

May MMTU Newsletter

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President's Corner

Dear MMTU members,

We will have a meeting on Tuesday May 4th at Bethel Park at the Ficklin Shelter (this is the smaller Shelter by the south parking lot). We will meet at 6:00 for dinner and conversation. Although Parks & Rec have eased Covid rules please bring your own food & drink. I would like to wait until the June 1st meeting to have the regular Hot Dog Burn. Short meeting at 7:00. Hope to see you there.

I would like to thank Bill Lamberson and Sam Potter for organizing the clean up at Spring Creek on April 16th, see the article below.

Sincerely, John Wenzlick

Spring Creek Cleanup on April 26, 2021

Seven MMTU members met on Friday morning April 26th at Spring Creek in Phelps County to pick up trash and repair a sign commemorating the original project. It was started in March 1987

with tree planting and also included major streambank stabilization projects in the following years.. Four of the seven MMTU members who volunteered this April were also there 34 years ago. Thanks to Sam Potter for setting this up with the US Forest Service, getting new plaques for the sign and supplying the materials. Garry Teeple and I helped Sam cleaning and painting the letters on the sign. It almost looks brand new! It is done except for a plaque from Roubidoux Fly Fishers which needs to be replaced. Bill Lamberson, Curt Morgret, Jim Washabaugh and Travis Figg picked up trash and dug out three car tires that were in the stream. Jim graciously accepted the job of hauling out tires and trash. Thanks to Bill for bringing and grilling steaks for steak sandwiches

Stream Team

At the May meeting we will discuss our spring WQM Survey at our tract of Little Piney Creek.

and snacks that we had after we were done with our work.

Sincerely, John Wenzlick

Bill Lamberson was the Chapter's 2nd President at the time of the orginal tree planting event in 1987 and he described it. The copy is hard to read, but they planted 1500 trees and went off to catch trophy trout.



Before and after cleanup













Mid-Missouri Trout Unlimited April 2021 Meeting April 6, 2021 7pm Stephens Park Orders of Business Introductions/Call to Order

Old Business - Request for donations from Nov. 2020

Conservation Heritage Foundation (General Request)

Wait till treasurer is available to discuss funds

TU Texas Youth Education Fund

Motion to vote, seconded

Vote to approve a \$200 donation

The I's have it

Rodney Lamberson donated \$100 to the Mid-Mo TU Chapter as a gift for Bill's Birthday

Bill Lamberson

Spring Creek Cleanup on Friday April 16th

Permission granted from the forestry dept.

RSVP and lunch will be provided

Meet at 9am at the parking lot off the Big Piney

Requested Mid-Mo TU Chapter donate \$300 (3-\$100 Fly casting outfits) to a

Disadvantaged Youth Program in New Hampshire

Motion to vote, seconded,

Vote to approve donation of 3-\$100 Fly casting outfits

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Free Vet Fishing Dates

Bennett Springs - April 17th-18th

Maramec Springs - June 12-13th

Montauk – Sept. 18th

Conservation Day In The Studio

96.7 KCMQ - April 7th

Neal Miller

Bamboo Fly Rod Tutorial

Closings

Adjournment: 8pm

In Attendance:

John Wenzlick

Neal Miller

Curt Morgret

Travis Figg

Ben Moore

Bill Lamberson

Jeff Witten

couldn't read the hand writing on the other attendee

Thanks to Nathan "Shags" McLeod for providing the minutes

Conservation Appeal

Action Alert - Stop the Sale of Eleven Point State Park

On April 27Lynn Kleopfer forwarded this notice from Conservation Federation. .

"House Bill 1046 is a critical attack on our State Parks. It has reached the House Calendar and can come up for debate or vote at any time. This bill would force the Department of Natural Resources to sell Eleven Point State Park.

Please use the link below to visit our Legislative Action Center, which makes it very easy to send a quick note to your Representative, and offers plenty of background information if you want to learn more first.

There is an automatically generated letter which you are free to use all or any part of. But the whole letter is editable and you can tailor the message as you see fit.

Thanks!"

<u>Legislative Action Center | Conservation Federation of Missouri (confedmo.org)</u>

John visited the Legislation Action Center right away and urges us to. Even if it has gotten to the House it won't hurt to express your opinion.

<u>HR 2307</u> is a new carbon fee and dividend bill very similar to the Energy Innovation Act which our chapter endorsed. It will reduce carbon emissions to net zero by 2050. A conservative TU member who lobbies the US congress said they respect TU and value our input on the environment. Please use this <u>link</u> to urge your members of congress to support HR 2307. You get a sample script and phone numbers, so in a few minutes you can help protect trout and salmon.

Ask John how much fun it is to use our newsletter software.

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