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WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

by

Lew Nelson, Sectional Representative

Voting for N.W. Section officers is done every two years. That time is now. Please allow me to say a few short words about the election.

Being a good officer requires a two-year commitment and a lot of work and time. It's not something that everyone can or wants to do. We are lucky in our Section because a few dedicated people have agreed to spend their time and energy as your representatives. All they get out of this is a little satisfaction and all they ask is your support.

In this issue you will read the resumes of six people who have individually promised they will work hard and make our Section a good, productive organization. Please read about these people carefully and choose the ones that you feel will do the best job.

One last special favor for me. **Please VOTE!**

The enclosed postcard is to make it easy. It is demeaning to those running for office to hear that only a few members voted. Let's show them our support by voting. Please do it now.

ELECTION OF N.W. SECTION OFFICERS

The nomination committee has come up with a slate of candidates for offices which need to be filled this year. I can only echo Lew Nelson's appeal to everyone to read the candidates qualifications, and then vote. Brief biographical sketches of each candidate for each office are given below. Presidential candidates also present their views regarding the N.W. Section.

PRESIDENT

Samuel N. Mattise
Wildlife Biologist
Bureau of Land Management
Boise, Idaho

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The Executive Board of the NW Section will meet on Tuesday, 31 March, at 0900; the meeting place will be announced at the registration desk.

The agenda for this meeting includes administrative reports, discussions about policy, activities, and finance, and presentations by the NW Section representative and national officers. This information will be summarized and presented to the general membership at the annual business luncheon meeting on Wednesday, 1 April.

The board consists of current Section officers, incoming officers, and a representative from each Chapter. Chapter representatives are appointed by all chapters, so please appoint and send a representative.

1987 ANNUAL MEETING

The 1987 annual meeting is a joint NW Section and Alaska Chapter meeting and will be held 31 March through 2 April. The theme for this years meeting is "Economic Values of Wildlife Resources". This is the final call for papers to be presented at this years meeting. Abstracts should be submitted to the chairperson of the session in which it most appropriately fits by 28 February. Their addresses are at the end of the agenda below. Because the proceedings of the economic symposium (papers presented on 1 and 2 April) will be published, authors should be prepared to submit final copies of their papers at the time of presentation. These papers should be in Journal of Wildlife Management format (8 1/2 x 11 and include abstract, key words, etc.) and ready for the printer. Papers done on a word processor must use a good letter quality printer - NOT a dot matrix printer. Tables and graphs should have captions on them; they may be photo-reduced but please keep them readable. We will try to accommodate black and white photographs, but can make no quarantees on the quality of their final reproduction.

Failure to submit the final manuscript at the time of presentation will result in only the abstract appearing in the proceedings. Please follow these directions so that your knowledge can contribute to a high quality publication.

Tentative Agenda

Tuesday 31 March

- 0830 - 1200 Registration
- 0900 - 1100 NW Section Executive Board Meeting
- 0930 - 1120 General Technical Session - Chaired by Charles Schwartz
- 1130 - 1330 Alaska Chapter Business Luncheon Meeting, John Schoen, Pres. Ak. Chapter, Ak. Dept. Fish & Game, Juneau, Ak. 99801.
- 1330 - 1700 General Technical Session
- 1800 No Host Bar (Thane Ore House)
- 1845 Informal Dinner (Thane Ore House) Slide Program on Southeast Alaska Images following dinner

Symposium on Economic Values of Wildlife Resources

Wednesday 1 April

- 0900 Introduction to Conference John Weigand, NW Section President, Montana Dept. Fish, Wildlife, & Parks, Helena, Mt. 59620
- 0910 Kickoff Address: Is it time for economic advocacy of Wildlife resources? Bob Weeden, Univ. of Alaska, Fairbanks, Ak.
- 0940 Economic and Nonconsumptive Use of Wildlife Chaired by Wayne Melquist

- 1140 - 1330 Northwest Section Business Luncheon Meeting John Weigand, NW Section President presiding
- 1330 - 1700 Economics and Consumptive Use of Wildlife Chaired by Wayne Regelin
- 1830 No-host Bar
- 1930 Banquet - A speaker to be confirmed, music, and an open bar will follow

Thursday 2 April

- 0830 Introduction to Session
- 0835 Governors Address - The Value of Wildlife to the Economy of Alaska - Information Needs of the Administration in Resource Decision Making Alaskan Governor Steve Cowper (to be confirmed)
- 0845 Keynote Address - President's Commission on Americans Outdoors - Outdoor recreation and the role of wildlife resources in the future Speaker to be announced
- 0935 Coffee Break
- 0945 - 1130 Panel Discussion - Economic Potential of Wildlife Resources in the northwestern United States, western Canada, and Alaska Moderator, Dave Klein Division of Tourism Don Dickey, Director of Division of Tourism, Alaska Dept. Commerce and Economic Development, Juneau, Ak. Tour Ship Industry - Speaker to be confirmed Big Game Guiding Industry - Jim Reardon, Former Guide, Outdoor Editor of Alaska Magazine, Homer, Ak. Wildlife Photo/Observation Expeditions - Dick McGowan, Vice-President of Mountain Travel, Albany, CA. Fur/Trapping Industry - Ralph Archibald, Furbearer Coordinator, British Columbia Ministry of Environment, Victoria, B.C.
- 1150 - 1300 Lunch Break
- 1300 - 1450 Economic Methodology in Assessing Wildlife Values Chaired by Ginny Fay
- 1450 - 1500 Coffee Break
- 1500 - 1700 Economics in Resource Division Making Chaired by Phil Janik
- 1700 Adjourn

Elections (continued)

Sam holds an M.S. in wildlife biology from South Dakota State University. He has been a member of TWS since 1975, and is currently a member of the Idaho and Oregon Chapters as well as the N.W. Section. In addition to serving on various Idaho Chapter committees, Sam has been on the National TWS Membership Committee since 1984. Other affiliations include: Idaho Chapter American Fisheries Society, Nature Conservancy, Ducks Unlimited, and Bass Anglers Sportsman Society.

Views: It would be difficult to find a more dedicated group of professionals than those in the wildlife field. Despite this high degree of dedication, a large percentage of wildlifers living in the northwest belong to neither the Northwest Section nor their local Chapters. In order to be an effective voice in resource issues, we must have support through membership. I will do my best to instill the need for professional biologists to get involved and active in the Wildlife Society. This is one of our best avenues for influencing policy affecting the wildlife resource.

Dr. John T. Ratti
Research Scientist
Dept. Of Fish and Wildlife Resources
Univ. of Idaho
Moscow, Idaho

John received his Ph.D. in wildlife ecology from Utah State University in 1977. Past employment has included assistant professorships at both South Dakota State (1977-1980) and Washington State (1980-1985) Universities, and as an associate professor at Colorado State University (1985-1986). John has served as advisor to student Chapters of TWS at each of the above institutions, as well as serving on a number of NW Section and National TWS committees including Resolutions, Conservation Education Award, Ad Hoc Building Fund, Certification, and Leopold Award. He is currently Associate Editor of The Journal of Wildlife Management. Other affiliations include: American Ornithologists Union, Ecological Society of America, Cooper Ornithological Society, Northeastern Bird-Banding Assoc., and Wilson Ornithological Society.

Views: I feel the Northwest Section of TWS has been too quiet over the past 4 years. My primary goal is to see the section become actively involved in professional wildlife issues in a manner that serves the membership and the resource.

VICE - PRESIDENT

Dr. Bill Samuel
Dept. of Zoology
Univ. of Alberta
Edmonton, Alberta

Bill holds a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin. Prior to becoming a full professor at the Univ. of Alberta in 1981, Bill was a Post-Doctoral Fellow, Assistant, and Associate professor, all at the same institution. He has been a member of TWS since 1964, and served as program chairman for the 1980 NW Section meeting. Other affiliations include: Wildlife Disease Association, where he has been on the Council, as well as serving on the editorial board and as assistant editor of the Journal of Wildlife Diseases; Canadian Society of Zoologists, including serving as associate editor of the Canadian Journal of Zoology; and Northern Wild Sheep and Goat Council.

Bill Glasgow
Provincial Unit Leader
Deer and Antelope Management
Red Deer, Alberta

Bill received a M.S. in Zoology from the University of Alberta in 1977. He has held several wildlife biologist positions in the Alberta Fish and Wildlife Division, is a Certified Wildlife Biologist (TWS) and has been a member of TWS since 1971, and served as assistant program chairman for the 1980 NW Section meeting.

SECRETARY - TREASURER

Jay Gore
Assistant Field Supervisor
Endangered Species Program
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Boise, Idaho

Jay received his M.S. in Wildlife from the University of Maine in 1965. Prior to his present position Jay was Senior Waterfowl Biologist in the Tennessee Fish and Game Dept., and a Wildlife Biologist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in St. Louis. He has been a member of TWS since 1960, is past-president of both the Illinois and Idaho Chapters and is a Certified Wildlife Biologist (TWS).

Wayne E. Melquist
Nongame Wildlife Manager & Endangered
Species Coordinator
Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game
Moscow, Idaho

Wayne received his Ph.D from the University of Idaho in 1981. Prior employment has included affiliate and adjunct professorships at the Univ. of Idaho, and research associate at the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit. Besides being a member of both TWS and the NW Section, he also belongs to the American Ornithologists Union, American Society of Mammalogists, Pacific Bird and Mammal Society, and the Raptor Research Foundation, and is an Associate Wildlife Biologist (TWS).

Two additional meetings will be held in Juneau in conjunction with the NW Section meeting. Both will be held on 3-4 April and will run concurrently. Each is briefly described here.

The Fourth Northern Furbearer Conference will have separate sessions on the Application of Habitat Suitability Index (HSI) Modeling to furbearers, and on sea otters, and probably on lynx/bobcat, and mustelids as well. Part of the program will be devoted to status reports from states and provinces. Hopefully, one or two small sessions on regulations, and problems and issues facing the fur industry, including allocation of fur resources, can be put together. An evening workshop (with a no host cocktail hour) dealing with preparation, handling and grading of raw furs is also planned providing suitable individuals can be enticed to help with the session. Abstracts of all papers will be available at registration. For further information contact Steve Peterson, ADF&G, Game Division, P.O. Box 3-2000, Juneau, Ak. 99802.

The Third Biennial Alaska Bird Conference will have a theme of "Goals for the 21st Century", a look at future information needs for bird conservation in Alaska. Four sessions will be held during the 2 days, with an evening session planned for 3 April. Registration includes admittance to all sessions, refreshments, and abstracts of the presentations. For further information contact Phil Schempt, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 021287, Juneau, Ak. 99802, (907) 586-7243.

Businesses or individuals wishing to sell wildlife-related items (technical equipment and hardware, artwork, crafts, etc.) at the meeting should contact Marilyn Sigman, P.O. Box 235, Douglas, Ak. 99824, (907) 465-4105. The fee for a 6' table, 8'x10' fabric booth, or free-standing exhibit is \$25.00 for 1-3 days and \$50.00 for 4-5 days. Exhibits will be located in the lobby of Centennial Hall, outside the meeting rooms. Display space should be reserved by 1 March.

Addresses of chairpersons for the various sessions:

Program Chair

Mike Thomas
P.O. Box 235
Douglas, AK. 99824

General Technical Session - 31 March

Charles Schwartz
Alaska Dept. Fish & Game
P.O. Box 3150
Soldotna, Ak. 99669

Economics and Nonconsumptive Use of Wildlife
(Morning of 1 April)

Wayne Melquist
Idaho Dept. Fish & Game
P.O. Box 1911
Boise, Idaho 83701

Economics and Consumptive Use of Wildlife
(Afternoon of 1 April)

Wayne Regelin
Alaska Dept. Fish & Game
1300 College Road
Fairbanks, Ak. 99701

Economic Potential of Wildlife Resources - Panel
(Morning of 2 April)

Dave Kline
Univ. of Alaska
2039 Weston Drive
Fairbanks, Ak 99701

Economic Methodology in Assessing Wildlife Values
(Afternoon of 2 April)

Ginny Fay
House Research Agency
P.O. Box Y, State Capital
Juneau, Ak. 99811-3100

Economics in Resource Decision Making
(Afternoon of 2 April)

Phil Janik
U.S. Forest Service
9603 Kelly Court
Juneau, Ak. 99801

REGISTRATIONS

Use this sheet to register for 1 or more conferences and to indicate your preference for lodging. The meetings will be held at Centennial Hall, the convention center in Juneau.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Lodging will be available to conference participants at 4 area establishments. The Sheffield Hotel is right across the street from Centennial Hall, while the Prospector Hotel, Driftwood Lodge (motel), and Baranof Hotel are approximately a 5, 10, or 15 minute walk, respectively.

Juneau is reached exclusively by air or water. Alaska and Western Airlines offer daily service through Seattle and Anchorage. The Alaska State Ferry has weekly sailings from Seattle and Prince Rupert, B.C.

Transportation from the airport to downtown hotels is by taxi (\$10.00) or city bus (free shuttle service is available to Driftwood Lodge guests).

Please circle accommodations requested and indicate a second choice in case your first choice is filled. Rates are price per room for either single or double occupancy.

Sheffield Hotel	\$ 58.86	Baranof Hotel	\$ 53.41
Prospector Hotel	\$ 53.41	Driftwood Lodge	\$ 38.15

The Driftwood also offers 1 bedroom apartments for 2 persons, and 2 bedroom apartments for 4 persons, each with kitchen, for \$ 54.40 and \$ 65.40, respectively.

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

If rooms are occupied by 6 pm the day of arrival, they will be held for you with no deposit. If you will be arriving after this time you may want to include at least one night's rate to hold your room for you.

If you will be sharing a room with someone please list their name and be sure they list your name on their form.

If you would like us to find you a roommate please check _____

OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES

To give organizers and concessionaires an idea of outside activities and sights you might like to see while in Juneau, please indicate, **without obligation**, which of the following you might be interested in.

	<u>Approximate cost/person</u>	<u>Number of persons</u>
Helicopter to and walk on Mendenhall Glacier	\$ 75.00	_____
Bus tour of Juneau area with stop at Glacier	\$ 25.00	_____
Day cruise to majestic Tracy Arm	\$ 95.00	_____
8 hr. cruise to Benjamin Island - Sea Lion viewing	\$ 65.00	_____
4 hr. evening dinner cruise in Gastineau Channel	\$ 50.00	_____
2 hr. Glacier Bay flight seeing tour	\$ 70.00	_____
Guided Walk on Mendenhall Wetlands	\$ 5.00	_____

CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS

NORTHWEST SECTION MEETING (31 March, 1 and 2 April)

			<u>Regular</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>(Please enter)</u> <u>Amount</u>
Registration fee:	before	1 March	\$20.00	\$10.00	_____
	after	1 March	\$25.00	\$15.00	_____
Banquet:			\$18.00	\$15.00	_____
NW Section Business Luncheon:			\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	_____
Alaska Chapter Business Luncheon:			\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	_____

NORTHERN FURBEARER CONFERENCE (3 and 4 April)

Registration fee:	before	1 March	\$10.00	\$ 5.00	_____
	after	1 March	\$15.00	\$10.00	_____

ALASKA BIRD CONFERENCE (3 and 4 April)

Registration fee:	before	1 March	\$10.00		_____
	after	1 March	\$15.00		_____
Proceedings fee:			\$ 2.50		_____

TOTAL OF ALL ITEMS

_____ (TOTAL)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____

Affiliation _____ Phone (_____) _____ - _____

Make checks payable to **The Wildlife Society, Alaska Chapter**, and return to:

The Wildlife Society, Alaska Chapter
P.O. Box 235
Douglas, Ak 99824

There will be a buffet dinner the evening of 31 March featuring Alaska salmon and halibut at the Thane Ore House. It will be preceded by a no-host bar and followed by an audio-visual presentation, "Southeast Alaska Images". Transportation will be provided. Space limited to the first 150 ticket requests. Price is \$13.00.

_____ Yes, I wish to attend. Reserve _____ tickets.