



IDAHO CHAPTER

THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It's been a long winter and most people are anxious for warmer days and a little fun. It may be a little too early for shorts and tennis shoes but the annual meeting of the Idaho Chapter of The Wildlife Society promises to be lots of fun mixed with liberal doses of education. It will be held in Boise on March 7-9 at the Red Lion Downtowner. And, as promised, we'll be meeting with the American Fisheries Society. As you can see by the enclosed agenda, it's going to be a good program. Please plan to attend.

GENERAL MEETING AND RIPARIAN SESSION

March 7-9, 1985 - Boise

The programs for the general session and the day-long session with the American Fisheries Society are found on the following pages. I think you'll agree, after looking them over, that there's something there for everyone.

The meeting will be held at the Red Lion Downtowner in Boise. The sessions and Friday night social and auction will all be in one place. This means that those of us who stay at the hotel won't have to be concerned about driving and drinking on Friday night.

This brings up an important point. The more of us who stay at the hotel, the less it will cost the Chapter to rent meeting facilities, so please use the enclosed card to make your reservations before February 13. Members who reside in Boise should also consider staying at the hotel at least one night

to help out the Chapter. Besides, it's deductible, as are your other expenses. All of the officers will be staying there, as well as several other locals who will be doing likewise. If you don't use the enclosed card to make your reservations, be sure to tell them that you're with The Wildlife Society, as we are getting a special room rate, which is \$38 for a single and \$45 for a double. This is \$10 off the regular rate. The rooms are wonderful. Arrangements have been made to provide free housing for students. Any students wanting to take advantage of this offer should call Karen Steenhof for details (334-1582).

So plan to attend the meeting March 7-9. It promises to be an informative and enjoyable session.

Riparian Ecosystems and Issues

March 7, 1985

Session I: Overview of Riparian Ecosystems

- 0830-0900 A. Physical and hydrological characteristics - Walt Megehan
B. The biological component - Fish, wildlife and plants
0900-0920 1. Fish and aquatic invertebrates - Jim Sidell
0920-0940 2. Riparian plant communities - Chuck Blair
0940-1000 3. Riparian wildlife - Bob Jones
1000-1030 C. The human component - case histories of use and abuse - Don Guthrie

1030-1100 Break

Session II: Conflicting Uses of Riparian Ecosystems - User Perceptions and Economic Values

- 1100-1130 A. Livestock grazing -
1130-1200 B. Agricultural development -
1200-1320 Lunch Break
1320-1350 C. Urban development - Kathy Gager
1350-1420 D. Wildlife and watersheds - Virgil Moore

Session III: Management of Riparian Ecosystems

- A. Private lands
1420-1440 1. Riparian legislation update - Mike Anderson
B. Public lands
1440-1500 1. U.S. Forest Service - Al Wingwert
1500-1520 2. Bureau of Land Management - Alan Thomas
1520-1550 Break

- C. Wildlife management
 - 1550-1610 1. Fish and Game - Carl Nellis
 - 1610-1630 2. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - John Wolflin
- 1630-1700 D. Where are we at and where are we going? - Bill Platts
- 1700-1730 E. Audience discussion with session speakers

March 8, 1985

- 0730-0815 Registration and coffee
- 0815-0835 Riparian community types and management implications within the Sawtooth National Recreation Area - A. Lynn Burton/H.L. Forsgren/Allan Ashton
- 0835-0855 An extensive method to evaluate woody riparian habitat condition - Ed Gheen
- 0855-0915 Livestock management in the riparian ecosystem - Larry Bryant
- 0915-0935 Birch Creek Aquatic Habitat Management Plan - Robert McCarty
- 0935-0955 The history and current status of the Thousand Springs - Stu Murrell
- 0955-1025 Break
- 1025-1050 Habitat relationships of Woodland Caribou in the southern Selkirks - Mike Scott
- 1050-1110 Endangered Species Act - How it relates to federal management - Jeff Ring
- 1110-1130 Wolves of central Idaho - Timm Kaminski
- 1130-1300 Lunch
- 1300-1320 Wildlife and forest planning - Stephan Mealy
- 1320-1340 Success of the experimental stewardship program - Pat Aguilar
- 1340-1400 Current forest pest management practices in southern Idaho - James Hoffman
- 1400-1420 Key big game habitat areas on Boise Cascade Corporation lands - Beaver Creek and Davis Creek - John Kwader
- 1420-1450 Break
- 1450-1700 Business Meeting

March 9, 1985

- 0830-0850 Bald eagle and osprey reproduction and habitat use in southeast Idaho - Michael Whitfield

- 0850-0910 Utilization of a transmission line by nesting raptors and ravens in Idaho and Oregon - Michael Kochert/Karen Steenhof
- 0910-0930 The effects of industrial construction activities on a breeding population of prairie falcons in southwest Idaho - Antonie Holthuijz/Allan Ansell
- 0930-0950 Communal roosting of common ravens in southwest Idaho - Kate Engel/Lenny Young/Diane Aleshire/Karen Steenhof
- 0950-1015 Break
- 1015-1035 Moose use of grand fir/Pacific yew communities and implications for timber management - Jeff Jones/Dean Graham
- 1035-1055 Development and use of models predicting degree of shrub use on an Idaho mule deer winter range - Charlie Vandemoer
- 1055-1115 Idaho's natural heritage program: a nongame data base and more - Craig Groves
- 1115-1135 Ejection of brown-headed cowbird eggs and egg recognition by the sage thrasher - Terry Rich/Stephen Rothstein
- 1135-1155 Impacts of phosphate mining on mule deer, elk and moose in southeastern Idaho - Lonk Kuck
- 1155-1215 Habitat and population characteristics of Columbian sharp-tailed grouse in western Idaho - Jeff Marks
- 1215-1235 Opportunities and challenges to elk management in the Upper Snake River watershed - Tracy Trent

AUCTION - AUCTION

The Idaho Chapters of The Wildlife Society and the American Fisheries Society will be holding a fund-raising auction at this year's social gathering. The American Fisheries Society has been conducting auctions at their state meetings and have done quite well. All auction items are donated by members.

Example: Sam Mattise will donate a one-day pheasant hunt in Hagerman Valley. Bring your gun, shells, lunch and hiking boots.

The Idaho Chapter will receive the money from items donated to The Wildlife Society and the American Fisheries Society from items donated to them.

We would appreciate donations from anyone interested. It should be a lot of fun. For more information or to donate items, contact Sam Mattise at 334-1582 or Signe Blair at 334-1931.

HELP WANTED SECTION

The Idaho Chapter's secretary-treasurer, Donna Gleisner, has left the tranquility of Idaho for the wilds of Vancouver, Washington. Her present

position is as a regional information-education person for the Washington Department of Game.

So, this is an official call for volunteers who want to be the new secretary-treasurer. It's a time-consuming job but also rewarding. The following are a few of the requirements and duties:

- 1) Reside in the Moscow area
- 2) Belong to the parent Society
- 3) Write newsletter articles
- 4) Handle printing and distribution of 4 or more newsletters each year
- 5) Maintain Chapter files
- 6) Handle financial transactions of the Chapter
- 7) Prepare financial report for Chapter meetings
- 8) Maintain Chapter membership list, including the collection of dues
- 9) Handle registration at the annual Chapter meeting
- 10) Answer selected correspondence
- 11) Miscellaneous duties, as assigned.

For anyone that might be interested, contact Lew Nelson no later than February 15.

CHAPTER DUES ARE DUE

The new year has arrived and with it comes an opportunity to renew your belief in our Chapter. Be one of the supporters by joining at the low cost of \$3.00. You can't beat that for a bargain.

Many of you pay your Chapter dues with your national dues. That's a good method so keep doing that. For those who will attend the annual meeting in Boise, you can pay your dues there.

For people not attending the annual meeting, there are two arrangements. First, give your dues to someone attending the meeting and have them pay for you. Or, send a \$3.00 check to Lew Nelson, Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, University of Idaho, Moscow 83843.

Please be sure and pay promptly so that you will continue to receive the newsletter. We simply don't want to lose you as a member. You're very important to us.