

## CCFF Newsletter

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### A message from the president...Just Plain Jerry

#### April Pres. Message

"Man" do I like this weather! I think that every Wednesday should be a Fishing Holiday. It won't be long before you will have to take a mushroom bag and your turkey gun to the fishing hole with you. "Gobble-Gobble"

Well I have been talking with Rob and it sounds like the Banquet is going to be a real success. We have some awful nice rods and other items for the auctions. If you don't have your tickets, be quick to call Larry Branson. Rob and Rich, I want to thank you for the good work. We will have a list of our sponsors at the Banquet. Remember these folks when you are buying your equipment.

The winter was not near as boring as it could have been, thanks to the organizing of the fly tying sessions by Jim Farthing. He did have some weather problems but after all this was his first year. He's learning. I also want to thank Wayne Lambert for lining up the room, Larry Griffen, Larry Branson, the Kudrnas and others who taught tying and Ken Scott who made sure the room was back in order before we left. We have some very good tyers in the club and I enjoy being with a group that is willing to help other. These folks are also good to let you know how they are catching their fish. After all, there are enough fish out there for all of us presently.

Bob Gaston has sent me a few recipes for the next months. Stay tuned to get them monthly.

Before I leave, I request that all of you remember our Troops in your prayers and conversations.

### Fly of the Month

#### GASTON'S GOODS

Bob's fly for April is the improved Renegade

Hook: Mustad #94840

Size: 10 – 22

Thread: Danville #505 Flour. Orange

Weight: none

Tail: Brown hackle

Body: Peacock Herl (2) strands

Hackle: (2) Brown & (1) White

- Tye on the brown tail. (Tail should be ½ the length of the hook)
- Tye in the back brown hackle and palmer it forward for 3-4 turns. Palmer should be in this shape (
- Tye the peacock and wrap forward to 2/3 of the hook length.
- Tye in the second brown hackle and palmer it forward just like you did the first one. The shape should be ( .
- Tye in the white hackle in reverse palmer ) to form an air pocket.
- Whip finish the head

The hackle should look like (-----()-  
Brown brown/white

## **Club Members Bio's Ralph Brendel**

Ralph Brendel has lived in Jefferson City all his life, except for attending Rockhurst College in Kansas City, Mo.. He attended Helias H.S., Lincoln University, and Washington Univ., where he received an EDP/C.O.A.P Certification. His career in computers started in 1967 in Computer Operations. He worked for the Office of Administration and in 1969 he became shift Supervisor of Computer Operations for the Dept. of Mental Health. In 1978, he became EDP Programming Supv. for the Dept. of Social Services. In 1980, he became Director of Computing Services and Telecommunications for Lincoln University. Then in 1990, he became Computer Information Technology Manager, for the Dept. of Social Services. On June 1, 2002, Ralph retired from State Government after 34 years of service.

Ralph is married and has one daughter and one grandson. His wife Doris and he have been married for 37 years. Ralph, has been fly fishing since he was 10 years old. He started using a Montgomery Ward, 5 weight fiberglass fly rod that his father gave him and Charlie Reading refinished several years ago. One of Ralph's favorite fishing spots with many memories of his youth has been Bennett Springs and now his wife, daughter and grandson continue to share those memories at Bennett Springs each year. This year marks the 19<sup>th</sup> year that Ralph has started the opening of Trout Season at Roaring River State Park near Casseville Mo. Also over the years he has fished for trout in Ar, Co, Ut, Wa, In, and Canada. Ralph's, other hobbies include Crappie and Bass fishing. Also Deer, Duck, Goose hunting, landscaping, gardening, and baseball collecting. He joined the CCFF about 4 years ago. This is his 1<sup>st</sup> year on the Board of Directors of CCFF and his goal while on the Board is to get more youth involved in fly fishing. He has worked with the DARE Fly Fishing Seminars and the DARE/GREAT fishing outings hosted by the Cole County Sheriffs Dept. Ralph is also a member of the FFF (Federation of Fly Fishing) for the last several years. Also he has served as a Merit Badge Counselor for the Boy Scouts of America. Member of the United Sportsman Club, American Legion Post #5 and the Mo. Sheriffs Assoc. He was a charter member and Past Officer of the Young Evening Optimist Club. Ralph enjoys fly fishing because its been a life long learning experience and hobby. Also fly fishing promotes family values, environmental awareness and opens communications and mentoring with youth, who will become tomorrows Leaders.

## **Calendar of Events**

**Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting at ABB. Start Time is 6:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting held at ABB. Start Time is 7:00 p.m.**

April 12<sup>th</sup> Stream Team Clean up Little Saline Creek Meet at Schulte's at 9:00 a.m.

April 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Banquet.

## **Fish Tales**

### **Club Outing**

Blue Gill Fishing at Van Meter State Park. May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>. From Jefferson City Take 63 north to Columbia. Take I-70 west to Hwy 65. Take 65 north to north edge of Marshall take a right on Santa Fe Trail. There is signs saying to Hwy 41. Take a left at the 4 way stop this is Hwy 41 north. Follow it until you See sign for State Hwy 122. I believe it is around 11 miles. Hwy 122 ends in Van Meter State Park. There is primitive camp sites on a first come first served bases. See map on next page. I started the Map at Marshall.



## For Sale or Trade

Please send let me know about items that you have for sale or trade. I can be contacted at 573-897-3210 or by e-mail at [mzabbod@mail.dmh.state.mo.us](mailto:mzabbod@mail.dmh.state.mo.us). or [dca4568@midamerica.net](mailto:dca4568@midamerica.net)

Larry Griffen has a Columbia Sportswear Breathable XL Rain Jacket for sale if interested call Larry at 893-3729

For Sale: Fish Cat U shaped belly boat...used once...bought at the clubs last auction for 150.00....will sell for 75.00 with fins...CALL LARRY GRIFFEN at 893-3729.

For Sale: 20' AFF custom fiberglass White River jon boat.  
25 hp Yamaha 4-stroke outboard motor, livewell, Garmin 240 fishlocator, bilge pump, onboard charger, 24v 54# thrust Minnkota trolling motor, lots of storage, maint. free interior, casting decks, one-of-a-kind. With trailer. \$6,500.  
Call RICH LOOTEN IN COLUMBIA at 219-1368

## April MEETING

The April meeting will be held at ABB. Please bring your unsold Banquet tickets and ticket money to the monthly meeting so we can get a final count. (We are somewhere around 113 sold as of today)

Also...we would like to put a grab bag together for the auction...bring any fly fishing related item...such as a spool of tippet, a leader, a package of strike indicators, some hackle, etc. to the meeting on Tuesday and we'll get the grab bag together.