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THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

1989(2):Spring

As most of you know, we enjoyed another successful winter meeting in Boise. We had record attendance and enough papers to require concurrent sessions. Unfortunately, many people did not like the idea of concurrent sessions, so we won't do it again. We will keep experimenting with different formats, training sessions and invited papers. By doing this, our meeting should have something to offer for everyone. This should be especially true of the 1990 meeting, which will be held jointly with the American Fisheries Society.

Don't forget the 1989 summer meeting. We plan on visiting Yellowstone (more information later in this newsletter).

I am happy to report that the Northwest Section Meeting was a resounding success. The weather was fantastic, the scenery beautiful and attendance was high. Our Canadian neighbors did a fine job of hosting the meeting.

Congratulations to Barry Keller for being elected Vice-president of the Northwest Section and to Chuck Harris for being named editor of the Section Newsletter. It's great to see that our members are so involved in their professional society.

AWARD WINNERS

Idaho Chapter

Best Student Paper - E. Frances Cassirer for "Behavioral responses of elk to disturbance by cross-country skiers."

Best Professional Paper - Larry C. Jindrich for "Projecting illegal mule deer harvest in Idaho game management unit 73 and associated management implications."

Wildlife Professional of the Year - Jay Gore, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Northwest Section

Einarsen Award - Karl Kenyon, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (retired).

MEETINGS OF INTEREST

Idaho Chapter Summer Meeting

The meeting will be held jointly with the Idaho Section of the Society for Range Management on June 22-23 (and 24?) at Yellowstone National Park. We plan to camp in the park and tour some of the burned areas. For those of you that plan on staying in motels or camping elsewhere, we will plan on meeting at the West Yellowstone entrance at 9:30 on June 23. Information on campsites and the social will be available at the entrance by noon June 22.

Cooper Ornithological Society

The 59th annual meeting will take place in Moscow, Idaho, at the University of Idaho June 22-26, 1989. The Cooper meeting will include a variety of events in addition to the scientific program, including rafting on local scenic rivers and tours of a nearby National Wildlife Refuge.

1989 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

February 24, 1989

Old Business

The Chapter President, Jack Connelly, opened the meeting. Paul Moroz, Treasurer, presented the financial report to the members, reporting that the Chapter had a balance of \$5,163 (see also Treasurer's Report in this newsletter). Paul explained the reasons for the increase in registration fees. Prior to 1989, a portion of the costs were covered by the general treasury. The Executive Committee had voted earlier to increase registration fees to cover the total cost of the meeting. The Chapter would then have more money in the general treasury to do other activities or to donate to worthy endeavors. Jack asked for comments on the increase in registration fees. No one expressed any problems with the increase as long as the meeting facilities continued to be good.

Kerry Reese informed the Chapter that there were approximately 150 members with 147 registering at the meeting.

New Business

Summer Meeting

Jack Connelly informed the Chapter of a joint meeting with the Society for Range Management to visit Yellowstone National Park. Jenny Carson noted that wolf management should be a discussion topic. Jack will proceed in planning the meeting with the Society for Range Management.

Edson Fichter Memorial/Scholarship

Sam Mattise notified the Chapter that the membership will receive a questionnaire regarding setting up a memorial/scholarship fund in the name of Dr. Edson Fichter. The Executive Committee will make the final decision based on input from Chapter members.

Meeting Format

Barry Keller noted that he doesn't like concurrent sessions at the meeting and suggested that we have a longer meeting rather than double sessions. There was a lot of discussion on the topic. Chuck Blair suggested that papers be reviewed and the number of accepted papers be limited. Several people noted that they liked the training sessions offered this year. Some noted that the training sessions helped to justify their attendance to their supervisors. Barry Keller moved that the meeting be a minimum of two days in length. Sam Mattise seconded and the motion carried.

1990 Meeting

Jack Connelly informed the Chapter that there will be a joint meeting next year with the American Fisheries Society. The Executive Committee will coordinate with AFS on the logistics of this 1990 Centennial meeting, which is planned for the first week in March. Topics would include comparisons of species distributions and populations in 1900 and 1990. Discussions on the history of natural resource legislation and federal and state management through the century are also planned.

Wildlife Council

Raul Morales and Barry Keller explained the organization of the Wildlife Councils. Jack notified the Chapter that Joyce Gebhardt will represent TWS on the Region 3 Council and that we have paid \$50 dues.

Trumpeter Swan Committee

Chuck Blair briefed the Chapter on the findings of the committee and potential listing petition to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) as threatened or endangered. Bill Davidson noted that a decision by the FWS to list would affect white bird hunting. There was considerable discussion. Bill Davidson moved that the Chapter petition the FWS to list the Rocky Mountain population of the trumpeter swan as threatened or endangered. Barry Keller seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Lanny Wilson noted that the Executive Committee will have to keep the pressure on if we want the petition to succeed.

Egin-Hamer Road Update

Bob Jones informed the Chapter of the recent violation of the road closure. During the winter, the road was plowed to move livestock. The offender was apprehended, charged and sentencing pending. Bob noted that some action by the Chapter was warranted.

Idaho Chapter Brochure


Steve Langenstein asked if the Chapter could put together a brochure on what

TWS and the Idaho Chapter are all about in order to help to attract members.

Sam Mattise moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded and carried.

Minutes Taken By:
Signe Sather-Blair, Secretary

1989 Idaho Outdoor Day

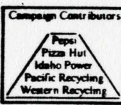



June 10th

Free Camping & Fishing Volunteer Litter Cleanup

Sponsored by:

- Idaho Fish and Game
- Forest Service
- Bureau of Land Management
- Idaho Power Company
- Corps of Engineers
- Bureau of Reclamation
- National Park Service



Campaign Center Butcher's
Papa
Pizza Hut
Idaho Power
Pacific Recycling
Western Recycling



IDAHO CHAPTER - THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY FINANCIAL REPORT

To briefly summarize last year's finances, we began 1988 with \$4569.84 in a non-profit premium checking account at the First Interstate Bank in Boise. The total income earned during 1988 was \$5266.58 which included interest earnings of \$247.85 earned at a rate of 4.3%. The total expenses for the Chapter in 1988 were \$3915.12. The closing balance in the Chapter's account as of December 31, 1988 was \$5921.30.

Since that time, we have had substantial expenses and earnings for the Chapter. The Chapter sent \$500 to the Henry's Fork Foundation to help pay for water to promote trumpeter swan survival in the midst of this winter's cold spell. The cost of conducting the 1989 annual meeting at the Red Lion Downtowner in Boise approached \$3340.00. An increase in registration fees for the meeting allowed the fees to adequately cover the cost of the meeting rooms, travel costs for some speakers, food/refreshments and entertainment.

The cost of preparing the 1989 auction and raffle was \$134 to the Chapter. The proceeds taken in for the raffle tickets was \$490 and the auction items took in \$1430 for a total receipt of \$1920.00 with actual earnings of about \$1787.00. The success of this year's auction and raffle can be attributed to the generosity of many donors including members of the Chapter and non-members. We sincerely thank the following individuals, organizations and businesses for their contributions of items and services to the 1989 auction and raffle.

Kerry Reese	Dwight Kilgore	Jack Connelly
Erica Craig	Rich Howard	Gene De Reus
Edson Fichter	Al Lajosz	John Marshall
Chuck Blair	Bill Mullins	Sam Mattise
Bill Bernt	Wild. Mgnt. Inst.	Matt McCoy
Jay Gore	Alan Sands	Roger Rosentreter
Roger Williams	Paul Moroz	Lewis Tharp
Wayne Patton	Red Lion Downtowner	3 C's Gift Gallery
Idaho Depart. Fish & Game	The Wildlife Society	Signe Sather-Blair
John Ratti	George Wise	All Seasons Anglers
Idaho Book (Westgate Mall)	Bogus Basin Rec. Assoc.	Dorothy Mattise

Special thanks also go to those who helped conduct the auction and raffle and to those who supported the Chapter through their purchases.

As of April 30, 1989, the Chapter account held \$7,424.77. The production and mailing of this newsletter and the upcoming summer meeting will both subtract from this total, as will other incidental expenses through the year. The Executive Committee has also approved a \$500 donation to go to the Outdoor Classroom education effort in Salmon, Idaho. However, the account will remain substantial and worthwhile projects can be considered for funding by the Chapter. If you have an some ideas that you think deserve careful consideration for funding by the Chapter, please submit the proposal in writing to Paul Moroz, 2081 N.W. 8th Street, Meridian, Idaho 83642. Paul will forward your suggestion to the Executive Committee for full consideration.

Idaho Chapter - The Wildlife Society
Professional Wildlife Award
Nomination Form

Nominee:

Employed by: _____

Present position: _____

Present work address: _____

Present home address: _____

Recommended by: _____

Address and phone: _____

Reasons for nomination: (Resume of achievements must be provided. Nomination information may also include past recognition, pertinent memberships, supporting letters, etc.)

Submit nomination to: Paul Moroz, Idaho Chapter TWS Awards Committee,
2081 N.W. 8th Street, Meridian, Idaho 83642
Work phone: 365-4382 Home phone: 888-6482

1990 PROFESSIONAL WILDLIFE AWARD NOMINATIONS NEEDED

The Idaho Chapter of the Wildlife Society uses the Professional Wildlife Award process to demonstrate that outstanding contributions to Idaho's wildlife resources are appreciated by one's peers. Now is the time to consider and submit nominations for the 1990 Professional Wildlife Award. It is not necessary to present the award every year, but we know that much hard work is being accomplished in this state by many professional wildlife managers. This year is another opportunity for you to nominate a deserving person or persons for this prestigious form of recognition.

Here are a few points to consider when making a nomination. The nominee must be professionally employed in wildlife management and the work that qualifies the individual for the award must have been performed in Idaho. The term "professionally" employed refers to all facets of the profession, including conservation officers, biologists, information-education personnel, graduate students, volunteers, and so on. It is not necessary that the nominee reside in Idaho, but any nominee that does live in Idaho must also be a member of the Idaho Chapter of the Wildlife Society. The award may be shared if the accomplishment is the work of more than one person.

There are four rating criteria that each nominee will be evaluated for based upon the information provided to the Awards Committee. The criteria are:

1. Contributions to Idaho's wildlife.
2. Commitment to the wildlife resource.
3. Contributions to the wildlife profession.
4. Contributions to public understanding of wildlife management and the problems involved in managing wildlife.

The Awards Committee is responsible for screening the applicants and making the final selection. Paul Moroz is serving as committee chairman this year. Please give this opportunity some careful thought. Complete and submit the nomination form provided in this newsletter to Paul as soon as you can to insure that full consideration is given to your nominee. Professional Wildlife Awards are presented at the annual meeting of the Idaho Chapter of the Wildlife Society.