



May 2018 Vol. 2, No. 2

HONORS and AWARDS



A video posted by **Tony Thorpe** (pictured right) and **Dan Obrecht** (pictured left) online 9 years back is to be used by a Vatican scientist in a video celebration of Fr. Angelo Secchi's 200th birthday. The Secchi disk is a tool long used by limnologists to measure water clarity. This simple tool is lowered into the water and the depth at which it is no longer visible is called the "Secchi depth". The Youtube video can be viewed at this link: (Submitted by Tony Thorpe; Photo by Simon Louis.)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-6NUx98EcHA>

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS/RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS

F.A. LaSorte, C.A. Lepzcyk, M.F.J. Aronson, M.A. Goddard, M. Hedblom, M. Katti, I. MacGregor-Fors, U. Mörtberg, **C.H. Nilon**, P.S. Warren, N.S.G. Williams, and J. Yang. The phylogenetic and functional diversity of regional breeding bird assemblages is reduced and constricted through urbanization. 2018. Diversity and Distributions DOI: 10.1111/ddi.12738.

Members of the MU Student Chapter of Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) assisted the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) with the Soil Survey for Mark Twain National Forest. Students gained hands on experience in the field describing soils and were able to gain knowledge from a professional in the field, Garrett McKee of the USFS and Research Specialist for SNR. Special thanks to the USFS employees Kyle Steele and Garrett McKee, SWCS's club advisors Drs. Stephen Anderson and Rebecca North, and Donna Brandt of the Soil Health Assessment Center for making this opportunity possible. Another thanks to Dr. Jose for the grant money. Pictured: Students **Sarah Higgins**, **Evelyn Mann**, Layah VerDught, and Willow Dean work with Garrett McKee of the USFS to describe a soil pit. (Submitted and photo by **Lindsey Anderson**.)



EVENTS/MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS



There was an end-of-semester celebration with MU Indonesian students to celebrate their accomplishments and to wish them well with their summer plans and beyond. Several SNR students participated in a panel to discuss their experiences at MU, culture and current issues, which was facilitated by Dr. Earnest Perry, Associate Dean at the School of Journalism. (Submitted and photo by **Caroline Todd**.)



• 5 DAYS • 100 MILES •

Hermann, MO to the Confluence

- Experience the wild beauty of North America's longest river
- Explore, Enjoy, Relax - this is not a race
- Visit historic river towns and enjoy delicious food
- Nightly camping in picturesque surroundings
- Visit with historical and scientific experts on the river
- 100% of funds raised support Missouri waterways

Register by July 15 at PaddleMO.org

5 Day and Weekend Trips Available

Email: info@streamteamsunited.org

THE WEEK IN SNR WITH DIRECTOR JOSE

Attended the A&E Extension Leadership Council Meeting
Attended the MU Provost Constituent Meeting for Candidate #3
Attended the CAFNR Leadership Budget Retreat
Met with the Assistant Professor of Tourism Search Committee
Celebrated Earth Day at Prairie Fork with Mrs. Pat Jones, Vice Chancellor and Dean Daubert and his wife and SNR staff
Attending and facilitating a session for the CAFNR Promotion and Tenure Workshop
Attending CAFNR Commencement Friday evening and introducing the graduation speaker, Mr. Johnny Morris, Founder and CEO of Bass Pro

SPOTLIGHT

SNR Faculty, Alumni & Staff Family Tailgate with Mizzou Women's Softball



(Photos by Anita Carter.)

This **Weekly Reader** will be distributed electronically every Friday (except during breaks). Please send announcements to Cindy Greenwood, Editor (greenwoodci@missouri.edu) by Thursday @ 5 p.m. If you'd like to unsubscribe from the **Weekly Reader**, please email Cindy. Thanks to Laura Hertel for the **Weekly Reader** Tiger logo.