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Our monthly meeting will be at the Springfield Nature Center, Thursday August 7th. It will begin at 6:00 PM for Fly tying and 7:00 PM for program and business meeting.

Matthew Peet will be doing our August program. He is the president of the Branson club and has fished a number of far away places. He has also tied flies for many years. Matthew has won awards for his flies. He is also an excellent fly rod caster. You don't want to miss this one.



Here he is with his daughter at Dry Run Creek in Arkansas

Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association - Springfield Chapter Calendar of Events for August 2018

August 1, 2018 Branson Chapter Monthly Meeting @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

August 2, 2018 Springfield Chapter Monthly Meeting @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

August 17, 2018 Insect-O-Rama at Springfield Nature Center @ 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

From John Dozier, President MTFA, Springfield, MO

Insect-O-Rama 2018

MDC has extended an invitation to us to demonstrate fly-tying at their annual Insect-O-Rama event on Friday, August 17 from 6:30-9:30pm. If you are interests in participating, please let John Dozier or Matthew Peet know at the next meeting.

Thanks, Bob Randall

P.S. Yes, this is also open to the Branson Chapter

Expo Raffles and Auctions

I had calculated prior to the Expo that we had a collected over \$7,000 worth of prizes for raffles and auctions. That doesn't necessarily translate into \$7,000 worth of income for us. Some of it cost us nothing, some of it was purchased by us at a big discount, and some of it was just hard to calculate a value. That's my guess and I'm sticking to it. Furthermore, many items were donated at the Expo itself and I roughly calculate those extra donations had a value over \$1,000. Some items brought more than their value and some brought less. We will have a better estimate later. I'm putting the list together and will forward it to Pat Collins, our Treasurer, so that we can try to see what worked well. She will have the money totals for us later.

We were committed to drawing the raffle for the Simms G3 Waders and Guide Boots at the Expo. They were won by Rick Headlee. However, we decided that we were going to sell a minimum number of tickets before calling the raffles for the Pescador 10.0 Fishing Kayak and for the Orvis Rod, Reel,

and Line. It was down to the wire, but we did reach both of those goals and we called both raffles. Larry Olson won the kayak and Paula McNealy won the rod and reel outfit. Congratulations to all.

There were some very fine donations made. There was a fishing net that was so beautiful that I probably wouldn't want to dip it in the water. Some outstanding framed streamers were auctioned off. There were quite a few rods and reels, some new, some used, all in good condition. We also had some of those deer fly works of art that Mike George made and donated.

We tried something different this year. I called them floor raffles. I handed a raffle item to a seller with a certain number of raffle tickets. I told them not to come back until they were all sold and then we would draw that raffle. The first time we did it, a cute little girl had the tickets and was accompanied by her mother. In no time at all, she sold all the tickets I had given her. She could have sold more but we called the raffle like we said we would. Also, Mike Kidd donated 287 flies in a bottle and people paid a dollar per guess as to how many flies were in the bottle. It was fun.

Bob Randall

The Kids of the Expo Fishing Event. Saturday morning at Shepherd of the Hills Hatchery ponds.



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