

Spring 2012 Missouri Walnut Council Meeting and Tours

Mr. Glenn Beckmann, member and NE Region Representative is the host of the upcoming Spring 2012 Missouri Walnut Council Meeting and Tours. This spring's meeting and tours will be held in NE Missouri near Edina, Missouri on Friday afternoon May 11th and all day Saturday May 12, 2012.

Friday Afternoon May 11, 2012:

Visit a 20 acre white oak planting that contains trees that are in the 15-22 inch diameter range. There has been quite a lot of TSI (timber stand improvement) work on this site and the owner is beginning to see the value of these efforts. We will be discussing the concepts of TSI and also the soil resources of the site.






Saturday May 12, 2012:

First, we will plan to visit Glenn's property detailing the growth difference between Mother Nature -vs- tree's from MDC and 3 sites where's has taken place. The 1st was completed in the winter of 2011 on a sight where the best Walnut trees are growing. The 2nd is on a white oak planting where the trees are 15 years old and range from 10-20 feet. TSI is now being completed as these trees have never been cared for and are in direct competition with Eastern Red Cedar. The 3rd is also a track of various size White Oaks that are competing with various hickory and black oaks. The trees in this lot range from mature to 6 inch diameter.

Also on Saturday we will plan to visit 2 Walnut plantings on a neighbor's property. One planting contains trees that are 8-12 inches in diameter. The trees in this plantation were maintained up to approx 10-12 feet and then management stopped. The 2nd stand was planted over the last 3-5 years with stock from MDC and the trees starting to take off. Both plantings are along the South Fabious River and are subject to flooding during heavy rainfall.

One last activity being planned is an actual bidding process on several oaks and walnuts. Glenn actually plans to have the trees harvested and valued during our meeting. These details have not been finalized.

Lodging opportunities for Friday night May 11, 2012 can be arranged in Kirksville, Missouri and the meetings will be centered around the community of Edina (approximately 30 minutes from Kirksville).

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- Shamrock Best Western, E Business 6 & 63, Kirksville, MO 63501 🌐, **Phone:** (660) 665-8352, **Fax:** (660) 665-0072
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