 2 Kid's Fishing Day Bennett Spring, Montauk
- 16 Kid's Fishing Day Roaring River, Meramec Spring

#### June

- 6 Family Fishing Fair Shepherd of the Hills
- 6&7 Free Fishing Weekend Bennett Spring, Roaring River, Montauk, Meramec Spring,
- 13 Veterans Fish Free Meramec Spring

#### September

12 Veterans Fish Free – Montauk



#### **TROUT PARKS SPECIAL EVENTS 2020**

#### SPECIAL EVENTS AT BENNETT SPRING (FOR INFORMATION

#### CALL: 417/532-4418 OR 417/532-7612)

BSSP-John Walther tying at Nature Center, 12 crazy patterns for Bennett Spring - April 4 Teens Day at BSSP - April 15 Kids Fishing Day – May 2 Free Fishing Weekend – June 6 & 7 Women's Free Fishing Day – September 26 Veterans Free Fishing Day – April 18

# SPECIAL EVENTS AT ROARING RIVER (FOR INFORMATION CALL 417-847-2430)

Spring Kid's Fishing Day – May 16 Free Fishing Weekend – June 6&7 Back to School Kids Fishing Day – August 15 Veterans Free Fishing Day – September TBA

#### SPECIAL EVENTS AT MONTAUK (FOR INFORMATION CALL:

573-548-2585)

Kids Fishing Day – May 2 Free Fishing Weekend – June 6 & 7 Summer's End Free Fishing Day – September 12

#### SPECIAL EVENTS AT MERAMEC SPRING (FOR

INFORMATIONCALL: 573-265-7801)

Kid's Fishing Day – May 16 Free Fishing Weekend – June 6 & 7 Women's Free Fishing Day – September 9 Veterans Free Fishing Day – June 13

#### SPECIAL EVENTS AT SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS (FOR

#### INFORMATION CALL: 417-348-1305)

Family Fishing Fair – June 6

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