

Coalition for a Clean Minnesota River (CCMR) Annual Banquet

Hi All, Be sure to mark your calendars now for the annual Minnesota River Banquet to be held on Saturday April 5th in New Ulm, MN at the New Ulm Community Center located at the corner of Highway 15 North and German St. Doors will open at 5 PM with a social hour which includes free wine, beer and soft drinks. Dinner will be served at 6:30 PM. The cost of dinner is \$15 per person which will feature lasagna with both a meat and vegetable only as choices. Following dinner a summary of current Minnesota River issues, initiatives, actions and activities will be provided by the Coalition for a Clean Minnesota River Executive Director, Scott Sparlin. Then it gets interesting, tables will be pre-labeled with issues, initiatives, and/or actions that have an affect on the river. Each table will have at least one knowledgeable person of note at it regarding the labeled topic. An open discussion will be held at each table that will help people gain a greater understanding of the topic and give input. Examples of some of the topics are: Fish and Fishing on the river, Hard Rock Outcroppings, Legacy Amendment, Conservation Drainage Symposiums, Community Clean Ups for Water Quality, Big Stone 2 Coal Plant Expansion, Systems Dynamics Proposal as well as an open table to discuss the river in general. People will be encouraged to "intellectually graze" from table to table. There will also be a raffle with cash prizes. For reservations email yasure@lycos.com or call 507 276 2280 with the number attending. Reservations are strongly encouraged however a limited number of tickets will be available at the door.