

Missouri and Kansas Rivers Clean-up

Kaw Point Park, Kansas City, KS
October 3, 2009

Results Snapshot

Total Volunteers: 394

MRR Crew: 33

Boats: 16 (4 Missouri River Relief,

3 Rivermiles, 4 Mo. Dept. of Conservation, 1 Private, 1 Burns & McDonnell,

3 Environmental Protection Agency

Rivermiles: 12 (10 on the Missouri

River, 2 on the Kaw)

River level: 10.4 (Kansas City gage)

Landfill: 8.2 tons
Scrap Metal: 2.7 tons

Recycled: plastic & aluminum

Tires: 63 (1 ton)
Total Tonnage: 12

Groups Involved: (W.H.E.Y.)
World Helping Empower Youth,
Trenton High School, Scuola Vita

Nuova, Rockhurst University,
Breakpoint Community Church,
Crossroads Church, UMC
Environmental Awareness Club,

Friends of Kaw Point, North Central

Neighbors

This was our seventh year hosting a massive Missouri River clean-up in the Kansas City area. Each year it gets bigger, our list of partners grows, and the amount of trash removed from the river continues to be staggering. This year 394 volunteers joined the effort. And they worked their butts off!

We cleaned up a couple miles of the Kaw River, in addition to ten miles of the Big Muddy. A big crew of students from Scuola Vita Nuova, after attending the Watershed Festival the day before, tackled a site by land on the Kaw River. Many other school groups have caught on that this is THE event of the year to experience the Missouri River as well as do their part to improve the river. Education in action! That's what it's all about!

For the first time in the KC area, we attempted a large-scale recycling program, thanks to a partnership with

Coca-Cola Enterprises. As trash was collected on the river, volunteers "source-separated" into bags with plastic & aluminum and bags with all other trash. MRR crew member Lynne Hooper organized a crew of Coke employees to further sort all the recyclables. It went smoothly, and we are still awaiting tonnage results.

Getting this many people out on the river in one morning is impossible without the help of our boat piloting partners. This year we had help from Mo. Dept. of Conservation, EPA, Burns and McDonnell, and **Rivermiles.** In fact, this was the clean-up debut of the new Rivermiles boat called "Lewis". Not only did Lewis (piloted by MR340 organizer Scott Mansker) shuttle volunteers. but she also served as the floating video platform for documentary filmmaker Jodi Pfefferkorn who is making a film on the clean-up. We'll let you know when she finishes it!

for links to more stories and photos, check out our event webpage: http://www.riverrelief.org/event/kansas-city-clean-up-09/

Stream Teams:

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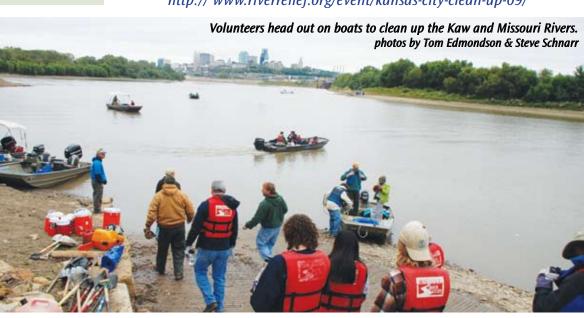
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Trash Tally!

245 Bags of Trash
219 Pieces of Scrap Metal
25 Tires on Rim
34 Tires w/o Rim
4 Semi Truck Tires
2 Inner tubes
1 Wheel
16 Chunks of Styrofoam

6 Coolers 1 Water Jug

11 – 5 gallon Plastic Buckets 2 – 55 gallon Metal Drums

6 - 55 gallon Plastic Barrels

1 Propane Tank1 Deep Freeze

2 TVs

1 Air Mattress

1 Waterbed Side Rail

3 Window Frames

1 Futon Frame

1 Grill Rack

4 Chairs

3 Storage Tubs

1 Laundry Hamper

1 Baby Play Pen

1 Welcome Mat

1 Home Depot "green" bag

1 Railroad Car Spring

1 Jeep Tail Gate

2 Gas Tanks

1 John Deere Tractor Cover

1 Hub Cap
1 Car Door
2 Car Bumpers
1 Truck Mud Flap
4 Large Rugs
2 pieces of Carpet Padding
1 piece of Astroturf



NO REFRIGERATORS
NO WASHERS
NO DRYERS
NO HOT WATER HEATERS
this has got to be a Missouri River Cleanup
Record!!!
Our efforts to clean the river are working!!!

2 Road Cones 1 Hand Saw 2 pieces of Barge Rope 3 Street Signs 2 Croc sandals 1 Sled 15 Tovs & Balls 2 pairs of Sunglasses 1 Large Lightbulb 2 liter Glass Soda Bottle 1 Baby Stroller 1 Message in a Bottle 1 Pan 1 Tea Cup 14 pieces of Metal Cable 15 large Metal Plates & Bolts 1 Shovel Spade 1 Compressor 1 Camp Stove 200 ft of Cable 1 Shopping Cart 1 Cabinet 6 pieces of Electric Wire 1 American Flag Light Bulb 8 Fishing Poles 7 Tarps 2 Headlights 1 Electric Switch 2 Tents 1 My Little Pony Lunch Box 1 pair of Boots

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