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## President's Message

This installment of the President's Corner is my last. It is time to turn the scepter over to the new President and retire to the comfortable position of Past President. Normally, this change in office is done at the spring meeting of the Northwest Section. This year, we are having our section meeting in conjunction with the 2nd Annual Wildlife Society Conference in Portland during September so this column will have to replace our standard pomp and ceremony. Dale Towell is your new President. Congratulations, Dale!

During the past two years I have tried to persuade professional biologists dealing with wildlife issues in the Northwest that we are better off remaining linked under a single professional umbrella than dispersing among a series of professional societies. I think the sequence of the last three presidents elected by the Northwest Section membership (Chuck Blair is a consultant working for a private company; I am a university professor; Dale Towell is employed by a government agency) demonstrates that The Wildlife Society has the ability to serve a wide array of professionals along the "employment gradient". I think we can serve as wide an array of professionals along the "interest gradient".

The proliferation of societies and self-defined new professional specializations worries me in two ways. First, the core of professionals devoted to wildlife resources is very small, and Balkanization of professionals into independent groups has the potential to dilute our already limited influence. The Wildlife Society has 9,000-10,000 members. The Society for Conservation Biology has around 5,000 members. There are a lot of people who belong to both organizations. If overlap is around 50% and approximately half of the professionals involved in wildlife conservation

join professional societies of any sort (a fairly optimistic assessment), we wildlife professionals in North America number approximately 25,000. There may be another 10,000-20,000 members of the Ecological Society, Society for Range Management, Society of American Foresters, American Fisheries Society; and other professional groups that would feel comfortable being described as "wildlife professionals". If these people are included, an estimate of 50,000 professionals in North America might be within reason. This represents one-hundredth of one percent of the population of North America. Do we really need to fragment ourselves more?

My second worry involves segregation by specialization. While we cannot be experts on everything related to wildlife conservation and management, specialization discourages communication among groups and can encourage professional inbreeding. I enjoy going to meetings and talking with people who work in areas in which I am interested, but I probably learn more from meetings in which people with other interests give papers. If we all clump up into little specialty groups, we are going to have a tough time finding the new ideas we need to keep our profession alive and progressing.

Specialization in wildlife these days seems to be taking two routes. We either tend to specialize around broad general ideas – *landscape ecology, natural resource management, ecosystem science* – or around narrow topics – *neotropical passerines, game damage, black-footed ferret reintroduction*. As a university professor involved in training future generations of wildlife professionals, I think both routes are dangerous. The first route because it can lead to movements to reorganize curricula to stress breadth of education so heavily that students have no area in which

they can claim expertise. *Remember the explosion of "natural resource" programs in the '70s? Many of their graduates had tough times finding employment because their background was too amorphous.* The second route is dangerous because hot topics change over time. *How employable is a graduate of a program specializing in 'neotropical passerine landscape fragmentation' likely to be in 20 years? I don't know.* Most jobs tend to focus on limited areas, but it is impossible to predict the limited areas in which individual students will eventually work. The objective of university training, as I see it, should be to give students depth in wildlife biology while providing the skills they need to collaborate across specializations within and outside wildlife conservation. I think this is a reasonable strategy for professionals, also. We will, of necessity, develop depth in specialized areas, but we should always maintain the contacts and skills needed to collaborate with specialists in other areas.

Well, enough preaching. Thanks for the time in the pulpit. Good luck in your term, Dale. See you all in Portland in September. – *Lynn Irby*

## Awards Committee Seeks Nominations

The Einarson Award recognizes outstanding achievement by an individual to the wildlife profession in the Northwest Section. The Wildlife Administrator Award was established to recognize individuals that have made significant contributions to wildlife management from an administrative position. Please send your award nominations to: Steve Knick, RRTAC, National Biological Service, 3948 Development Ave., Boise, ID 83705 (phone 208-384-3483).

# ***Annual Meeting in Portland Taking Shape NW Section to Sponsor Symposium on Federal Candidate Species***

"The National meeting is well on its way to being reality!" according to Kate Boula, President of the Oregon Chapter. The venue is Portland, Oregon. The dates are September 12-17, 1995. The budget is hammered out and 60 plus volunteers, under the leadership of Larry Mangan, are designing logos, soliciting donations, planning banquets, juggling room assignments, and tending to lists of seemingly endless details. Meanwhile, Bob Anthony, Program Chair, is wading through piles of papers submitted for presentation in the various technical sessions.

The Northwest Section will host a symposium entitled "Status and Recovery of Federal Candidate Species in the Western U.S." at the Society's national meeting. Greg Green, symposium chairman, reports that the symposium will introduce and clarify

various actions affecting nearly 500 wildlife taxa currently on the list of Candidate species, such as the Candidate Assessment Process itself and the Prelisting Conservation Agreement. The symposium will also examine approaches that various organizations and agencies use for species recovery and protection, especially in Idaho and Washington.

The symposium also will address current status and recovery efforts for a select number of candidates, including the northern goshawk, harlequin duck, ranids (pond frogs), northwestern pond turtle, and Colombian sharp-tailed grouse. These "case studies" will focus on current status, population trends, new research information, recovery efforts, and implications of listing. The intent of these presentations is to provide updated or condensed informa-

tion not readily available in the literature, especially for the wildlife biologist or planner needing this information for preparing environmental documents.

Symposium attendees will be provided with a series of status reports, prepared by species' experts, on a select number of Candidate species found in the western U.S. These reports, at a minimum, will provide an update of key technical information including status, trends, and recovery useful for preparing environmental documents and related reports. A finalized agenda will appear in the next newsletter.

It's going to be a terrific meeting—we hope to see a large and lively contingent from the Northwest Chapters and Section at the meeting, so mark your calendars!

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## **Meet The Section's Executive Board Candidates**

The Nominations Committee and Executive Board have approved a slate of candidates for the offices of vice president and secretary-treasurer to serve a two-year term beginning in May 1995. Many thanks to Greg Schroer, Nominations Committee Chairman, and to the committee for selecting three excellent candidates for the board.

**Please Vote! Use the enclosed ballot and return by April 15 to:** Greg Schroer, Resources Northwest, 1800 112 Ave., Suite 100, Bellevue, WA 98004.

### ***Vice President***

**James G. McCracken**

**Personal:** 41 years of age and married with 4 children.

**Education:** PhD. 1992, Forestry, Wildlife and Range Resources, University of Idaho; M.S. 1980, Range Ecology, Colorado State University; B.S. 1977, wildlife Biology, Colorado State University.

**Former Positions:** Research Scientist, Idaho Forest, Wildlife and Range Policy Analysis Group, University of Idaho, Mos-

cow; 1984-1991, Wildlife Biologist, USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station, Fairbanks, AK; 1980-1982, Wildlife Biologist, USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Forest and Range Experiment Station, Rapid City, SD.

**Present Position:** Wildlife Biologist, Longview Fibre Co., Longview, WA; 1991-1994.

**Principle Professional Interests:** Applied research on foraging strategies, habitat selection and requirements, predator-prey relationships, mitigation of land-use impacts, and integrating science and scientists into the policy process.

**Views:** The Northwest Section includes an impressive land base and diversity of wildlife and habitats associated with the five states and four provinces in two countries that make up its membership. The wildlife issues in the Northwest are just as varied as the land and the institutions charged with their care. The diversity inherent in the Northwest Section, particularly its international aspect, provides many educational opportunities and examples of the good and the bad in the wildlife profession. A major role of the activities of the Northwest Section is to expose the mem-

bership to these activities through the annual meetings and newsletter. The geographical extent of the Section also makes participation in these activities difficult for some. Bringing those services to students, persons new to the profession and the more isolated members should be a primary objective.

I have been a member of the parent society since 1976 as well as various state chapters and sections. As a whole, The Wildlife Society has served me and the resource very well. I'd like the opportunity to return the favor.

**Patricia a. McLaren**

**Personal:** 37 years of age and married with no children.

**Education:** M.S. 1986, Zoology & Physiology, University of Wyoming, thesis topic was resource partitioning among nesting raptors; B.S. 1980, Wildlife Ecology, University of Florida.

**Former Positions:** Resource Management Biologist, Florida Department of Natural Resources; Coastal Zoologist, Florida Natural Areas Inventory.

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## Meet The Section's Executive Board Candidates...Cont.

**Present Position:** Biologist, Environmental Forestry Research Group, Weyerhaeuser.

**Principle Professional Interests:** My interests have focused on avian ecology, evaluation of natural areas management, communications, fire as a management tool, control of exotic species and vertebrate community ecology.

**Views:** My vision for the Northwest Section is to recognize the increasing importance of active habitat management to meet goals for diverse wildlife communities. As increasing acres of federal lands are placed in reserve status, active management outside of these areas may need to increase in both scope and intensity. Restoration of habitat will become increasingly important, and management-oriented research on effective approaches to manipulating forest stand development is needed. For example, increasing the rate of development of old-growth forest structural features, and extending the persistence of understory components in managed forests are needed. I am especially interested in bridging the gaps between such research and implementing the results in management to enhance forest wildlife habitat.

I have played an active role in TWS since an undergraduate and have served on the board of the Florida Chapter. I have a desire to continue involvement in TWS activities and help shape effective policy for wildlife management issues in the Northwest.

### Secretary-Treasurer

#### H. Jerome Hansen

**Personal:** Born December 6, 1956, in Americus, Kansas. Lived in Boise, Idaho, for most of the last 11 years. Married with children.

**Education:** M.S. in Wildlife Management, West Virginia University 1982; B.S. in Biology, Emporia State University 1979.

**Former Positions:** Research Assistant, Univ. of Montana Coop. Wildl. Research Unit; Biological Aide, U.S. Fish & Wildlife

Service; District Wildlife Biologist, Kansas Fish and Game; Wildlife Research Biologist, Idaho Fish and Game; and Wildlife Mitigation Specialist, Idaho Fish and Game.

**Present Position:** Interstate Resource Data Manager, Idaho Fish and Game.

**Wildlife Society Activities:** Member since 1980. Conservation Affairs Committee Chairman, Idaho Chapter 1984-85; Vice President, Idaho Chapter, 1988-90; Secretary-Treasurer, Northwest Section 1993-1995.

**Principal Interests:** Wildlife-habitat relationships, habitat evaluation procedures, wildlife mitigation policy and techniques, GIS applications, and resource database applications.

**Views:** I am running for a second term as Secretary-Treasurer because I have enjoyed managing bank accounts much larger than my own. The Section uses the funds in this account to sponsor workshops, symposiums, student travel, and other important projects throughout the Northwest. The Section supports state Chapter activities and meetings and fosters the exchange of ideas between biologists throughout the Northwest. Technology is moving ahead rapidly, and workshops and symposiums are one of the most effective ways for the over 1000 members of the Section to sharpen their skills and knowledge. The Section will have many opportunities to provide support to a variety of programs in the next two years and I would like to help out as Secretary-Treasurer.

## Meetings of Interest

May 3-4, **8th Northern Furbearer Conference**, Regal Alaskan Hotel, Anchorage; contact Howard Golden, AK Dep. Fish & Game, Anchorage, AK 99503 (907-267-2177).

May 24-25, **Western States and Provinces Joint Deer and Elk Workshop**, Sun Valley Inn and Lodge, Sun Valley, ID; contact Lon Kuck, Idaho Dep. Fish & Game, 600 S. Walnut, P.O. Box 25, Boise, ID 83707 (208-334-2920; FAX 208-334-2114).

Jun. 22-24, **Principles of Ecosystem Management in the Northern Rockies**, Montana State University; contact Conference Services, Room 280f Strand Union, MSU-Bozeman, Bozeman, MT 59717-0402 (406-994-3333; FAX 406-994-3228).

July 16-21, **10th International Conference on Bear Research and Management**, University of Alaska; contact Harry Reynolds, AK Dep. Fish & Game, 1300 College Rd., Fairbanks, AK 99701-1599 (907-452-1531; FAX 907-452-6410).

August 13-17, **2nd International Arctic Ungulate Conference**, University of Alaska; contact Dr. David Klein, Alaska Coop. Fish & Wildl. Res. Unit, Fairbanks, AK 99775-7020 (FAX 907-474-6967).

Aug. 29-31, **21st International Meeting of the Prairie Grouse Technical Council**, Medora, ND; contact Jerry Kobriger, Chairman, 225 30th Ave. S.W., Dickinson, ND 58601 (701-227-2343; FAX 701-227-2344).

Nov. 13-15, **1st Conference on Fire Effects on Threatened and Endangered Species and Habitats**, Coeur d'Alene Resort and Conference Center, Coeur d'Alene, ID; contact International Association of Wildland Fire, P.O. Box 328, Fairfield, WA 99012 (509-283-2397).

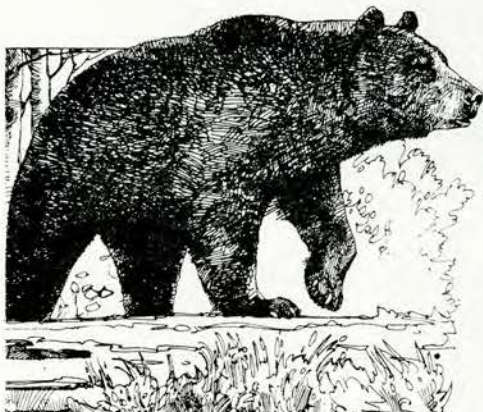
## Regional Journal to Publish First Volume

The Intermountain Journal of Sciences (IJS) will begin publication during Spring 1995. Manuscripts accepted for this initial, single issue volume are primarily from presentations at 1994 annual meetings of the co-publishers (Montana Academy of Sciences, Montana Chapter of The Wildlife Society and The Montana Chapter of The American Fisheries Society). The co-publishers intend to publish this journal as a quarterly journal with the time frame depending on available funding and number of manuscripts received.

IJS provides an opportunity to publish papers presented at annual meetings of the co-sponsoring organizations and will replace printed proceedings of the respective annual meetings. Although editorial policy requires that presenters at annual meetings of the co-sponsors be given priority in allocation of space and time of publication, other manuscripts relating research and application of the sciences in the intermountain region are encouraged without regard to affiliation.

Annual subscriptions to the journal are: Students \$6, Regular \$15, and Library \$25. Life Member is \$150 and Patron \$25 minimum. Page charges for accepted manuscripts are \$25 per printed page.

Manuscripts and inquiries may be sent to John P. Weigand, Managing Editor, at the following address: IJS, P.O. Box 3014, Bozeman, MT 59772-3014. Telephone inquiries may be directed to John at (406) 586-7578 or Editorial Board Chair, Terry Lonner (406) 994-6361.



## Candidates for Northwest Section Representative

**J. DAVID BRITTELL**

**Personal:** Born 10 February 1952, Amarillo, Texas.

**Education:** B.S. (Wildlife Biology), Washington State University (1974).

**Present Position:** Assistant Director, Wildlife Management Program, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (1994-present).

**Former Positions:** Deputy Director/Assistant Director, Washington Department of Wildlife (1992-94); Game Program Manager, Washington Department of Wildlife (1990-92); Regional Wildlife Biologist, Washington Game Department (1983-90); Wildlife Research Biologist, Washington Game Department (1976-83); Nongame Biologist, Washington Game Department (1975-76).

**Wildlife Society Activities:** Member since 1975; Associated Wildlife Biologist (1977); Certified Wildlife Biologist (1987); Northwest Section: Conservation Committee, Einarson Award Committee; Washington Chapter, President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer Membership Committee, Fund Raising Committee, Program Committee.

**Other Professional Affiliations:** Northwest Scientific Association.

**Principal Professional Interests:** Wildlife research, integration of wildlife science

with management, and maintaining wildlife diversity.

**Views:** There are immense challenges ahead of us as wildlife professionals; management of threatened and endangered species, influencing urban growth to the benefit of wildlife, providing recreation to an increasing public as resources decline, living with the downsizing of resource agencies. These activities cause all of us to stretch on a professional and personal level.

We have to conduct good science to understand the needs of species on the edge. We have to engage in the debate on important legislation such as the reauthorization of the Endangered Species Act. We must effectively influence the activities of our natural resource organizations, as well as external agencies that influence wildlife through their activities. As we downsize we must learn to be good human resource managers. New revenue sources may develop, such as the wildlife diversity (nongame) initiative, but generally, we will be forced to do more with less.

The Wildlife Society provides a forum for us to address the above mentioned challenges. The Wildlife Society must provide leadership on critical issues. It can provide a nurturing environment for professional debates and discussions. The Society must provide education and professional development opportunities with networking amongst our peers to maximize our

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### The Wildlife Society SECOND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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## Chapter Activities

**ALASKA:** The Education and Information Committee is developing public service announcements to educate the public about TWS and a strategy for continuing education and training seminars. The Conservation Review Committee submitted comments in support of the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration and Policy Act during the past legislative session. This committee also asked the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council to consider using settlement monies to fund endowed academic positions at the University of Alaska.

The Chapter will hold its annual meeting on May 4-5, 1995 at the Regal Alaskan Hotel in Anchorage. The 1995 meeting is scheduled in conjunction with the 8th Northern Furbearer Conference. Topics for the 1995 Chapter meeting will cover all aspects of wildlife management and research in Alaska. Guest speaker at the joint Alaska Chapter/Northern Furbearer Conference Banquet will be Gilbert Proulx of Alpha Wildlife Research and Management in Edmonton, Alberta. – *Lowell Suring*

**ALBERTA:** Sustainability of natural resources in Alberta as a result of deep government cutbacks of regulatory personnel and significant growth in resource extraction industries increasingly concerns Chapter members. The Alberta Chapter offered to fill a critical role by advising government and industry on the effects that land-use practices have on wildlife populations, wildlands, and integrity of ecological systems.

Several individuals were recognized for their contributions at the annual meeting in March 1994. The Chapter honored Ed Telfer with the William Rowan Distinguished Service Award for his significant professional contributions. Margo Pybus received a Dedication Award for her commitment to the Chapter and specifically for her editorship of the *Alberta Wildlifer Newsletter* during the last several years. Lisa Crampton, a MSc. candidate at the University of Calgary, received the award for the best student presentation at the 1994 annual meeting. During summer 1994, the Awards committee identified Phil McLoughlin, University of Alberta, as the first recipient of the Chapter's Student Scholarship.

The Chapter continues to experience favorable growth and now has 160 members. The Executive Directors meet on a monthly basis to discuss issues of importance to the Chapter. – *Brad Stelfox*

**IDAHO:** The Idaho Chapter coordinated its annual meeting in March 1994 with the Inland Empire Section of the Society of American Foresters. The meeting theme was "Implementing Ecosystem Management". Jack Ward Thomas, Chief USDA Forest Service, was one of the featured speakers.

Members of the Idaho Chapter testified at hearings on the proposed Idaho Training Range that would impact the Birds of Prey Natural Area and collaborated with both the NW Section and the parent society in questioning the adequacy of the EIS developed by the Air Force. At present, options other than the proposed SW Idaho location are being considered. The Idaho Chapter collaborated with the Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society in supporting a conservation strategy for bull trout in lieu of endangered status for this species. Letters supporting USDI funding for wildlife and the National Biological Survey were sent to all of the state's congressional delegation. Members are attending meetings and hearings on topics that impact or might impact wildlife, and are keeping a close watch on forest health issues. At present, the presidents of the Idaho chapters of SAF and TWS are preparing a joint statement urging the Governor to seek the most highly qualified personnel for the commission and not to use political ideology as a selection criterion.

Financial support was provided to the parent society for sending students to the Albuquerque meeting, to the Idaho 4-H Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Team and to the Inland Empire Natural Resources Youth Camp. Plans are being finalized for the upcoming annual meeting which is being held in conjunction with the Northwest Scientific Association in Idaho Falls, March 9-11, 1995. – *Ernie Ables*

**MONTANA:** The Montana Chapter held its annual meeting in Billings on January 31-February 2, 1995. The theme for the meeting was "Wildlife Stewardship Through Ecosystem Management: Practical and Theoretical Considerations". Twenty-eight excellent papers were presented that represented perspectives on the theme by various agencies, relevance of current programs, case histories and new approaches to wildlife conservation. The awards banquet drew a large audience to hear Joe Fontaine talk about wolf recovery in Yellowstone National Park and central Idaho. Dr. Bart O'Gara, retired leader of the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit received the Chapter's Distinguished Service Award for his lifelong contributions to wildlife research and management. Mike Fox, biologist for the Fort Belknap Tribes, was recognized as Biologist of the Year for development of a model wildlife management program on the reservation. Vince Yannone, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, received the Bob Watts Wildlife Communications Award.

Associated activities included a meeting of the Montana Working Group of Partners in Flight. A workshop on population viability, sponsored by the USDA Forest Service, was held concurrently with technical sessions. There also was an optional field trip to Zoo Montana.

In balloting, the Chapter membership chose Gael Bissell as President-elect to serve as program chair for the 1996 annual meeting. Nancy Warren, the 1995 program chair will serve as president for the coming year. Carolyn Sime, Secretary Treasurer, will remain on the Executive Board for another year. – *Dennis Flath*

**OREGON:** Chapter membership is at an all time high with more than 625 individual members. We started off the year last February with a very successful annual meeting and three workshops at Sunriver. Later in the year we co-sponsored with Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW) a symposia on Exotic Species and an OSIS workshop. A major effort in 1994 was co-sponsorship of a three-day symposium entitled "Sustaining Rangeland Ecosystems" held on the EOOSC campus in LaGrande during late August. Past President Mike

## Chapter Activities...cont.

Wisdom also enlisted the Oregon chapters of the American Fisheries Society and Society for Range Management as co-sponsors. The session attracted over 400 participants from a variety of backgrounds. In addition to offering technical information of rangeland management and conservation, we intended to also provide a neutral and supportive forum for communication between folks having different perspectives on range management problems and solutions.

Our Conservation Committee continued work on the Grazing Position Statement, recommendations for Desert Wilderness Areas, and mining reform input. The Professional Societies Panel on East Side Old Growth completed its report entitled "Interim Protection for Late-Successional Forests, Fisheries and Watersheds". This was a monumental task, and the resulting report has important implications for management of old growth forests throughout eastern Oregon and Washington.

The Chapter continues to enjoy a sound financial base that allows us to support a variety of activities, agency efforts and on-going Chapter programs. Early in 1994, the Board identified ODFW's Biodiversity (Non-Game) program as an emphasis for Chapter support. We were able to sponsor an attendee at a national meeting on funding opportunities for non-game programs. We also contributed funding towards an advertisement for the **Non-Game Tax Check Off Program**. Other sponsorships included "International Wildlifer" TWS memberships for programs in Russia, Thailand, Peru and Chile.

The Legislative Committee, in anticipation of a contentious 1995 legislative session, put together a series of informational field trips for legislators. The trips were very well received, and we hope that many of those legislators who attended will call on the Chapter for information as the session commences.

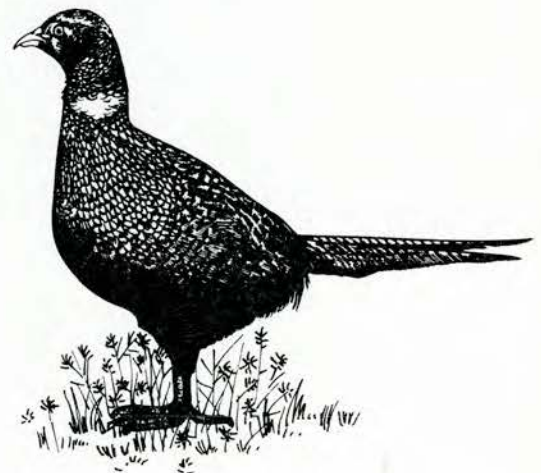
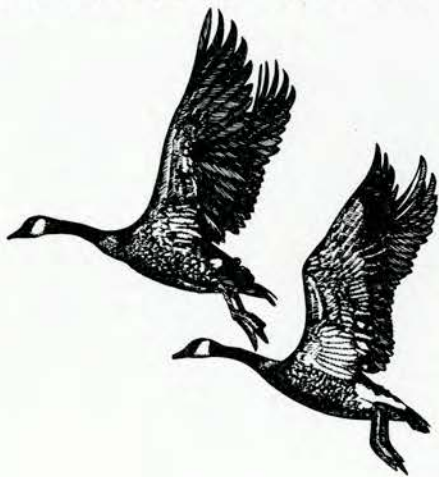
Our Chapter came in second in the TWS "Chapter of the Year" competition, losing to North Dakota by just three votes! With our involvement in the National meeting, and all our "usual" activities, we'll be in the running again this year and expect to win! – *Kate Boula*

**WASHINGTON:** The Washington Chapter held a small mammal continuing education workshop in December. Approximately 60 participants benefited from quality presentations that covered a variety of species and concerns. Topics included classification, biology, sampling design, trapping and marking techniques, permit requirements and safety. We appreciated the time and effort that instructors put into the program, and it produced a quality professional education opportunity for many biologists.

Our next scheduled class will be in May with shrub steppe ecology as the focus. The class will be held at the Fitzner/Eberhardt Arid Lands Ecology Reserve. This will be a good opportunity to visit the ecological reserve that has been named for one of our past Chapter presidents. Contact Paul Fielder at 509-66-8121 x 4299 for further information.

Our Chapter will donate funds to the Society of Northwest Vertebrate Biology to help cover the cost of producing two monographs: *Reptiles of the State of Washington* (Murry Johnson, 1954) and *Mammals of the Olympic National Park* (Victor Scheffer, 1949). That organization's monograph series has not been used for many years, and there was a strong feeling that publication of these two "classic" documents would be a good way to reestablish the series.

Chapter members continue to help develop the national technical meeting to be held this September. There are numerous other projects that Chapter members continue to work on including scholarship fund raising, mentor program and peer review standards. – *Greg Schroer*



## Candidates for Northwest Section Representative...cont.

effectiveness. And, our continued participation in activities of The Wildlife Society allows each of us to gain from our peer's energy and enthusiasm for the work ahead.

### WAYNE L. REGELIN

**Personal:** Born 11 November 1946, Holdrege, Nebraska.

**Education:** B.S. (Wildlife Biology) Colorado State University (1968); M.S. (Wildlife Biology) Colorado State University (1971); Ph.D. (Wildlife Biology) Colorado State University (1976).

**Present Position:** Deputy Director, Alaska Division of Wildlife Conservation, Juneau, Alaska (1988-present).

**Former Positions:** Research Coordinator, Alaska Division of Wildlife Conservation, Fairbanks, Alaska (1982-88); Wildlife Research Biologist, Wildlife Research Center, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Kenai, Alaska (1977-82); Range Scientist, Rocky Mountain Forest and Range Experiment Station, Fort Collins, Colorado (1975-77).

**Wildlife Society Activities:** Member since 1968. Certified Professional Wildlife Bi-

ologist (1979); President of Alaska Chapter (1983-84); Northwest Section.

**Other Professional Affiliations:** Arctic Institute of North America.

**Principal Professional Interests:** Wildlife administration and the application of wildlife management and research information to formulation of wildlife policy.

**VIEWS:** The Wildlife Society has very capable leadership in the executive branch and on the council. As a council member, I would work at strengthen TWS' ability to influence regional and national policies that affect wildlife resources and our ability to manage wildlife resources. I believe one of The Wildlife Society's most important functions is to assist policy makers in the transfer of scientific knowledge into good public policy. TWS should commit the necessary resources to ensure we can provide thoughtful technical analysis on key conservation issues at both the regional and national levels. Reauthorization of the Endangered Species Act and logging in eastern Washington and Oregon are examples of conservation issues in which TWS should provide technical advice and leadership.

I will do my best to represent the interests of all chapters of the Northwest Section if elected to the council.



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