

Hook, Line, and Sinker

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From the President

Our fall clean-up and rip-rap project was a smashing success. Due to the efforts of the Girl Scouts from troop 163, 3M, Izaak Walton League, Minnesota Conservation Corps, and the various businesses that donated time, equipment and food. About half of the shoreline was completed and we used twice as much rock as we estimated we would need. Next year with a little luck we will get the remainder of it finished.

The trip to Mille Lacs Lake this winter on the bus is shaping up and should be a fun time. Get those \$20.00 deposits in to Mike Deinken. If you can't make the meetings, but want to go on the trip simply send your deposit to Mike at 1022 North Spring Street in New Ulm.

I would suppose that by now many of you have read about the Mille Lacs Band of Native Americans' settlement with the state, as to the treaty of 1837. It involves fishing and hunting rights and transfers 7500 acres of land. This is food for thought, and will be discussed at our next meeting. Some clarification of the facts is needed and I am researching the ramifications of this latest action, so we as fishermen can voice our support or disdain at this situation. If you recall, at one point in time we

sent a letter of caution to the DNR on this issue.

Another DNR Fishing Roundtable is planned for January 9th and you can bet I will be there representing the sentiments of our club on the future of fishing in Minnesota. I will also be there representing the South Western and South Central Minnesota fishermen and their needs. We

To the Editor

On behalf of the Sportsmen's Coalition for a Clean Minnesota River, I would like to thank all who donated and participated in the Clean Up and Rip Rap project that was conducted on Saturday, October 24th. Hoffman Construction provided equipment to haul rip rap as well as Marv's Sports Center. Cook Sanitation picked up all the garbage for no charge. 3M provided gloves, many volunteers, and food for the entire group. Burger King donated food and drink as well. Groups participating in the Clean Up were the Minnesota Conservation Corps., Girl Scout Troop 136, 3M, Izaak Walton League Brown County Chapter #79, and many citizens who were so moved. The Clean UP and Rip Rap was done as a part of the Minnesota Clean Rivers project sponare so often overlooked in the grand scheme of things that I think the other parts of the state need a new "sensitivity" when it comes to our part of the country. Heck, there are still a lot of people who think that there is nothing down here but cornfields and cows. I aim to let them know different.

sored by the MNDNR Trails and Waterways Department. The particular section of the river that was worked on was adopted by the New Ulm Area Sports Fishermen Some time ago. That group participated in the clean up and coordinated the effort. A great deal of was put into rip rapping the area in Riverside Park. The New Ulm Quartzite Quarries donated redstone and Mark Mayer, City Parks Department director not only saw that the project was endorsed, but put in his time hauling rock down to the river as well. City Manager Richard Salvati is to be commended for endorsing this worthwhile project and finding money within the city budget to help out.

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Editorial

Are we doing enough? It our responsibility to educate our children in outdoor etiquette. We need to teach them how to act when they are at the lake or river or in the woods. There are too many people these days with no respect for the outdoors. All you have to do is visit a public access, park, or path through the woods. What you will see is enough to make a person sick. There is trash, garbage, and every kind of junk you could imagine. It is not the true sportsman who is doing this. The people who are doing this are just plain slobs. There is no reason for what is being done. It takes so little effort to carry an empty pop can or bait container back to the car with you when you leave. These people think that its just a little thing or one small piece of trash, it won't make a difference or no one will notice. Well they are wrong. All those little people add up to a mountain or trash. People are starting to notice but it doesn't seem to be changing what these slobs are doing. It seems you really can't teach an old dog new tricks. It is time to teach our children the right way to treat the great outdoors. We can't let them think that it is alright to mess up our river and lake shores. We

didn't create the problem but we have to send the right message to our youth by doing something about it. It is a shame that we have to have this problem in the first place but we cannot just sit back and do nothing. A true sportsman leaves the outdoors better than he found it. Remember, if you take it with you bring it back out.

Mille Lacs Fishing Trip

Scheduled for January 15-17, 1993. We will be leaving Friday afternoon and be returning Sunday afternoon. This is our Fifth annual trip and it gets bigger and better every year. The first year we had only twelve members take advantage of this great trip. Last year we had twenty-four. It is a chance for us to get to know one another better and a chance to relax and have a lot of fun. It is time to start making plans. We need to know by the end of this month if you plan on going with us. We will be taking a charter bus which will be leaving from the New Ulm Bus Lines garage and arrive at Mille Lacs in time to get in some evening fishing. You need not be a member to join in on this enjoyable excursion to the north. If you have a friend you would

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Clear Lake Update

There is not a lot going on at the lake. The DNR has pulled the dock out and we are getting ready for the aeration season. Last week the system was fired up and the lines were blown out to make sure they were clear and ready to go. We have about sixty thin ice signs that were made last year and still need to be painted. Other than that all we can do is wait for some ice.

Membership Drive

Until the end of November our membership drive will continue. The member who signs up the most new members will receive a club jacket. Our numbers are slightly down as we have lost a few members through the course of the year. If you have a friend or neighbor you think might be interested in the club, be sure to invite them to our next Meeting.

Club Jackets

NUASF Jackets are now ready. You may pick them up at the next meeting.

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