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**NEXT MEETING...MAY 13TH, 2009...VFW
FREE BURGERS FOR PAID UP MEMBERS 6 PM TILL GONE
MEETING TO FOLLOW AT 7PM**

**WE WILL RESCHEDULE DATES FOR THE RIVER ROAD CLEAN UP AND TREE REEF
PROJECTS AT THIS MEETING! BE THERE TO VOLUNTEER!**

THIS COMMUNITY HAS PROVEN OUR DEDICATION IN THIS FLOOD FIGHT AND THE SEWER SITUATION! THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR THEIR EFFORTS, VOLUNTEERING AND SACRIFICING. WE WILL BE INCONVENIENCED FOR SOME TIME YET, BUT WE WILL GET THROUGH IT. SUMMER WILL COME, GARDENS WILL GROW AND OUR LIVES WILL GRADUALLY GET BACK TO NORMAL.

MARCH HUNTER-ED CLASS HAD 43 GRADUATES. THANK YOU TO CHAIR GAYLON HANSEN AND HIS VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTORS: DUANE REINISCH, SKIP PEDERSEN, DENNY & KARL HELLAND, MATT FAIRFIELD, MARLOWE GRINDLER, EUGENE PEDERSON, RANDY BOSTROM, MIC RETTERATH, BRUCE NIELSEN, DAVE HANCOCK & COREY ERCK.

NDGFD ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS FOCUSED MAINLY ON WINTER KILL OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THE EXTRA WATER WILL BRING BACK THE FISHERIES. WILDLIFE WILL TAKE MORE TIME AND WE CAN ONLY HOPE FOR MILDER WEATHER.

NDGFD ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER FOR DISTRICT 6 HAS BEEN RITA GREER. HER POSITION TERM IS UP AND BCWF WILL SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO RECOMMEND JOHN KOPP TO FILL THIS OPENING AS HE HAS THE INTEREST TO DO SO.

PHEASANT CHICK DELIVERY DATE SHOULD BE CONFIRMED AT THE MAY MEETING. WE ARE AWARE THAT NUMBERS ARE VERY LIMITED THIS YEAR AND OTHER OPTIONS WERE DISCUSSED AT THE APRIL MEETING.

CHAUTAUQUA PARK FISHING PIER IS STILL ON GO BUT MAY BE DELAYED DUE TO FLOOD CLEANUP.

FAUST PARK WILL BE IN NEED OF A GOOD CLEANUP (OUR FIRST PLANS WERE ONLY FOR OUTHOUSE WORK). THIS WILL BE A MUCH LARGER PROJECT NOW, WITH LANDSCAPE ISSUES AND DEBRIS. PLEASE CONTACT JAY HOLM 490-1293 IF YOU CAN VOLUNTEER FOR THIS. WE'LL TRY TO SET UP A COMMITTEE AND TENTATIVE DATES AT THE MAY MEETING.

LEGISLATIVE: THERE ARE STILL A COUPLE OF BILLS THAT WE ARE TRACKING. AS NOTHING IS DONE THROUGH USPS ANYMORE, IF YOU HAVE ACCESS TO EMAIL OR INTERNET YOU CAN GET THE INFORMATION. CONTACT RICHARD MONSON 845-3938. BE PRO-ACTIVE. BE AWARE.

ARCHERY RANGE IS TEMPORARILY SHUT DOWN AS THE AUDITORIUM HAD WATER. UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE YOU CAN CALL NIEL PEDERSON 840-0173 FOR INFO.

JUNIOR NATURALISTS...CONTACT STACY 845-3466. **IF THERE WILL BE A MAY CLASS** IT WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE MAY MEETING BUT YOU STILL NEED TO REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN! AGAIN, THIS IS ANOTHER FLOOD ISSUE.

YOUTH SUMMER CAMPS: THESE CAMPS ARE LIMITED AND FILL UP FAST SO PLEASE CALL CHARLENE STENSON 646-4503 TO SIGN UP. BCWF WILL PAY CAMP COST ABOVE THE \$50 DEPOSIT FEE. TOTAL COST IS AROUND \$250 SO IT'S A GREAT BARGAIN FOR INTERESTED KIDS!

**NDWF CONSERVATION CAMP.....AUG 2-8....GARRISON....AGES 12-16
LURE 'EM FOR LIFE FISHING CAMP...AUG 9-14...DEVILS LAKE...AGES 8-14**

JUNE 6...TAKE A KID FISHING DAY

JUNE 13-14...SUMMER WALLEYE TOURNAMENT, KELLY'S CROSSING

JUNE...RED RIVER VALLEY SPORTSMEN ARE LOOKING FOR CLUBS TO ENTER A TRAPSHOOTING COMPETITION. CONTACT A CLUB OFFICER IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS.

VC TRAP CLUB IS NOW OPEN ON TUESDAY NIGHTS. WE HELP SPONSOR THE YOUTH PROGRAM.

R.A.P. AUCTION IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 15TH (alternative Aug. 22). THIS EVENT BRINGS A HUGE CROWD AND NDWF IS PLANNING A FUNDRAISER TO COINCIDE AROUND IT. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP OUT AND ATTEND, CONTACT BRUCE ANUNDSON 845-0469.