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Two chosen for Mecklenburg Scholarship

NUASF E.E. MECKLENBURG ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS FOR 2009

By Ruth Mecklenburg

This year the committee for the New Ulm Area Sport Fishermen (NUASF) EE Mecklenburg Environmental Scholarship chose two students to receive \$500 each. As most members know, Earl Mecklenburg was the father of longtime member, Dave Mecklenburg. To honor Earl's memory, in the fall of 2000, Dave's family created the scholarship for graduating high school students planning on pursuing a career in the environmental field. That same year, the NUASF club came on board as a co-sponsor.

The first of the two recipients is Jeff Jerve, a graduate of Montevideo High School and the son of Ron and Gail Jerve. While in school, Jeff was involved in football, basketball, and track.



Jeff Jerve

Two of his favorite past times are hunting and fishing. Jeff feels a great sense of responsibility for the environment and wants to leave a clean legacy for future generations. He has helped with river clean up, picked garbage in the woods, and worked toward cleaning up the local landfill site. Jeff plans to attend North Dakota State University to get a degree in Wildlife and Fisheries, with a background in Criminal Justice.

The second of the two recipients, Patrick Olson, also graduated from Montevideo High School. He is the son of Kylee Olson, who is the Director of the Chippewa River Watershed Project and a former CURE Board member. Patrick took several AP courses in high school. His extra-curricular activities included knowledge bowl, cross country, and track, as well as various community service projects. Patrick grew up in a



Patrick Olson

family that loved the outdoors. Every summer his family chose a new region of the U.S. or Canada to take a camping trip. As a result, he has a great love for nature and can identify native prairie plants, wildlife, and various habitat world-wide. Patrick plans to attend the University of Minnesota-Duluth to get a degree in Wildlife and Habitat Conservation. We congratulate these fine young men and offer our best wishes for their future education and environmental pursuits. The Mecklenburg family would like to take this opportunity to give a special thanks to the NUASF club for its continued generosity. In addition to the \$5 that members donate along with their membership renewal, this year the club donated an extra \$1,000. The family also wants to recognize Dick Petermann, for sponsoring a fishing contest every year at his place and donating the proceeds to the scholarship. Another gracious donor this year was the family of Willmar Studtmann. They held the first annual Willmar Studtmann Memorial Ice Fishing Contest and the family matched the money received from the entry fees and the "saw-fle" and donated the total amount to the scholarship fund.

It is because of these donations, large or small, that the fund continues to grow and has allowed the scholarship committee to award a total of \$9,250 to area students since it's formation.

Club Calendar

September 4-5th Riverblast: Wow! And thanks!
September 19th Peterman's Fall Club Fishing Contest,
12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. (?)
September 22nd Autumn begins
October 1st MEETING at the Clubhouse, 7:00 p.m.
October 3rd Belle Plaine River Cleanup,
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

NOTICE

**This month's meeting date
has been changed to
Thursday, October 1st.**



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From the President

By Jason Kuester

Please note the new date for the next meeting will be **October 1st**. We have changed this date due to conflicts with many of the members. Hope it works for everyone! Dennis Frederickson will be attending our next meeting to talk about how the new tax increase is being spent. I am also hoping that we will have an update on our Minnecon park project.

I would like to thank all the volunteers that helped out at Riverblast. There was a great turnout, not to mention beautiful weather. As for the food sales...they went well I will go into more detail at the next meeting.

It is time to start thinking of the Ice Fishing Contest. We need to decide where we are going to get the portable ice house for the contest. Posters, tickets, and sponsors also need to be decided upon. As always we will be setting up a prize and food committee.

Fall is here and what a great time to bring our friends and family to the New Ulm Area Sport Fisherman Club. We are always looking for new members to join. If you know of someone bring them along and show them how much fun we have at our club. As always, bring a friend and each of you will receive a free refreshment of your choice!

Hope to see you at the next meeting!!

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CRANK BAIT

There are some 10,000 old tires "stocked" on site at Belle Plaine. If you've had little luck with Lakemaid bottle-caps, throw in a line before or after the cleanup, and maybe catch a r-r-r-rubber feesh!

The Belle River Plaine cleanup is 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Participants must be 12 years or older. The bus leaves the 3M parking lot at 8:00 a.m. sharp! For more information, call Tony Miller at 507-354-8271.

MEETING NOTES from August 27th

*34 members present; 185 in good standing; 27 due; 2 new members. Pat Roiger and Orin Schultz are tied for first place in recruitment.

*Area Lakes & Rivers Report: Lake Diefenbaker—great fishing! Mound Creek—limit of crappies, and the dock is in; Cottonwood River—eagles were feasting on on huge catfish floundering in pools; Fox Lake, Sherburn—great crappie catches; Clear Lake, Gibbon—the water is nice and clear and clean; Lake of the Woods—perch and walleye; Cottonwood River—11# walleye (fish tale?).

*Clubhouse News—mower wouldn't start; possible visits by "critters" inside clubhouse; dog "waste" on floor (lions? tigers? bears?); doors not locked—lock everything up; problems with e-mailed newsletter not getting through to some members—let Ross or Ken know about any problems.

*Jackets are in—please pay up, thanks!

*Discussion about boat motors for club boat—looking for a 40-50 horse, max price \$1500. The older boat still "works good."

*Final Riverblast discussion and details.

*Peterman's Fishing Contest, Sept. 19th.

*Del Lambrecht had surgery and is home now doing OK. Get well, Delbert!

*Dixon? High Banks? Which? Dixon it is.

*Donation from Orv Rannow and Glen Rasmussen. Thanks!

*Hermann buttons for sale—see Glen R.

*The water at Clear Lake, New Ulm, is too low to land a boat; discussion followed, with the sense being that this might take some of the pressure off the lake.

*Food for next meeting: POT LUCK.

*NEXT MEETING, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1st, 7:00 p.m. Thanks, all! Be well.

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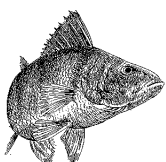
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