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We will meet at the Nature Center on August 6th. There will be fly tying at 6:00pm and the meeting will begin at 7:00pm.

Our speaker for November will be Larry Wegmann. He will be tying some classic flies and explaining how they should be fished.

J. Dozier



Fall in Missouri Fishing Country

**Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association - Springfield Chapter
Calendar for November 2015**

November 5 Monthly meeting 6-9 PM Speaker: TBA

December 3 Christmas Party 5:30-8 PM

New DVD's in the MTFA Library

DFM-42 – Beyond the Basic and Reading Water

DFT-42 – Rotary Tying Techniques – Peak Fishing – by Al Ritt

DCI-33 – Beginnings – Introduction of Flyfishing by Mel Krieger

DCI-34 – The Essence of Flycasting by Mel Krieger

DCI-35 – The Essence of Flycasting II & The Essence of Spey Casting by Mel Krieger

DCI-36 – Flycasting Fault & Fixes by Mel Krieger

DCI-37 – Tomorrow's Fly Fishers by Fanny Krieger

MDC stocks Urban Lakes for Winter Trout Fishing

More than 70,000 cold-water-loving fish in 31 urban-area lakes around the state are available.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) is stocking more than 70,000 rainbow trout in 31 urban-area lakes around the state for winter trout fishing beginning Nov. 1.

In addition to catch-and-release fishing through Jan. 31, many of these areas allow anglers to harvest trout as soon as they are stocked. Others allow catch-and-keep fishing as early as Feb. 1.

The daily limit for catch-and-keep at these locations is four trout with no length limit. All Missouri residents over age 15 and under 65 must have a valid fishing permit, and all non-residents over age 15 must have a fishing permit. To keep trout, all anglers of all ages must have a Missouri trout permit.

"Trout are typically found in the cold, spring-fed, streams of southern Missouri," MDC Fisheries Programs Specialist Andrew Branson said. "Stocking selected lakes and ponds around the state during the winter months provides close-to-home trout fishing opportunities in parts of Missouri that you normally won't find trout."

For a list of urban-area lakes stocked for winter trout fishing, visit <http://on.mo.gov/1k87SOk>. Conservation makes Missouri a great place to fish. For more information trout fishing in Missouri visit mdc.mo.gov.

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New Bennett Spring Hatchery Manager Familiar With Trout

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LEBANON, Mo. – Ben Havens has a new title in a profession he's very familiar with.

On Oct. 16, Havens began his new job as manager of the Missouri Department of Conservation's (MDC) [Bennett Spring Fish Hatchery](#). He replaces Mike Mitchell, who was promoted to Fisheries Administrative Manager at MDC's Central Office in Jefferson City.

Assuming the job of hatchery manager at Bennett Spring gives Havens the unique accomplishment of having worked at the MDC hatcheries of all four Missouri trout parks. He began his nearly 14-year career with MDC with a three-year stint at Roaring River Hatchery. After that, he was assistant manager at Montauk Hatchery and then assistant manager at Maramec Spring Hatchery for the last five years.

"I've always been interested in fish, fishing and the outdoors," the Sullivan, Ill. native said. "I love raising trout and being able to see them grow from egg to stocker size. It's a great feeling getting to see the joy and excitement people experience when you see them catch a fish that you helped produce."

At Bennett Spring, Havens will manage a hatchery operation that produces approximately 360,000 trout annually. The bulk of those fish go into the waters at Bennett Spring, but some are shipped to other trout areas around the state. MDC operates the hatchery and manages fishing operations at Bennett Spring; Missouri Department of Natural Resources manages the state park.

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Bennett Spring Hatchery Manager Ben Havens has worked at hatcheries at all four of Missouri's trout parks. He assumed his current position as manager of the Missouri Department of Conservation hatchery at Bennett Spring State Park on Oct. 16.

Statewide, trout-fishing pumps millions of dollars into Missouri's economy each year and is another example of how conservation pays by enriching our economy and quality of life.

More information about trout fishing at Bennett Spring can be obtained by calling the hatchery at 417-532-4418 or going to <http://mdc.mo.gov/node/291>



Ozarks National Forest in FALL

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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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