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CONSERVATION AFFAIRS

The Wildlife Society commented on several conservation activities since the issuance of the last newsletter.

North American Waterfowl Management Plan

The Wildlife Society recommended that the Bush Administration modify its guidelines for the expenditure of funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund to benefit the North American Waterfowl Management Plan (NAWMP). Presently, these guidelines would affect NAWMP by preventing many joint venture projects from being funded. Joint ventures consist of important wetlands projects financed with federal sources and matched with private and state contributions. The Society also requested that 3 critical wetlands projects be included on the Administration's priority acquisition list. The Administration subsequently added these projects to the list.

The Wildlife Society supported the North American Wetlands Conservation Act, S. 804 and H.R. 2322, that would use interest generated by Pittman-Robertson funds (about \$10 million annually) to partially finance wetland conservation projects in support of NAWMP. Interest on Pittman-Robertson currently is not part of the fund and is not available to the states for wildlife conservation projects. This legislation recognizes the significance of wetlands to diverse wildlife and the need to aid Canada and Mexico in implementing NAWMP.

Old Growth and Spotted Owls

The Wildlife Society testified before the joint Agriculture and Interior Subcommittees concerning old-growth forests in the Pacific Northwest. The 22 June hearing concerned the status of a consensus definition of old growth among federal agencies and private interest groups, the reliability of inventory data, and the role of the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management in managing old-growth forests and associated wildlife, including the spotted owl.

Near the end of June, the Society commented on H.R. 1191 that gives states the authority to prohibit exports of unprocessed logs. This bill recognizes that factors other than spotted owl habitat requirements are influencing the timber market in the Pacific Northwest. Decreased old-growth timber availability, combined with increased foreign demand for unprocessed logs likely will cause the predicted decline in the timber market in this region.

New Wildlife Funding Bill

The Society supported H.R. 544, the State Fish and Wildlife Assistance Act, that would provide funding for mitigation of mined lands to compensate for wildlife and fish affected by habitat alteration or degradation. The Society recommended that a substantial portion of the revenue generated from this fund be made available for chronically underfunded nongame conservation programs.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The Wildlife Society purports to be an international conservation organization and has involvement in several international activities. But is the Society truly international in character and scope?

What is TWS doing in conservation work outside North America and what and why are we spending money on it? TWS presently has 175 members from 45 countries on 5 continents outside of North America. Many only subscribe to one or both major journals (JWM and WSB), and most are scientist/educators from the more affluent nations of Europe and the New World. Their motive for joining TWS, if I may guess, is to receive TWS publications from which they gain information on scientific aspects of wildlife management. In addition, TWS has 400 libraries and agencies in 60 countries that subscribe to our publications.



James G. Teer

Members of the Society are appointed as liaisons to several international conservation organizations including the International Council for Bird Protection (ICBP), the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN), the Convention on Trade in Endangered Species (CITES), and the International Union of Game Biologists (IUGB). Our representatives attend meetings of these organizations. Some meet annually; others, less frequently. Duties of TWS representatives are to keep abreast of international conservation issues and to present our positions and vote (where we have a vote) on matters that are deliberated by the assemblies. These are important posts for TWS and are taken very seriously by the representatives, Council, and Executive Staff.

The TWS Committee on International Affairs, presently chaired by Dan Pletscher, is busy developing a roster of TWS members with experience and expertise in international scenes. The roster will be used to provide information to both public and private consulting agencies seeking experts for development and conservation projects conducted especially in Third-World nations. In addition, the Committee has been reasonably successful with the "Support an International Wildlifer" program. Under this program, chapters and sections of TWS identify a university or conservation agency to receive TWS publications. Presently, 9 chapters and sections are participating in this program. The Committee is also coordinating donations of books and journals to developing countries.

I am convinced that we must enlarge our efforts in international work. Too much that happens outside North America impacts us. Conservation has no political boundaries and life in

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all its forms deserves our interest and efforts.

What can we do? And will our present budgets permit us to do much more? If the subsidy for providing journal subscriptions are not included in calculations of expenditures, it is clear that less than one percent of our annual budget is allocated to international work. Most of the approximately \$8,000 or so is spent on travel for representatives to international meetings.

No, we cannot afford much more than we are doing at present. TWS income is budgeted with little slack for new programs. What we can do, however, is to become active in two arenas which can be self-supporting or with very small expenses.

The first of these is to form some kind of coalition or association with organizations of like interest throughout the world. There are a number of these. Some are much like TWS in membership, and others have lay persons as well as scientists and managers in their memberships. Most, however, have agendas like ours and espouse similar philosophies and programs. I have not made an exhaustive list of those whom we might join but several come to mind: International Union of Game Biologists, East African Wildlife Society, Southern African Wildlife Association, Australian Wildlife Management Society, Bombay Natural History Society, and Fundacion para la Defensa de la Naturales (FUDENA) de Venezuela.

Sure, we can align ourselves with others but we must go beyond just forming an association. We must become active in any association created for conservation affairs. We have occasions to present positions on international issues, and often there is little or no unity among us in these fora. By aligning ourselves, we have opportunity to carry more weight in our positions. My experience has been that some groups, for example, protectionist and animal rights groups, present unified statements or positions.

As the foremost wildlife group in the world; i.e., the largest body of professional biologists trained and working in conservation, we have an obligation to our colleagues in other lands. We are viewed as the most important wildlife management organization in the world.

I propose we start to plan for an international wildlife congress to be held 3 years hence - in 1992. With sponsorship and support by several wildlife organizations, a wildlife congress can be fashioned as other organizations involving natural resources have done. A congress will cement relationships between us and serve all of our interests.

Will a congress be just another meeting? Not necessarily. Nowhere are our particular interests represented worldwide. The International Rangeland Congress, the International Theriological Congress, and the International Ornithological Congress are examples of special interest societies. They do not address the particular interests of wildlife biology and management.

I submit we need a forum of global scope where wildlife managers can develop information on sustainable development, where countries can present their positions in the face of mounting anti-management and anti-hunting forces, where information on production and protection systems for wildlife can be transferred, and where TWS can promote closer kinships and linkages with professionals who are closer geographically and intellectually to conservation problems in their regions.

I consider the involvement of TWS in international affairs not an opportunity but an obligation to wildlife resources and to the people who protect, produce, and use them. The first step is to enlist companion societies in a common union and to solidify this union with an international forum in 1992.

Finally, we cannot hope nor should we wish to be the mother society to our friends in other lands. We can be partners with them. It will benefit wildlife resources in a world at risk.

**NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL PROPOSED
FOR THREATENED STATUS**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has proposed that the northern spotted owl (*Strix occidentalis caurina*) be added to the federal list of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife, under the status of threatened (Federal Register, Vol. 54, No. 120, pp. 26666-26677). Comments and suggestions about the proposal are now being solicited.

Comments particularly are sought concerning:

1. Biological, commercial trade, or other relevant data concerning any threat (or lack thereof) to this species;
2. The location of any additional populations of this species and the reasons why any habitat should or should not be determined to be critical habitat as provided by Section 4 of the Endangered Species Act;
3. Additional information concerning the range, distribution, and population size of this species; and
4. Current or planned activities in the subject area and their possible impacts on this species.

The Wildlife Society will comment on the proposal. If you are interested in helping formulate the comment, please send relevant information, on or before **25 August 1989**, to **R.W. Mannan, 1241 Golden Gem Drive, Tucson, AZ 85737**. If you would rather submit your comments separately, send them by 21 September 1989 to the Regional Director (Attn: Listing Coordinator), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1002 N.E. Holladay Street, Portland, OR 97232.

**NORTH AMERICAN WILDLIFE TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION
MEETS IN MINNESOTA**

The 6th annual meeting of the North American Wildlife Technology Association was held at the University of Minnesota Technical College in Crookston. The purposes of the organization are to clarify the role of natural resource management technicians, provide accreditation standards for educational institutions with sub-baccalaureate technician programs, and serve as a forum for information exchange between member institutions and individuals. The 1990 conference is scheduled for Sault College of Applied Art and Technology in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, in May of 1990.

For further information about the Association and upcoming meeting contact: **Valerie Walker, Sault College of Applied Art and Technology, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Can. P6A 5L3.**

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MEET THE CANDIDATES

The Executive Committee of the Northeast Section and the Executive Board of the Central Mountains and Plains Section of The Wildlife Society have provided the following members as nominees for Section 1 Representative and Section 4 Representative, respectively, to Council. According to the Bylaws of The Wildlife Society, additional available nominee(s) may be submitted within 30 days of the date of the mailing of this issue of *The Wildlifer* (the Official Publication of Record) by any Voting Member in good standing if supported in writing by five percent of the Voting Membership within the Section represented.

Nominees for Northeast Section (Section 1) Representative

Personal Data: Born 13 June 1947, Iowa City, Iowa. Wife, Barbara.

Education: B.S.F. (Forestry), University of Tennessee (1969); M.S. (Wildlife Management), University of Maine (1972); Ph.D. (Wildlife Science), Utah State University (1977).

Former Positions: Assistant Professor and Chairman, Wildlife Biology Program, University of Vermont.

Present Position: Associate Professor, Wildlife and Fisheries Biology Program, University of Vermont.



David E. Capen

Wildlife Society Activities: Member since 1967. Certified Wildlife Biologist. Charter member and President (1986-88), New England Chapter; Treasurer, Northeast Section (1979-83); Advisor, University of Vermont Student Chapter (1978-89); Chairman, TWS Certification Committee (1983-85); Numerous other committees in Chapter, Section, and The Wildlife Society; Associate Editor and Editor, *Wildlife Society Bulletin* (1986-89).

Other Professional Affiliations: Ecological Society of America; Society of American Foresters; Society for Conservation Biology; American Ornithologists' Union; Wilson Ornithological Society; Cooper Ornithological Society.

Principal Interests: Wildlife habitat relationships; habitat modeling; avian ecology; land use planning; wildlife education.

Views: The most conspicuous assignment of Section Representative is to foster communication, professionalism, and enthusiasm among members in Chapters within the Section. That assignment I would cherish, having met and worked with many TWS members in the Northeast. Equally important, however, is the task of planning the mission and programs of The Wildlife Society. I have attended more than a dozen meetings of Council in recent years and appreciate the complex mission, immense agenda, and diverse memberships that confront TWS staff and members of Council.

The Wildlife Society is first and foremost a scientific and educational organization that promotes high standards for the profession and the professional. Society publications establish and advance our professional standards while programs such as certification, university program review, and professional development support advancement of individuals. My past and present involvement in these areas insures a continuing interest and commitment.

Secondarily, The Wildlife Society has an important mission in conservation affairs that we must pursue more aggressively in the future. The expert knowledge in wildlife management and ecology lies primarily in our membership; we must supplement the professional staff of TWS and increase our personal activities so that we become more widely recognized and respected as the experts in our chosen profession. Threats to wildlife habitat and challenges to wildlife management occur every day in the Northeast Section. There will be no shortage of wildlife conservation issues in the years ahead. If elected to represent the Northeast Section on Council, I will actively pursue an expanded involvement of TWS with these issues.

Personal Data: Born 7 July 1942 in Bronx, New York. Married to Georgette, 2 children.

Education: B.S. (Forest Management 1964) and M.S. (Wildlife Management 1967), Pennsylvania State University; Ph.D. (Forestry), West Virginia University (1978).

Former Positions: Research Wildlife Biologist, Northeastern Forest Experiment Station, Morgantown, West Virginia (1967-82).

Present Position: Research Wildlife Biologist, Northeastern Forest Experiment Station, Amherst, Massachusetts (1982-present).



William M. Healy

Wildlife Society Activities: Member since 1964. Reviewer for *The Journal of Wildlife Management* and *Wildlife Society Bulletin*. Publications Committee (1986). Secretary-Treasurer (1978-80), Secretary (1980-82), Northeast Section. Northeast Section Transactions editor and member of Conference Program Committee (1978-81). Northeast Section Awards Committee Chairman (1984-86). New England Chapter Representative to Northeast Section (1982-84). Currently, Northeast Section Representative to Council.

Other Professional Affiliations: American Association for the Advancement of Science; Ecological Society of America; Northeast Wild Turkey Technical Committee; Conservation Commission, Leverett, Massachusetts.

Principal Interests: Wildlife habitat relationships, forest ecology, and forest management practices.

Views: It has been an honor to serve on Council. I am a candidate for reelection as Section Representative because I am concerned about our profession and the resources we serve, and because TWS plays an important role in the development of our profession and resource management policies. I have a strong, personal interest in seeing Council implement the planning process it started recently. The planning process should be an important tool in helping Council define its goals, evaluate its progress, and generally serve the membership and profession.

The specific issues of most concern to me are: the position of Conservation Affairs Director, publications, certification, and professional development. Obviously these are perennial, interconnected issues in which TWS has an evolving role. They are also at the core of TWS' role as a scientific and educational organization, and I would like the opportunity to help TWS expand and improve in these areas.

I remain concerned about the lack of involvement of professionals with TWS in the Northeast, and the "anti-management" attitude that I encounter daily among non-professionals. I will do my best to promote membership in and involvement with TWS, and to promote communication among the different levels of TWS. Communication with the public and other natural resource professionals is a vexing problem for most of our membership, and I will continue to work with Section and Chapter Committees addressing this problem. Finally, I will continue to remind the membership that professional development is a personal responsibility and an absolute necessity, that all of us need to be involved in conservation affairs, and that all of us need to advocate science as the basis of natural resource management.

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Nominees for Central Mountains & Plains Section (Section 4) Representative

Personal Data: Born 26 September 1946 in Alamosa, Colorado. Married, 1 child.

Education: B.S. (Wildlife Biology), Colorado State University (1968); Ph.D. (Range Science), Colorado State University (1976).

Former Positions: Wildlife Researcher, (1974-81), Wildlife Research Leader, Colorado Division of Wildlife (1981-87). Wildlife Research Leader/Big Game Program Specialist, Colorado Division of Wildlife (1987-89).

Present Position: Acting State Wildlife Manager for Terrestrial Resources, Colorado Division of Wildlife.

Wildlife Society Activities: Member since 1967. President Colorado Chapter (1980-81); President, Central Mountains and Plains Section (1982-84); Executive Board Member, Colorado Chapter (1975-76); Chairman, Membership Committee TWS (1984-86); Membership Recruitment Network TWS (1981-83); Chairman, Membership and Financial Matters Committee-COLORADO (1974-75); Chairman, Professional Development Committee-COLORADO (1987-89).

Other Professional Affiliations: Society for Range Management, Member of Special Task Force on Wildlife Habitat (SRM).

Principal Interests: Wildlife research; ungulate ecology; canoeing; hunting; and photography.

Views: The Wildlife Society is the principal vehicle through which wildlife professionals can become involved in issues that go beyond their day-to-day work assignments. This involvement is critical if wildlife management, as we know it today, is to survive into the 21st Century. The Society must continue to press for biologically and scientifically based decisions in all areas that affect wildlife populations and their habitats. As Section Representative for the Central Mountains and Plains Section, I would work with CMPS members to foster this involvement. Also, I would strive to ensure that TWS Council adequately addresses critical issues.

The Society is at an important crossroad. What role TWS plays as it begins its second 50 years is a major question. Should the Society be primarily educational or scientific, as opposed to being an activist, lobbyist organization? I feel that TWS should serve as the foremost source for data, knowledge, and professional judgment on wildlife issues. As CMPS Representative, I would work towards this objective.

I have served the Society at all levels. This experience has taught me the importance of efficient communications between and among chapters and sections and with Washington staff and Council. If elected, I will do my best to keep communications open and effective, and to represent CMPS members in a professional manner.



Len H. Carpenter

Personal Data: Born 14 December 1936, Atchison, Kansas. Married, 2 children.

Education: B.S. (Wildlife Management), Colorado State University (1958).

Former Positions: Biologist Aide, Colorado Game & Fish Department (Summer, 1957); Special Project Biologist at Cheyenne Bottoms Wildlife Area (Great Bend, Kansas), Technical Services Biologist, and Agricultural Liaison, Kansas Fish & Game Commission (1961-80).

Present Position: Terrestrial Ecologist, Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks (1981-present).

Wildlife Society Activities: Member since 1957. Charter Member Kansas Chapter (1973-present). Member Central Mountains & Plains Section (1977-present). President Kansas Chapter (1979-81). Board of Directors, Kansas Chapter (1977-79, 1981-83). Chapter Representative to CMPS Board of Directors (1980-81). TWS Membership Committee (1981-83). Secretary-Treasurer, CMPS (1984-86). Publications Referee, *The Journal of Wildlife Management* and *Wildlife Society Bulletin*. Wildlife Professional of the Year, Kansas Chapter (1989).

Other Professional Affiliations: Kansas Academy of Science; Kansas Herpetology Society; Kansas Ornithological Society.

Principal Interests: Interrelationships of wildlife, habitat, and human economic development; threatened and endangered species protection and management.

Views: I feel that as a professional organization, The Wildlife Society can provide important leadership to its members in several arenas. First, the Society must encourage wildlifers to take a more holistic view to the problems facing our wildlife resources through a broadened educational background in ecology. Secondly, the Society must play a major role in establishing and supporting professional integrity within the ranks of its members. Thirdly, the Society has an obligation to make its collective voice heard on national wildlife conservation issues and to lend support to Sections and Chapters in their respective efforts with more localized wildlife concerns. As a member of Council, I will promote and support Society activities and actions to achieve such leadership roles.

I view the Section Representative as having the obligation to serve as the voice of Section members regarding Society programs and activities. More importantly, the Section Representative must serve as an avenue of communication between Chapters and the Section. As Section Representative, I will dedicate my efforts to achieving the obligations entrusted to me by the membership.



Bob Wood

FOR SALE

JWM 25-39 [except 29(1), 30(3)]. **W. Monos.** 6-48 (except 16, 17, 37-40). **Tall Timbers Fire Ecology Proc.** #1-15. Best offer + shipping. Robert A. Chesness, 1201 E. Hwy 2, Grand Rapids, MN 55744. 218/327-4428.

JWM 6(4); 7(2-4); 9(1-3); 10(2,3); 11(4); 12(1-3); 13(1,2); 14-36 [all except 35(2)]. **JWM Indexes** 1-10; 11-20; 21-30; **W. Monos.** 1-47 (except 3, 5, 8, 37, 38). Best offer. C.R. Grondahl, 1224 Prospect Pl., Bismarck, ND 58501. Office 701/221-6321; Home 701/223-2938.

Wildl. Ranching Proc. of 1st Intl. Wildl. Ranching Symp. at Las Cruces, NM, 16-21 May 1988. 321 pp. Valdez, Raul (ed.) 1989. Symp. and publication was cosponsored by New Mexico State U.; TWS, New Mexico Chap.; Soc. for Range Mgt., & SRM New Mexico Chapter. \$23.00/copy (incl. postage) payable to NMSU-CES from: James E. Knight, Extension Wildlife Specialist, Dept. of Fishery & Wildlife Science, Box 4901, New Mexico State U., Las Cruces, NM 88003.

JWM 20-53; **W. Monos.** 1-101; **WSB** 1-17. Best offer. K. Duane Norman, 3306 N.E. 141 Ave., Portland, OR 97230. 503/252-8498.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MINUTES OF TWS ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting (quorum present) was called to order at 0910, 17 March, 1989 by President James G. Teer at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC. Present for all or most of the meeting were: Past President Lytle H. Blankenship, Vice-President Ollie Torgerson, Section Representatives William M. Healy (1), James E. Miller (2), Erik K. Fritzell (3), Clait E. Braun (4), Nova J. Silvy (5), Donald J. Armentrout (6), Lewis Nelson, Jr. (7), Executive Director Harry E. Hodgdon, and Field Director Thomas M. Franklin. Incoming Section Representatives Donald H. Rusch (3), John G. Kie (6), Robert G. Anthony (7), incoming President-Elect Richard J. Mackie and incoming Vice-President W. Alan Wentz were observers during the meeting.

Visitors during portions of the meeting included: Kurtis J. Ballantyne, Warner A. Bantz, James F. Bergan, Michael E. Berger, John A. Bissonette, Theodore A. Bookhout, Fred C. Bryant, David E. Capen, Len H. Carpenter, David J. Case, Hewlette S. Crawford, Jr., Richard D. Crawford, Gerald H. Cross, E. Leon Fisher, R. Bruce Gill, Timothy C. Hall, Michael T. Hanson, Mike Johnson, Marti Kie, Paul R. Krausman, Terry W. Little, Jay McAninch, Wayne R. Marion, E. Charles Meslow, Harvey W. Miller, Bruce L. Morrison, Lee Otteni, Richard J. Pedersen, Tony J. Peterle, Merrill L. Petoskey, Danny L. Rakestraw, Kerry P. Reese, Ronald Regan, Sanford D. Schemnitz, Kent Smith, Loren M. Smith, Bettina Sparrowe, David R. Stevens, Ron A. Stromstad, Jack Ward Thomas, Frederic C. Wagner, Gary C. White, and Miriam Wolok.

INTERIM ACTIONS

Council approved the following interim actions to be included in the meeting record: edited and approved official and **The Wildlifer** minutes of the 21-22 October 1988 Special Council Meeting; approved recommendation of the Honorary Membership and Special Recognition Service Award Committee concerning individuals to receive Honorary Membership and Special Recognition Service Awards; approved bylaws revisions for the Arizona State University, Southwest Texas State University, University of Idaho, and Oregon State University Student Chapters; approved the formation of student chapters at the University of Tennessee-Martin and the University of North Dakota; approved retired member status for Louis Alderson, John M. Anderson, William A. Aultfather, Harold D. Bissell, Wilbur Boldt, Samuel M. Carney, Dwight R. Cook, Russell A. Cookingham, Norbert V. De Byle, Robert W. Fuller, Louis F. Gainey, Larry R. Gale, Leland P. Glenn, J. Scott Grundy, Rex Hamilton, Joe L. Herring, Robert A. Hinman, Bob Kern, Paul W. Lefebvre, H. G. Lumsden, George J. Mitchell, Byron B. Moser, Ralph V. Pehrson, M.M. Perenovich, Jr., Clifford E. Ruhr, James W. Salyer, Paul A. Shrauder, Karl S. Strong, Sherwood S. Stutz, Richard D. Taber, Joseph E. Vogt, and Francis A. Winter.

REPORTS

Council accepted written reports of the Editors of **The Journal of Wildlife Management**, **Wildlife Monographs**, and **Wildlife Society Bulletin** and the following committee and appointed representative reports: Acid Rain on Wildlife Technical Advisory Ad hoc, Animal Damage Control, Certification, Conservation Education, Conservation Education Award, Continuing Education, Feasibility of Separate Annual TWS Meeting Ad hoc, Group Achievement Award, Habitat on Private Lands, Honorary Membership and Special Recognition Service Award, International Affairs, McDonough Award, Membership, National Parks Management Policies and Strategies Ad hoc, Position Statements, Proper Care and Use of Wildlife in Field Research Ad hoc, Publications, Publications Identification Ad hoc, Reintroduction of Canids into Wild Environments Ad hoc, Student Affairs, Support of Symposia and Conferences, Trapping Technical Advisory Ad hoc, Urban Wildlife, Wildlife Publications Awards, American Society of Landscape Architects, International Congress of Game Biologists, and International Council for Bird Preservation.

FINANCES

Council provided \$1,000 in support of the Second International Conference on the Biology of Deer Production (Mississippi State University), 27 May-2 June 1990 and \$1,000 to support PERDIX V., Grey Partridge and Ring-necked Pheasant Workshop (Mankato, Minnesota), 31 July-3 August 1989.

Council provided partial support for travel cost for the International Congress of Game Biologist appointed representative to attend the 1989 meeting in Trondheim, Norway.

The Permanent Fund contained \$209,727 as of 1 January 1989. The Revolving Fund for publications contained \$129,687 as of 3 March 1989.

The Building Fund contained \$297,605.07 as of 1 January 1989.

OPERATIONS

Committees

Council approved revised procedures for selecting Aldo Leopold Award recipients.

Council approved the white paper on traps, trapping, and furbearer management.

Council approved the position statement on traps, trapping and furbearer management for printing in **The Wildlifer** to receive member comment.

The National Parks Management Policies and Strategies Ad hoc Committee presented a status report. The Committee will attempt to determine whether existing National Park Service policies are meeting wildlife management needs. The report will require approximately 2 additional years to complete.

The Student Affairs Committee summarized activities of the Committee. It is focusing its work on establishing recommended policies and objectives for conclaves.

Council approved the revised position statements "Environmental Quality Through Resource Management," and "Conservation Law Enforcement," and "Federal Cropland Diversion Programs."

Council agreed to retain The Wildlife Society's Annual Meeting with the North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference and determine the feasibility of The Wildlife Society sponsoring one or more technical sessions. The Society also will plan to organize a continuing education program on a specific topic to be held in conjunction with a regional meeting. It was further agreed an attempt should be made to obtain a technical session of The Wildlife Society at the North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference as soon as possible.

Council agreed that an interim report of the Acid Rain on Wildlife Technical Advisory Ad Hoc Committee should be provided by 1 July 1989.

The Animal Damage Control Committee wishes to distribute a questionnaire to determine the current status of ADC courses at American colleges and universities as well as continuing education classes and workshops. The Committee also has suggested drafting of a white paper on the philosophy, techniques, methodologies, problems, processes, and accomplishments of animal damage control.

Council agreed that a common format was needed for all committee reports and recommendations. Committee reports should include a cover page with executive summary; the committee charge; names of the chairman and committee members; and a list of specific recommendations, if any.

General

Society policy concerning transferring life memberships was discussed. Council agreed that life memberships will continue to be nontransferable.

Council agreed to propose changes in The Wildlife Society Bylaws concerning terms of office, and succession of Society officers. Bylaws wording would reduce the term of office for the Vice-President and President to one year and establish an automatic succession of the Vice-President to the position of President-Elect and then President at one year intervals.

Membership

Membership increased substantially with a net gain of 255 regular members, 9 retired members, and 72 student members in 1988. This was the first year since 1975 that student members increased.

Sections and Chapters

One chapter has not yet submitted its draft bylaws.

Several chapters and student chapters have been inactive for years and have failed to comply with Society requirements. In accordance with Society bylaws, they were notified in December 1987 that they must comply with the bylaws within one year or they will be dissolved. Northern Virginia, Macdonald College, University of Guelph, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, and Yale University are in violation of Society and chapter/student chapter bylaws, have received one year notice, and will be dissolved immediately.

Nonmembers continue to serve as section and chapter officers of The

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Wildlife Society. There are currently 13 Chapters, and 40 Student Chapters with at least one nonmember officer.

James B. Trefethen's book "An American Crusade for Wildlife" has been donated by the Boone and Crockett Club for student chapters. As of 16 March, 1989, 19 Student Chapters were participating in the 1989 Boone and Crockett Club book program and will receive a copy of James B. Trefethen's book, "An American Crusade for Wildlife," to recognize their outstanding wildlife student.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Continuing Education Committee described plans for implementation of the Professional Development Program.

The Society will investigate whether to establish a continuing education program by which partial funding could be provided for non U.S. members to visit the United States for professional development purposes.

CERTIFICATION

The Certification Review Board reported on the program to date. As of 3 March 1989 a total of 4,029 applications has been received, 1,976 were approved as Certified Wildlife Biologists, and 1,528 were approved as Associate Wildlife Biologists. In addition, 184 Certified Wildlife Biologists and 121 Associate Wildlife Biologist applications were pending and 69 applicants have been denied certification. Income exceeded expenses for the program for 1988. There was an influx of applications at the end 1988 in response to the changing requirements as of 1 January 1989. The CRB also has had two vacancies recently. Therefore, a significant backlog of applications has accumulated that may take more than six months to review. One year may be required for review of some certification applications.

The Certification Review Board recommended that the splitting of courses be limited to two categories. Council agreed that each course may be split only once, that a minimum of one semester hour is needed for each requirement, and that the burden of proof is on the applicant to justify a splitting of credits, effective 1 January 1990.

The CRB established a procedure for crediting wildlife law enforcement experience in 1987. Council discussed the desirability and ways that wildlife conservation officers might be included more effectively in the certification program. Council agreed that the Society should attempt to address the needs of conservation officers in the certification program.

Council selected J. Larry Landers to complete the remainder of a former member's term that expires April 1990.

The Certification Committee has developed a certification packet (booklet), evaluated the benefit of an audio-visual slide program and developed a communication plan outline.

PUBLICATIONS

Council agreed that the 1989 nonmember subscription rate for all publications, **The Journal** and **Monographs** only, and the **Bulletin** only be retained for 1990 for North American subscribers. Differential fees for international subscriptions outside of North America should be \$105 for all publications, \$75 for the **Journal** and **Monographs** only, and \$45 for the **Bulletin** only to cover the additional cost of overseas shipping.

CONSERVATION AFFAIRS

The Society's activities on 1988-89 priority issues were discussed. Conservation Affairs Committee, Council, Staff, Sections and Chapters, and several wildlife conservation organizations are working together closely to address legislative and regulatory issues. Summaries of Society comments have appeared in **The Wildlifer**. Council requested the President to appoint an ad hoc committee to explore the subject of subsistence hunting and its impact on wildlife resources and make a recommendation to Council on the desirability of preparing a white paper on subsistence hunting.

Council discussed the Society's recent appeal of the US Forest Service Spotted Owl Guidelines. Council supported the Society's position and agreed that it is appropriate to appeal agency actions when it is determined that those actions may negatively affect the resource.

Council discussed problems associated with state natural resource agencies prohibiting their employees from serving as officers of The Wildlife Society, or its sections and chapters.

Council discussed the New York Chapter policy on "Animals and Human

Relationships". The Chapter may request the Society to adopt this statement in the future.

President Teer suggested that the Society submit a statement in support of the fiscal year 1990 budget for the Agency for International Development.

The job description for the possible future staff position of policy director was discussed. It was agreed that mention of a proactive role in conservation affairs will be included in the job description.

President Teer suggested that the Society contact several international biological organizations to determine how The Wildlife Society can cooperate with them in affecting international conservation.

Council discussed agency use of volunteers to do professional wildlife work. Council requested the President to prepare a letter to the appropriate agencies expressing concern about the use of volunteers for professional positions.

Council approved the following list of conservation issues to be addressed in 1989. **First priority:** federal budgets, old-growth forests/wildlife management, oil development on the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, wetlands loss, North American Waterfowl Management Plan, 1990 Farm Bill, **Second priority:** Land Management Planning for Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management, national wildlife refuge management, biological diversity, nongame funding, American Heritage Trust Act, migratory bird hunting regulations, grazing fees on public lands.

MISCELLANEOUS

Representative Miller reviewed plans for the autumn Special Council meeting scheduled for 4-5 October 1989, at the Arkansas 4-H Center, near Little Rock, Arkansas.

It was agreed that the next Annual Meeting of The Wildlife Society Council will be held 16-21 March 1990, at the Sheraton Denver Tech Center, in connection with the 1990 North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference.

The meeting adjourned at 1535 hours, 18 March 1988.

Respectfully submitted,

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Field Director

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EIS FOR YELLOWSTONE WOLVES

On 20 July 1989, the House Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 2786, a bill requiring the Secretary of the Interior to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement on the reintroduction of gray wolves to Yellowstone National Park and the greater Yellowstone area. Dr. James M. Peek, representing The Wildlife Society, presented testimony in support of the bill. Dr. Peek has had many years of experience in wolf and wolf-related research, and currently chairs The Wildlife Society's committee preparing a technical review paper on the reintroduction of wolves into wild environments.

Dr. Peek's testimony emphasized 3 major points: (1) Yellowstone National Park and adjacent wilderness areas are intended to be managed as natural ecosystems. This ecosystem is very much incomplete without its top predator, the gray wolf; (2) It is essential that significant dialogue among all involved segments of the public precede the reintroduction of the wolf. The proposed EIS would facilitate this important communication; (3) Some of the greatest successes of wildlife management have been the reintroductions of game species and, more recently, endangered nongame species such as the peregrine falcon. Reintroduction of the wolf challenges our commitment to wildlife conservation. Dr. Peek urged the committee to "view this effort as one which speaks volumes about us all as proponents of wildlife conservation, namely that we are now willing to carry on the process of restoration of the wildlife resource even as we know this particular species will have to be managed carefully. This is a most significant step in wildlife conservation in the closing decade of this century."

The Endangered Species Act requires the Secretary of the Interior to develop a recovery plan for endangered and threatened species. The Northern Rockies wolf recovery plan was approved in August of 1987, but no action has been taken to implement it. An EIS is the important first step in this process.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MINUTES OF TWS BUSINESS MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 2036 hours, 20 March 1989 by President James G. Teer at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C. All Council members were present except Section Representatives Donald J. Armentrout (6) and Lewis Nelson, Jr. (7) as were more than 100 other members of The Wildlife Society.

Vice-President Ollie Torgerson reported on the principal items considered during the 17-18 March 1989 Council meeting.

President Teer reported on the first year of his term as President of The Wildlife Society. His report appeared in the March-April 1989 issue of **The Wildlifer**. Reports of Executive Director Hodgdon and Field Director Franklin will appear in a future issue of **The Wildlifer**.

During open floor discussion several questions and issues were raised. The proposed new staff position of Director of Conservation Affairs was discussed. President Teer suggested potential ways of funding the position. Delwin E. Benson stated opposition to the use of increased Society dues for this position and that perhaps state agencies would be willing to contribute funding. Jack Ward Thomas stated that The Wildlife Society dues are relatively inexpensive and members should be willing to pay increased dues for the conservation affairs position and other programs they desire. Bettina Sparrowe requested more information on the proposed job responsibilities for the position. Bruce Thompson suggested that sections and chapters be challenged to raise the necessary funds. Lytle H. Blankenship stated that services of the conservation affairs position eventually must be paid for by the membership. Laurence R. Jahn suggested a membership vote to determine how to fund the position. Dale McCullough suggested that challenge grants be sought. President Teer requested a straw pole of the members present at the Business Meeting to determine their willingness to pay to support the conservation affairs position. There was nearly unanimous agreement that the members in attendance would be willing to help pay for the position. Michael A. Johnson suggested that the Society establish some fund raising goals to hire a conservation affairs director and obtain outside fund raising support to meet those goals. Robert A. McCabe suggested that a proposal be presented to the membership that describes the job responsibilities of a conservation affairs director and solicits comments from the entire membership. Several members of Council volunteered to donate personally to a fund for establishing the position.

Ronald A. Stromstad stated that the North Dakota Chapter is concerned that the Society does not properly recognize the needs of conservation law enforcement officers in the certification program. President Teer responded that Council has directed a committee to study this issue.

President Teer presented the charter establishing the University of North Dakota Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society to Paul D. Bichler, Tim L. Holden, and Eric P. Pearson.

President Teer also announced the establishment of the University of Tennessee at Martin Student Chapter.

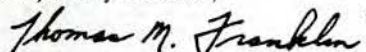
President Teer presented plaques of appreciation to Ollie Torgerson for serving as Vice-President of The Wildlife Society and to Erik K. Fritzell for 3 years of service as the North Central Section Representative.

Western Section Representative Donald J. Armentrout received a plaque for 3 years of Council service following the Annual Council Meeting and Lewis Nelson, Jr., will receive a plaque for 3 years as the Northwest Section Representative. President Teer also recognized the outstanding leadership of Past President Lytle H. Blankenship.

President Teer installed Richard J. Mackie as President-Elect, W. Alan Wentz as Vice-President, Donald H. Rusch as North Central Section Representative, Robert G. Anthony as Northwest Section Representative, and John G. Kie as Western Section Representative.

The meeting was adjourned at 2150 hours.

Respectfully submitted,



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Field Director
Secretary pro tempore

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MINUTES OF TWS SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

President Teer called The Wildlife Society Special Council meeting to order at 2202 hours, 20 March 1989, at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C. Present were President-Elect Richard J. Mackie, Vice-President W. Alan Wentz, Section Representatives William M. Healy (1), James E. Miller (2), Donald H. Rusch (3), Clait E. Braun (4), Nova J. Silvy (5), Robert G. Anthony (6), and John G. Kie (7). Also in attendance were Executive Director Harry E. Hodgdon and Field Director Thomas M. Franklin.

Council reappointed Laurence R. Jahn to a 3-year term on the Board of Trustees.

It was confirmed that the 1989 Fall Council Meeting will be held 4-5 October 1989 near Little Rock, Arkansas.

Funding for the Conservation Affairs position was discussed. It was agreed that a thorough funding proposal should be developed. A separate account should be established in which to place funds donated specifically for the conservation affairs position.

Council expressed concern about deficit spending in the Society's budget.

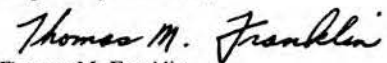
Council agreed that the Society should prepare letters to President Bush and Congress in opposition to spending caps on the Pittman/Robertson and Wallop-Breaux funds.

The possibility of organizing a Society sponsored continuing education program was discussed.

Council briefly discussed the desirability of addressing animal rights and gun control issues as they can be divisive.

The meeting adjourned at 2300 hours.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas M. Franklin
Field Director
Secretary pro tempore

THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY'S PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Overview and Goals

Increasing pressures on wildlife habitats and populations, public awareness, and rapid technological changes are among the major reasons why life-long education is needed for wildlife professionals. Social, political, and economic demands on our society require that professionals responsible for the protection and management of wildlife resources become more efficient and effective at their jobs. The Wildlife Society recognizes the importance of continuing education to meet these needs and has initiated the Professional Development Program. This Program is open to all wildlife professionals. Upon successful completion of the Program, as evidenced by an approved Application and Personal Activity Record, The Wildlife Society will issue a Professional Development Certificate. Success of the Program depends upon individual integrity and widespread participation. Program goals are to:

Maintain and advance the high technical and social skills needed by today's wildlife professionals.

Integrate new knowledge, concepts, and techniques into the practice of wildlife management.

Recognize, through issuance of a Professional Development Certificate, those individuals who demonstrate a commitment to excellence through continued learning and professional development.

Procedures

To obtain a Professional Development Certificate, applicants must:

- Complete 150 Contact Hours of professional development during a 4-year period. Participants may complete the Program in less time.
- Distribute Contact Hours within 6 accepted categories of activities.
- Maintain a Personal Activity Record documenting participation in professional development activities.
- Within 30 days of completion of the requirements, submit an Application for a Professional Development Certificate, the Personal Activity Record, and an application fee in U.S. Funds (TWS members \$25.00, nonmembers \$40.00) to the Executive Director of The Wildlife Society. The Application must contain signatures of 2 Wildlife Society members who have general knowledge of the applicant's activities.

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Central Mountains & Plains Section:	Scott E. Hygnstrom, 402/472-6822
Southwest Section:	R. Douglas Slack, 409/845-5777
Northwest Section:	Kerry P. Reese, 208/885-6435
Western Section:	Clinton W. McCarthy, 916/233-5811

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Western and Northwest Sections of The Wildlife Society will meet in joint session 22-24 February 1990 in Reno, Nevada. The theme for this joint meeting is **Wildlife Management Throughout the Pacific Rim - Politics, Economics, and Biology**. Proposed session topics include: wildlife diseases/treatments, environmental contaminants, forest wildlife, wetlands, biodiversity, natural resource economics, foreign trade-wildlife, and wildlife law enforcement.

Persons wishing to present a paper are invited to submit an abstract. Authors desiring to have their paper published in the "Transactions" should indicate this with the abstract. Papers prepared for publication will be given first consideration, in the event all time slots are filled. Submit abstracts to: **Scott E. Frazer, USDA-SCS, 117 South Mill St., Suite 1, Tehachapi, CA 93561; or Richard J. Pedersen, USDA Forest Service, P.O. Box 3623, Portland, OR 97208.**

Preserve Arizona's Wolves (P.A.W.S.) members are organizing an **Arizona Wolf Symposium** to be held 23-24 March 1990 at Arizona State University. The symposium will be co-sponsored by the Arizona Chapter, TWS. The program will include a background on the myths and folklore surrounding the wolf, describe the demise of the wolf in the Southwest, the status of the wolf in captivity, and the wolf's survival in Mexico. The status of recovery programs for the Red wolf, the Rocky Mountain wolf, and the Mexican wolf will be provided. For those interested in presenting a paper during the 23 March evening session, preliminary abstracts are due by **15 October 1989** and should be no longer than 2 typed, single-spaced 8 1/2" x 11" pages. Authors are encouraged to provide detailed abstracts on topics limited to research, scientific studies, case histories, legislation, legal policies, or similar topics related to wolves, preferably the Mexican Gray wolf. Presentations will be limited to 10-12 minutes. Be prepared to submit full texts of talks no later than 15 February 1990, to be published in a Proceedings containing all symposium speeches, available to registrants at the close of the symposium. We are seriously considering video taping the Plenary Session and producing a 3-hour Arizona Wolf Symposium '90 Video Highlights for sale after the symposium. We would like to hear from anyone who would be interested in purchasing such a tape to determine whether we should undertake this effort. Direct all abstracts and comments to: **P.A.W.S. c/o Bobbie Holaday, 1413 East Dobbins Road, Phoenix, AZ 85040.**

**PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY BYLAWS CONCERNING TERMS OF OFFICE
AND SUCCESSION OF SOCIETY OFFICERS**

The Wildlife Society operated for its first 4 decades with officers serving 1-year terms. In 1978, the membership approved a Bylaws change for the Vice-President and President to serve 2-year terms. The rationale for the change was to provide greater tenure for officers, especially the President, to accomplish objectives. The Society's first 2-year term President was installed in 1980.

Beginning in 1986, Council began an evaluation of the 2-year term of office and in 1988 concluded that the significant time commitment required for serving 2 years as President was too great for both the individual and his or her employer. Consequently, Council has agreed to seek membership approval to reduce the term of office for the Vice-President and President back to 1 year. In addition, Council recognized that for a 1-year President to be most effective, more than 1 year as President-Elect would be desirable to gain experience and prepare for the Presidency. As a result, Council also has agreed to seek membership approval to establish an automatic succession of the Vice-President to the position of President-Elect and then President at 1-year intervals.

When approved, these Bylaws changes will require a transition period from the fall of 1990 to March 1992 to be fully implemented. The terms of office for currently elected officers will not change. The changes also will expand the size of Council from 10 to 11 members and the Executive Committee from 3 to 4 members, beginning in March 1992.

To accomplish the proposed changes, revision will be required in Articles IV (Organization), V (Officers and Executive Staff), and VI (Council Elections and Other Balloting). The appropriate clauses are reproduced below, with deletions crossed out and additions in bold:

BYLAWS

ARTICLE IV. ORGANIZATION

Section 2. THE COUNCIL

CLAUSE A--COMPOSITION--The Council shall be composed of the President, President-Elect (~~for 1 year~~), Vice-President, immediate Past President (~~for 1 year~~), and one elected Section Representative from each Section defined in Section 3 of this Article and a Representative from the Canadian Affiliate.

CLAUSE C--EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE--To facilitate prompt action on behalf of The Council, there shall be an Executive Committee composed of the President, Vice-President, and the President-Elect, or and immediate Past President. All interim action of the Executive Committee shall be reported to The Council at the next Council meeting.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE STAFF

Section 1. OFFICERS--The Officers of The Society shall be a President (~~2 years~~), President-Elect (~~1 year~~), Vice-President (~~2 years~~), the, immediate Past President (~~1 year~~), and the Executive Director who shall serve as Corporate Secretary and Treasurer. Only Voting Members may serve as an officer of The Society.

CLAUSE A--THE PRESIDENT--~~In even numbered years (starting in 1980)~~The President-Elect succeeds to the office of President for a **two one-year** term. The President shall preside at all meetings of The Society, shall chair The Council and Executive Committee, shall appoint all committees, and shall perform all other duties incident to this office. In the temporary absence of the President, or upon that person's temporary inability to serve, the duties first shall be assumed by the ~~Vice-President-Elect~~ and then by the ~~Vice-President-Elect~~. In the event none of these can serve, The Council shall appoint a President pro-tempore.

CLAUSE B--THE PRESIDENT-ELECT--~~shall be installed each odd-numbered year~~ **The Vice-President succeeds to the office of President-Elect** for a one-year term and shall be assigned specific executive and functional duties by the President.

CLAUSE C--THE VICE-PRESIDENT--shall be installed each ~~odd-numbered year starting in 1979~~ for a **two one-year** term and be assigned duties by the President.

ARTICLE VI. COUNCIL ELECTIONS AND OTHER BALLOTING

Section 1. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS--The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of at least five Voting Members, and a Ballot Validation Committee of three Voting Members.

Before mid-July of ~~even-numbered~~ **each** years, the Nominating Committee shall submit to the Executive Director the names of two available Voting Members in good standing as nominees for ~~each of the offices of President-Elect and Vice-President. No member shall be nominated for more than one position in the same election.~~ Committee selections shall be published promptly in The Society's official publication of record. Within 30 days of the date of mailing of said issue, additional available nominee(s) may be submitted by any Voting Member in good standing, if supported in writing by 5 per cent of the Voting Membership.

Section 2. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF SECTION REPRESENTATIVES--Each year before mid-July, the Nominating Committee shall submit to the Executive Director the names of two available Voting Members in good standing as nominees for Section Representative for those Sections where representatives' terms shall terminate the following year. Nominations shall be provided by the Section Boards involved, or, in absence thereof, The Society Nominating Committee shall select the two nominees. **No nominee for Vice-President shall be nominated for Section Representative in the same election.** Nominations shall be published promptly in The Society's official publication of record. Within 30 days of the date of mailing of said issue, additional available nominee(s) may be submitted by any Voting Member in good standing if supported in writing by 5 per cent of the Voting Membership within the Section represented.

Section 3. BALLOTING

CLAUSE A--OFFICERS--Each ~~even-numbered~~ year, a ballot for the election of a ~~President-Elect and a Vice-President~~ shall be mailed to Voting Members. Forty-five days shall be allowed for ballot return from the membership. The Ballot Validation Committee shall validate the election of ~~officers~~ by February 15 of ~~each election year~~ and shall publish the results promptly in the next available issue of The Society's official publication of record. In the event of a tie, the selection shall be made by a majority vote of The Council.

Section 4. TENURE OF OFFICE

~~**CLAUSE B--THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT--**each shall serve 2 years starting in 1980 and 1979, respectively.~~

~~**CLAUSE CB--THE PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT-ELECT, VICE-PRESIDENT, AND IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT--**each shall serve a one-year term of office.~~

~~**CLAUSE DC--SECTION REPRESENTATIVES--**shall serve for three-year terms, overlapping so that one-third, more or less, of the representatives shall be nominated and elected each year. Representatives shall be ineligible to succeed themselves after two consecutive full terms.~~

Section 5. VACANCIES

CLAUSE A--PRESIDENT--A vacancy shall be filled by the ~~Vice-President-Elect~~ for the unexpired term of the office ~~and for his or her scheduled term.~~

CLAUSE B--PRESIDENT-ELECT--An ~~unscheduled~~ vacancy shall be filled by ~~special election which shall occur within 60 days of the occurrence of the vacancy. The Council shall appoint a Section Representative to serve in the stead of the President-Elect on the Executive Committee during the time the office is vacant.~~ **The Vice-President for the unexpired term of office and for his or her scheduled term.**

CLAUSE C--VICE-PRESIDENT--A vacancy shall remain unfilled until the next scheduled election ~~when both a Vice-President and a President-Elect shall be elected.~~ The Council shall select a Section Representative to serve in the stead of the Vice-President on the Executive Committee for the duration of the term.

The full text of the current Bylaws of The Wildlife Society (as amended and approved 6 January 1983) appears in the Summer 1983 **Wildlife Society Bulletin** 11:198-203. A copy of the Bylaws also may be obtained from The Wildlife Society headquarters.

Council recommends that the membership approve these proposed changes. As required by the Society Bylaws, a mail ballot will be circulated this fall.

CHAIRMEN NAMED FOR 55TH NORTH AMERICAN WILDLIFE AND NATURAL RESOURCES CONFERENCE

Special Session Chairmen for the 55th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference have been confirmed, according to Lonnie Williamson, vice-president of the sponsoring Wildlife Management Institute and chairman of the program committee. Gordon C. Robertson, West Virginia Department of Natural Resources, is serving as Conference cochairman representing The Wildlife Society. Edward T. LaRoe, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is assisting Robertson.

The Conference is scheduled for 16-21 March 1990 at the Sheraton Denver Tech Center in Denver, Colorado. The international meeting's theme is "Resource Management For The '90s."

Those wishing to participate in the 55th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference are invited to request abstract guidelines from and propose papers to the appropriate chairmen listed below.

<u>Subject of Sessions</u>	<u>Chairmen and Mailing Addresses</u>	<u>Subject of Sessions</u>	<u>Chairmen and Mailing Addresses</u>
WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND THE CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM	Loren M. Smith Dept. of Range and Wildlife Management Texas Tech University Lubbock, TX 79409-2125	TRENDS OF PROFESSIONALISM IN NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	Nova J. Silvy Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Texas A&M University College Station, TX 77843-2258
CONSERVATION EDUCATION: MAKING THE INVESTMENT	Delwin Benson Dept. of Fishery and Wildlife Biology Colorado State University Fort Collins, CO 80523	RANGELAND MANAGEMENT NEEDS	George Lea Public Lands Foundation P.O. Box 10403 McLean, VA 22102
CONSERVATION LAW ENFORCEMENT	James A. Timmerman Wildlife and Marine Resources Department P.O. Box 167 Columbia, SC 29202	GOOSE MANAGEMENT IN THE '90s	Byron K. Williams Migratory Bird Office U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Washington, DC 20240
MANAGING WESTERN WATER	Robert L. Herbst Trout Unlimited 501 Church Street, N.E. Vienna, VA 22180	CHALLENGES IN INTERNATIONAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION	W. Daniel Edge National Zoological Park Front Royal, VA 22630
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT LESSONS FROM UNPREDICTED EVENTS	Stephen P. Mealey USDA Forest Service P.O. Box 96090 Washington, DC 20013	INTRODUCTIONS AND REINTRODUCTIONS OF WILDLIFE POPULATIONS	J. Earl Kennamer National Wild Turkey Federation P.O. Box 530 Edgefield, SC 29824-0530
POSTER SESSION	David R. Stevens Colorado Chapter, The Wildlife Society Box 1514 Estes Park, CO 80517	COMPENSATORY RESPONSES IN WILDLIFE POPULATIONS	Len H. Carpenter Colorado Division of Wildlife 317 W. Prospect Fort Collins, CO 80526

Also, persons wishing to exhibit wildlife/natural resource artwork, crafts, equipment, publications, etc., should contact: **Richard E. McCabe, Wildlife Management Institute, 1101 14th Street, N.W., Suite 725, Washington, DC 20005.**

NOTICE

The Wildlife Society will sponsor 2 concurrent technical sessions at the North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference in Denver, Colorado, in March 1990. These 2 sessions, potential topics, and chairmen are:

COMPENSATORY RESPONSES IN WILDLIFE POPULATIONS -- Len H. Carpenter, Chairman

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| Evidence for compensation in laboratory animals | Evidence for compensation in furbearers |
| Evidence for compensation in waterfowl | Evidence for compensation in upland game |
| Evidence for compensation in large mammals (including predators) | Experimental designs to detect compensatory responses |

INTRODUCTIONS AND RE-INTRODUCTIONS OF WILDLIFE POPULATIONS -- James Earl Kennamer, Chairman
Clait E. Braun, Cochairman

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| Results from 100 years of transplants - what have we learned? | Biological criteria - climate and habitat |
| Biological criteria - competing species | Biological criteria - viable transplant size |
| Political and economic criteria | |
| Evaluation of transplants as management experiments - where do we go from here? | |

Persons wishing to contribute presentations on these topics are encouraged to contact the sessions chairman as early as possible but no later than **1 October 1989**. Potential contributors are asked to submit outlines of their proposed presentation directly to session chairmen.

MEETINGS OF INTEREST

(See previous issues of *The Wildlifer* for additional timely meetings.)1989

- 7 Sept. Arizona Chap., TWS, workshop on Environmental Contaminants, Embassy Suites, Phoenix, AZ. Registration, \$25 for members, \$30 for nonmembers. Embassy suites, \$45 single or double (free cocktail hr., breakfast, transportation to & from airport). Call 602/957-1910 for hotel reservations (mention The Wildlife Society workshop). (Bill Kepner, Arizona Chap., 602/261-4720.)
- 26-27 Sept. Entomological Society of Am. Centennial Natl. Symp., "Progress & Perspectives for the 21st Century", Natl. Museum of Am. History, Smithsonian Institution, Wash., DC. (Entomological Soc. of America, 301/731-4535.)
- 29-30 Sept. "Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide & Global Warming" 1st presidential symp., Virginia Polytech. Inst. & State U., Donaldson Brown Ctr. -Symp. \$40. (Dr. Roy Smith, Donaldson Brown Ctr., Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24061. 703/231-5242.)
- 4-5 Oct. Special TWS Council Mtg., 4-H Center, Little Rock, AR. (Harry E. Hodgdon, Executive Director, TWS, 5410 Grosvenor Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814. 301/897-9770.)
- 11-13 Oct. Biennial Southern Ruffed Grouse Workshop, Canter's Cave Outdoor Ed. Ctr., Jackson, OH. (Robert J. Stoll, Div. of Wildlife, 9650 State Rte. 356, New Marshfield, OH 45766. 614/664-2745.)
- 13-14 Oct. Wilderness Areas Symp., Selkirk College, B.C., Can. (Selkirk Coll., Castlegar Campus, 301 Frank Beinder Way, Box 1200, Castlegar, B.C. V1N 3J1.)
- 13-15 Oct. Western Bird Banding Assn. & Western Field Ornithologists Joint Annual Mtg., Reno, NV. (Western Bird Banding Assn., Western Field Ornithologists, Alan Gubanich, Dept. of Biology, U. of Nevada, Reno, NV 89557.)
- 28 Oct. - Soc. of Environ. Toxicology & Chemistry Annual Mtg., "Transboundary Pollution," Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Can. (SETAC, 1133 15th St. N.W., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20005. Keith R. Solomon in Guelph, Ont. Can. 519/837-3320.)
- 2 Nov. -
- 14-16 Nov. Multiresource Mgt. of Ponderosa Pine Forests Conf., Northern Arizona U., Flagstaff, AZ. (Conf. Coordinator, School of Forestry, Northern Arizona U., P.O. Box 4098, Flagstaff, AZ 86011-4098. 602/523-3031.)
- 7-8 Dec. Barrier Island Ecol. of the Mid-Atlantic Coast: A Symp., Ramada Inn in Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head, NC. (Dr. C. Andrew Cole, Cape Hatteras Natl. Seashore, Rte. 1, Box 675, Manteo, NC 27954.)
- 17-21 Dec. World Climate Conf., Cairo, Egypt. (Climate Institute, Suite 403, 316 Penn. Ave. S.E., Washington, DC 20003. 202/547-0104.)

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- 8-12 Jan. "Management of Riparian Ecosystems in the Southwest," shortcourse, New Mexico State U., Las Cruces, NM. (Dr. Jim Knight, Dept. of Fishery & Wildlife Sciences, Box 4901, New Mexico State U., Las Cruces, NM 88003. 505/646-1164.)
- 24-26 Jan. 1990 Missouri Forest, Fish & Wildlife conf.-- "Conservation of Urban Natural Resources," Lodge of the Four Seasons, Lake of the Ozarks, MO. (Carol Trokey, Chairperson, Publicity, MO FFW Conf., 1-30 Agric. Bldg., U. of Missouri, Columbia 65211.)
- 26 Feb.- Sixth Natl. Wild Turkey Symp., The Sheraton, Charleston, SC. (John Frampton, Chief of Game, SC Wildl. & Marine Resource Dept., P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202. 803/734-3886.)
- 1 Mar. -
- 16-20 Mar. The Wildlife Society Annual Mtg. (incl. Annual Council Mtg.), Sheraton Denver Tech Center Hotel, Denver, CO. (Harry E. Hodgdon, Executive Director, TWS, 5410 Grosvenor Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814. 301/897-9770.)
- 16-21 Mar. 55th North American Wildlife & Natural Resources Conf., Sheraton Denver Tech Center Hotel, Denver, CO. (L.L. Williamson, Wildlife Management Institute, Suite 725, 1101 14th St. N.W., Washington, DC 20005. 202/371-1808.)
- 28 May- "Biology of Deer Production," intl. symp., Mississippi State U., Starkville. (Robert Brown, Head, Dept. Wildlife & Fisheries, P.O. Drawer LW, Mississippi State, MS 39762. 601/325-3830.)
- 1 Jun. -
- 4-11 Jun. 2nd Intl. Wildlife Ranching Symp., "Conservation & Sustainable Development," Coast Terrace Inn, Edmonton, Alberta, Can. (Dr. Lyle A. Renecker, Chm., 2nd Intl. Wildl./Ranching Symp., 310 Ag/For Ctr., Dept. of Animal Sci., U. of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Can. T6G 2P5. 403/492-2111, 492-3232, 435-4973.)
- 12-16 Jun. Malaysia Intl. Conf. on Conservation of Tropical Biodiversity, "In Harmony with Nature," Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. (Ministry of Science, Technology & Environment, 50662 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.)
- 15-17 Aug. Managing Predation to Increase Production of Wetland Birds Symp., Jamestown, ND. (Alan B. Sargeant, Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center, P.O. Box 2096, Jamestown, ND 58402. 701/252-5363.)
- 11-14 Nov. Natl. Symp. on Urban Wildlife, Stouffer Five Seasons Hotel, Cedar Rapids, IA. (Dr. Lowell Adams, Symp. Program Chm., Natl. Institute for Urban Wildlife, 10921 Trotting Ridge Way, Columbia, MD 21044. 301/596-3311.)

REPORTS FROM SECTIONS, CHAPTERS, AND MEMBERS

Donald F. Behrend has moved from his statewide position as Executive Vice President and Provost to become Chancellor of the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA). UAA is the largest university in the Alaska system with about 18,000 full and part-time students. Campuses and education centers of UAA stretch from Adak to Valdez, from the Mat-Su Valley to Kodiak.

John S. Castrale was selected as the Nongame Wildlife Biologist responsible for birds with the Indiana Division of Fish and Wildlife. His office remains at Mitchell.

Robert McCabe, emeritus professor of wildlife ecology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Carroll College at the college's commencement ceremony in May in Waukesha, Wisconsin. Last year in June, **Lloyd B. Keith** of the wildlife ecology department received an honorary Ph.D. from Uppsala University, Sweden. He was honored for his research and contributions to Sweden's wildlife research program.

Mrs. Beatrice Carr Pickens received the **Wildlife Conservationist of the Year Award** from the Texas Chapter, TWS. Mrs. Pickens is a commissioner on the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission as well as a member of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Bobby Alexander, President of the Chapter, presented Mrs. Pickens with the award.



Mrs. Beatrice Carr Pickens receiving Texas Chapter award from TWS Texas Chapter President Bobby Alexander.



POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Many positions continually are being added to the Society's new computerized database, JOBSource. JOBSource provides detailed descriptions of current wildlife, fisheries, and related natural resource positions -- permanent and seasonal, internships, volunteer positions, and graduate assistantships. The innovative computer program quickly searches the database and locates positions that match each user's criteria. Position vacancy descriptions can be obtained as hard copy printouts or through your computer and telephone modem.

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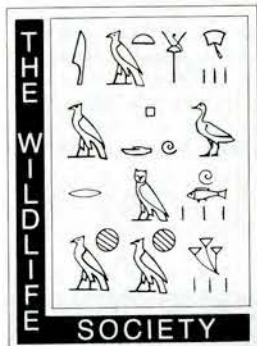
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