2006 NANFA CONVENTION

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NORTH AMERICAN NATIVE FISHES ASSOCIATION CONVENTION 2006 CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI SEPTEMBER 14TH-18TH





Hotel accommodations to follow

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Itinerary

Thursday, September 14

Arrive/Registration at the Hospitality Suite Registration: 10:00 am-8:00 pm Sign up for field trips and box lunches.

Hospitality Suite will be open from 4-10 pm.

Speaker: A. J. Hendershott: Shaping the State, 8-9 pm in the Terrace Room.

Friday, September 15

Registration/Field Trip Mississippi River and trawling demonstration. Depart 9:00 am for the day.

Registration: 7:30 -10:00 am; Hospitality Suite open 7 am to 10 pm.

Saturday, September 16

Presentations and Banquet in the Lewis and Clark Room Presentations from 8:30 am-3:50 pm

Banquet and Auction 6-9 pm Speaker: Bob Muller (Royal Oak Nature Society) Auction (Phil Nixon, auctioneer)

Sunday, September 17

Field Trip and float Black River (Ozarks)

Monday, September 18

Field Trip and float Mingo River (Swamplands)

SPEAKER PROGRAM

- Thursday Night: A.J. Hendershott 8:00-9:00 pm Shaping a State: Elements and Engineering.
- Friday: <u>Corp of Engineers</u> presentations aboard the MVS <u>Pathfinder (TBA)</u>.
- Saturday: Paper and Poster Sessions.
- <u>Robert Hrabik</u> (Missouri Department of Conservation): Welcome, opening remarks, and a primer on the fishes of southeastern Missouri.
- <u>Jeremy Tiemann</u> (Illinois Natural History Survey): Damn those dams - their effects on stream ecosystems.
- <u>Dr. Ray Bauer</u> (Dept. of Biology, University of Louisiana at Lafayette): From the river to the coast and back again: reproductive migrations of the river shrimp Macrobrachium ohione.

A.J. Handershitt (cont.)

- <u>Nick Lang</u> (Ph.D. Student, St. Louis University, MO)
 Hybridization in darters: Field observation, genetic investigation, and how to play God in your home aquarium.
- <u>Aaron Schrey</u> and Ed Heist (Ph.D. Candidate, SIU-Carbondale, IL) Genetic discrimination of the Pallid and Shovelnose Sturgeons.
- <u>Todd Crail</u> (University of Toledo, OH)
 A simple headwater sampling design for amateurs (that the professionals will want to use too).
- <u>Christopher Scharpf</u> (NANFA, Baltimore, MD) Rated NC-17: Madtom Sex in the Aquarium.
- <u>David Neely</u> (St. Louis University, MO), James E. Brooks, Hector Espinosa, Francisco Garcia de Leon, Dean A Hendrickson, Bernard R. Kuhajda, Richard L. Mayden, David L. Propst, Joseph R. Tomelleri, and Alejandro Varela Romero.

Los Pecados Montanas: High-elevation biodiversity in the Sierra Madre Occidental of Mexico.



- <u>Phil Cochran</u>, William Martin, and Bridgett Emmett (St. Mary's University, Winona, MN). History fish: Time traveling with the Lake Sturgeon in the Upper Midwest.
- <u>Brad Pobst</u> (Missouri Department of Conservation) and <u>Bruce Moyer</u> (Univ. of Cent. Arkansas).
 Population dynamics of Grotto Sculpin (Cottus carolinae) in Perry County, Missouri
- <u>Chris Kennedy</u> (Missouri Department of Conservation) The Alligator Gar in Missouri, facts and fiction.
- <u>Wayne Heaton</u> (Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center)
 Maintaining outside aquaria at the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center
- <u>Ginny Adams</u> (University of Central Arkansas)
 Distribution and status of spring cavefish in Missouri.
- Rex Strange (University of Southern Indiana)
 Habitat affinities and visual systems in darters and other percid fishes.



- <u>Mike Bessert (</u>University of Nebraska)
 Only one haplotype left in Nebraska? Conservation genetics of the plains topminnow (Fundulus sciadicus)
- Brooks M. Burr (Southern Illinois University), Larry M. Page, and Justin Sipiorski Peterson Field Guide to Freshwater Fishes, 2nd edition: what it tells us about diversity.

POSTERS:

- <u>Todd Crail(</u> University of Toledo, Ohio) and Jeff Grabarkiewicz.
 The Travellin' Fish Show
- Jeremy Tiemann (Illinois Natural History Survey) POSTER: Reproductive behavior of Pimephales.

- <u>Doug Novinger and John Calfee</u> (Missouri Department of Conservation) POSTER: Topeka shiners in Moniteau Creek: monitoring fish, habitat, and water quality.
- <u>Doug Novinger and John Calfee</u> (Missouri Department of Conservation)
 POSTER: Monitoring Niangua Darter populations, fish community, and habitat relationships.
- <u>Doug Novinger and John Calfee</u> (Missouri Department of Conservation) POSTER: Monitoring Neosho Madtom populations, habitat, and fish community relationships in the Spring River, MO.
- <u>Brian Zimmerman</u> (Bowling Green State University, Ohio)
 POSTER: Seasonal changes in the micro-habitat requirements of the redside dace (Clinostomus elongatus).

- Andrew Plauck (USFWS, Columbia, MO) Trawling the Big Muddy-(video)
- Jeffery G. Stewart¹, Valerie A. Barko², David P. Herzog², Donovan B. Henry³, Joseph W. Ridings², James E. Wallace², and Annette F. Kelley² (¹So. Illinois Univ. Carbondale;² Missouri Dept. of Conservation;³Three Rivers Environmental Assessments, Murphysborol, IL).
 New records of the Crystal Darter (Crystallaria asprella) in the Middle Mississippi River.
- David P. Herzog, Valerie A. Barko, David E. Ostendorf, Joseph W. Ridings, James E. Wallace, Jason W. Crites and Robert A. Hrabik (Missouri Dept. of Conservation.

 The Mini-Missouri Trawl: A useful methodology for sampling small-bodies fish in small river systems
- Jennifer L. Johnson^{1,,3}, Diana M. Papoulias², David L. Galat^{2,3} (^{1,3}USFWS, Columbia, MO; ^{2,}USGS-CERC, Columbia, MO; ^{2,3}USGS-CFWRU Univ. of MO, Columbia, MO
 Reproductive development of the sicklefin chub (*Macrhybopsis meekî*) in the Lower Missouri River

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 - Reproductive development of Missouri River chubs in relation to environmental variables.
- Andrew Starostka and Wyatt Doyle (USFWS, Columbia, MO)
 Dispersal of Hatchery Reared Pallid Sturgeon from a Stocking Site on the Lower Missouri River
- Banquet Speaker: Bob Muller (Royal Oak Nature Society, MI) Fun with Bait and Road Gravel.
- No Sunday presentations
- Monday: (Field trip to Mingo NWR)

<u>Mingo NWR staff</u> (Mingo NWR, Puxico, MO) History of Mingo NWR: ecosystem restoration

NANFA 2006 FIELD TRIPS



The field trips were selected to offer NANFA participants the best opportunity to observe Missouri's wonderful fish diversity. We will offer a different and exciting experience by sampling fishes with unusual techniques and by using canoes to reach out-of-the-way places to enjoy Missouri's great outdoors.



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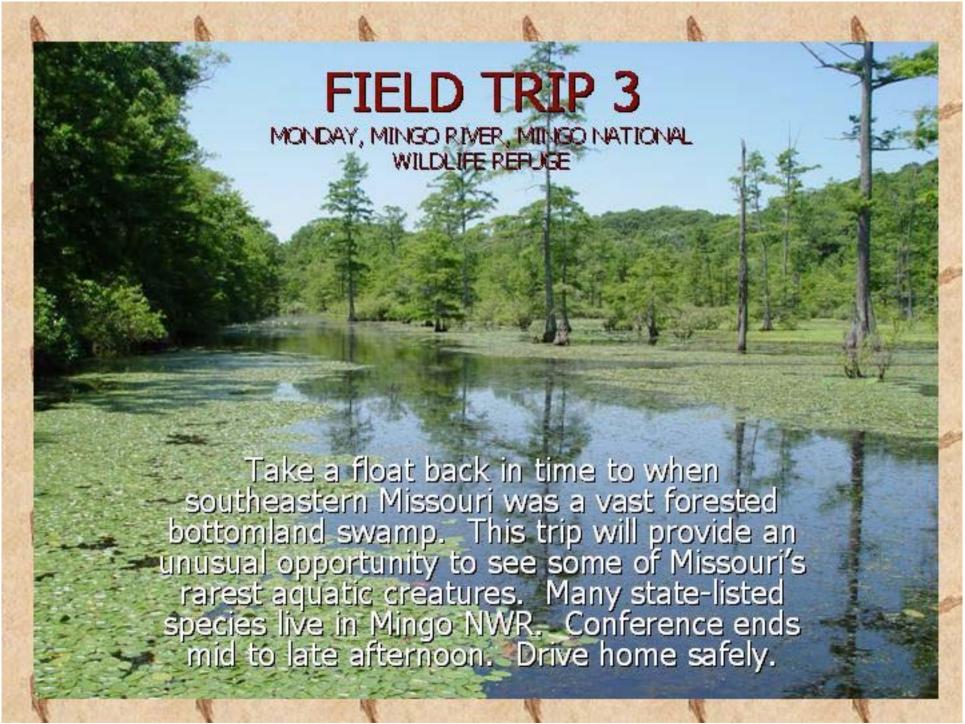
All aboard the MVS Pathlinder to sample a Mississippi River island habitat and to demonstrate the Missouri Trawl. Box lunches available. Steak and chicken provided or grill your own food on the Pathlinder in the evening on the way back to Cape. Corps of Engineers staff presentations.

FIELD TRIP 2

SUNDAY, BLACK RIVER IN MISSOURI OZARKS



Bring your own canoe or use one of ours for a float down the Black River, offering the greatest riverine fish species diversity in Missouri (can catch up to 60 species at a site). We will be trawling too. Box lunches available. You will be on your own for Sunday evening.



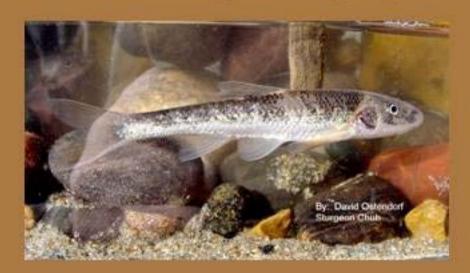




River Darter (Percina shumardi)

Blue Sucker (Cycleptus elongatus)

Mississippi River



Sturgeon Chub (Macrhybopsis gelida)

Mississippi River



Stonecat (*Noturus flavus*) small and large-eyed forms



Gilt Darter (Percina evides)

Golden Redhorse (Moxostoma erythrurum)

Black River



Stargazing Darter (Percina uranidea)

Saddleback Darter (Percina vigil)

Black River





Taillight Shiner (Notropis maculatus)

Starhead Topminnow (*Fundulus dispar*)

Mingo Basin



Dollar Sunfish (Lepomis marginatus)





Brown Bullhead (Ameiurus nebulosus)



Banded Pygmy Sunfish (Elassoma zonatum)

GREAT T-SHIRT THAT EVERYONE WILL WANT TO HAVE!!!!!

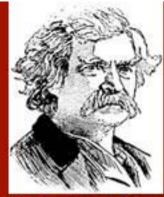
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Want to know more about Cape? Keep watching, or press ESC to end

CAPE GIRARDEAU WHERE THE RIVER TURNS A THOUSAND TALES.





In his book *Life on the Mississippi*, author Mark Twain recorded his visual encounter with Cape Girardeau through his description of two grand educational institutions. Says Twain, "Cape Girardeau is situated on a hillside, and makes a handsome appearance." There is a great Jesuit school for boys at the foot of the town by the river. Uncle Mumford said it had as high a reputation for thoroughness as any similar institution in Missouri. There was another college higher up on an airy summit - a bright new edifice, picturesquely and peculiarly towered and pinnacled -a sort of gigantic casters, with the cruets all complete."

The "Jesuit School for Boys" referred to by Twain is known today as **St. Vincent's Seminary**. The Vincentian fathers operated the seminary until it's closure in 1979.

The "towered and pinnacled" college, (the Normal School) was a grand Victorian building. Since removed from the site due to a devastating fire, the original location has grown to be the campus of Southeast Missouri State University.

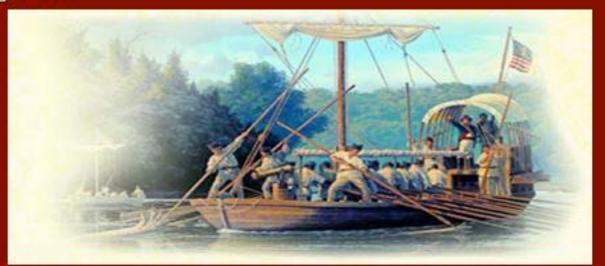
In keeping with the visions of Mark Twain, the two properties are bound together once again. The University Board of Regents has recently announced their vision of rehabilitating and adding to the old St. Vincent's Seminary creating the Southeast Missouri State University School of Performing and Visual Arts, housing a museum, theater and interpretive center.

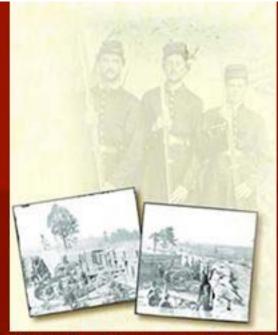
Lewis & Clark Visit Cape Girardeau Meriwether Lewis and William Clark visited Cape Girardeau as they traveled together on their historic Corps of Discovery expedition. It was November 23, 1803 when the explorers and their crew stepped onto Missouri soil at Cape Girardeau.

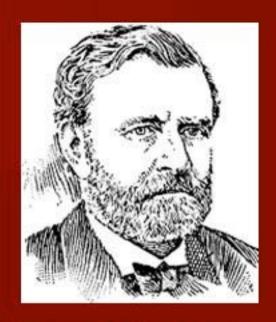
In his journal, Lewis described the colorful residents of the Cape Girardeau community, and his visit with the Commandant of the territory and community founder, Louis Lorimier. Lewis met Lorimier at a local horse race, where Lorimier was heartily involved in settling disputes over wagers. Lewis wrote about the Shawnee wife of Louis Lorimier and their "handsome" daughter whom Lewis described as "the most descent looking female I have seen since I left the settlement in Kentucky."

Lewis also described the physical characteristics of Lorimier himself, including the extraordinary length of Lorimier's hair. Standing at approximately 5'8" in height this dark-skinned, dark-eyed and dark-haired

French born entrepreneur boasted a mane of hair that would be spoken of for generations to come. According to Lewis' journals, Lorimier accounted that his dark, well-kept tresses were "long enough at one point that they touched the ground when he was standing erect."

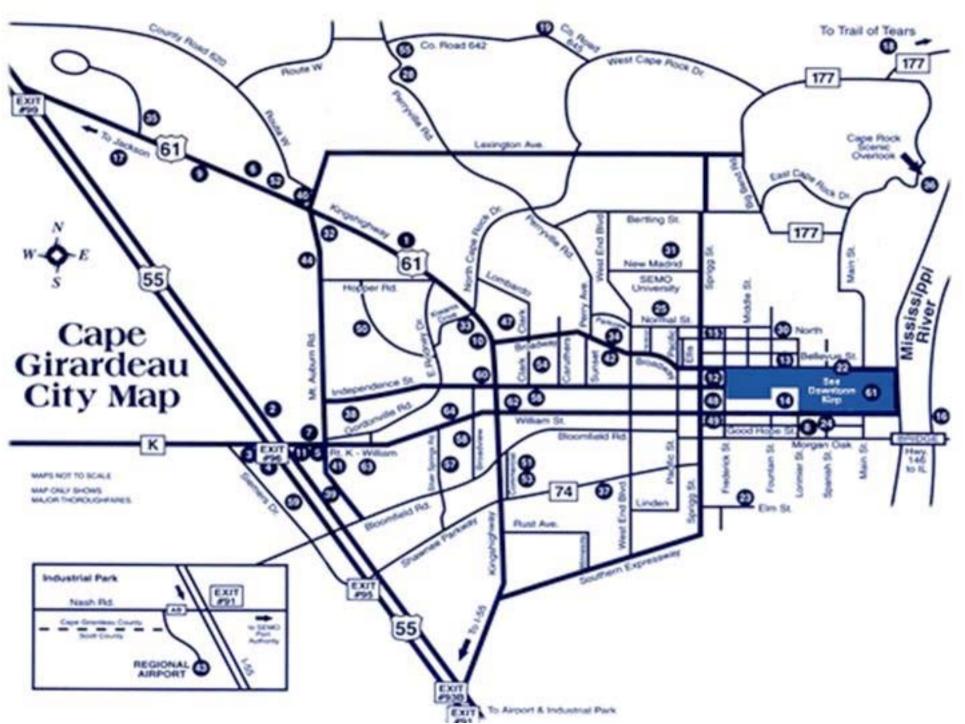


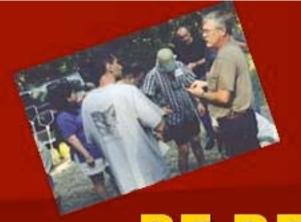




In his biography of Ulysses S. Grant, author Jean Edward Smith in "Grant" (New York, NY: Simon and Schuster, 2001), relates the following story: "On August 30, 1861, Grant assumed command of the Union Army on the Mississippi. He was at Cape Girardeau, 120 miles below St. Louis, on the west bank of the river looking south. Suddenly, uncharacteristically, Grant was awed by his responsibility. 'You should be cheerful and try to encourage me,' he wrote Julia (his wife). 'I have a task before me of no trifling moment and want all the encouragement possible. The safety of the country, to some extent, and my reputation and that of our children, greatly depends upon my acts." Grant concluded his thoughts with the sobering statement, "All I fear is that too much may be expected of me."

With such rich stories, it is easy to see how Cape Girardeau has come to be known as the city where the river turns a thousand tales.









BE READY
TO HAVE A
GREAT
TIME!!!

THE MAIN PURPOSE IS TO GATHER LOTS OF INFORMATION, RENEW OLD FRIENDSHIPS AND MAKE NEW ONES, AND HAVE FUN!







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