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## **Formed in 1972 to Serve all Fishermen in the Springfield Area**

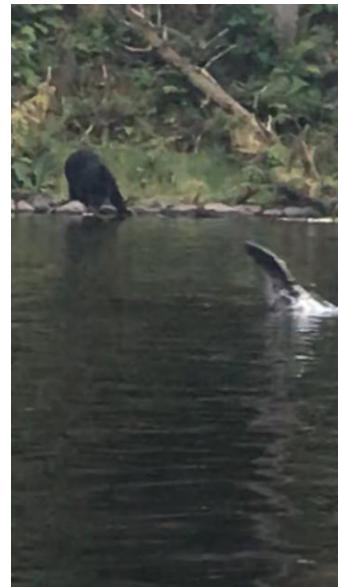
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Our monthly meeting will be at the Springfield Nature Center, Thursday November 1st. It will begin at 6:00 PM with fly tying. Our program will begin at 7:00 PM

Mike Kidd will be doing a program about his recent trip to Alaska for our meeting group.

Harry Morgan



# **Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association - Springfield Chapter**

## **Calendar of Events for November 2018**

November 1, 2018 Springfield Chapter Monthly Meeting @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

November 7, 2018 Branson Chapter Monthly Meeting @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

November 9, 2018 Fishing Trip to Roaring River-begin C&R season @ 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

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### **A Message From MTFA President John Dozier**

We still need a President elect for next year and a second person to help with our social committee.

We will have our Christmas [party](#) on December 12 at 6pm at The Golden Coral on South Glenstone. Everyone will pay for their own meals. With approval at the November meeting, the club will take care of the gratuity.

We will need a head count.

Thank you,  
John Dozier

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### **"A Fly in my Email", by Dennis Stead**



Recipe:

#18 scud hook

Head: 5/64" tungsten bead

Thread: 140 fl. Green thread, 6/0 black thread, 6/0 red thread

Ribbing: Olive/brown V-rib small or other color

Collar: Peacock hurl or peacock dubbing

Start thread and tie in 6-8 wraps near head

Tie in V-rib

Wrap thread down the shank past curve making sure V-rib is either on top or side of hook, not both  
Continue wrapping thread until a tapered body is achieved and all of V-rib is covered

Wrap thread forward near the bead, leaving room for the collar, whip finish thread and cut

Tie in black 6/0 thread and dub a very sparse collar, wrap, and whip finish.

Credit for fly goes to Dr. Douglas Miller

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## **Bob's Bits and Pieces, from Bob Randall**

Note: some of the articles contain links which are underlined. To see the linked article, you need to *hold the Control button while you click on the link*.

**NO FISHING!:** The "Catch and Keep" season in the state trout parks will come to a close this year on October 31. The "Catch and Release" season will not begin until November 9 and will be open until February 11, 2019 (C&R is 8-4 Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday only) . That means that you are not allowed to fish at any of these parks from November 1 through November 8. Another thing to keep in mind is that during the "C&R" season, you will not need to purchase a daily permit. You still need a fishing license and trout permit. You can, of course, fish for trout below the Table Rock Dam in Lake Taneycomo and other trout waters with the usual rules applied.

**A feminine advantage in fly fishing:** Trout Unlimited has an online blog. Someone started a discussion about women beginning fly fishers. One of the posts said this in part: "Women learn to cast much quicker than men. According to the two fly shops here, men begin by overpowering their casts and find learning the rhythm of casting far more difficult than women." Not only should this be inspirational to female fly fishers but it should tell the guys something about their own casting techniques. John Falb, Dallas, TX, gave his permission to use his post in our newsletter.

**Clean Water:** A Trout Unlimited Online Forum discussion is about clean water. One of the posts talked about how a game warden in South Carolina studied alligators. The Medical University of South Carolina heard about it and "began taking blood samples from these alligators in the North and South Santee Rivers. This brackish water well down river from all the water treatment plants dams etc. This is the water that feeds all the old rice plantations that are now duck hunting camps etc. People fish, shrimp, hunt, boat, birdwatch, camp, and generally any outdoor recreational activity you can think of.

The most alarming finding is these alligators are full of shampoo residues, plastic residues, birth control metabolites, digoxin (a heart medicine) metabolites. These are breakdown products not the medicines themselves. This means people are taking their meds, breaking them down, and urinating out the byproducts that are getting through the water treatment systems. It's NOT people pouring their meds down the drain." Quotation permission granted by the author of the post, Coleman Fowble.

It is interesting to note that "plastic residues" were found. That's good information for the next time a discussion of waste plastic (straws come to mind) comes up and someone brushes it off as "fake news". You say you don't care about alligators in South Carolina? We're all downstream and so are the fish we pursue. If that still doesn't get your attention, "[A new study finds 73 percent](#) of mesopelagic fish (living at depths of 200-1,000 meters) caught in the Northwest Atlantic had microplastics in their stomachs..." "[Now, in the first study of its kind, researchers from Austria have discovered the presence of microplastics in human ... \(feces\) as well.](#)"

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**Fly Fishing Veterans:** CBS News did a piece on veterans using fly fishing to help them heal. You may have to watch an advertisement before it loads but it's worth it.

**Stocking from rail cars:** We often talk about how Crane Creek was stocked with McCloud rainbows a century ago from railroad cars stopped on the railroad trestles. See this vintage photo of a fish car. From 1881 to 1947, the U.S. Fish Commission delivered fish to private as well as public applicants throughout the United States on specially designed train cars like this one. The cars had water tanks, aeration devices, cooling systems, and bunks for the attendants among other things. Notice the cans look like the milk cans used years ago by dairy farmers to ship milk to the local dairy.



**Chili Feed:** The Springfield Chapter held its annual chili feed on Saturday, October 20, at the Shepherd of the Hills Hatchery Pavilion. Some members fished before and after with varying results. It just so happened that the Kansas City Chapter also held its annual Taneycomo fishing outing that weekend. They joined us along with several Branson Chapter members. At one point we counted 28 people there but it seemed that people were coming and going so we probably had between 30 and 35 there. There was lots of food and tall stories. The Branson Fly Fishing Expo raffled off a TFO 5 wt, 8'6" rod with a reel. It was won by Dick Solomon of the Springfield Chapter. The proceeds of that raffle was \$186 which will be donated to the Springfield Chapter for their Christmas charity. All who attended had a good time. Those of you who didn't miss out. See the photos in the MTFA website.  
<http://www.mtfa-springfield.org/media/photos/event-pictures/2018-events/2018-chili-feed/>

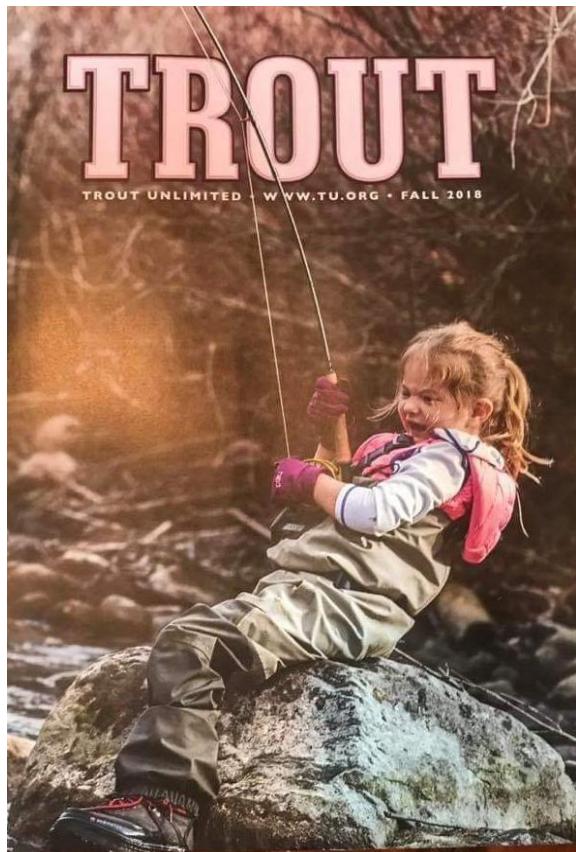
**Expo Logo Contest:** As a part of the Expo advertising and raffles, we have decided we need to have a logo. We can create a "line drawing" from a photograph using Photoshop and use it in various ways as our logo. Let's have a contest. Submit your photos digitally to Bob Randall at [bobbyleensandy@gmail.com](mailto:bobbyleensandy@gmail.com) by the February 2019 Springfield Chapter meeting on the 3rd. The winner will receive a Branson Fly Fishing Expo fly box with the logo on it.

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### **Logo Contest Rules and Suggestions:**

1. The Expo Group will choose the winner. Bribes won't help you. The chapters don't get to vote. If you want in on the selection, you will have to attend the February Expo Planning Meeting (TBA).
2. The logo should be symbolic of "trout fishing at Taneycomo". If it's a cute picture of your granddaughter, it probably won't make the cut. The dam in the background will have a better chance of winning.
3. It must be able to be reduced to a line drawing in a simple fashion. If it's a little complicated, it is too complicated!
4. It must look good when reduced to a small size. We'll put it on advertising in a format that is as small as a quarter. If you want to be able to see a fly fisher in the foreground, it had better be a closeup. We will crop it and Photoshop it in whatever fashion necessary to make a proper logo.
5. If you submit an entry, you are agreeing to allow the Expo to use your submitted photo as advertising without any compensation. No kick backs.
6. If I had more time before newsletter deadline, I'd have more rules so I may make up some more later.

This is the cover of this month's **Trout Unlimited Magazine**. While we didn't get permission to put this in our newsletter, they surely wouldn't mind the free advertising and besides, who can resist this?



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