

Mark Twain State Park, Mark Twain Birthplace SHS, and Union Covered Bridge SHS

Informational Meeting June 17, 2023

Projects Completed:

- Electrical upgrades to 35 campsites in Badger and Coyote
- Repairs and new roof on CCC pumphouse
- Reroof maintenance pole barn
- Build a small equipment and fire equipment storage shed
- Painted courtesy docks at boat ramps
- Added Kiddie Cushion to Buzzard's Roost playground
- Tom Sawyer manuscript professionally repaired, purchased new display case
- 251 artifacts catalogued into our historical collections management system
- Cut numerous ash trees that continue to die from Emerald Ash Borer
- Add split rail fence, water retention work to Campground Fish Cleaning Station
- Added parking lot at CCC shelter
- Put new roof on compost bin storage building
- Completed a prescribed burn on Route U Prairie
- Installed a donated bench at Campground playground
- Replaced 2 culverts on 107 Boat Ramp Rd.
- Water retention repairs to Host Site 1
- Renovated wood/golf cart shed at Host Site 93, built new one at Host Site 1
- Painted Entrance Sign to Buzzard's Roost
- Planted 26 trees
- Erosion control repairs at Route U Boat Ramp parking lot
- Landscape improvements to Mark Twain Memorial Shrine
- Replaced posts on Clara's Overlook
- Projects completed by A Year to Volunteer group:
 - Reroofed the Nature Center, repairs to siding, window sills
 - Build a deck and fence at park residence
 - Painted Clara's Overlook
 - Painted guard rails at all 3 boat ramps
 - Put up concrete board and painted at showerhouses, Beach changehouse
 - Powerwashed and painted beams and upper sign at Memorial Shrine
 - Powerwashed and painted interior of several pit toilets
 - Fixed electrical issues at Group Camp playcourt
 - Put tin roof on Campground Fish Cleaning Station
 - Put up split rail fence at Buzzard's Roost
 - Built a deer blind for the Hero Hunt
 - Fixed retaining walls at Group Camp

Upcoming Projects:

- 3 new exhibits in the Mark Twain Memorial Shrine
 - Life on the Mississippi
 - The Gilded Age
 - General Store Display
- Put split rail fence at Union Covered Bridge
- Stain kiosk at Union Covered Bridge
- Paint buildings in park
- Make repairs/patches to park roads
- Plant more trees throughout the park
- Missouri Virtual Heritage 360° Tour
 - 360° online tour of the Mark Twain Memorial Shrine

Upcoming Events:

Salt River Quilt Show – September 16-17, 2023 at the Mark Twain Memorial Shrine

Mark Twain Hero Hunt – November 3-5, 2023