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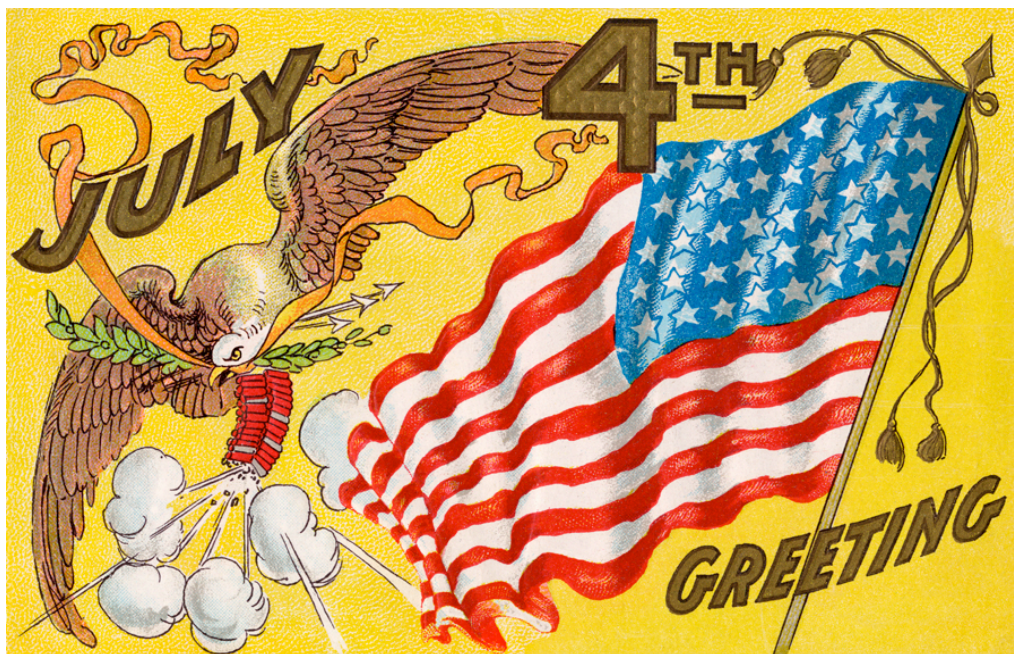
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There will be no meeting in July because it's the 4th and we all voted to celebrate Independence Day instead of fish.

Have a Safe and Happy 4th of July!!!



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Calendar for July 2013

July 4	No meeting Dec voted in January not to meet
August 1	Monthly meeting 6-9 PM (Reminder)

From The President

Greetings everyone,

It was good to get back in the swing of things with our June meeting. I feel we do a great service to the cause of fly-fishing by having the classes at MSU but it is still good to have a meeting and see everyone. The swing didn't go too high though because we are not having a July meeting. The good news is that we did have a very successful fish fry June 22. (Pictures attached) There were 48 members and guests in attendance. The cooks did a great job of cooking the fish, potatoes and onions. Did you all notice that the cooks didn't have a lot of those items on their plates? I think they got their fill during the cooking, but that is alright because they worked hard and did a fantastic job. As usual the rest of the food was great too. I don't know how Connie Waterworth did it but she had just enough items for the raffle so that everyone won something. Speaking of raffle, Connie announced that Academy Sports is donating a grill to the club. She is wanting to raffle it off with the drawing to be held at the chili feed in October. The proceeds of the raffle will go to the families we help at Christmas time

My fishing has been pretty sparse. I was able to go to Taneycomo on the 21st to fish with a friend from Dallas. They were running 3 units and it wasn't easy to get around the corner to where the water formed an eddy but we made it. I was using a CQ which is a modified wolly. Had a lot of hits but only caught 4 fish in the hour that we fished. I keep missing my big opportunities with Russ. I wasn't able to go with him again when he called and he tells me he caught 35 fish on his trip. Someday I hope to go with someone (Russ don't quit calling) that really knows how to catch'em.

Since we won't be together until the August meeting I hope everyone has a great Fourth of July celebration and many opportunities to fish.

Bill Huyett

Discover rivers, streams with MDC revised *Paddler's Guide to Missouri*

Handy guide has maps and photos covering 58 Missouri rivers and streams to canoe and kayak.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – Canoeists, kayakers, floaters and others can discover Missouri rivers and streams with the help of the Missouri Department of Conservation's (MDC) revised *Paddler's Guide to Missouri*. The \$8 *Paddler's Guide* features 58 Missouri rivers and streams to canoe and kayak.

One of the Department's all-time bestselling books since its initial release in 1965, this publication has been Missouri's go-to paddling resource ever since. Originally researched and written by Oz Hawksley, today, this greatly expanded reference book includes not only updated maps and details of Missouri's more popular Ozark streams, but also lesser-known streams and tributaries throughout the state.

Detailed sections include northern streams, the Missouri River, and more floats from all corners of the state. Each waterway includes easy-to-read maps, descriptions of access points, camping, state parks, and conservation areas along the way.

The 9- by 11-inch book includes gorgeous color photos and has a lay-flat spiral binding. Put the book in a sealable clear bag and see the river map in its entirety without having to flip pages while on the river.

The guide is available at MDC offices, nature centers and the Department's online Nature Shop at mdcnatureshop.com. Purchase the guide during July and August and receive a 20% discount.

Related cover image of guide available at <http://mdc.mo.gov/node/22781>

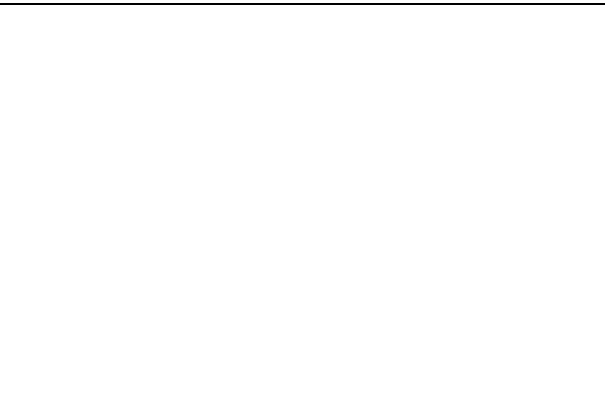
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Annual MTFA Fish Fry
A good time was had by all.
Thanks to everyone who came and helped and cooked.
You made this a great day.





[Back in the Water Again](#) - Thursday, June 20, 2013

Man, its been awhile, both trout fishing and posting. I did go with the MSU class in May, but that was mainly helping the students. Fished Rex's pond and caught some fantastic blue gills. Helped the boys at Good Samaritan Boys Ranch, but again, that was mainly helping. Took Rowan fishing a couple of days last week; he's casting a Zebco pretty well and he caught a few blue gill.

I did try a new fly by Terry, he's calling it a Bug-Z. I caught blue gill and bass on it at the boys ranch and a nice crappie when fishing with Rowan. Should have tried it today at Taney, but I never.

Fishing buddy Russ and I wanted to fish a tail water the last two days, but everyone was running water. Today, Russ couldn't go, but the generators were off this morning at Taney, so off I went. As I approached the 248/165 intersection I saw eight deer standing on and near the shoulder of the road, Slowed way down, didn't want to collide with one, much less eight. Fortunately, they saw me, turned and ran back into the woods. Drove down to the parking lot by the outlets and geared up. Realized my net was back in the garage. Not a big deal unless I hooked a really large fish...no suspense, I did not.

As I approached the water I noticed that the spot I like to fish was available, so I was happy to get it. On about my third cast I got a snag and broke my hook, I was fishing an extra fine one. Tied on another, just a little heavier and on the first cast I found the same snag. I can be a slow learner. This time the tippet broke. Retied, slightly adjusted my approach and got a beautifully colored trout about 14 inches long. This guy must have thought he was a wild one as he jumped at least 7 or 8 times. Brought him to hand and released him. This trout and all of the other brightly colored ones were very slender, The duller ones actually seemed fatter and healthier. One bad experience from not having my net. If you are fishing a dropped be sure you are clear of the lead hook when you release the fish on the other. I wasn't and the fish really set the hook well in my finger. Sure glad I fish barbless hooks. This one was in deep enough that it still took some effort to remove. The blood on the fly may have helped because I started catching fish on that fly.

There was a father and son fishing just downstream. They had just one rod and the father was trying to help his young son how to fly fish. I could tell the boy was getting bored, he wasn't getting any hits, so I told his dad about Mountain Spring. He said they may try it before they head back to Tulsa.

Not too many fish, but standing in the cool water with the fog surrounding me really felt good. I finished a good day by visiting Dana's for lunch and then buying a 2013 Silverado Crew Cab.

This 4th of July don't just grill a burger or a brat, pop some of the fish you've caught onto the grill . I found this recipe online and it combines two of everyone's favorite ingredients. Trout and bacon. Why not try it?

Happy and Safe 4th of July to all. The Editor.

"This is a great recipe for trout whether you just caught them or picked them up at the store. Wrapping the fish in bacon not only adds flavor, but keeps the fish moist and tender.

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 10 minutes

Total Time: 20 minutes

Yield: Serves 4

Ingredients:

4 small whole trout, cleaned

4 strips of bacon

4 sprigs of fresh thyme

1 lemon

salt and pepper to taste

Preparation:

Oil and preheat grill. Rinse out the trout and pat dry with a paper towel. Place a sprig of thyme inside each fish. Wrap each trout with a strip of bacon and secure with a toothpick. Place trout on grill or in an oiled grill basket. Grill 5-7 minutes per side depending on the size of the trout. When the meat turns opaque in the center and easily flakes then the fish are done. Discard bacon and squeeze a little fresh lemon juice over each fish. Serve. "

From BBQ.com

Editor's Note: A thousand thanks to Kim Schultz for digging his old editor's hat out of the back of the truck and putting it on to cover for me last month. We were in Chicago and had no access to a computer for the entire trip. Talk about withdrawal pains. Anyway

Thank you very much Kim. I am grateful for your help every issue, but in June my gratitude was huge.

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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.

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