

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

Informational Meeting July 19, 2025

Projects Completed:

- Turn basic sites 27-34 into electric sites
- Build a new pit toilet by camper cabins
- Add Kiddie cushion to Buzzards Roost playground, install drainage
- Plant more trees
- Grind 100+ stumps, seed and straw
- New siding on Huck Hall and painted, exterior and interior
- New HVAC system in Huck Hall
- New water heater in Huck Hall
- Paint bulletin boards, amphitheater, Group Camp infirmary, nature center, pit toilets
- Cleaned trash out of all the pit toilets
- New roof on old showerhouse at Badger Campground
- New tables and chairs at Group Camp
- New mattresses at camper cabins and Group Camp
- New washer/dryer at Group Camp, donated by Monroe County 4H
- New area signs and trailhead wayside maps
- New trail – Ben Sapp Memorial Trail on the north end of the park
- New exhibit in Mark Twain Memorial Shrine – Joan of Arc
- New steamboat buttons/whistles/bells sound system displays – Mark Twain Memorial Shrine
- Invasive species removal by volunteers and Americorps
- Prescribed fire at Campground woods, Rt U Prairie, and South 107 Prairie
- Continued restoration efforts on Lake Tom Sawyer – water shield removal, electrofishing, stocking
- Install Fire Alarm at Union Covered Bridge
- Install split rail fence at Union Covered Bridge

Upcoming Events:

Salt River Quilt Show – October 4-5, 2025 at the Mark Twain Memorial Shrine

Theme: Spirit of America to celebrate America's 250th Birthday

Mark Twain Hero Hunt – November 7-9, 2025