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RE-ENFORCING THE DIKE WALL

STUDTMANN'S POND

On Saturday, June 7th, the New Ulm Area Sport Fisherman converged on Studtmann's Pond. Our goal was to re-enforce the dike wall which was beginning to deteriorate. The task seemed rather large at first. There were six dump truck loads of material to be moved and



New Ulm Area Sport Fishermen work crew at Studtmann's

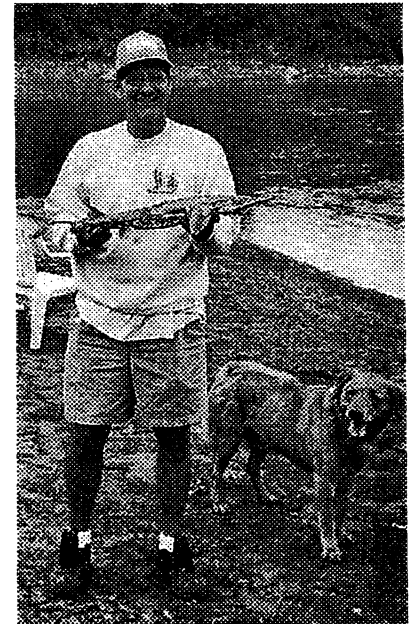
placed along the section of the dike. When Lloyd showed up with his skid loader things started to go pretty smooth. The pile disappeared in no time at all. We actually would have had time to

get rid of another three or four loads. As it was, we got done early enough to go down to the

river and do a little fishing. Wouldn't you know it, one of us was lucky enough to catch a small Sturgeon. Too bad it wasn't the guy who was fishing for them. Although we did relax and have a

little fun, we also accomplished quite a bit.

Thanks to everyone who helped that day, and thanks to Jeff and Nancy for the lunch and refreshments.



Mike Deinken with his sturgeon

Club Calendar

- June 24th.....Paint the Club House at 4:00 p.m.
- June 26th.....Meeting at the Club House at 7:30 p.m.
- July 16th.....Kids' Fishing Contest. Riverside Park at 4:00 p.m.
- July 31st.....Meeting at the Club House at 7:30 p.m.

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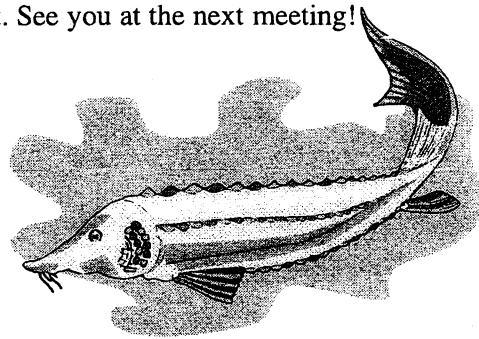
From the President . . .

This next meeting we will have a food booth update from the event at Courtland. We will also go over the Camp Courage outing and the work on Studtmann's Pond. We will be giving out a recognition plaque to W.W. Studtmann for his contribution to conservation, sport fishing, and wildlife habitat. We have many other business related items on the agenda, so let's have a nice turnout to get the best input possible.

July 16th is coming up fast so mark those calendars for the Youth Fishing Contest. We will need help at Riverside Park as we always get a turnout of at least 100 kids. Last year we had 120 and I have every reason to believe that growth in participation will continue.

The phenomena of sturgeon being caught in not only the Minnesota River and now reports from the Cottonwood as well, has some of us shaking our heads. Now mind you a couple of years ago sturgeon was being caught here and there. And last year, there were also increased reports. This year however there has been an explosion of reports from a single boat landing 11 in one trip and hey, even Mike Deinken caught one after the work outing at Studtmann's in Courtland. Albeit it only had one eye and was wearing a pair of glasses that he got from a former New Ulm umpire of some notoriety. Even so, and all kidding aside, this is an indicator that what science has been telling us about the sediment levels in the river declining which could provide an answer to this happening. It certainly bodes well for anglers. There is no fish pound for pound that will fight you like a sturgeon. Of course law prohibits you from keeping them in inland waters, but maybe that day will come with the return of water quality, when we can look forward to keeping this noted taste treat. They indeed have a very succulent meat and are easy to cook.

Bring a friend to the next meeting and get your free refreshment for both you and your guest. See you at the next meeting!



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Food Stand

On the last weekend of May we had the Food Stand at River Ridge Gun Club just east of New Ulm. It was sort of a last minute kind of deal. We did manage to get enough help to run the stand for the three days of a major competition that was held at the gun club. We did pretty good for the weekend with about \$1000 in sales. We do have a couple more dates coming up this summer and we will have more information at the next meeting. Thanks to Jerry Carlson for getting everything set up, and thanks to everyone who helped that weekend.

Kids' Fishing Contest

On July 16th, the New Ulm Area Sport Fishermen will again be hosting a fishing contest for the youth in the New Ulm area. This event gets bigger and better every year. We can't do it though without your help. It takes quite a few people to make this event run smoothly. We need help registering kids, weighing fish, making hot dogs and handing out door prizes. The contest starts at 4:00 p.m., but anytime you can get there will be appreciated. For more information, come to the next meeting.



Club House

We have been trying to get the Club House painted since sometime in April. It seems every time we set a day to do it, we get rain. Well, we are going to try it again. On Tuesday, June 24th, we are hoping to get a few guys to come out and see if we can get it painted this time. If you can make it, anytime after 4:00 p.m. would be fine. It would be nice to get this done before the meeting.

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