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#### **CLEAR LAKE UPDATE**

# "Thin Ice" signs retrieved

On Saturday, April 6th, several members and myself, met at Clear lake to retrieve our thin ice signs. After doing some minor repairs to the boat we proceeded to search the shore for any remaining signs. Earlier this spring fifty signs were rescued from the edge of the ice. Another 27 signs were found that Saturday. Quite a few of the signs will need repair or painting before they can be used again next year. We also may have to look into building more signs as there was only one sign left in the pump house at the end of the season.

We are going to have to do something about the motor on our boat. it is getting very tired. There were a couple of times when I thought we would not make it back to the dock. Maybe it's time to start looking for a different motor.

The lake looks to be in excellent shape, although it is a bit on the low side. The water is very clear. The bottom of the lake is also very clean except at the shoreline where there is a layer of dead cattails. And speaking of cattails, sometime this spring we need to clean up the swimming beach. The cattails are again starting to take over. We need to take care of this before they get out of hand.



Dave Wenk, center, receives the 2002 Stoney Award from Scott Sparlin, left, and Mike Deinken, right.

### Club Calendar

April 25th......Meeting 7:30 p.m. at the Evan Inn

May 11th.....Fishing Opener

May 30th......Meeting 7:30 p.m.at the Club House



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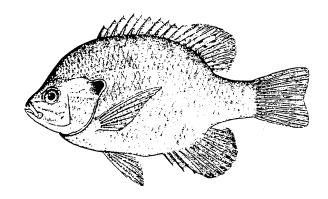
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### From the President . . .

We are going to Evan for the next meeting. For **real** this time. Same deal as last time. Look for details in this issue of the "Hook, Line and Sinker". You will have access to mass transit to and from Evan. We will either take a bus or a couple of vans. It should be a great meeting and a chance for our Western Brown County members to have a meeting close to home with an opportunity to invite old friends and potential members. Several things will be on the agenda and we will need input to make decisions about them. So drive over, or catch the bus to the next meeting.

As those of you who attended the last meeting know, we have made some strategic moves that will foster continued growth of our valued organization. Moves that will insure that we become an even more desirable vibrant organization to potential members and future donors. A long term goal of providing adequate growth space, which will ultimately enhance our abilities in all phases of our activities, was a decision that has been apparent to many of us for some time. When coupled with the possibility of a Minnesota River access, our collective future will include not only our mission work, but also those thngs that bind us together as anglers and conservationists. When implemented, it becomes a one, two punch that should be extremely desirable to all who come in contact with our organization. Thanks to the foresight of our membership we have begun the process. Let us all be excited as to where it may lead.

See you in Evan!



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#### **Club House**

We have some things that we need to get done at the club grounds. The first does not involve a lot of member involvement. Our driveway needs to be rebuilt. It has turned into a ditch and all of the water from rain or snow melt runs down the middle, washing the driveway down the hill. The other thing is the possibility that we may have to paint the club house again sometime this summer. It has been four years since it was last painted and is starting to look bad in places.

Don't forget, the club house is available for use by any of our members. In the past it has been used for birthday parties, anniversaries and family get-togethers. There is no charge for the use of the club house, all we ask is that you clean up afterwards. We did get some good news recently, it sounds like the bees will be leaving this spring. Something that we have really been looking forward to.

#### **Club Jackets**

I am planing to do another jacket order. We have gotten so many positive comments about the new jackets and people asking if they can get one. There is also a possibility that we may look at some type of spring jacket. Anyone interested should be at the next meeting or give Mike Deinken a call at 359-9650.

## April meeting goes west

We will be heading to Evan again for the April meeting. We will be renting a van so we don't all have to drive over. Let's meet at the Club House at about 6:00 p.m. There will be lunch and entertainment after the meeting.

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