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## Water, Water, Everywhere . .

If you've had a "cool, clear" glass of a simple chemical compound made up of two atoms of hydrogen joined to one of oxygen lately, consider yourself lucky. Less than 1% of the world's water is accessible for human use. And as the floodwaters recede this spring, please be aware of the April, 2010, issue of National Geographic magazine. This special issue is titled, simply, Water: Our Thirsty World, and includes a beautiful free map about World Rivers and Water Footprints. If you're not a member of the National Geographic Society, you can pick up a copy at the newsstand price of \$5.99. It's a keeper! www.ngm.com

## Water Resources Center, U of M

Do you want to have a say in the future of Minnesota's lakes, rivers, and groundwater? Do you have an opinion on what pollution threats the waters face, and what should be done to clean and protect them? If you do, you're invited to fill out the University of Minnesota Water Resources Center survey. By orders of the Minnesota Legislature, the Water Resources Center is preparing a 25-year planning document for assuring the sus-



tainability of state water resources. The legislature defined sustainability as use that "does not harm ecosystems, degrade water quality, or compromise the ability of future generations to meet their own needs." Take the on-line survey at: www.wrc.umn.edu

# The Freshwater Society

The mission of the Freshwater Society is to promote the conservation, protection, and restoration of all freshwater resources. Since 1968—two years before

## **Club Calendar**

Thursday, April 22nd......40th Anniversary of Earth Day Thursday, April 29th......General Meeting at the Clubhouse, 7:30 Saturday, May 15th.....Minnesota Walleye Season Opener the first Earth Day —the Freshwater Society has been a leading public nonprofit organi zation dedicated to achieving these goals. To learn more about Freshwater's recent activities and to consider becoming a member, please visit <u>www.freshwater.org</u>.

## minnesota.public radio.org

"Award-winning reporter Hendrick Smith on water pollution"—The Pulitzer Prize and Emmy Award-winning reporter speaks with MPR and answers listeners' questions. To listen to this one hour program, go to <u>www.mpr.org</u>, Midday with Gary Eichten, Program Archive for April 15, 2010.

More on Henrick Smith: <u>www.henrick-</u> <u>smith.com</u> or <u>www.pbs.org</u> –Frontline, "Poisoned Waters".



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## From the President .....

### By Jason Kuester

First things first, at the last meeting we elected our winner for the Stoney Award. The Stoney Award goes out to the member who gives time and time again. We all know there are many members that do this and I would like to thank all of our members for making this such a great organization. At the next meeting we will be presenting Tony Miller with this great award. Thanks Tony for all your hard work and dedication to our club.

I would like to thank everyone that showed up for the Community Clean Up For Water Quality. We had about 20 volunteers that day from the New Ulm Area Sport Fisherman club. After we got done cleaning up around town and down at the river we all headed out to the club house for spring clean up. Great job everyone!!!!

I hope everyone can make it to the next meeting on April 29th. Joe Fellegy and a local DNR official will also be joining us on April 29th. If you have any questions for Joe bring them to then next meeting. Each member will receive a 2010/2011 regulations fishing book. Note: I will also have a little hand out for all who attend the meeting.

Just a little news from the west, Ole was out to visit our good friend Mike Deinken. Mike said all is well, he's hoping to get the window air conditioner in soon! He is also looking forward to seeing everyone this summer when he comes home.



Mark your calendar for July 14th this will be the day for the kids fishing contest at Riverside Park. We will need many volunteers for this event. We will have more info on this in the next newsletter.

Spring is in the air 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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## MEETING NOTES from March 25th

\*Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports were approved unanimously by members present. \*Membership Update: Members present: 50+; membership stands at 205, with 37 due. Mike Buechner leads drive with 4 new members.

\*Area Lakes and Rivers: Water skiers sighted on the Minnesota River.

\*Clubhouse and Grounds Update: Cleand up at the clubhouse after the community cleanup; Sign-up sheet for mowing duties will be available next meeting.

\*Conversation was held about boat motors that club members have looked at for use on the club boats—nothing yet, keep looking.

\*Jim Liebl has installed the new cut-out figures on the front of the clubhouse.

\*Stoney Award: Nominees for the Stoney Award: Wayne Forbrook, Tony Miller, Al Zwach, Jason Kuester, Eric Olson, Ron Ludewig. Tony Miller was awarded this year's Stoney Award after garnering 14 votes. Thank you, Tony, and congratulations!

\*Tony Miller and Jim Liebl took care of talking to many of the businesses that had not paid for their newsletter ads.

\*Minnecon Wetland Project again under scrutiny: Should we proceed with or drop the project?

\*Tony Miller led a discussion of the club's asset values and its various limits and categories.

\*Discussion of new membership-drive program.

\*Committees: Minnecon Project-Tony Miller; Aeration system-Ron Ludewig; Food-(need a volunteer); Clubhouse & Grounds-Jim Hulke.

\*Mound Creek Dock: Project to extend the dock 20-feet is underway. A monetary donation was motioned for and passed unanimously.

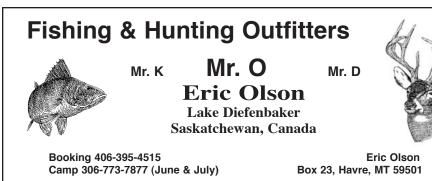
\*Report from Scott Sparlin: Community Cleanup scheduled for April 3, Riverside Park; Kids' Hooked on the River Project (All 5th grade students) to educate them on water quality & fishing; 2-day event Sept. 15 and 16, hosted by Scott Sparlin and Ron Bolduan;

request for a club donation to this event was made, motion for a monetary donation was made and passed, with the stipulation that other like-organizations will be asked for donations as well; Club decided to sponsor a meal for the community cleanup participants.

\*Kari Beran "Pro Kinship for Kids" Presentation: Organization will bus about 50 kids to the U of M to learn about water quality and its impact on fish, birds, and the rest of nature. Club decided to contribute a monetary sum to help defray the cost of the trip. \*Studtmann Pond: Mike Studtmann reported that a great time was had by all, some money was raised and matched by his family, and that all the proceeds were donated to the EE Mecklenburg Scholarship Fund. Thank you!

\*Kids' Summer Fishing Contest date was set for July 14th, 4 – 7 p.m.; Jim Hulke and Mark Dauer will host; Sid's Signs has offered a two-for-one deal on some promo-signage; based on last year's figures, motion was made and passed to allow Jim Hulke to spend whatever he needs to cover expenses for the event. Thanks and good luck! \*Other Business: Thin Ice signs will have to be picked up very soon, and Ron Ludewig may be calling for help. Pumps may have to be worked on and checked. \*Ole visited Mike Deinken said HA!

\*Food for next meeting presented by Orv Rannow.









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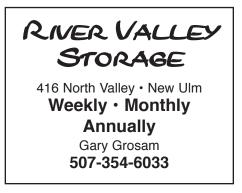
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