

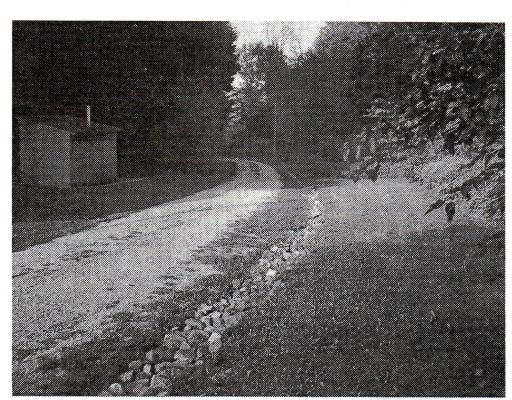
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#### **CLUB HOUSE UPDATE**

## Erosion problem solved with field stone

As most of you know we have had some trouble earlier this year with severe erosion along one side of our driveway. We were not sure what to do to correct this problem. It was decided to fill the washed out area with three to six inch field stone. After some searching we found several places where we could get the rock at no charge. We did need to haul it though. Well, after eleven trailer loads and countless hours spent loading and unloading the trailers by hand, we have filled the ditch from the Club House to the road. A special thanks to Ron Ludewig and Charlie Zangl who were there for every load. Also thanks to Dave Wenk, Ross Nelson and Don Borstad for their



Part of the approximately 16 tons of rock that was hauled.

help. We do have some painting to do yet this fall and we will need to cut some more fire wood for our meeting campfires. There will be more discussion on this at our next meeting.

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### From the President . . .

The demise of our food booth may be a little premature. I have done some clarification on the use of the booth to the authorities and the type of license we truly "need". Given that we will have a good discussion on it at our next meeting. Just like anything we are involved in, your thoughts and direction will be needed and ultimately we will get through this together.

Here is a heads up on Riverblast. We need you. Set up will be late Thursday afternoon on the 4th of September and into the evening. Any help of course is appreciated and we need it. There will be schedules for various tasks involving serving food, bartending and the fishing contest during the blast. If you can help, please contact me either by calling 507-359-2346 or e-mail at yasure@lycos.com and give me your availability time and I will fit you into a needed slot. I have a gut feeling this will be pretty big this year. We'll cross our fingers for that and the weather as well. A flyer is in this edition of the Hook. Line and Sinker.

Our next meeting on the 28th will be a good one to bring out a guest and introduce them to us. Don't forget this year the winner of the membership drive will receive a free jacket of their choice. Orin Schultz is still leading but he can be caught with some determination. We will also discuss the designation of making our office a concealed-free environment. See you there!

### 2nd Annual Riverblast Fishing Contest

Again this year, in conjunction with Riverblast, we will be hosting the 2nd annual Riverblast Fishing Contest. This year though, the contest will only last two days. It will start on Friday, September 5th at 4:00 p.m. and end on Saturday, September 6th at 9:00 p.m. Posters for the contest are available. We will need several people to work the contest each day to handle registration and weigh in. There will also be a Kids Contest in conjunction with the main contest. After a one year hiatus, we will again be handling the food concession at Riverblast, if we get our food license. We will need considerable help with this in order to comply with all the stipulations that have been heaped upon us in order to get a license when we buy it. There will be sign up sheets at the next meeting.

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### Club Fishing Contest

This is probably the most important event we have coming up this fall. It is likely the only event that we do that does not involve any of us having to do any work. All we need to do is fish. This is always a lot of fun. Mostly due to the fact that all we have to do is relax, fish and enjoy a beverage or two.

There will be a \$5.00 entry fee for the contest, with all of the proceeds going to the E.E. Mecklenburg/NUASF Scholarship fund. There is overnight camping available as well as facilities to do some grilling if you are so inclined. If anyone needs directions they can call Mike Deinken or watch for the signs when you take the bottom road west from the Beusmann Bridge. The contest will start about noon and go until the last dog dies.

### Food Stand has good year

Our Food Stand has been having a really good year. Last week though, we suffered a serious setback. Earlier this year a complaint was filed against us with the Health Department. We were told we needed to apply for a Food License. This was done, we paid the fee and received the license. Last week we were informed that our stand needed to be inspected. An appointment was made and Jerry Carlson spent a full day making sure the trailer was spotless. All of Jerry's hard work went for naught as we were told that our trailer did not meet with their approval. Their list of deficiencies filled a full sheet of paper. It seems that anyone who ate food from our stand should be dead by now. In order for us to ever use the trailer again, it would need extensive remodeling. I would have to estimate, from their list, that it would cost us somewhere between \$2,000 and \$3,000 to bring the trailer up to their standards. Is it worth it? In my opinion, no. This is something we will need to discuss at our next meeting. We still have a couple of events on our calendar this year. We are trying to get a special events license for this that will not involve using the trailer. I would like to thank all of the guys who have worked in the stand this year and especially Jerry Carlson for all his work.

#### River Clean Up

We did not conduct a Clean Up along the Minnesota River this spring. There has been some talk of doing this in early October. Hopefully in conjunction with the RATTs from 3M.

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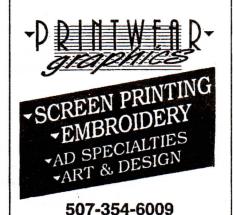
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