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WINTER PARTIAL FISH KILL

Clear Lake Update

Although it had appeared to have made it though the winter in fine shape, it seems that Clear Lake did have a partial fish kill. The oxygen levels were well above the danger zone all winter. While picking up thin ice signs along the south shore, we noticed quite a few Bass and Crappie that had washed up. Some people thought they were fish that had been caught and then released this past winter. More likely they were in an area of the lake that experienced oxygen depletion. There were not enough fish to cause any concern. Also, Crappie and Bass were the only species found.

On a sadder note, sometime this spring after the thin ice

signs had been retrieved, the pump house was broken into. The door was kicked in and ruined. All of the tools and a trouble light were taken. It is so sad that some people have so little respect.

Also, I would like to remind all of you that the club boat is available for use by any member. Don't be afraid to use it as it is one of your membership benefits.

Open House set for Sunday, June 26th

The date has been set and it is June 26th. That Sunday afternoon we are inviting all our members and their families out to the club house. Come and see us now. The remodeling will be done and waiting for your inspection.

We are roasting a pig and will have lunch for everyone. This will be a great opportunity for members who have never been out to the club house to check it out. Also if you know someone who might be interested in the club, invite them out.

NUSAF Web site: newulmsportfish.org --- check it out!

C l u b C a l e n d a r

May 26th.....Meeting 7:30 p.m. at the Club House
June 9th.....Social Night
June 23rd.....Camp Courage Fishing - 4:30 p.m. at Studtmann's Pond
June 26th.....Club House Open House - 1:00 p.m.
June 30th.....Meeting at the Club House - 7:30 p.m.



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From the President. . .

This months meeting will be very interesting. We will have a presentation from Dr. Kyle Zimmer on shallow lakes and their relationship with top of the food chain fish. He makes a compelling case for the importance of these fish for shallow lake water quality. We also will be going over several important items and have an update on our scholarship recipients so bring a friend and we will see you there.

It looks as though the Clean Water Legacy bill is dead in the legislature. As of today, funding involving our lottery and cigarette tax that is used for some environmental projects is being proposed to be turned over to an 11 member citizen board. This would take that money out of the control of State elected officials. Some view it as de-politicizing the money and making it more accessible to organizations that are working to make environmental conditions improve. Others don't like the proposal and fear that the 11 member citizen board won't have any accountability factors.

Hard rock mining continues to be a hot topic these days. Two of the original five counties that were considering language that would allow hard rock mining in the scenic rivers area of the Minnesota River have decided not to pursue resolutions like the ones passed in Yellow Medicine and Renville Counties. That is indeed good news and now the door has been opened to re-consider the resolutions that were passed in those two counties. Stay tuned on this one.

I'll see you at the next meeting.

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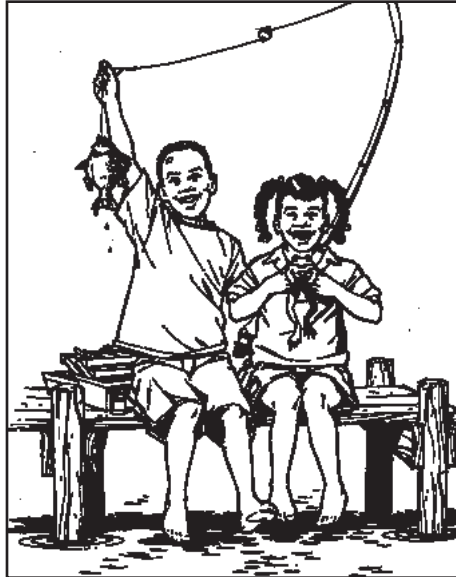
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Camp Courage Kids Fishing

The Studtmanns have once again allowed us to use their pond to take Camp Courage Kids on their annual fishing outing. These kids have waited all year for this day. It is the highlight of the camp and no one gets more enjoyment from a couple of hours of fishing than these kids. We need your help though, as some of the children cannot even cast a rod and reel. Not only do they have a great time, but so will you. If you can help, be at the pond by 4:30 p.m. If you don't know how to get there, give Mike Deinken a call at 359-9650. The date is Thursday, June 23rd at 4:30 p.m.

Kids' Fishing Contest July 20th

This year's Kids' Fishing Contest has been set for Wednesday, July 20th at Riverside Park. Ken and Jim are again taking charge of all the preparations. They could probably use some help collecting prizes for the contest. Also, we need help at the contest. There will be more information at the next meeting.



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