



MO Fishing

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Our August 7th meeting will be at the Springfield Nature Center beginning at 6 PM for fly tying and 7 PM for program and business meeting.

Our program and speaker for August will be Ralph Eichholz. He will discuss what the MSU class is, what we do and how we use the mentors. Ralph will talk about the financial aspects of the class and how it has secured our annual budget. Charles Erickson started the PED 135 class at Missouri State University in 2004 and it has proven to be a success for members and SMU students alike with one-on-one instruction and friendships formed. We have taught over 300 students in the last ten years. Much credit goes to Charles for the idea and starting the class with Larry Wegmann and Ralph Eichholz continuing to coordinate the class and working with the MSU administration so that we may continue to share our passion of fly-fishing with these young adults. Bring your questions, and if you have not attended a MSU class here will be an opportunity to find more information about what happen on the MSU campus.

Ralph will take a few minutes to discuss the Insect-O-Rama. Our club has participated with this activity at the Springfield Conservation Nature Center for a number of years. It will happen August 15 from 6 - 9:30 PM and we will have members demonstrating fly tying to the public with fly pins given away.

Editor's Note: See more details about Insect-O-Rama and some nifty MO bugs.



Ralph Eichholz - Teaching

Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association - Springfield Chapter Club Business

Calendar for August 2014

August 7	Monthly meeting 6-9 PM Speaker: Ralph Eichholz
August 15	Insect-O-Rama Springfield Nature Center 6-9:30 PM
August 21	MSU Fly Fishing Class 6-9:50 PM
August 28	MSU Fly Fishing Class 6-9:50 PM
September 4	MSU Fly Fishing Class 6-9:50 PM No Monthly Meeting

Editor's Note – Reminder:

Below is the schedule for the MSU class MTFA teaches. Check your schedules for the end of August and September and mark yourself down to volunteer. The help is greatly appreciative and benefits the club, the students and the volunteer.

To all our great teachers and mentors, thank you! You are so needed.

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August 28	MSU Fly Fishing Class 6-9:50 PM
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September 11	MSU Fly Fishing Class 6-9:50 PM
September 18	MSU Fly Fishing Class 6-9:50 PM
September 20	MSU Fly Fishing Class to Roaring River SP 9 AM – 4 PM

Editor's Note: This is how MSU describes our course. What we are teaching is considered a “lifetime skill”. Now that is a pretty awesome contribution to make to someone's life. I for one didn't take that many college courses that gave me something this lasting.

From MSU Course Catalogue PED 135 -Selected Activities

A variable content course designed to develop lifetime skills in sports, fitness, and/or leisure activities. Activities selected will vary according to demand. Course may be repeated any number of times provided the same activity is not retaken. Course fee.

Dennis Stead, MTFA Librarian asks: “What are your favorite flies?”

Let him know at Dennis Stead (dmstead@aol.com) Send him a list of your favorite flies. Or drop it off and see the shop and get something from the MTFA Library.

Editor's Note: From my email

Dear Eve,

We are thrilled to let you know that our brand-new website is online! We've added a fly-tying section with 'how-to' information, lots of Whitlock magazine articles (past and present), an easy-to-use shop with books, DVDs, mugs, Zap products and, best of all, the [Whitlock Art Gallery](http://www.davewhitlock.com).

Please visit us at www.davewhitlock.com and let us know what you think. If you run into any quirks in the site, please let us know. It's brand new and we're sure to be working out the kinks for a while as well as adding lots more great information and products. We hope you like it!

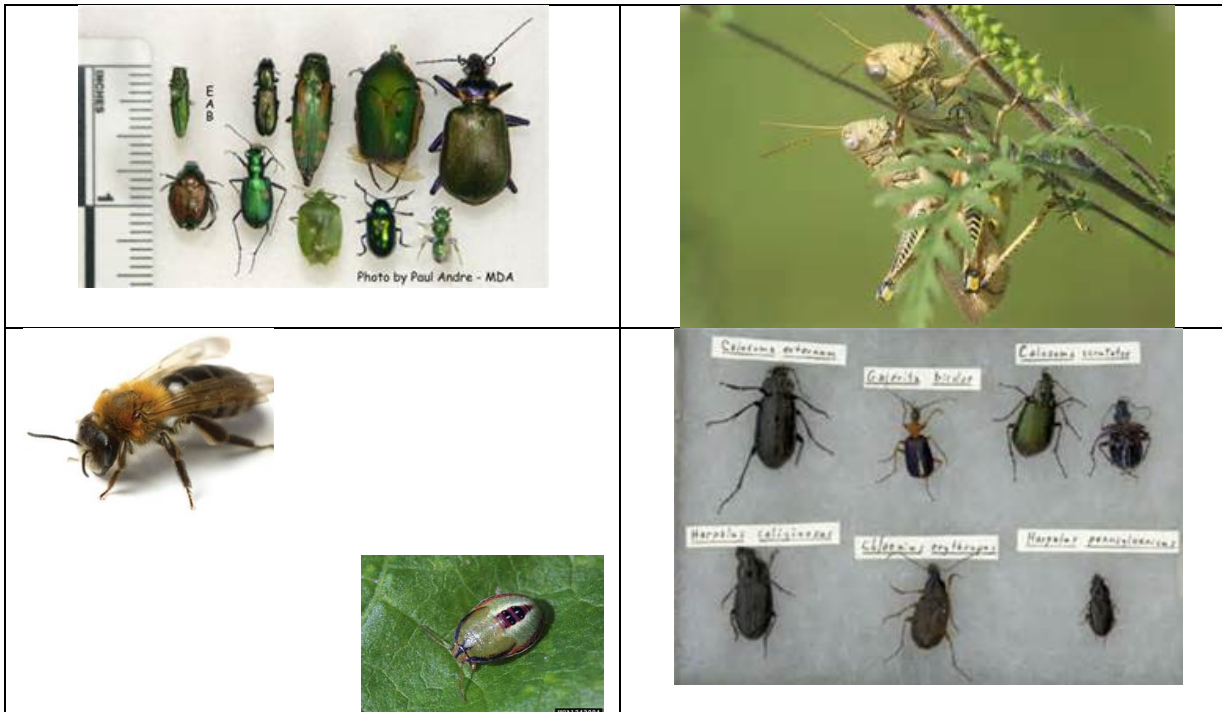
Dave & Emily

**From MDC Nature Center
July-August Newsletter
Insect-O-Rama**

August 15 • Friday • 6:30–9:30 pm

No registration required (all ages)

Our annual celebration of insects and the important role they play in nature returns! Insects—they fascinate us, they bug us, they surround us, and they bite us, but what would a summer evening be like without them? Join insect specialists and enthusiasts for an evening devoted to discovering insects. Grab your entire family and participate in some creepy-crawly fun for all ages. No registration required. A free shuttle will be available for overflow parking at nearby Bryan University.





Youth fishing event set for Roaring River

CASSVILLE, Mo. – Fishing helps kids discover nature. Helping children get hooked on the thrill of fishing will be the focus of Kids' Fishing Day on August 16 at Roaring River State Park. This free event will be held 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. The Missouri Department of Conservation, Missouri Department of Natural Resources and a number of businesses and local organizations sponsor the event.

At Kids' Fishing Day, children age 15 and under will be able to pick up free trout tags at the hatchery office any time the day prior to the event (August 15) or all day on the day of the event. A portion of the park's fishing area will be reserved for the event. Volunteers will be available to assist the young anglers. Children are encouraged to bring their own fishing equipment. Parents are welcome to assist kids, but only one pole may be used between helper and child. Themselves do not allow adults to fish. Free hotdogs, chips and soda will be available 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Outdoors education is also part of Kids' Fishing Day. Throughout the day, seminars will be held on fish cleaning, fish cooking, Dutch oven cooking, taxidermy, watersheds, knot tying, fly tying and fly casting, how to fish Roaring River, stream biology and other subjects. A hatchery tour will show how trout are raised. A program on Missouri [snakes](#) will be given using live specimens. If kids attend three classes, they will be entered into a drawing for prizes. The drawing will be held at 5 p.m. Children must be present to win. Classes are also open to the whole family, but only children may enter the drawings.



Volunteers are needed to help at Roaring River's Kids Fishing Day. Individuals wishing to volunteer do not need to be experienced anglers. If you would like to help out with Kids Fishing Day or you want to get more information, call [Roaring River Hatchery](#) at 417-847-2430 or e-mail paul.spurgeon@mdc.mo.gov

Kids will get to experience the thrill of catching trout on August 16 during Kids Fishing Day at Roaring River State Park. This event is one way the Missouri Department of Conservation helps Missourians discover nature.

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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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