



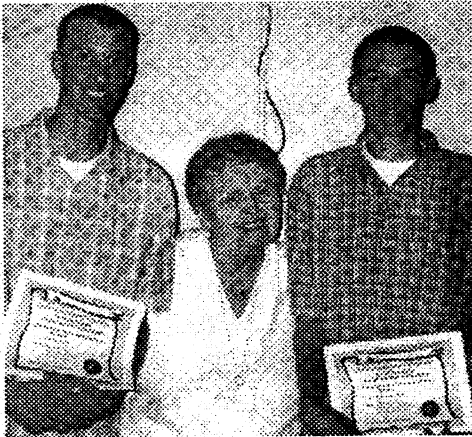
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Two Scholarships Awarded

Five years ago, the family of E.E. (Bull) Mecklenberg, along with the New Ulm Area Sport Fishermen



(NUASF) club, created a scholarship to be awarded to a person pursuing a career in the environmental field.

Mr. Mecklenberg grew up on a farm in Milford township and moved to New Ulm as an adult. In addition to his family and many friends, education and the environment were very important to him. An avid book reader, Earl always stressed to his family the value of a good education. During his lifetime, Earl loved being outdoors, whether it was for fishing, hunting, or just observing nature.

As you all know, our club is involved

in numerous supporting environmental issues. So when the family of E.E. Mecklenberg wanted to honor his memory with a scholarship, they asked our club to be a part of it.

This year the scholarship committee was pleased to have several terrific applicants from our local schools. Upon careful consideration, the vote for the winner ended in a tie between two students from GFW. Therefore the committee decided to give out two scholarships, in the amount of \$500 each, to Isaiah Hahn and Andrew Pierson at the high school awards ceremony held on May 25, 2004.

Isaiah, the son of David and JoLynn

Hahn, grew up on a farm by Winthrop. A lover of all forms of nature, he considers himself to be an environmentalist. Isaiah has helped clean ditches, planted trees for local organizations, raised pheasants to release into the wild, and does lawn care for the Winthrop Game Protective League. He enjoys camping, hiking, and trapping, but says that fishing is by far his favorite activity. His love for the outdoors and concern for the environment has led him to consider a career in Aquatic Biology at Bemidji State University.

Andrew, the son of Kelly and Sandy
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Club Calendar	
June 24th.....	Meeting at Club House - 7:30 p.m.
July 8th.....	Social Night - Dave Wenks
July 21st.....	Kids Fishing Contest at Riverside Park
July 29th.....	Meeting at Club House - 7:30 p.m.

The lost boys make it back from the Boundary Waters Wilderness. Six grueling days in the wilderness with no beer or women. Thank heavens for cousin Neil.

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From the President . . .

Well summer temperature is upon us and so are the so-called spring rains. How high's the water Mama? Wow! We asked for some water, well we got water now. It's kind of a good news bad news deal though. Good news is, Clear Lake has a brand new boat access all equipped with water and everything. How 'bout that. Bad news is, Clear Lake has a new boat access all equipped with water and everything. Good news is, the Minnesota River has enough water in it for a steamboat. Bad news is, it's lappin' at the backyard at Dave Wenk's. Good news is he can cast and fish from his walk out doors downstairs. Bad news is he can't spend all day fishin'.

I have talked with DNR about procuring some rods and reels and it looks like we might be able to get some to help us with our various needs such as Camp Courage, the Kids Fishing Contest and other events where people might need one to fish with. I have been working with Capt. Randy Evans on this and I will keep you posted. This brings me to my appeal to the club. Do you have a rod and reel (not a bait cast, too difficult for most to use) that is in working order that the club can have for kids and others to use. Preferably a closed face (with the button) casting reel. Let me reiterate WORKING reel, we won't be fixing anything. The other type we can use is the typical open faced reel with the lever. After some minimal instruction most people can operate one of those as well. The problem is after many years of using the ones we have; they are getting worn out and are causing problems. Plus, we have given some out to people who need them. So let's see what we can do.

It's really exciting to see the expansion of the club office moving forward, I think with everyone pulling together we can make a dandy. We sure need the room; at most of our meetings over the last 3 years we have averaged 40+ members in attendance. I for one know that figure is going to grow and the added room will even encourage it. I am also a firm believer that more membership creates vitality and diversification in the organization. And that of course is the fiber that makes us strong and active.

For those of you that missed Ron Schara's "Minnesota Bound" program featuring a number of NUASF members, I have a copy and will show it at or after the next meeting. I also have the "Community Clean Up" tape that has been developed to encourage participation in the program and will show that as well. It is well done and will be a valuable tool for the future.

It looks like I will be headed to Washington D.C. to testify on mercury contamination of our fisheries here in Minnesota. It's always something ain't it. Arrangements are being made through Senator Dayton's office. It will be in July and I will give a full report on it after I get back.

Contact Mike or me if you can mow, trim or work on thorough cleaning at the office. Eddie needs help; don't forget he likes taco flavored chips the best. See ya' at the next meeting.

Membership Drive

This year's membership drive is well under way. There are several members tied for the lead with two new members. The award this year is a new Frabil Fish House donated by Al Zwach. With the leader having signed only two new members, it is possible for almost anyone to get right into this contest and have an excellent chance to take over the lead.

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Scholarships (continued from page one)

Pierson, grew up in the city of Winthrop. For as long as he can remember, he has loved being outside. He enjoys sports, camping, hunting and fishing. Andrew participates in his church's youth group and mentoring program. He has planted trees, flowers and shrubs in the community and also helped clean the Winthrop park before and after many events. A member of the Boy Scouts, he was honored with the Eagle Scout award in 2001. One of his service projects involved putting together a 20x 20 foot handicapped accessible picnic area. As a result of his various activities, Andrew has come to realize that each person can make an impact on the environment. He hopes to accomplish that by pursuing an education at Bemidji State University, majoring in Aquatic Biology or elementary education.

We wish these young men all the best with their education and future careers.

The scholarship committee would also like to add a special thank you to the NUASF club for their generosity in continuing their gift of matching funds and also to individual members for their \$5 donation at the time of membership renewal. This generosity helps keep the fund growing and will allow us to assist more and more students in years to come. This small investment will pay off in huge dividends to our environment.

Kids Fishing Contest Wed., July 21

On Wednesday, July 21st, we will again be hosting a fishing contest for kids on the Minnesota River. This event has been growing by leaps and bounds. Last year we had about 175 kids. This year we expect around 200. Ken Sutherland has been the force behind this contest since it's inception and has made sure it is bigger and better each year. He does need help though. Jim Hulke has offered to co-chair the event with Ken again this year. They need help collecting prizes for the contest. If one or two members could help these guys collect prizes, it would make the contest go a lot better. We usually have enough prizes so that every kid who enters the contest gets one. There will be more discussion at the next meeting.

Social night on second Thursday

Don't forget, social night is the second Thursday of every month. There is always something going on at the club house that evening. Most of the guys bring something to grill and have their supper while enjoying the company of fellow members. Coming in July we are planning to have social night again at Dave Wenks at 1215 South Front, on the Minnesota River. We started this last year and had a great turnout. We will be fishing, possibly grilling some supper and sitting around the fire. So put it on your schedule for July 8th after 6:00 p.m. Don't forget about our regular social nights at the club house. It is always the second Thursday of the month. See you there!



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