

FISHIN' LINE

From the Helm...

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I am taking this time to inform you about the current state of the Manistee County Sportfishing Association. The MCSFA is recognized as an organization that promotes and protects the fishery in Manistee County.

Currently, Dennis Kuenzer sits on the Great Lakes Advisory Board and can vote on issues that directly affect our fishing in Manistee County. Our major events are the Annual Spring Banquet, the Salmon Derby, Kids Fish, the Ladies Classic Tournament, the Budweiser PRO/AM Tournament and assisting at the Little Manistee weir rearing ponds, and maintaining the website with timely fishing reports.

Our membership has been in decline and our finances are being adversely affected by the decline. Consequently, we are sponsoring a membership drive for both individual members and business members. The solvency and effectiveness of our group depends on your assistance.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

- ◆ Current members pay your membership dues and add additional financial support.
- ◆ Recruit past members and sign up someone new.
- ◆ Recruit business membership (they do not have to be in Manistee County).
- ◆ Recruit new sponsors for events.
- ◆ Attend the Annual Spring Banquet on May 5, 2018 as this is our biggest fundraiser aside from memberships. (continued page 2)

2018 MCSFA Events

**Annual Spring
Banquet**

**Saturday, May 5th
VFW Post - Manistee**

**Salmon & Trout Derby
Saturday, May 26th
through
Monday, September
3rd**

**Kids Fish Day
Wednesday,
June 20th**

**Ladies Classic PRO/
AM Tournament
June 22nd**

**Budweiser PRO/AM
Tournament
June 23rd & 24th**

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Finally, the association has operated effectively for many years but with the declining membership base, we are experiencing financial difficulties and cash flow issues. By simply paying your dues, recruiting new and old members, recruiting business sponsors and members, attending the May 5th Spring Banquet, or by purchasing additional gun raffle tickets, we can solidify MCSFA to evolve into the future.

Thank you for your continued support,

Kevin P. Hughes, President - MCSFA

Long Time MCSFA Member Publishes Book

Denny Blue, long time MCSFA member and local charter captain has just published a memoir, "Running the Good Race". Denny shares his story of how God placed His hand on a young farm boy and guided him throughout his life. During his thirty years with Ford Motor Company, fourteen of which were served in Venezuela, Australia, New Zealand and Brazil Denny relates: how he endured the tragic loss of his wife's parents in a plane crash, flew as a missionary pilot in the Amazon, discovered a stone age tribe, assisted in the establishment of Ford Motor Company operations in South America and the Asia Pacific region and fished throughout the world. The book also has a local flavor of his move to Onekama and starting a charter business. A sequel of his Denny's life as a charter captain, guiding clients on fishing trips in the Bahamas, Central and South America, Florida and Michigan, will be released in the spring. Information on how to obtain the book, released through Amazon, can be found on www.trueblueauthor.com.

Denny will honor us at the Spring Banquet by signing books for those who are interested.

Ice Fishing at it's best.

Ice fishing is Pure Michigan. During the winter, our four Great Lakes, more than 11,000 inland lakes and hundreds of rivers and streams provide anglers with the perfect location to ice fish for bluegill, perch, pike and walleye. Watch as avid ice fisher, Scott Heintzelman, takes us to his favorite spot and shows us what Pure Michigan ice fishing is all about at: <https://youtu.be/ooDut2fRqKk>.



Annual Membership Meeting and Spring Banquet

Manistee VFW Post - 28th Street - Manistee, Michigan
Saturday, May 5, 2018
Doors open at 5:00 pm
Cash Bar at 5:30 pm
Dinner 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Guest Speaker and Drawings to follow

In house raffle, door prizes, guest speaker, plus more. Make your reservation today!

Dinner tickets – \$35 each

To reserve your dinner tickets, please mail your check to the

Manistee County Sport Fishing Association

PO Box 98

Manistee, MI 49660

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Prize List

1. CZ 527 American 204 Ruger (Walnut)
2. Savage III DOA Hunter XP 300 Mag
3. Remington 870 Express, 12 gauge, 3.5 Super Mag
4. Henry Lever 22 Mag, OCT. BBL Large Loop
5. Chiappa Double Badger .22LR/20 Gauge
6. Barnet Wildcat C7 Package
7. Savage Axis XP 243 Winchester
8. Ruger 10/22 Carbine 22LR

MCSFA Membership Application

Please make checks payable to: MCSFA and mail to PO BOX 98, Manistee, MI 49660

Member Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Boat Name: _____

Docked At: _____

Member Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

- _____ Non-Charter Boat Membership \$50.00
- _____ Charter Boat Membership \$100.00
- _____ Business Membership \$100.00 - web site address _____

(Note: All membership levels enter you in the Salmon Derby.)

Membership (as indicated above)	\$ _____	
Spring Banquet Tickets (\$35.00 ea.)	\$ _____	NOTE: RSVP is required.
Raffle Ticket Stubs (Mailed Separately)	\$ _____	
Donations (_____)	\$ _____	
Total Enclosed	\$ _____	

Credit Card Information

Circle card type    

Card Number _____

Expiration Date _____ 3 Digit Security Code _____

Signature _____

Total amount to be billed to your credit card \$ _____

NOTE: Your credit card information will be destroyed following this transaction.

Volunteers Needed!! Please indicate the events at which you could be helpful.

- _____ Kid Fish Day _____ Sell raffle tickets _____ General help
- _____ Ladies Classic Pro/Am _____ Budweiser Pro/Am
- _____ Weigh-in _____ Clean-up
- _____ Yes, I would accept a nomination for a board seat.

The Manistee County Sport Fishing Association depends on your support. Please mail in your registration today. Your application is enclosed.

THANK YOU.

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TO: