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# New Food concession coordinators for Riverblast announced

This year 2 new individuals have stepped forward to be food concession coordinators. Jason Kuester and Harry Christian have accepted the position and will be in charge of operations. They will be your contact people for all questions and scheduling of the food concession stand at

Riverblast. Jason can be reached at <u>ir@newulmtel.net</u> or 507-381-2041 or and Harry is at 507-354-6941.

The shifts for working are 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and 8 to closing on Friday and 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to closing on Saturday.

# A clean energy future for Minnesota

by Colleen Coyne, Minnesota Environment • Fall 2007

With our existing energy choices fueling climate change, it was just a matter of time before Minnesota joined other progressive states in coming up with clean energy legislation.

That time came on May 25, 2007, when Governor Tim Pawlenty signed the Next Generation Energy Act of 2007.

This new law puts Minnesota squarely at the forefront of states leading the way toward a national sustainable energy future. It will increase energy efficiency and expand community-based energy development, and sets a statewide goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

The law supplements the aggressive "25x25" (electric utilities must provide 25 percent renewable electricity by 2025) target set by the governor in 2006, continued on page 3

# Bartenders & Ticket Sales volunteers are needed

Ticket sales and bartending volunteers are also needed at Riverblast. If you can spare some time contact Scott Sparlin at <a href="mailto:yasure@lycos.com">yasure@lycos.com</a> or cell at 507-276-2280. The shifts are the same as for food and are also listed in the From the President's column in this edition of the Hook Line and Sinker.

# Annual Club Fishing Contest at Petermann's on the River

Once again this year Dick Petermann will host the annual club fishing contest on the Minnesota River at his property just off the bottom road a few miles past the Harkin Store. The contest will be on Saturday September 20th beginning at noon and going 'til you feel like leaving. Camping on site is available. Bring something to throw on the grill, some bait and refreshments and make a day of it. Contest entry is \$5 and all proceeds go to the NUASF scholarship fund. There will be a sign out on the bottom road on where to turn. Pete's place has real good fishing and is quite secluded with natural rock formations and a marvelous view.

## Club Calendar

August 21st	Meeting at the Clubhouse 7:30 p.m.
August 29-30th	Riverblast at Riverside Park
September 11th	Social Night
September 25	Meeting at the Clubhouse 7:30 p.m.



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# From the President

By Scott Sparlin

Just a quick reminder that this month's meeting will be a week early due to Riverblast, it will be held on Thursday August 21st at 7:30 PM at the club office. This is as early as Labor Day gets so we will be at the river on the 29th and 30th of August for the event. If you can volunteer for the food booth contact either Jason Kuester or Harry Christian, they are this year's coordinators of the food. Look for their contact points in this edition of the Hook Line and Sinker.

This year's Riverblast will include all of the fun things of the past with a great new edition of a state of the art playground for kids. Free camping in the park will once again be offered for those who wish to stay the weekend. Of course pass along to all who wish to camp that you should take out what you bring in including any garbage. Two years ago we had some problems. Last year we put up a sign and the park was spotless after the event so let's keep that going.

For those who can help set up on Thursday the 28th someone (me for sure) will be around all day and if you can help then that is great. Most will be showing up after work on Thursday around 5 PM. But I will also be setting up starting on Wednesday afternoon around 1 PM or so and if you are available in that time frame I can put you on things to do if you can help out.

If you can help bartending or with ticket sales the shifts are Friday 4-8 PM and 8-closing. On Saturday the shifts are 11AM to 3PM, 3-7PM and 7 to closing. Feel free to contact me at vasure@lycos.com or 507 276 2280 and let me know of your availability.

Teardown time for Riverblast is Sunday morning at 10:30 AM and we usually wrap up around 1:30PM or so.

Bring a friend to the next meeting and receive a beverage of your choice for you and your friend. See you on Thursday the 21st of August.

## Hook Line and Sinker available on Web Site

A reminder that the Hook Line and Sinker newsletter can be viewed as soon as it goes to print on our web site at either newulmsportfish.org or newulmsportfish.com If you have something you would like to post or that you would like to see in the newsletter, you can contact Ross Nelson Editor, his contact is listed in this publication.

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# A clean energy future for Minnesota

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and provides support for previous legislation appropriating more than \$35 million for a range of energy projects and research, including:

- \$3 million to double the number of E85 gas stations in Minnesota up to 600.
- \$15 million for bioenergy, renewable hydrogen and solar technology projects.
- \$17 million for energy research by the University of Minnesota's Initiative for Renewable Energy and the Environment.

"The best time to have taken action on energy issues would have been 30 years ago. The second best time is right now," Pawlenty said.

Other components of the law include:

- Energy savings goals: New programs will effectively double the amount of energy saved by utilities by moving Minnesota from energy efficiency "spending" goals to energy efficiency "savings" goals. The bill also sets a target and provides funds for 1,000 Energy Star-rated buildings in Minnesota by 2010.
- Community-based energy: This strengthens Minnesota commitment to the development of locally-owned renewable energy projects.
- Greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction: Establishes statewide GHG reduction goals of 15 percent by 2015, 30 percent by 2025 and 80 percent by 2050. It also endorses the Governor's Minnesota Climate Change Advisory Group (Wind Turbines, Steam Power, Electric Cars, Ethanol, Solar Energy, Electric Energy and Modern Industry) as the entity to develop a comprehensive plan to meet those reductions goals.
- New Board: The Next Generation Energy Board meets monthly to develop bioenergy and biofuel policies and recommendations for the state of Minnesota.

"In many ways, Minnesota was the birthplace of the renewable energy movement," said Governor Pawlenty. "Today we're leading the nation on a path to better, cleaner, more independent energy future."

## This month's meeting date is changed

The regular scheduled meeting of the NUASF has been changed this month due to the early fall of Labor Day and subsequently Riverblast. This month's meeting will be on Thursday August 21st at 7:30

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