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The January meeting will be Thursday, January 6th at the Springfield Nature Center. There will be fly tying at 6 PM with the program and the business meeting starting at 7 PM. David Caravella will be our guest speaker this month. He will discuss Reel Recovery at this meeting. David is the Missouri Coordinator. David is an avid outdoorsman with a love of hunting and fishing. David was diagnosed with advanced testicular cancer in 2003. He underwent surgery and intensive chemotherapy over the months that preceded his diagnosis. He has been in remission since 2004. David will provide a 30 – 40 minute program detailing the efforts of Reel Recovery to helping others: another example of other fishermen helping others by getting people on the water, enjoying the sport of fly fishing.

**More Information on David Caravella And Reel Recovery...** After attending a Reel Recovery retreat, at the Cedarwood Lodge in AR, David realized the vital role the organization played for men with cancer. He spoke with Coy Theobalt, Reel Recovery Program Director, and asked "how can I help?" Coy suggested volunteering, which David did, and at the 2010 retreat at Spring Valley Anglers in Arkansas, he was asked to serve in the volunteer position of Reel Recovery's Missouri Coordinator, a position he was honored to accept. David has made a commitment to organize and fundraise to bring annual Reel Recovery retreats to Missouri, a State that up through 2010 has never hosted one. David will provide a 30 – 40 minute program detailing the efforts of Reel Recovery to helping others: another example of other fishermen helping others by getting people on the water, enjoying the sport of fly fishing. Contact David Caravella at [Dave@reelrecoverymo.org](mailto:Dave@reelrecoverymo.org) (417) 294-4025

For more information about Reel Recovery go to: <http://www.reelrecovery.org/>

Information gathered from <http://www.reelrecoverymo.org/>

**This is taken from the Reel Recovery Website: (Editor's Note)** Reel Recovery was founded in 2003 by a group of avid fly-fishers, inspired by their fishing buddy's ongoing battle with brain cancer. Witnessing first-hand the beneficial impact fly-fishing provided their friend; they created Reel Recovery to provide the same opportunity for other men battling the disease. Combining expert fly-fishing instruction with directed "courageous conversations", the organization provides men with all forms of cancer a unique opportunity to share their stories, learn a new skill, form lasting friendships and gain renewed hope as they confront the challenges of cancer.

## Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association - Springfield Chapter Activities for January 2011

January 6 Regular Meeting Fly Tying @ 6 PM Meeting @ 7 PM

January 15 [Springfield Nature Center Fly tying demonstration 1-4 PM](#)

## ***MTFA Business***

### ***Greetings from Ralph***

Let me begin by saying I appreciate your confidence in me by selecting me president of MTFA. I look forward to working with and for you during the next two years. We have an excellent group of officers, executive committee, committee chairs and members.

Another busy year awaits all of us. It begins with two educational events where we will be doing fly tying demos and of course our annual Valentine Social at the Heritage Cafeteria. Later we will be teaching two classes at MSU and helping with the Nature Centers Insect-o-Rama. Once again we have the fish fry, chili feed and the Christmas party to look forward to. I expect our members will again be involved with the MTFA Derby, the Sow Bug Round-up, the FFF Conclave and other events.

We still need someone to step up and help in a couple of areas: chili feed and Christmas party. We are trying something new this year in having different people "hosting" each event. Actually, we did this in a somewhat similar fashion this past year.

We have what should be interesting programs schedules for January, February and March and we will not have a meeting in April. That's an MSU class night. My goals are to keep up the fine work of those who held this office before and to have short business meetings, great programs and lively social gatherings at our monthly meetings.

If you have any recommendations to improve MTFA, please share them with us. I'll not be with you in January; I'll be at my nephew's wedding in Florida. Bill will be presiding at the meeting.

Ralph

### **MTFA Executive Meeting, Dec 16, 2010**

The meeting came to order at 6:30 PM. Members present were Ralph Eichholz, Bill Huyett, Connie Erickson, Charles Erickson, Lezley Chastain, Dick Deerfield, Russ Doughty, John Richerson, Joe Simecek and Warren Wilkerson.

The main topic of discussion was the budget for 2011. This budget as recommended by the executive committee will be at the end of this report. Also, there will be a comparison between 2010 and 2011.

We discussed several of the items as outlined here:

FFF dues: we decided last year not to become a Charter member of the FFF; but that left open if we want to remain an affiliate of FFF. It was decided that we would propose that at the January meeting and vote at the February meeting. This will give all of the membership time to consider. If we affiliate, that will be the same status we had before. Either at the end of this article or elsewhere in the newsletter will be a list that the FFF has on its website of the benefits.

MSU classes: Larry is going to attempt to get the MSU a half price hour at Rainbow Run Trout Park before our trip to Roaring River. The purpose will be to show students how to fight and play the fish. Also, our classroom is going to be 205 Kemper Hall. This building is on the west side of the stadium and the free parking we have had at the Lutheran Center will not be feasible. Thus we will need to purchase parking for the helpers. These two items will cause the cost to increase quite a bit. If the Trout Park does not work well in the spring class or we can't get the half price deal, we will spend less than shown here.

Website: an individual has been paying the cost of the website the last couple of years. This should be a club responsibility and we asked to budget for this expense.

Equipment: we have the storage facility expenses which we started this past year.

Treasurer's *Quicken*: We need this program for the new treasurer.

Discretionary Fund: it was recommended that we add this so if a cost arises that is more than \$100; the president can use this and not have a 30 day or more delay.

We recognize that we may be spending quite a bit more than our income, but during the last two years, our yearend balance has increased by over \$4000 dollars. (We have been concerned about the MSU classes perhaps being discontinued, but the morning after our meeting I received an email asking me to contact MSU about our fall schedule, so it looks good for 2011.)

We discussed the library and are looking into the possibility of locating it where we could have access 5 or 6 days per week. One concern is security; another is location. We also discussed eliminating some of our duplicate materials.

**Social events:**

Valentine Party is scheduled for Feb 11 at 6PM. Bill and Jeanie Huyett will be hosting it at Heritage Cafeteria.

Fish fry will be at Living Memorial Park. Connie Erickson and Warren Wilkerson will be working on that event. Warren is going to try to schedule the North side for June 26.

Chile Feed, we still need someone to host it. It will be and the pavilion by the hatchery.

Christmas Party will be Dec 1 at 6PM; we still need someone to host this event at Heritage Cafeteria.

Upcoming events:

Nature Center Fly-tying, Jan 15<sup>th</sup> from 1 until 4 PM.

Bass Pro Spring Fishing Fly-tying, Feb 26<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM until 2 PM.

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**Web Site and membership update**

The web site (MTFA-Springfield.org) has been updated for 2011. Brent has maintained and made monthly updates to the club website for the past four years. He has done a fine job with the design and format; I cannot say enough of his talents. The officer page has been updated with a listing of the officers for next year. The calendar of events has been reviewed with more updates to follow. The list of guest speakers will be place on the web site for reference to the speaker and topic of discussion; the programs have been booked to June. The home page will have a link to the MTFA membership application. If you need one for a friend, it is only a few key strokes away.

We will continue to accept membership dues at the January meeting. Herb volunteered to take them at the January meeting. He will have your 2011 membership cards available. If you forget the renewal membership forms, Herb will have some on hand for you to fill out.

So far, nearly half of the members have sent back their renewal membership form and dues. It is very much appreciated.

Kim

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**Clarence Peaslee**

**It is with great sadness that I announce the passing of Clarence Peaslee, a long time member and an icon with the Kansas City MTFA. Clarence was born July 22, 1912 and passed away on Saturday, December 4, 2010.**

**Please keep his wife Florence and his family in your prayers.**

Funeral services were Friday, December 10 at the Park Lawn Chapel, 8251 Hillcrest Rd, Kansas City, MO; burial In Memorial Park Cemetery.

Clarence's obituary can be read at [http://www.mtfa-kansascity.org/CP\\_Obit.htm](http://www.mtfa-kansascity.org/CP_Obit.htm)

Kent Inman, Pres. KC MTFA

Information gathered from <http://www.mtfa-kansascity.org/>

FFF Affiliate Clubs

- An Affiliate Club receives the FFF magazine Flyfisher - also included on their FFF Councils newsletter mail list.
- FFF ClubWire monthly newsletter. Designed for club newsletter editors with fill in articles and FFF announcements.
- Affiliate clubs may function independently of the FFF and are free to pursue their own specific goals within the general guidelines of the FFF By-Laws.
- Clubs may apply annually for grants from the FFF for conservation projects.
- Each club is listed on the FFF web site which helps both the club and the FFF grow.
- Clubs and their members are eligible for regional and national FFF awards, given yearly in recognition of outstanding conservation & education efforts.
- Regional FFF Councils provide support and advise, in addition to a network of clubs, retail shops and individual members to address problems common to an entire area.
- Access to tying materials, rods and reels to be used in club activities on a loaner basis. There are many programs your club can get involved in

Descriptions are for 2011 estimates.	2011	2010
<b>Anticipated Income</b>		
2 MSU Classes @\$798 *see note below	\$ 1,596.00	\$ 1,596.00
38 student fees @\$25	\$ 950.00	\$ 750.00
68 memberships @\$15	\$ 1,010.00	\$ 975.00
Saltery Lake Lodge	\$ 500.00	
Derby	\$ 250.00	
<b>Total</b>	\$ 4,306.00	\$ 3,321.00
<b>Budgeted Expenditures</b>		
Programs	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Liability	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00
Newsletter and correspondence	\$ 625.00	\$ 625.00
CFM dues	\$ 110.00	\$ 100.00
FFF dues	\$ 280.00	\$ 300.00
MSU Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00
Equipment Includes \$363 for storage	\$ 500.00	
Socials (Valentines, Fish fry, Chili Feed and Christmas)	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Library	\$ 200.00	\$ 400.00
Charity	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Derby	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Calendar	\$ 200.00	
Website	\$ 200.00	
Quicken (for treasurer)	\$ 35.00	
Discretionary fund	\$ 200.00	
<b>Total</b>	\$ 5,125.00	\$ 3,700.00
*2010 budget showed \$1975 here, but it should have been \$1596 as it is this year.		

## 2011 MTFA -Springfield Chapter Officers

<b>President</b>	Ralph Eichholz	343-2591
<b>President Elect</b>	Bill Huyett	343-2591
<b>Secretary</b>	Dorothy Prugger	862-9972
<b>Treasurer</b>	Connie Erickson	890-7243
<b>3 Year Executive Committee Member</b>	Lezley Chastain, Dick Deerfield	
<b>2 Year Executive Committee Member</b>	Russ Doughty, John Richerson	
<b>1 Year Executive Committee Member</b>	Warren Wilkerson, Joe Simecek	
Monthly meetings at the Springfield Nature Center are the first Thursday of the month at 6 PM for Fly tying and 7 PM for programs and business meeting.		
<b>Committee Chairs</b>		
<b>Program Chair</b> – Kim Schultz		
<b>Education Chair</b> – Ralph Eichholz		
<b>Social Chair</b> - Connie Erickson		
<b>Newsletter Editor</b> – Eve Krit-Anderson,		
<b>Newsletter Advisory Editor</b> - Kim Shultz		
<b>Librarian</b> – Kevin Smith		
<b>Equipment/Supplies</b> - John Prugger & Kim Schultz		
<b>Web Page</b> - Brent Simmons		
<b>Membership Chair</b> – Kim Schultz		
<b>Liaison Natl./State FFA</b> – Rod Pennington		
<b>Public Relations</b> – Kevin Smith		

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