



Cross Currents

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April 2017

**Tuesday April 4, 6-8pm
regular meeting at
Hy-Vee
2nd Floor Meeting Room
25 Conley
Columbia MO.**

**Program: Bob Hook,
Fishing tips and tactics at
Antigua and Grand Cayman
plus recent fishing excursion
pictures from offshore Mexico
trip.**

**Individuals can purchase any
food or beverage they want from
the variety of Hy-Vee options
including the Market
Grille. Meeting at 7 PM with
conversation starting at 6 PM.**



Bob Hook

April Program

Tuesday April 4, 6 pm. Program: Bob Hook will present fishing tips and tactics for fishing around some of the islands such as Antigua and Grand Cayman and show some pictures of his recent fishing excursion in Mexico where he was out fished by his wife!



Marilyn Hook

Needed: Newsletter Editor. Please email Ryan if interested.
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President's Corner by Ryan Verkamp

March has flown by and it feels like April showers are already upon us. River levels have started to rise and stream temperatures are heating up scattering the trout back below the spring branches. I checked the river gauges online for below Bennett Springs and the water levels have come up substantially in the last week but the levels below Montauk have not raised near as much. During the March meeting MMTU voted and approved helping the Roubidoux Stream Gage funding project up to \$3,000 through a donation to the Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation. It quickly became apparent that many of our members use the tools on the USGS website to check river levels before leaving for fishing trip.

The group during the March program also had the pleasure to get a behind the scenes view of how a documentary film is developed by watching several of Jim Karpowicz's films that he has produced with The Documentary Group. These films were very entertaining, but left me a little worried about the company Jim keeps. Here is one of the best fish story video he showed that is too good not to share!

[ARE YOU READY TO TOP THIS RECORD? - The Missouri state record catch for striped bass was set in 2015, and it's a whopper of a story. See for yourself in this short video.](#)

Tanner Poeschel also came and spoke in March regarding a Mizzou Fly Fishing Club

that he had founded under the 5 Rivers Trout Unlimited program for students. Tanner spoke very passionate about the club and the program he was currently trying to develop. MMTU is looking forward to partnering with the Mizzou 5 Rivers student organization and helping that grassroots organization procure fishing equipment and funding to accomplish the goals of their organization.

Tip of The Month from Dean Rapp

In years past I could tie size 28s with absolutely no assistance from spectacles but as I approach the age of 50 that has all changed. Having tried a variety of different spectacles I finally landed on something I love; CliC Adjustable Front Connect Reader's. They have a magnet just above the nose so you can disconnect and reconnect them with ease, they don't dangle down on my chest, the sides adjust for that perfect fit, etc. etc. I learned about this buy watching YouTube videos produced by Kelly Galloup. If, like me, you need those cheaters these days then I suggest taking a look at them in action by watching one of Kelly's video's. I found mine on Amazon for as little as \$24 a pair.

Stream Team Update

A Stream Team survey of Little Piney was conducted on March 21, 2017 by Mike Kruse, John Meyer and Michael Riley. The riffles we normally survey were no longer present since the flood of Dec 2015, so we surveyed some riffles just upstream. Once again the biodiversity of macroinvertebrates indicated the Little Piney was in excellent condition.



Meeting Place: Mid-Missouri Trout Unlimited meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm, except for July and August. The current meeting place is Upstairs Meeting Room at Hy-Vee off Conley, Columbia MO. In June the meeting is held at Stephens Lake Park, Collins Shelter at 5:30 pm.

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