



## **THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY**

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# **SUMMARIES OF SECTION AND CHAPTER ACTIVITIES**

**APRIL 1987-MARCH 1988 \***

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**NORTHEAST SECTION**

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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES: April 1987 - March 1988

During 1987 the Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society continued to concentrate on establishing a solid foundation for the Transactions of the Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society. Funds have been generated to cover the publication costs for the next 2 years. Fundraising will continue in the coming year, with a goal of establishing a fund from which interest income will account for a substantial amount or all of the annual publication costs. A new publications committee has been formed and includes our Editor-in-Chief, Associate Editors, Newsletter Editor and some at-large members. We are deciding upon the best administrative approach for the Editors to use, including hiring a managing editor or supporting secretarial staff for the Editors. We believe that with our present subscription rates, page charges and member contributions, the Transactions are well on the way to becoming a solid, peer-reviewed wildlife journal for the Northeast.

The two highlights of our remaining activities include the publication of a guide for planning the annual Northeast Wildlife Conference and the passage of a resolution requesting state, provincial and federal agencies to support TWS and the active participation of the staff in TWS activities. Our membership committee recently completed an interesting survey of TWS members in the Northeast. Most members felt that technical communication among peers was the critical role the Section should play in the Northeast. Surprisingly, 45% of the respondents who were not Section members indicated a lack of information about the Section or said that forgetting to pay their dues were the reasons they were not members.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Jay McAninch Section/Chapter Northeast Section



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The Chapter initiated a scholarship fund in the name of Russell A. Cookingham, former director of the Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife. The fund was established from the proceeds from his retirement dinner- \$4000 to start. We hope to build it up with contributions, and award the first scholarship in the spring of 1989.

A seminar on wetlands identification and laws pertaining to development was held in cooperation with Soil and Water Conservation Society, New Jersey Association of Professional Soil Scientists and Rutgers University. Nearly 100 people attended representing local government, developers, engineers and consulting firms.

Strong wetlands legislation was passed this year. The Chapter was a part of the Wetlands Campaign that moved the process along.

The Chapter was also involved in efforts to prevent Rutgers University from selling agricultural research lands for development.

An annual raffle of the N.J. Waterfowl Stamp print earned the Chapter \$213. The print is donated by the Div. of Fish, Game and Wildlife and framed by Marlton Wildlife Gallery.

A position statement was sent to the Governor regarding the storage of radon contaminated soil on Colliers Mills Wildlife Management Area.

The Chapter's by-laws were revised. Major changes included creating separate secretary and treasurer titles; increasing the annual dues to \$4.00; and creating an awards committee.

Two meetings were held for the entire membership. The spring meeting focused on current topics, and the fall meeting on a new reservoir project.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

increased communication about legislation

Name Mimi Dunne Section/Chapter New Jersey



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Major accomplishments and activities of the NY Chapter of The Wildlife Society included:

- holding six Executive Committee meetings.
- continuing an active membership drive and achieving a total membership of 238 as of December 1987, up from 92 in December 1985.
- initiating an automated Chapter billing system to collect delinquent dues which has proven to be cost effective.
- maintaining computerized Chapter mailing and membership lists.
- organizing and holding two professional meetings which included a field meeting on Wildlife Management In The Marine Environment and an annual program on Wildlife Research and Management In The Private Sector. The meetings attracted 55 and 110 registrants respectively making them the best attended Chapter meetings in recent memory.
- administering seven standing committees and four special committees that included the formation of a new special committee, The Wildlife Management Advocacy Committee, which is charged with identifying anti-wildlife management issues and organizations and developing an action plan that will guide the Chapter in confronting and dealing with the ever increasing anti-wildlife management movement. The Committee has generated interest by a variety of organizations and individuals, including a ranch hunting writer from Texas, interested in establishing a "networking system" that will organize pro-management organizations more effectively.
- joining the Wildlife Legislative Fund of America's "Protect What's Right" program.
- publishing four issues of the Chapter Newsletter.
- initiating a statewide raffle that netted the Chapter approximately \$2400.
- supporting a Congressional resolution recognizing Aldo Leopold and writing to various representatives seeking their support in sponsoring the resolution.
- opposing three separate bills in the NYS Legislature that could have severely restricted or banned the use of steel leg-hold traps in New York.
- appointing two Chapter members to a tri-society (NY Chapter SAF, NY Chapter AFS, and NY Chapter TWS) ad hoc committee to assess the role of women and minorities in natural resource professions in New York.
- reaffirming Chapter support for New York's Return a Gift to Wildlife program and requesting representation on the Return A Gift to Wildlife Advisory Committee.
- opposing a NYS Department of Environmental Conservation proposal to change the classification of DEC's Division Directors from competitive to non-competitive thereby allowing the positions to be filled by appointment rather than by the merit system.
- supporting the concept of an Essential Habitats Bill to protect endangered and threatened species habitats in New York. Made recommendations where the Chapter felt the bill could be strengthened.
- initiating steps to become incorporated.
- constructing a portable exhibit about the NY Chapter.
- updating and reprinting the Chapter membership application brochure.
- reviewing 21 legislative bills on a variety of issues.
- reviewing the final management plan for the Upper Delaware River.
- soliciting nominations for various Chapter awards.
- developing a draft policy on eight issues dealing with the Catskill and Adirondack Forest Preserve which, dependent upon membership and TWS approval, will ultimately be printed in pamphlet form entitled The Conservation Policies on the Catskill and Adirondack Forest Preserve of the New York Chapter of The Wildlife Society.
- printing and offering for sale an extension publication entitled Exotic Plants with Identified Detrimental Impacts on Wildlife Habitats in New York.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Robert A. Inslerman, President Section/Chapter New York



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Penn State University Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society

- 1) A list of our speakers for the Spring semester(1988) is enclosed. A different guest speaker attended each meeting.
- 2) Lease agreements were completed with Bald Eagle State Park and the Circleville Student Farm so that our chapter and its members could perform wildlife habitat improvement projects, such as constructing bluebird and kestrel boxes, plantings, prescribed burning, and observations.
- 3) Our chapter attended the Student Conclave in Newcomb, NY, where we were first runner-up to Cornell University.
- 4) We had a hat sale(hats had our logo printed on them) and our presently inquiring about obtaining wildlife lithographs.
- 5) We are currently trying to obtain JOBSource for members of our society.
- 6) We awarded the Boone and Crockett Club Award to Judy Sefchick at the Third Annual School of Forest Resources Banquet.
- 7) Dr. Walter Tzilkowski became our faculty advisor, he is very helpful in making club decisions and informing us of our options.
- 8) We provided our members with information concerning various job openings in wildlife-related fields.

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NAME Todd A. Sudie, President SECTION/CHAPTER PSU Student Chapter

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The State University of New York (SUNY) Chapter of The Wildlife Society at the College of Environmental Science and Forestry in Syracuse has spent most of the past year getting ready to host the 19th Northeastern Student Wildlife Conclave. The Conclave is scheduled for 8-10 April and will be held at the College's Adirondack Ecological Center, which is a 15,000 acre research facility in the Adirondacks.

The Chapter has conducted the usual array of fund raising events for Conclave. The most productive has been t-shirt, poster, and book sales as well as a lottery. Amongst all this activity the Chapter managed a number of field trips, including a traditional fall trip to Hawk Mountain. Meetings twice monthly have featured a variety of guest speakers from the College, New York Department of Environmental Conservation, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name

Guy R. Henderson

Section/Chapter

State University of  
New York



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The University of Maine Student Chapter  
of the Wildlife Society  
Annual Report for 1987-88

The chapter experienced a general decline in activity during fall semester 1987 resulting from the graduation of key participants and the departure of our faculty advisor. Under new leadership the chapter is regaining momentum and has a full slate of activities planned and underway. During spring semester 1988 the chapter has held a general reorganizational meeting, has sponsored two other meetings featuring talks with outside speakers, and has organized a field trip to observe wintering waterfowl along the coast. The chapter is sponsoring its annual game banquet for wildlife alumni, faculty, students and guests on March 26th. Other chapter activities this semester include joint sponsorship of a booth with the UMaine Department of Wildlife at a large sportsman's show, participation in an undergraduate phonathon to recruit quality undergraduate wildlife students, sponsorship of a photography contest, and initiation of a wood duck nest box erection and monitoring project.

Our chapter is the reigning champion of the Northeast "Wildlife Bowl" competition. We have administered a qualifying exam to select the team to defend our title at the Northeast Wildlife Student Conclave to be held April 8 - 10 at Huntington Forest, New York. Approximately 10 students are planning to attend the conclave.

Respectfully submitted,

UMaine Student Chapter TWS

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

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During our fall semester (Sept. '87 - Dec. '87), we conducted an overnight canoe/camping trip through the Great Swamp Management Area and visited an old mill site on the area. We also organized several bird-watching trips to this area and nearby sites. At our weekly meetings we hosted several guest speakers including Dr. Peter August, a resident mammalogist studying bat populations of Rhode Island, and Dr. Kevin Chu, a researcher of humpback whale social structure. Dr. Chu works out of Gloucester, Ma. In addition to guest speakers, we had skull identification practices and mock quiz bowl sessions in practice for the student conclave.

In the spring semester (Jan. '88 - May '88), we offered several day hikes in the Rhode Island area and purchased a VCR in order to add variety to the weekly meetings. We are now in the process of establishing a video library for student and professor use. As of date, we have three one hour films. Mainly in the early part of the semester, we prepared for the Northeastern Student Wildlife Conclave held in Syracuse. Now we are in the process of electing next years officers and brainstorming for new ideas for the fall semester membership drive. Plans include a trip to Block Island for the fall migration as well as canoe trips and local area hikes.

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The West Virginia Chapter TWS has reorganized and is striving to become more active. Chapter Bylaws were approved by TWS in July, 1987 and a business meeting was held in September, 1987. New officers were elected and an editor for the Chapter newsletter was appointed. The Chapter currently has 47 members.

A second meeting was held in January, 1988 to discuss the Chapter's role in the upcoming Northeast Fish and Wildlife Conference. Our plans for the Conference include the following: operation of an information/display booth; raffle of a 1987 West Virginia First of State Waterfowl Stamp Print; attend the Northeast Section's executive committee meeting; and assist the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources as needed.

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Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Paul Johansen

Section Chapter West Virginia



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- 2 April 1987: Seminar: Alan Schacht of USFS on Job opportunities and the OPM at the Federal level in Natural Resources.
- April 1987: Nominations and election of 1987-88 student chapter officers.
- 30 April 1987: End of the year party.
- September 1987: Start of WVDNR Calendar sale.
- 2 September 1987: First meeting of the year; discussion of upcoming events.
- 9 September 1987: WV Raptor Rehabilitation Center meeting.
- 16 September 1987: Seminar; WV DNR: Peregrine Hacking Program.
- 23 September 1987: Seminar: Army Coprs of Engineers: Osprey Hacking Program.
- 29 Sept.-3 Oct 1987: Elkins Forest Festival Display:  
"Does the Wild Turkey See in Color"  
Flourescent orange versus camouflauge
- October 1987: 50/50 Raffle
- November 1987; Buck contest
- 16 November 1987: Seminar: Dr. D.E. Samuel: Sabbatical at Utah State University.
- 8 December 1987: Seminar: Jim Evans, WV DNR Biologist: Boone and Crockett Scoring system and Buck contest scoring.
- 21 January 1988: WV Raptor Rehabilitation Center meeting.
- 27 January 1988: Seminar: Dr. D.E. Samuel: How to get Accepted into Graduate School.
- February 1988: Seminar: Summer Jobs Offered by SCA.
- February 1988: NE Conclave Preparation -- weekly study periods.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Section/Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

West Virginia University  
Student Chapter



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**ARKANSAS CHAPTER**

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Progress in the area of accreditation of wildlife graduate programs in the southeast was a major accomplishment of the Section during the report period. The Section's Professional Affairs Committee, chaired by Dr. Rich Noble, prepared a final draft of the accreditation criteria and a draft brochure to publicize the program. This program was accepted by the Section Board and Section President Gary Valentine contacted prospective universities regarding the availability of the program. Three universities responded with requests for accreditation reviews. North Carolina State University was reviewed and accredited in November and both Clemson and Auburn Universities have made tentative plans for reviews during 1988. Following the 1988 accreditation reviews, the Section plans to publish a brochure which will recognize those universities with accredited graduate wildlife programs in the southeast.

The Section's Resolutions and Bylaws Committee, chaired by Gerald Montgomery, has also been very active during the past twelve months. In addition to acting on three proposed resolutions, this Committee has prepared proposed changes in the Section's bylaws which will be submitted to the Section membership prior to the 1988 Fall Business Meeting in South Carolina.

During the past twelve months, the Section held elections with the following individuals having assumed office at the 1987 Fall Business Meeting in Mobile, Alabama: Bob Duncan - President; Dr. David Guynn - President-Elect; Bently Wigley - Secretary-Treasurer; and Gary Valentine - Past-President. An election for the Southeast Section Representative resulted in the selection of Dr. Jim Miller, who follows Dr. Ed Hill in that capacity. Former Section Newsletter Editor, Dr. Bob Warren, has become the Associate Editor for Wildlife for the proceedings of the Southeastern Fish and Wildlife Conference. Dr. Ed Jones was selected to serve as the new Section Historian in 1987 and he presented an excellent update on the history of the Southeastern Section at the Wildlife Session in Mobile, Alabama.

The 1987 Fall Business Meeting was excellent with a couple hundred persons attending. One of the highlights of the Fall Business Meeting was the recognition of Ray Evans of Missouri as the recipient of the Section's Wildlife Management Excellence Award. Dr. Frank Hayes of the Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study was recognized as the recipient of the Section's Outstanding Educator's Award.

Two of the Section's Committees have done an outstanding job of bringing together southeastern biologists with an interest in the white-tailed deer or the wild turkey. The Section's Deer Committee, chaired by Mark Bara, has with the assistance of the hosting state chapter of The Wildlife Society and the State Fish and Game Department, done a superb job in attracting three to four hundred people annually to deer study group meetings. The 1988 meeting was held in Kentucky and the 1987 meeting was held at Gulfshores, Alabama. The thirteenth annual meeting of the Wild Turkey Subcommittee, now a full Committee of the Section, was held in Marlinton, West Virginia and chaired by Jim Pack. Dan Timmer will assume responsibilities as Chairman of the Committee in May of 1988 when the Committee meets in Louisiana.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name

*Bob Duncan*

Section/Chapter

Southeast Section

Bob Duncan, President, Southeast Section T.W.S.



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Our spring meeting in 1987 was held in May at Old Washington Historic State Park, near Hope, Arkansas. A variety of oral presentations were made to the chapter membership on topics associated with wildlife resources in the Gulf Coastal Plain. The meeting included a tour of the state park, a fish fry, and a social. The highlight of the meeting was a boat tour of Grassy Lake, a very exclusive hunting club in the area. Grassy Lake is the only known rookery for many species of wading birds in the state and alligators were never extirpated from the wetland.

Our chapter sponsored a Seminar on Bobwhite Ecology given by John Roseberry in September, 1987. The seminar was held in Little Rock and much publicity was generated to encourage the public to attend. We conducted our business meeting during the day and held the seminar that night. Mr. Roseberry gave an excellent presentation and we were well pleased with the participation of the public. We feel the seminar was of great value for educating the public on these, often controversial, issues and our chapter plans to do more of these public seminars in the future.

In March, 1988, the Arkansas and Oklahoma Chapters of TWS held a joint meeting hosted by the Arkansas Chapter at Lake Fort Smith State Park, near Fort Smith, Arkansas. The topic of the meeting was a controversial proposed water supply/hydropower impoundment for Lower Lee's Creek in Northwest Arkansas and eastern Oklahoma. Seven invited speakers, representing a wide range of interests from city officials to wildlife conservationists, gave presentations. The meeting generated lively debate and gave each of us a better understanding of the complex issues involved in these types of water development projects. The following morning, a short trip was made to Devil's Den State Park where Park Naturalist, Tim Scott, led a tour of upper Lee's Creek.

NAME

*Joe H. Clark, Jr.*

SECTION/CHAPTER

*Arkansas*

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Our primary activities last spring included the annual All Game Dinner in May with approximately 100 students and faculty members attending. Dishes included the traditional venison, squirrel, and rabbit, as well as duck, wild boar, turkey, and other game birds. Members also stayed busy checking our bluebird box trail and banding all the nestlings. We cooperate with the Alabama Nongame Program of the Game and Fish Department on this project. We were sorry to see our advisor, Dr. Guy Baldassarre, leave to take a position at the State University of New York at Syracuse.

Many members had wildlife related summer jobs stretching across the country from Alaska to Georgia. Gaining valuable experience in the wildlife field is being highly encouraged to assure that our members will be competitive for jobs upon graduation.

Everyone was welcomed back Fall Quarter with our annual Fall Cookout. Fund raisers included selling T-shirts, posters, books and bluebird boxes. Many of our members are volunteers with the Auburn Veterinary School Raptor Rehabilitation Program and get to recondition and release injured hawks and owls. We also helped at several deer and waterfowl check stations during the winter.

Those members attending the SE Student Wildlife Conclave hosted by Murray State University had a great time and enjoyed their stay at Land Between the Lakes, Kentucky. We are already looking forward to next years' in Tennessee.

Highlighted speakers at our bi-weekly meetings included one of Alabama's Nongame Biologists, Soil Conservation and nature center biologists, a USFWS Refuge manager, and several graduate students and faculty.

We would like to wish all the other student chapters the best of luck in the upcoming year with all your projects and activities.

NAME: Anne Marie Furman-President SECTION/CHAPTER: Auburn University Student Chapter

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We have had a very active and productive year, with membership increasing to almost 50 active members. We held monthly meetings during the school year with speakers and/or films on topics such as trout fishing in Yellowstone, whitetail deer trophy management, the wild turkey in South Carolina, peregrine falcon reintroduction in S.C., and an excellent film on the life and work of Aldo Leopold.

Various projects included:

- A wood duck nest box program in cooperation with the S.C. Wildlife and Marine Resources Dept. We have 27 nest boxes on two beaver ponds near Clemson which are maintained and checked throughout the nesting season .
- Providing speakers on wildlife topics for an after school program conducted through the county library. This was a series of 2 different programs at various libraries throughout the county for elementary school children.
- Aid the Dept. of Aquaculture, Fisheries, and Wildlife at Clemson University in developing a portable display on wildlife programs and careers.
- Participated in the Annual Palmetto Sportsman Classic in Columbia, SC. This involved helping the SC Wildlife Federation at their booth .
- Attend the 1988 Southeastern Wildlife Society Student Conclave in Kentucky.

Fundraising:

- Annual sale of Channel Catfish which are cultured at a University facility.
- Sales of C.U. Wildlife Society T-shirts which featured a Wood Duck design.
- Sales of bluebird boxes obtained from the S.C.M.R.D.
- Dues obtained through increased membership

Socials included:

- The annual Buzzard Banquet which is a spring game cookout and games competition.
- A fall barbeque and volleyball tournament.
- A winter oyster roast and bonfire party.
- A trip to the Riverbanks Zoo in Columbia, S.C. where we had a guided tour by the zoo veterinarian .

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Tammy Peerboom-President Section/Chapter Clemson University



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Synopsis of Florida Chapter, TWS Activities for 1987

Continued involvement in the Everglades Coalition, an organization of National and Florida conservation groups, focusing on the protection and restoration of the Kissimmee River, Lake Okeechobee, Everglades, and Big Cypress systems. Activities helped secure Federal funding for additional Kissimmee River restoration programs (Section 1135 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986).

Involvement in Local Comprehensive Planning for various Florida counties. This effort is associated with public participation in local land-use planning with regard to Florida's growth management legislation.

Initiated efforts to provide assistance to Florida's Project WILD environmental education program.

Provided comments on or to:

Electrical Energy from Woody Biomass in South Florida  
Citrus conversions  
National Forest resource prescriptions  
Environmental Efficiency Study Committee  
Florida Sierra Club legislative summit  
Rattlesnake Hammock restoration proposal (Kissimmee River)  
Phase II, Kissimmee River restoration  
The Florida Panther Interagency Committee  
The Florida Forestry Association's management concerns on private timberlands

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The Georgia Chapter remained active throughout the year. The spring Chapter meeting was held at Piedmont National Wildlife Refuge on May 13 and 14, 1987. A new slate of officers, to serve a two year term, was elected at this meeting. In addition to listening to several excellent papers on wildlife research and management, the group toured Georgia Powers Plant Scheer Electric Generating Facility and Rum Creek Wildlife Management Area. The management area is located on power company lands as part of a cooperative area.

Earlier in the year the Chapter hosted a waterfowl management seminar at Savannah, Georgia.

The Chapter was one of the sponsors of the Third Nongame and Endangered Species Symposium held at Athens, Georgia on September 9 and 10, 1987.

Meeting notices and several newsletters were sent to all members.

The Chapter expressed its official support for Georgia's nongame programs.

We currently have 154 members on the Chapter rolls.

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NAME

*Ronnie Shell*  
President

SECTION/CHAPTER

*Georgia*

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The Louisiana Chapter has completed its most successful year to date. At the beginning of the year, committees were provided objectives and draft strategies to meet those objectives. The following summarizes our activities:

Membership Committee - Membership increased from 70 to 120 as a result of mailings to fish and wildlife offices around the state and personal contacts.

Education Committee - VCR tapes on lead poisoning and steel shot were duplicated and distributed to members across the state. The tapes were viewed by about 200 members and non-members.

Conservation and Policy Review Committee - Several issues were addressed. We supported establishment of Saline Bayou as a Wild and Scenic Area by the U.S. Forest Service. Letters and phone calls to LA's Congressional delegation concerning the Aldo Leopold Resolution netted co-sponsoring signatures by 7 of 10 Senators and Congresspersons. A proposal to require hunters to tag deer and turkeys harvested in Louisiana was opposed because of the expense, failure of the system to include a method of validating data "voluntarily" provided by hunters, and statewide liberalization of the deer harvest (without regard for regional populations). A Section 404 permit application by Plantation Landing Resort, Inc., to destroy 82 acres of marsh and shallow water habitats on Grand Isle, LA's only developed barrier island, was also opposed. We are continuing to work through our Congressional delegation to get the Corps to deny the permit. The Monk Parakeet is an exotic now reported nesting in LA with some frequency. This bird is known for its damage to fruit crops in South America. Federal and state agencies have refused to address the potential problem. In 1988 the LA Chapter will attempt to work with local Audubon Society groups in calling attention to this issue.

Newsletter Committee - The newsletter continued to be one of our strongest activities. Unfortunately, our newsletter editor has moved to Pennsylvania and we are having a difficult time filling that vacancy.

By-Laws Review Committee (ad hoc) - Meetings resulted in a number of proposed amendments concerning activities and organization improvements that will be presented to the membership at our Annual Meeting.

Program Committee - A 2-day workshop entitled "Wetlands Management Wildlife" was held in October. Speakers included Dr. Leigh Fredrickson, Dr. Reinecke, and a number of state and federal biologists working on wetland restoration/management and waterfowl lead poisoning projects in LA. At the workshop, biologists and students attended the workshop.

NAME

ROBERT STRADER

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LOUISIANA

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1. The Chapter held its first joint meeting with the Frostburg State University Student Chapter on 30 April 1987. The meeting was well attended by members of both chapters and the interchange quite worthwhile.
2. The Resolutions Committee prepared a resolution (approved by the Executive Board on 16 June 1987) in opposition to the proposed cancellation of Wildlife Review. The statement was distributed to appropriate legislators.
3. The Chapter is preparing a bi-fold brochure (4" by 9" format) outlining its purpose and objectives. The brochure will be used to enhance the visibility of the Chapter with regard to its dedication to conserving and managing the wildlife resources of the State of Maryland.
4. The Ad Hoc Long-range Planning Committee submitted its final report to the President at the Chapter's Fall Meeting, 1987. The committee was appointed in 1985 to review past activities of the Chapter (formed in 1977), and to recommend the kinds of things the committee felt the Chapter should be doing in the future. The report will serve as a useful blueprint in planning and implementing programs and activities to enhance the effectiveness of the Chapter.
5. The Chapter's Information and Education Committee prepared a slide presentation on wildlife management (with specific Maryland examples) for use in the State's hunter safety course.
6. In response to interest expressed by wildlife biologists in Delaware (which has no state chapter of TWS), the Maryland Chapter approved a motion at its 1 October 1987 Annual Meeting changing its name from the Maryland Chapter of The Wildlife Society to the Maryland-Delaware Chapter of The Wildlife Society. A request will be made to The Wildlife Society for approval of revised Chapter By-laws. Delaware biologists, too few in number to sustain a separate chapter, would like formal affiliation and representation at the chapter level.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Lowell Adams, Past President Section/Chapter Maryland



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This year, the Mississippi State University Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society has accomplished many goals. Some of the major accomplishments have been:

1. An increase in membership to 52 active members.
2. Attended the Southeastern Wildlife Conclave held at Murray State University and won 6 of 8 places awarded in the photography contest and placed 2nd in the dendrology contest.
3. Sponsored a wild game supper for the members and professors at MSU and also had other special guests in the wildlife profession. There were approximately 75 persons at the supper.
4. During the year, the society was honored to have special guest speakers such as:

a)	Dr. Bruce Leopold	MSU Professor	Research projects
b)	Dr. Robert Brown	Wild. & Fish. Dept. Head, MSU	Research projects
c)	Dr. Robert Giles	Professor, VPI	Rasking
d)	Mr. Martin Lowney	US Animal Damage Control	Animal damage control
e)	Dr. Harry Jacobson	MSU Professor	Operation of deer check station
f)	Mr. Robert Griffin	MDWC District Biologist	Boone & Crockett Scoring
g)	Mr. Tim Brooks	Undergrad - MSU	Coop Experience
h)	Mr. J. J. McCool	Undergrad - MSU	Coop Experience
i)	Mr. Danny Hartley	US Corps Eng. Dist. Biologist	Tenn-Tom Waterway wildilfe mgt.
j)	Mr. Dave Hall	Senior Special Agent, US Fish & Wildlife Serv., Law Enforcement Div.	Illegal kill of waterfowl and hunter attitudes

NAME DON BRAZIL

SECTION/CHAPTER MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY  
STUDENT CHAPTER, TWS

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April 1988

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES: April 1987-March 1988

30 New Studies initiated on  
No Va this semester.

Seminar held on Hunting  
Spring Gobblers 75 attendees

Fishing in Spring in Ponds.

Seminar held. 45 attendees

Gun handling Seminar was  
held 50 attendees

NAME

*J. M. [unclear]*

SECTION/CHAPTER

*Work*

Return to:

N. VIRGINIA



SECTION AND CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES: April 1987-March 1988

Twelve general meetings covering all areas of Wildlife Conservation.  
Examples of topics:

International - Nepal's National Parks.

National - Ducks Unlimited

State - Snakes of Oklahoma

Issues - Preserve wildness in Tongass in Alaska and Tall grass prairie of Oklahoma.

Environmental Awareness committee presented ten programs to local elementary schools and civic groups.

Two field trips to Tulsa Zoo for a behind the scenes tour and to proposed tall grass prairie preserve site.

Three socials for the club:

Deer chili supper

Second semester social

Lake party

Passed resolution to help, OK. Wildlife Federation to improve state's wildlife resources with the Blueprint for wildlife plan.

Cosponsored three seminars with Department of Zoology, one with Audubon Society.

Set up ten information and fundraiser booths at several locations on campus.

Kept wildlife and interested students informed with four newsletters.

NAME Joe D. Rackley SECTION/CHAPTER Okla. State Univ. Student Chapter

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SOUTH CAROLINA CHAPTER

Once again, the South Carolina Chapter had a busy and productive year. Our second annual white-tailed deer seminar attracted a crowd of over 200 people. Interest in the workshop was so high this year that we are already looking for a facility that will accomodate at least twice as many people next year. Also well received was our annual teacher workshop which is now in its fifth year.

A joint meeting was held with members of the South Carolina Society of Consulting Foresters. Interaction with consulting foresters and the forest industry was featured at this special event.

The first of what is planned to be annual awards for achievement in the fields of wildlife management and research were presented at the Chapter's summer meeting. R.K. "Kenny" Williams received the award for his accomplishments in wildlife management and administration. Kim Scribner was the recipient of the award for wildlife research excellence. This year's recipients will be announced within the next few months.

Finally, we are looking forward to helping the South Carolina Department of Marine Resources with the upcoming Southeastern Fish and Wildlife Conference to be held in Hilton Head, next November. It should be a good meeting in a great location.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name James Fenwood Section/Chapter South Carolina



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Since our annual meeting last March, members have represented the Tennessee Chapter on a number of activities. Some of the highlights include:

The Executive Board felt we should show our support to the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment for their decision not to issue a State Water Quality Certification (401 Permit) to the Corps of Engineers for their request on the "Sidonia" portion of the West Tennessee Tributaries Project. Chapter members keeping abreast of this project felt the planned dredging through the Sidonia area would cause significant degradation to our water quality, wetlands, and fish and wildlife habitat. A letter was sent to Governor McWherter expressing our support for the State's decision. This was followed with a meeting in December with the Governor, where we took the opportunity to again express our support and offer assistance in developing a plan to solve the flow problems in the project that would result in less damage to the environment. Hopefully, an agreeable solution can be reached soon to end this long and arduous conflict.

Again this year, The Wildlife Society, Tennessee Chapter, took the lead in developing the program for the Natural Resource Conservation Society (NRS) annual meeting last August. The theme was on wetlands. A panel of leaders from organizations throughout the state presented their views on wetland protection programs.

The Parent Society solicited our help in persuading Tennessee's Congressmen to become cosponsors of a U.S. congressional Resolution recognizing Aldo Leopold's 100th birthday and the "Land Ethic" he inspired. All of our Congressmen who had not already cosponsored the resolution were contacted and urged to become cosponsors. Currently, the resolution is still pending.

Our Chapter Bylaws were revised as a result of the amendments passed at last year's business meeting. They have been approved by the Parent Society.

The Program Committee has been busy developing a program for our Annual Meeting, March 15-16, 1988, at Tech Aqua. They have come up with some excellent speakers, and have planned very interesting demonstrations. Our theme this year is "Wildlife Damage Control".

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Gerald Montgomery, President Section/Chapter Tennessee



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The University of Arkansas (Monticello) Student Chapter participated in several activities during 1987-1988. The academic year began in September with a cookout and trap shoot for Chapter members and prospective members. Another activity of the Chapter was working during several weekends at deer checkstations at White River National Wildlife Refuge and Felsenthal National Wildlife Refuge. The last project undertaken by the Chapter during this year was the sale of wildlife posters.

NAME T. Bently Wigley, Advisor SECTION/CHAPTER University of Arkansas (Monticell

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- assisted the Florida State Museum in gathering anatomical and ecological information on sharks captured at the U.S. Open Sharkfishing Tournament on July 4th weekend.
- participated in a prescribed burn of a 121 ha sandhill longleaf pine community at the Katharine Ordway Preserve research facility of the University of Florida.
- initiated an International Conservation Committee to increase awareness of and participation in global conservation issues. Began developing a position statement for the National TWS for conservation of tropical forests.
- commented on management alternatives being considered for incorporation into a general management plan for Big Cypress National Preserve.
- sent letters to legislators supporting the proposed designation of several lakes and rivers as Outstanding Florida Waters.
- sent letters urging the re-authorization of the Endangered Species Act.
- joined other conservation organizations in urging a moratorium on the harvest of gopher tortoises in Florida.
- assisted in the maintenance and operation of All Creature's Wildlife Sanctuary, a rehabilitation and education facility.
- hosted several guest speakers at the biweekly meetings.
- hosted the 5th annual Beast Feast supper that was attended by 150 people.
- prepared and attended a booth exhibit at the Florida State Museum's Wildlife Day event.
- prepared and attended a booth exhibit at the University of Florida Homecoming Day Fair.

NAME Joe S. Antevy/Advisor SECTION/CHAPTER Univ. of Florida student  
*Chapter*

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The University of Georgia Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society has been involved in several projects throughout the past year. During the fall hunting season the Student Chapter assisted the Fish & Wildlife Service in the collection of check station deer data at the Piedmont National Wildlife Refuge. This project was on a volunteer basis and we got very good response from the students. In addition, the Student Chapter was interested in an outreach program to local schools. We set up a workshop with the state Project Wild leader to facilitate this outreach effort. At this time the Student Chapter is busy setting up our annual Wildlife Supper at which every kind of game meat available is served. This event is to get the students, faculty and alumni together for food and entertainment. The Student Chapter does all the work and a great time is had by all. The Student Chapter is also involved in the Outstanding Senior Award which is given at the Forestry schools Spring Awards Banquet.

NAME

Randall Rowland

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University of GA

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The Virginia Chapter of The Wildlife Society held two meetings during the year. The first was held at Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge and included a tour of the Refuge and a discussion of Refuge management with Refuge personnel. The second or winter meeting was held in Richmond, and included policy and planning presentations on Virginia's Heritage Program and new directions of the National Refuge system. In addition, status reports and reports on recent research on Virginia's big game and waterfowl populations were given by Game Department and University personnel. Mr. James Remington, newly appointed director of the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, was the Banquet Speaker and Dr. Robert Giles, VPI & SU and Roger Jones were presented with the Chapter Professional and Citizen awards, respectively.

The Chapter made its views known to legislators and State governance on a number of issues throughout the year. These included, among others, development on Virginia's barrier islands, placement of the Heritage program, creation of a State endangered species list, and increasing state hunting license fees.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name

*Ray W. Kirkpatrick*

Section/Chapter

VIRGINIA



**NORTH CENTRAL SECTION**

**ILLINOIS CHAPTER**

**INDIANA CHAPTER**

**IOWA CHAPTER**

**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT CHAPTER**

**MICHIGAN CHAPTER**

**MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT CHAPTER**

**MINNESOTA CHAPTER**

**OHIO CHAPTER**

**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-STEVENS POINT STUDENT CHAPTER**

**WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY STUDENT CHAPTER**



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1. Celebrated 25th year of the NCS by preparing "ORIGINS," a historical summary of NCS, both in leaflet and in poster paper format, displayed at 49th Midwest.
2. Commemorated 100th year of Leopold's birth by:
  - a. Displaying at the 49th Midwest a collection of Leopold memorabilia, emphasizing the development of his "land ethic" philosophy.
  - b. Hosting at the 49th Midwest special presentations by Curt Meine Univ. of WI-Madison, "Aldo Leopold's Thoughts on Professionalism" and Jack Ward Thomas, U.S.F.S.-Oregon, "Professionalism ? - One Man's Opinion."
3. Sponsored symposium at the 49th Midwest - "Pheasants: Symptoms of Wildlife Problems on Agricultural Lands."
4. Selected symposium topic for 51st Midwest - "Static Management of Dynamic Ecosystems." John H. Hart, Michigan State Univ., will chair.
5. Bestowed Professional Award of Merit to Harvey K. Nelson, U.S.F.W.S., Twin Cities, MN.
6. Encouraged and financially supported student activities and expanded opportunities for women in natural resource management.
7. Acted to distribute copies of four previous symposia to Chapters within NS boundaries on proportional basis (5.3%/chapter) upon request.
8. Raised dues from \$3 to \$5, effective 1989.
9. Reviewed opportunities for workshops. Will conduct surveys during 1988 to identify interests and support opportunities.
10. Elected new officers (see attachment).

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name

*Wayne Booth*

Section/Chapter

*North Central*



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- 1) Mailed letters of thanks to local State Legislators who were supportive of a Department of Conservation (IDOC) pheasant eradication effort. The program was aimed at helping a struggling remnant population of endangered prairie chickens. Local opposition to the effort ran high and the legislators held firm in their support of the IDOC.
2. Wrote to the State Department (DCMS) responsible for developing agency job descriptions. Urged them to adopt TWS certification criteria as one qualification for employment as a wildlife biologist. Also suggested that current employees be encouraged to apply for TWS certification.
3. Wrote to DCMS regarding a ruling of concern to the Chapter. DCMS ruled that experience could be used as a substitute for a Baccalaureate degree in entry-level professional positions. The Chapter expressed its strong disagreement with that decision.
4. Urged the Director of the IDOC to appoint to the position of Field Director an individual with a strong academic background in natural resource management.
5. Issued a statement supporting the implementation of rules designed to reduce the impact of State and local government projects on endangered and threatened species (through a consultation process involving the IDOC).
6. Restated the Chapter's position on non-toxic shot for waterfowl hunting in a letter to the Director of the IDOC. Copied major Illinois outdoor writers.
7. Responded to a State Outdoor Recreation Survey.
8. The Chapter was represented at the 14th Natural Areas Conference held in Peoria, Illinois.
9. The Chapter is serving as one of three coorganizers of the 1989 Midwest Raptor Management Symposium and Workshop (for the National Wildlife Federation).
10. Responded with written comments to the IDOC's Rice Lake/Banner Marsh Management Plan.
11. Continued to monitor the implementation of the new Shawnee National Forest Plan.
12. Provided \$75.00 to the North Dakota Chapter to assist in their wetland preservation litigation efforts.
13. Made over 27 legislative contacts urging support for the congressional resolution recognizing Aldo Leopold's 100th birthday and his land ethic.
14. Continued to monitor statewide legislation relating to environmental issues.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Jeffrey M. Ver Steeg (Pres.)

Section/Chapter Illinois Chapter



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The Indiana Chapter of The Wildlife Society has several projects going well and is involved with several major natural resource issues in the state. The ITWS "Endowment Fund" has grown considerably with over \$12,000 dollars donated. Projects for utilizing monies from this endowment are currently being developed. An informational slide & tape program is being developed to be used as an educational tool for various groups and to give the ITWS more public exposure as to "who we are." The annual spring technical and fall social meetings were held. The potential for joint meetings with adjacent state TWS chapters was explored.

Various natural resource issues have kept members busy and quite involved. An attempt to develop another National Wildlife Refuge along the Patoka River drainage involved the efforts of several members. The current status of the proposal for this refuge is on hold due to political opposition. The Hoosier National Forest has been a continual issue with preservationist groups holding the upper hand with never ending appeals. Members have been involved in many meetings, working groups, and providing input to the USFS planning team in hopes of reaching a functional plan. A position statement addressing this issue was recently developed. Other issues concerned wetland legislation, CRP and ARP set aside farm programs, T-2000 soil erosion control, and non-point pollution. Overall, the ITWS has become more active in natural resource issues.

Herb Krauch and Harold Demaree were granted Honorary membership to ITWS. A resolution to have the visitor's center at Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge named after Charlie Scheffe, former Refuge Manager and ITWS president, was sent to the USFWS. Ceremonies dedicating the visitor's center to Charlie will be held this April.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name

Steven E. Backs

Section/Chapter

President  
INDIANA.



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The Iowa Chapter has had two very successful meetings since we last met for breakfast at the North American. In July 1987 we met jointly with the Minnesota and Wisconsin Chapters at our common boundary, the Mississippi River. We had an excellent interchange centering around the Environmental Monitoring Program for the river. In the afternoon we toured the Weaver Bottoms backwater rehabilitation project, which is being jointly developed by the Corps of Engineers, the Fish and Wildlife Service and the states. The social gathering was a pig roast on an island in the middle of the river. It is the first time I have ever been to a meeting where most of the conversation took place in water up to your chest!

Just recently we had a meeting in southern Iowa with the program theme of Federal Farm Programs: Their Influence on Wildlife Habitat. Speakers included individuals representing the ASCS, SCS, Extension, farmers, Pheasants Forever, rural developers, and of course fish and wildlife agencies. Judging from the attendance once again we picked a timely topic. We spent two days learning to appreciate each others problems and how to untangle some of the bureaucratic red-tape. The meeting opened the network of communication which will help us when we speak out on Conservation Reserve and set-aside issues.

Our biggest accomplishment this year was a membership drive designed to broaden our representation among groups such as SCS biologists, county conservation board naturalists, educators, and women. We targeted our effort by asking members for individual contacts who would be interested in our chapter. The President sent over 100 letters to individuals inviting them to join the chapter and TWS, along with information about the chapter and a current Newsletter. The response was tremendous and as of this writing we have recruited 34 new members, and increase of about 30% for our chapter. Each new member was presented a set of the North Central Section Symposia at the first meeting they attended.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name William R. Clark Section/Chapter Iowa



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Spring semester of 1987 started off with good promise of an active club and that promise held true throughout the year. The first major event was the ice fishing trip to Brigg's Woods in Hamilton County. Four semi-whoppers were caught but mostly it was just fun as FWBers enjoyed a sunny winter day.

This year's TWS Student Conclave was sponsored by Minnesota in April. The club didn't do as well in the quiz bowl as in the past but we did have a high turn out and lots of interaction with the other student chapters. The 1988 conclave will be hosted by Wisconsin.

The club organized plans to improve the prairie at Curtiss Farm and Science II. The Curtiss Farm prairie was burned and seed planted. The burn proved to be both educational to club members and beneficial to the area.

VEISHEA was the major event of the semester. The club had an awesome display entitled "Take a Walk on Iowa's Wild Side" which was also the theme of VEISHEA. Dedicated members created scenes of various Iowa habitats complete with real plants and fish, and mounted wildlife specimens. Food sales were expanded to include brats and maidrites. All sold well and plenty of funds were made for the year's events.

A new position was added to the executive board this year. The club voted to have an environmental issues chairperson to bring current concerns and issues to the club.

The first ever Animal Ecology all department picnic was a smashing success. A gorgeous fall day at the 4H Camp near Luther, Iowa provided the setting for a scavenger hunt, trap shoot, volleyball, football, hiking, and plenty of roasted pig and fixin's. This event was started to promote interaction among all department people - undergraduate, graduate, faculty, and staff. It is sincerely hoped that this will become an annual tradition.

Club members migrate to DeSoto Bend National Wildlife Refuge every fall to see the migrating waterfowl. This year was probably a record crowd of 25 students and a few alumni. Unfortunately, geese were not at record numbers this year but seeing them was still a thrill.

Speakers this year were from such varied and prestigious organizations as the Nature Conservancy, The Wildlife Society, and the Ames Astronomers Club. Everyone learned and enjoyed.

The otter reintroduction program is again a big part of the club's activities. T-shirt sales began November 18th in preparation for the Spring releases. An otter mascot has appeared and won 50 dollars for the club in the Ag Week club mascot competition.

The FWB Club also helps sponsor the department's student newsletter, "The Niche" in hopes that aspiring writers and conservation professionals can gain valuable experience.

Roughly 30 members were actively involved throughout the year. The club has been very active this past year and hopes to keep this tradition in the upcoming year.

Mailing address: 124 Science II Iowa State University Ames, Iowa 50011

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Jacqueline Blomquist

Section/Chapter Iowa State University

Environmental Ecology Club



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The Michigan Chapter of TWS started several new projects this past year. A brochure has been prepared listing certified wildlife biologists who are available for private lands consulting in the state. The chapter also conducted its first continuing education workshop on computers in wildlife management.

A fall meeting was held in conjunction with Michigan SAF which looked at future directions of natural resources and had discussions on several current issues. Plans call for joint meetings between the two chapters every two years. The spring meeting will again be held as part of natural resource days at MSU.

The chapter provided comments to key legislators on several bills. The chapter has also tried to increase its visibility to the public. The information and education committee is working on a videotape about wildlife management and TWS. Position statements on year-round dog training and on a turkey management proposal for Michigan were prepared and released to the press.

A summary statement on comments relating to the U.S. Forest Service management plans for the national forests in Michigan was prepared and submitted. Michigan SAF has prepared a publication on voluntary forest management guidelines. The Michigan Chapter of TWS provided input on these guidelines and made a financial contribution for their printing.

A program has been set up to provide "certification facilitators" throughout the state. These people have received training on the certification process and are available to assist people in understanding certification and the application process.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Jonathan B. Haufler Section/Chapter Michigan Chapter



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I am pleased to report a busy, challenging, and exciting year for the Michigan State University Student Chapter (MSU Fisheries and Wildlife Club). While membership remains at about 60 individuals, the number of active members has dramatically increased. This may be due to our guest speakers at the bimonthly meetings, such as Michigan's Non game program director, SCUBA instructor, professor of Resource Economics, Peace Corps recruiter, and wildlife veterinarian. Or maybe it is because of our many projects listed below. Or maybe it is just the free refreshments. At any rate, it has been a fun year and we look forward to another year with The Wildlife Society.

April 11 members rented a van and attended the Annual Conclave in Minnesota and won the animal behavior contest. Stocked management area pond with bluegills. Planted trees for the Daughters of the American Revolution.

May Canoe trip in Northern Michigan. Participated in University's Small Animals Day by leading nature tours in management area. Poster sale for fund raising. Water skiing at a nearby lake. Championship softball team in a university league. Bowling night.

June End of year party at club advisor's house.

July-Sept. No meetings...summer break.

Oct Toured waterfowl staging area at dusk. Won Honorable Mention for club booth at university expo. Extremely successful poster/print sale for fund raising. Unofficially reinstated as a student chapter of the American Fisheries Society (official vote in April 88 meeting).

Nov Hosted a very successful potluck dinner with students and faculty (about 55 attended, almost ran out of food). Several students attended Michigan TWS meeting. Pizza party.

Dec Nominated students for the Department's undergraduate awards. A record 94 sweatshirts/T-shirts ordered with the club's 1988 logo. Christmas break.

Jan Set up aquariums in Natural Resources Building. Ordered 30 more sweatshirts. Started planning for a spring burn on the management area.

Projected February and March activities: Informal TGIF with faculty. Envelope stuffing for Michigan United Conservation Clubs. Cross-country skiing trip. Revising election procedures. Election of new officers.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

We could always use a few ideas for guest speakers. We also would like to become even more like a professional wildlife club and less as just a social gathering. We need realistic activity ideas.

Name Elizabeth A Gardner, President Section/Chapter Michigan State Univ. Chapter



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The Minnesota Chapter helped support the Women In Natural Resources Conference held in St. Paul on April 21-23.

A Chapter publication entitled Wetland Restoration Techniques was published and over 300 copies were sold nationally and internationally. This publication resulted from presentations made at the 1986 summer workshop and it has recently been reprinted.

On July 31 and August 1 the Minnesota Chapter, along with the Wisconsin and Iowa Chapters, held a joint summer workshop on the Mississippi River to discuss river-related management issues (and to socialize with our neighbors).

The Chapter provided input on a number of resource issues during the past year, including funding for the Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Program, continuation of the nongame checkoff on the short tax form, and support for the Aldo Leopold resolution in Congress.

The Chapter recently completed a very successful annual meeting that included a comprehensive discussion of predator control issues in current game, nongame and endangered species management programs. Other presentations included a discussion of the North American Waterfowl Management Plan by Harvey Nelson, a progress report on the RIM program, a discussion of proposed environmental trust fund legislation, and a discussion of native American treaty rights and their wildlife management implications.

The Minnesota Award was presented to Dr. Al Berner in recognition of his many years of leadership in the areas of farmland wildlife management and changing government farm programs to provide more wildlife benefits. The Conservation Organization Award was presented to the Nicollet Sportsmen's Club in recognition of their efforts in supporting and promoting the Swan Lake project, a multi-million dollar effort to rehabilitate the nation's largest prairie pothole marsh.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Ed Boggess Section/Chapter Minnesota Chapter



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The Ohio Chapter has continued to be active on many fronts. Fourteen committees and an active membership get the job done. Membership and treasury totals have increased by 15% and 49%, respectively, from last year.

A membership directory was produced by the Membership Committee. The Ohio Fish and Wildlife Conference was co-sponsored by the Ohio Chapter through the Program Committee. Also, a joint fall meeting was held with the Pennsylvania Chapter. Members of the Urban Wildlife Committee sent a questionnaire to assess use of their recent publication "Urban Wildlife in Ohio - Getting Answers to Management Questions." We continue to encourage the implementation of Project Wild through our Information and Education Committee. The fourth recipient of our Wildlife Awareness Award, presented at the State Science Fair, conducted a research project on stress and copper-induced mortality in fathead minnows.

Three new committees were established. A Program Development Committee has been charged with the task of proposing new projects for our involvement during the next 5 years. A Fund Raising Committee will be working to build the treasury, and a 25th Anniversary Committee will produce a short historical summary to commemorate our first 25 years (as of March 1988).

We have been actively pursuing legislative issues at state and national levels. Letters and phone calls to Ohio's congressional delegation and key congressional/government leaders in Washington urged support for cosponsorship of the Aldo Leopold Resolution, increases in President Reagan's proposed FY 1988 budget for wildlife agencies, and improved conservation benefits in annual farm programs. In Ohio, a cave protection bill was supported and implementation was encouraged of new nonpoint source water pollution control programs authorized under the Water Quality Act in 1987.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Robert C. Boyd, President 1987 Section/Chapter Ohio



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Membership-167 members  
Total volunteer hours- 2,500  
Budget \$6,500.00

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PROJECTS:

Hosted 1988 Midwest Fish & Wildlife Conclave. 13 Universities attended(190 people), 9 speakers, wild-game feed, art show, quiz bowl and prairie chicken census opportunities.

Urban deer herd research-project studies movements and population dynamics of white-tailed deer. Volunteers assist in capturing, handling, and radio tracking deer.

Wildlife abatement program-community service to help the public with wildlife damage and nuisance problems.

Fall and Spring Crane Counts-project leaders work with the USFWS and the International Crane Foundation to determine the population pattern of Sandhill Cranes.

Programs in area schools-project consists of talking with school groups on various wildlife topics. Great public relations impact.

Hunter attitude survey-Volunteers work with Dr. Ray Anderson in a survey of women's attitudes towards hunting in Portage County.

Habitat management-project deals with reestablishing native prairies along county highways. Shrub plantings and maintenance along campus.

May Bird Count-TWS members work together with members of the Aldo Leopold Chapter of the Audubon Society to count the bird species present in Portage county in the spring.

Prairie Chicken Census-This project includes censusing prairie chicken on early mornings during March and May. Volunteers are needed to assist Dr. Anderson and graduate students in this project.

Construction-This project is important in wildlife habitat work by providing nesting boxes for wood ducks, osprey, owls, bluebirds and squirrels. Bird feeders are also constructed.

Graduate assistance-This project involves assisting wildlife graduate students with field work. This offers students excellent opportunity to gain valuable experience in wildlife techniques.

Heron Colony Census-This project deals with locating and counting nesting colonies of Great Blue Herons in Portage county.

NAME David Trauba

SECTION/CHAPTER Univ. of WI-StevensPoint  
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Wildlife Society activities for the year were: 1987 Deer Check Season (Nov.-Dec.); Forrest Locmis spoke about Illinois deer (Oct); the club went to Kibbe for the Fall Bird Count and saw 50 different species of birds (Nov.); Glen Kruse spoke on Endangered Species in Illinois (Feb.); the society joined the eagle watch at the Mississippi River (Feb.); there was a demonstration of turkey netting at Lake Argyle in March; David Day spoke on the Streams Program in Illinois (Feb.); the society participated in service day at the Peoria Wildlife Prairie Park (Apr.), and had a game dinner at Argyle (April). Congratulations to the students in the Wildlife Society on a fine year.

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**WYOMING CHAPTER**



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The Central Mountains and Plains Section continued its support of national/international symposia in 1987 with a \$500 contribution towards the printing of the proceedings of PERDIX IV held at Regina, Saskatchewan. We have also earmarked \$500 for aid to the "Ecology and Management of Islands, Peninsulas and Structures for Nesting Waterfowl" symposium to be held in Jamestown, ND in August, 1988.

An Ad Hoc "Financial Assistance" committee (Len McDaniel, Nebraska, chairman) was formed this year to determine financial needs within the section and prioritize these needs. Some items to be examined by this committee are; stipends for wildlife students (graduate or undergraduate), symposia requests, travel allowances for attendance at Wildlife Society functions, and best paper awards.

Our summer meeting was held at Halsey, Nebraska. Two half days of technical sessions were matched with field trips through Valentine Refuge and Nebraska National Forest, both located in the sandhills region of Nebraska. The touree's learned about grazing, grazing systems, prairie grouse habitat and management, and bull snakes. A special evening presentation was "The Platte River Whooping Crane Habitat Maintenance Trust".

At the business meeting, the Section presented its Professional Award to Marv Schwilling, non-game and endangered species biologist with Kansas Fish and Game. The Section Conservation Award honored the North American Wild Sheep Foundation for their promotion of management and conservation of native wild sheep.

The 1988 summer meeting will be held in central Utah August 7-10. Meeting site is the Great Basin Experiment Station about 15 miles east of Ephrain.

Another Ad Hoc committee, formed to provide the framework for resolution of issues involving more than one chapter (or section) has completed a draft proposal. It is being commented on at this time by committee members and will be completed and submitted for acceptance during the current year.

Some minor clean-up work was also accomplished on Section By-laws.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name

Jerry Kobriger

Section/Chapter Central Mountains & Plains



SECTION AND CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

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- January 1. The Club traveled to Dutch John, Utah and assisted The Division of Wildlife Resources in trapping 15 Rocky Mt. Bighorn Sheep.
- February 1. The Club helped the Rock Mt. Elk Foundations with their elk camp meetings in Salt Lake City, UT.
2. The Club attended the Wildlife Society Meetings and listened to Valerius Geist speak on Privatization of Wildlife.
- March. 1. The Club hosted a visit from the Telonics Telemetry group in which Telonics presented a 3-day min course. We had representatatives from Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Oregon and Utah.
2. The Club put on a Wildlife B-B-Que in which 150 people attended.

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NAME HARRY BARBER (NEW PRESIDENT) SECTION/CHAPTER Brigham Young University

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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES: April 1987 - March 1988

The Colorado Chapter of The Wildlife Society was very active in 1987 and feels that it is a progressive Chapter in many fields. The following is a sample of some of the activities we were involved in during 1987 and early 1988:

1. The Chapter financially supported the North Dakato Chapter of The Wildlife Society in their litigation efforts against the continual drainage of wetlands.
2. The Chapt evaluated its financial status and began development of guides for the collection and expenditures of Chapter funds to be more effective in use and distribution.
3. Continued sales of the "Colorado Wildlife" slide-tape program to schools and education organizations resulted in 90 copies being distributed throughout Colorado.
4. The Chapter recognizes that planning and actions of Colorado counties have perhaps the greatest potential to impact wildlife habitat in the State. The Chapter is currently working with Colorado State University to develop and present a workshop/training seminar on the principles of wildlife management for County Commissioners in Colorado.
5. The Chapter provided critical review on the draft environmental impact statement for the Two Forks water development project porposed by the city Denver.
6. To maintain its involvement in Colorado legislature and affect decisions the Chapter has become a member of the Colordo Environmental Lobby.
7. The Professional Development Fund Committee was established in 1986 to provide guidance and financial support to students in wildlife management or related fields. In 1987 the Chapter contributed \$500 to several students for further involvement in wildlife biology beyond the classroom.
8. The Chapter actively supports Project Wild in Colorado, both financially and professionally.
9. The Chapter has a Job Referral Service for graduating wildlife biologist. In 1987, the service placed 2 biologist in permanent full-time jobs.
10. The 1988 Annual Meeting of the Colorado Chapter was conducted as a joint meeting with the Colorado Wildlife Federation to encourage further communication and involvement with each organization. The theme for the meeting was "Images and Illusions of the Wildlife Profession". It was great success in all aspects.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Stephen R. Moughton Section/Chapter COLORADO CHAPTER  
Past President 1987



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May - Senior Banquet where Newer Seniors recognized & given  
Boru & Crockett Club "An American Crusade for Wildlife"

Sept. - trips to Rocky Mtn National Park to hear Elk bugle

Nov - Home Dinner Rabbit Hunt

Dec - elections

all fall - program meetings 1st & 3rd weds.

Non-home meetings - as scheduled

Student Affairs comm. - posts job oppor., contacts state  
agencies

Jan - attend Colo. TWS / CWF meeting

Feb - skitwriting clinic

winter camping trip

Alum. can recycling program started.

March - Conclave

Coffee hour started

NR Days

April - Field trip to Pawnee Grasslands

- Field trip w/ Audubon on Powder R. dams

- Quota Swanson Park work day

- Fishing Derby

- Powder River clean up

- U-ball w/ wyo

all Spg - program meeting 1st & 3rd weds

Non-home meetings as scheduled

NAME Julie Calkins

SECTION/CHAPTER CSEI Student Chapter

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1. New Officers

New Kansas Chapter officers came on board for two years - March 1987-March 1989. President - Joe Kramer, Past President - Randy Rodgers, President Elect - Bob Culbertson, Secretary/Treasurer - Keith Sexson and Board Members - Roger Tacha and Mike Willhite. Membership totals 152.

2. Major Activity for Year

The new Governor of Kansas, Mike Hayden, is the first Governor of the state with B.S. and M.S. degrees in wildlife conservation and zoology. This Governor has reorganized the state's fish and wildlife agency and the state park agency into one agency called the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks (KDW&P). The Governor has appointed an environmental aide - John Strickler (an Extension Forester) to oversee natural resource issues in the state. A new bi-partisan seven member Commission for KDW&P has been appointed by the Governor. The two new Secretaries of KDW&P appointed by the Governor are Secretary Bob Meinen from Idaho and Assistant Secretary Alan Wentz from Washington, DC. Bob Meinen has been placed at cabinet level with Governor Hayden in Topeka, KS. Alan Wentz, a longtime Wildlife Society worker, member and supporter, is in charge of agency field operations out of Pratt, KS. The Kansas Chapter has been very active with KDW&P reorganization from the start and it has taken up an enormous amount of time and effort from some real dedicated Wildlife Society members in Kansas.

3. Natural Resource Issues

Chapter officially supported and opposed many natural resource issues. Favored Cheyenne Bottoms restoration, professional deer management in Kansas, lottery bill for natural resources and Aldo Leopold Land Ethic Resolution. Opposed sale of BLM lands in Kansas, state pheasant farm in Kansas, legislative deer bills and use of strychnine. And more.

4. Chapter Meetings

Fall Chapter meeting occurred Sept. 11 and 12, 1987 at Fort Riley, KS. Spring Chapter joint meeting with Kansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society occurred Feb. 19 and 20, 1988 at Manhattan, KS. Fall meeting scheduled for Sept. 17 and 18, 1988 at Cheyenne Bottoms.

5. Committees

Active Chapter committees for year are Wildlife Heritage Month and Day, Non-Game Advisory Council, Conservation Forum, Cheyenne Bottoms Advisory Council, Cedar Crest/Maclennan Park Committee, Protect What's Right Steering Committee, Kansas Wildlife Federation Award Sponsor, K-O Section of Range Society, Upper Ark River Basin Committee, Conservation Education Committee with Kansas Wildlife Federation and more.

6. Other Activities

Marvin Schwilling received C.M.P.S. and Kansas Chapter Professional Awards. Appointed part-time lobbyist for 1989 legislative session. Quarterly published KCOTWS "Prairie Boomer" bigger and better than ever. Picked plums for Chapter fund raiser and provided plum bushes for habitat in Kansas - raised \$400.

NAME Joe Kramer, President SECTION/CHAPTER Kansas

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Fall Pinic

Remington Calendar Sale

Book Sale (used books collected on campus)

All University open-house display

Annual Spring Banquet ( parents, members, faculty)

Monthly meetings

Other events that are conducted occassionaly.

Coyote calling contest

Fishing Contest

Photography contest

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NAME Bart L. Hettenbach

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Annual Winter Conference

Theme: Biopolitics in Natural Resources Management

Fund Raiser: A total of over \$8300 was raised through the auction and raffle.

Special Note: This year marks the 25th Anniversary of the ND Chapter. CMPS Rep. Clait Braun attended the conference, and special events were included as part of the meeting.

Education Efforts

- Continued college scholarship and Project WILD efforts, including official handling of Project WILD financial books for the state of North Dakota.
- Project WILD supplements on soil, water, fisheries and law enforcement are in last stages of being completed.
- Established Prairie Resources Committee, which is
  - \* completing Prairie Resource Project WILD supplement,
  - \* developing a prairie resource speakers bureau,
  - \* developing a prairie resource slide series,
  - \* received sanction as the Chapter's first official State Centennial Project, which includes limited edition art sales, with proceeds expected to provide seed money for acquisition of a tract of prairie for educational purposes.
- Became official judges of the ND Youth for Wildlife Statewide Habitat Contest, sponsored by the Dakota Wildlife Trust.
- Began on a slide-tape program to be used in conjunction with Project WILD.
- Committed to the ND Game and Fish Department to spearhead fundraising (\$13,000), write and edit an upcoming issue of ND Outdoors (the official Game and Fish magazine), dedicated to the topic of wetlands.

Water Projects/Wetlands

- Continued dialogue, cooperation and negotiations with the State of North Dakota begun as part of the Garrison Compromise of 1986.
- Along with new allies from water development interests, worked for passage of SB2035, the "no-net-loss of wetlands" legislation. This is by far the most significant piece of wetland legislation ever passed in North Dakota.
- Were victorious at the District Court level in litigation to halt the White Spur Drainage Project, a state-sponsored project that would have destroyed about 3,000 acres of wetlands. Case has been appealed to State Supreme Court, with decision pending.
- Expressed concerns through personal meetings to the Bur. of Reclamation regarding James River studies, Lonetree area wildlife developments, and mitigation land acquisition as part of the Garrison Diversion Project.
- Developed and passed resolution on Souris River Basin Project, which would use \$41 million of U.S. funds to build two large flood storage dams in Canada, providing flood protection to ND. Resolution calls for a basin-wide environmental study.
- Developed new committee to study impacts of proposed Devils Lake outlet into the Sheyenne River for flood control purposes.
- Provided testimony on proposed "Channel C" drainage project north of Devils Lake.
- Mike McEnroe continued as Chapter representative of the GDU Wetland Trust.
- Ron Stromstad selected as Chapter representative to Governor Sinner's Wetland Management Committee, a group of about 20 water development, agriculture, and wildlife interests sanctioned by Executive Order to mediate disputes and open channels of communication regarding wetlands.
- Provided written and oral testimony on the Des Lacs National Wildlife Refuge water-skiing/powerboating controversy, and developed a position statement in opposition.
- Provided written comments on Senator Q. Burdick's Swampbuster hearings.
- Paid a \$3200 judgement leveled against the Chapter as a result of the Russell Diversion Drainage Project lawsuit, which we lost last year.

Legislative

- Hosted legislative social during session, with about 120 of 160 legislators attending.
- Wrote and secured passage of non-game tax checkoff.
- Provided oral testimony to legislative committees on variety of natural resource bills.

Other

- Cosponsored Wetland Classification Workshop with 162 attendees.
- Preparation for upcoming symposium on "Management of Points, Islands, and Structures for Waterfowl".
- Pres. Stromstad delivered a motivational luncheon address to the WY Chapter on involvement, and one to the SD Chapter on the James River.
- Completed publication of proceedings of Mallard Symposium.
- Over 350 members, with 43 life members.



ND Chapter of The Wildlife Society  
Summary of Activities (continued):

- Supported Ducks Unlimited, Inc., as a Sponsor member for 3rd year in a row.
- Nominated for the second time for a Chevron Award by Game and Fish Commissioner Henegar and Governor Sinner.
- Recipient of TWS Special Service Recognition Award for 1988.
- Committed funding towards special "ND Natural Areas" issue of ND Outdoors.
- Participating with a Rural Council on Development to develop strategies to improve rangeland over a 17 county area.
- Chapter committees: 31 active.
- Awarded TWS student memberships to 5 student Chapter members at annual winter conference.
- Distributed 3, 30-second public service announcements from EPA to ND television stations.
- Acquired and reviewed tapes of a conference titled "Preventative Law for Non-profit organizations: Planning for Problem Avoidance".
- Prairie Chicken Committee actively propagating birds for release into suitable habitat, in conjunction with FWS, ND Game and Fish, and Dakota Wildlife Trust.
- 1988 Awards to:
  - \* ND Award (professional award) to Lloyd A. Jones, USFWS, Bismarck.
  - \* Habitat Award to Bob Ingstad, Dakota Wildlife Trust, Valley City.
  - \* Communication Award to Terry Messmer, NDSU Coop. Ext. Service, Fargo.
  - \* Special Recognition for non-game bill passage to Eric Bakke, Grand Forks.
  - \* Law Enforcement Case of the Year to Gerald Meiers, Velva.
  - \* Membership Award to Al Aufforth, Bottineau.

Submitted by: Ron Stromstad, President Chapter North Dakota



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**South Dakota Chapter**

The most important accomplishment to occur this year was a meeting held with representatives from the ND Chapter, Manitoba Chapter, and American Fisheries Society in Fargo, ND concerning the Garrison Project modification. We appreciated ND's willingness to meet with us and to air the frictions between our Chapters. Communications between the Chapters this year have improved greatly, and we look forward to an even better working relationship in the future.

This year other Chapter projects have included 1) Wetlands Committee working with the SD Wetland Coalition to distribute 500 wetland informational packets statewide, 2) following BOR James River studies, 3) following CENDAK Irrigation development, 4) developing wildlife educational programs for the state's centennial, 5) Public Lands Committee working with other conservation groups to form the Natural Resources Users Coalition to monitor our National Grasslands in the state, 6) assisting SD Parks and Recreation with their SD Wetlands Addendum to the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, and 7) initiating work to bring Project Wild to SD.

The Chapter is continuing to work with the CMPS ad hoc committee in drafting its "Coordination on Natural Resources Issues".

Internally the chapter is concentrating on strengthening its membership, developing a formal budget, developing a Chapter historical and informational pamphlet, and encouraging more active participation from current members. Chapter by-laws have been reviewed with numerous changes needed to conform to parent society guidelines, and to improve operating procedures. Resolutions are drafted concerning CRP guidelines, the Governor's Water Initiative, the James River, Forest Service Multiple-use Policies, Endangered Species, Fish and Wildlife Service Landuse, and Privatization of Wildlife.

Of major concern to the Chapter is the increased state and federal interest in altering the James River for irrigation, domestic water use and flood control. The Governor's Water Initiative, CENDAK, James River Water Development District, US Bureau of Reclamation, and Garrison Project are all looking to the river for their use. The Chapter's 1988 annual meeting in Aberdeen, February 29-March 2, brought gather all parties interested in the James River to discuss their desires. Other speakers were invited from US Geological Survey, NDCTWS, United Family Farmers, SD Parks Division, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Dakota Chapter of The Sierra Club. The 1988 meeting was also a joint meeting with the Dakota Chapter of The American Fisheries Society.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name

*Ken Solomon*

Section/Chapter

*S. Dakota*



## SECTION AND CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

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The SDSU Wildlife Conservation Club has been quite busy over the past year. Much of which has been public relations and informative presentations. Some of these include: Bird watching presentations to senior citizens, Presentations to grade schools, Booths for National Hunting and Fishing Day and National Wildlife Week, Helped Ducks Unlimited with their Green Wing program, Gave bird hike to a high school, Gave wildlife and fisheries test for Minnesota FFA convention, Sponsored Wilderness Society presentation concerning the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, and helped with Public Television Telethon to raise money for nature programs.

One of the biggest projects the SDSU Wildlife Conservation Club takes on each year is the Annual Buffalo Banquet. During late October of 1987 we held the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Buffalo Banquet. The banquet usually has 300 plus people attending and features a prominent speaker from the wildlife & fisheries field. Some past speakers include, Dr. Valerius Geist, Dr. Robert McCabe, and Dr. Ray Linder. The banquet serves as a chance for area sportmen and wildlife & fisheries professionals to expand their wildlife & fishery knowledge and to socialize. It also serves as an awards banquet for both graduate and undergraduate students.

The club is also responsible for "Conservation Park", which is a small wildlife area which was purchased by the University. The club has about 20 woodduck nesting boxes in this area, which we spend time each winter maintaining. The club also does any maintenance which is needed at "Conservation Park" such as cleaning up, fencing, etc.

NAME Todd Friedrichs, Pres.SECTION/CHAPTER SDSU student chapter  
SDSU Wildlife Conservation  
Club

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UNIVERSITY of TENNESSEE, Knoxville  
Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society

- help Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) officers man deer checking stations throughout east Tennessee.
- help graduate students on various research projects.
- give advice to callers on various wildlife damage problems.
- prepare and give programs to area elementary schools during National Wildlife Week.

NAME Chris Cole sec/trea

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\*\*\*\*\* UW STUDENT CHAPTER NEWS \*\*\*\*\*

The Wyoming Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society has embarked on an ambitious program of community service. Last September, the Student Chapter developed a Community Outreach Program to provide educational services for Laramie adults and children. The major focus of the program is the Wyoming Children's Nature Center. The Center includes a "hands-on" family-oriented museum designed to be a focal point for environmental education in Laramie. Highlights of the Children's Museum includes a crawl-through Wolf Den complete with wolf calls, a Tracking Game, Perspectives - which gives visitors the opportunity to view the world through the eyes of different animals, and the Touch Wall - full of touchable textures. The Center is located in the Laramie Plains Civic Center and has attracted the support of the public, local businesses and state conservation groups, including the Wyoming Chapter of The Wildlife Society. To date, donations represent an investment of nearly \$7,000 in cash and in-kind contributions.

About 150 community members attended the April 9th opening ceremonies for the Children's Museum. Larry Kruckenburg of The Wyoming Game and Fish Department gave a presentation on the Department's Wyoming Wildlife - Worth The Watching program which supports community activities such as The Children's Museum. Refreshments were served and a good time was enjoyed by all.

During the first weekend of its normal operation, 67 children and parents visited the Museum and to date, 6 local schools have booked visits. In addition, the Museum has received over 100 entries on its Children's Wildlife Art Festival.

Additionally, the Student Chapter sponsored a picnic in September, our annual gourmet "Beast Feast" dinner in November and in January, a cross-country trip to the Snowy Range near Laramie. Disappointingly, the Student Chapter's hopes of winning the Conclave in Texas this year were dashed by a heavy snowstorm and road closures and the team was unable to participate in the bowl.

Finally, the Chapter sponsored speakers at their bi-weekly meeting on topics ranging from the controversial reintroduction of wolves into Yellowstone National Park to whale biology. All in all, this has been an extremely productive year for the Wyoming Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society.

NAME BRUCE Scigliano

SECTION/CHAPTER UNIVERSITY OF WY. STUDENT CHAPTER

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During 1987 and early 1988, the Utah Chapter was busy making preliminary plans for hosting the annual meeting of the Central Mountains and Plains Section in 1988. This event is tentatively scheduled for August 7-10 at the Great Basin Experiment Station located near Ephraim, Utah. The Chapter president attended the 1987 meeting in Halsey, Nebraska and came away with a highly favorable impression.

Chapter members were also active on a number of committees. The Resolutions and Conservations Affairs committee accomplished a great deal of research on three important resolutions dealing with road construction in the Co-op creek corridor, disposition of Strawberry Reservoir project lands and a planned elk transplant on the Abajo Mountains of Southeastern Utah. A Research/Management Grant committee was active and recommended that the Chapter award a \$1,000 grant to a qualifying applicant. This recommendation was subsequently approved by the membership at the annual business meeting on February 25, 1988. The chairman of the Membership committee reported that Chapter membership is now at an all time high. Membership now stands at 186 regular members and 6 student members.

On February 24-26, 1988, the Chapter co-hosted an annual Symposium with the Bonneville Chapter of the American Fisheries Society in Provo, Utah. The meeting theme centered on the pros and cons associated with the privatization of wildlife resources and their management. Dr. Valerius Geist of Calgary, Alberta, Canada proved to be a highly stimulating guest keynote speaker.

The annual business meeting had a full agenda highlighted by the adoption by majority vote of an amended set of Chapter bylaws. The amended bylaws have since been forwarded to TWS for final approval.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name James Karpowitz

Section/Chapter Utah Chapter



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Wild Game Dinner. . . . . May 87  
Fall Picnic. . . . . Oct 87  
Ice Fishing . . . . . Jan 88  
Eagle Project with UDWR. . . . . Feb 88  
Attended State Chapter of TWS meeting...Feb 88  
Fund raiser, sold posters and shirts....Jan. 88  
Fund raiser, sold posters and shirts....Jan. 88  
fund raiser, sold posters and shirts....Oct. 87

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NAME Jon Dorrance

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Governor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on Wildlife--Wyoming Chapter presented testimony and held discussions with chairman of task force examining wildlife management in the state

Standardized definitions for big game seasonal ranges--Committee finished work and received approval from Wyoming Game & Fish, US Forest Service, and BLM on use of standardized definitions for developing big game distribution maps

Standardized definitions for wetlands--Wyoming Chapter requested statewide inter-agency wetlands management team to initiate efforts to adopt uniform wetlands descriptions by all agencies

Offer to host 1989 CMPS Meeting--Offer made and accepted by CMPS board for Wyoming Chapter to host section meeting in August 1989

Laramie Children's Nature Museum--Wyoming Chapter helped sponsor University of Wyoming Student Chapter efforts to develop and open nature museum for school children of Wyoming

1987 Annual Meeting--Held in Thermopolis in December, annual meeting focused on management of riparian/wetland habitats

Bear River National Wildlife Refuge--Wyoming Chapter assisted in efforts to establish migratory bird refuge along Bear River in SW Wyoming; efforts failed this year but plans are being made to try again in 1989; legislative phone tree established for this effort

M-44's on Bridger-Teton NF--Wyoming Chapter commented on use of M-44 predator control devices on BT national forest lands

Wolf Reintroduction--Wyoming Chapter requested TWS Council to consider preparation of a "white paper" on wolf reintroduction to Yellowstone National Park; developed position statement not on reintroduction but requesting an EIS be developed covering the issue of reintroduction

Fishing Bridge--Wyoming Chapter commented on NPS proposal to close Fishing Bridge Campground in Yellowstone National Park

Use of Baytex to control mosquitoes--Wyoming Chapter commented on human health hazards of chemical control efforts using Baytex; suggested alternative control methods with biological agents

\*Wyoming Chapter membership reached all-time high of 182 in 1987\*

NAME Kevin Hurley, President SECTION/CHAPTER Wyoming Chapter

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**TEXAS CHAPTER**

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY STUDENT CHAPTER**

**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY STUDENT CHAPTER**

**UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA STUDENT CHAPTER**



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**ARIZONA CHAPTER**

Through the significant commitments made by the Arizona Chapter's 146 members, activities during the past year resulted in numerous and diverse accomplishments. Most notable were activities pertaining to conservation affairs, programs and workshops, scholarships and awards, our newsletter and Chapter history.

**CONSERVATION AFFAIRS**

The Arizona Chapter continued to aggressively participate and respond to wildlife related resource issues, projects, and land use planning. Formal review and comment was made on 24 major projects. Several of these related to or involved management of riparian habitat (9), wilderness or refuges (5), and threatened and endangered species (3). In addition, 3 national forest final land and resource management plans were reviewed, and 1 resulted in the filing for formal appeal intervenor status (Apache-Sitgreaves N.F.'s). The Chapter maintained its strong commitment to involvement in the controversial Mount Graham astrophysical project, which has received parent society support, as well.

**PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS**

Five workshops were sponsored by the Chapter in the past year: 2 communications workshops, a writing workshop for biologists, an endangered species workshop, and an elk workshop. The White Mountain elk workshop focused on controversial elk-livestock interactions, and utilized a facilitated work group format to arrive at consensus issues and solutions, which were compiled and published by the Chapter. We sponsored the 1988 joint annual meeting of the AZ and NM Chapters, TWS and the AZ-NM Chapter, AFS, with attendance in excess of 300. In addition, the Chapter held an annual summer meeting of its membership, this year on Mount Graham.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS**

The chapter finalized the guidelines for its new *Continuing Education Scholarship*, which will soon be available to our membership to pursue training opportunities, with approximately \$3000 in the fund. We recognized 2 wildlife professionals and 1 non-wildlife professional for outstanding contributions and achievements in the past year.

**NEWSLETTER**

The Arizona Chapter published 5 newsletters during the year, and made a format change. We will be making a total switch to desktop publishing soon, as we recognize our newsletter to be a valuable communication medium for our membership.

**CHAPTER HISTORY**

As this year marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Arizona Chapter, a comprehensive Chapter history was compiled and published. It is anticipated that through the dedicated efforts of our membership, the next 20 years will be equally productive for the Arizona Chapter.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

NONE

Name Norris L. Dodd, President Section/Chapter Arizona Chapter



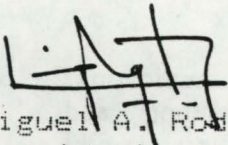
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Unfortunately Costa Rica Chapter of The Wildlife Society was inactive during 1987 because we didn't have legal status. We are working to get it in accord with Ley de Asociaciones y Leyes Conexas, published recently by Ministerio de Justicia y Gracia de Costa Rica.

Very truly yours,



Miguel A. Rodriguez  
President  
Costa Rica Chapter, TWS

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Miguel A. Rodriguez Section/Chapter Costa Rica



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New Mexico Chapter, The Wildlife Society

Held Three chapter meetings and four executive board meetings from April 1986 to March 1987.

Sponsored Wildlife Communications Workshop, conducted by Mr. Eugene Decker of Colorado State University, January 4-8 in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Is sponsoring The First International Wildlife Ranching Symposium to be held in Las Cruces in May 1988.

Wrote letters in support of various issues including: establishment of a wildlife co-op unit at New Mexico State University; federal acquisition of the Gray Ranch in Hidalgo County, New Mexico; implementation of the Sikes Act; attendance of wildlife professionals at the Chapter's annual meeting; and the Game Commission's appointment of a wildlife professional as the director of the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish.

Was the only TWS Chapter given credit (\$2,000.00) for participation in the U.S. Forest Service Challenge Program. As part of its fall meeting the Chapter held a work party that cleaned up a ditch, and installed instream log structures to improve fish habitat.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Donald DeLorenzo

Section/Chapter New Mexico Chapter



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- April 1987-Built water catchment for desert mule deer in cooperation with BLM on McGregor range in Otero county New Mexico.  
Held annual departmental awards banquet at Hilton Inn, Las Cruces.
- September 1987-Chapter set up display at University activities carnival to promote society and explain goals to students.  
Members attended wildlife improvements tour conducted by U.S. Forest Service on Luna Ranger District, Gila National Forest.  
Chapter sponsored attendance by members at leadership seminar given by New Mexico Wildlife Federation in Albuquerque.  
Chapter sent position statement on Sikes Act, Share With Wildlife, and wilderness to New Mexico State Game Commission.
- Chapter set up display at local shopping mall in support of National Hunting and Fishing day in cooperation with local conservation groups.
- October 1987-Chapter sponsored and ran first annual coyote calling contest.
- October-November 1987-Chapter education committee gave wildlife talks to six local school classes.
- January 1988-Chapter members assisted New Mexico Department of Game and Fish in capture of mule deer for state deer modeling data.
- February 1988-Chapter sponsored attendance of chapter members to joint meeting of New Mexico and Arizona chapters of TWS and AFS. Members gave papers on research results, entered photo contests, and acted as session moderator.  
Chapter set up display for university spring visitors day to explain society goals and activities to potential incoming freshmen.  
Chapter sponsored and ran annual shootout(competitive shooting events).
- March 1988-Chapter held annual wild game banquet on banks of the Rio Grand.  
Chapter sponsored attendance of members and bowl team to annual Western Wildlife Schools Student Conclave at Texas Tech University. Bowl team won first place for second consecutive year.  
Chapter members in cooperation with members of student chapter AFS did riparian habitat improvement work at Burn Lake, Las Cruces.  
Chapter members assisted New Mexico Department Game and Fish with mule deer capture on San Andres National Wildlife Refuge.

NAME

David J. Hift

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April 1988

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Throughout the year, we have periodically had T-shirt/Wildlife Posters sales - an average of once a month - to raise money for various projects. Also throughout the year, we have participated in various conservation projects at the SWTSU J&H Freeman Ranch, the latest being a day spent in cleaning/repairing and replenishing the turkey feeders located on Ranch grounds. We have sponsored various educational guest speakers including lectures on insect mimicry, and most recently, on the Species Survival Project by the mammal curator of the San Antonio Zoo.

Recently the society has made contributions to various local causes, including "Bobcat Santa" - an organization to provide for needy children during the Christmas season. Funds which have been collected have gone toward the preparations to contribute Texas Natural Heritage Maps to local high schools, and to provide funds for the Ward Lee Eggleston Scholarship.

Our largest project of this time period was our 11th annual Wildlife Dinner held earlier this year. Funds raised through the sale of dinner tickets and T-shirts and posters also sold during the meal, went toward the above mentioned projects. Our most recent project is the participation in the State Adopt-a-Highway program.

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The 1987-1988 year began with the Student Chapter of TWS at Stephen

F. Austin State University participating in the East Texas Sportsman's Extravaganza. Our booth was used to promote a fund raising skeet shoot, and a raffle of a south Texas bow hunt which was donated by Robert Ellett, a member of the Chapter. Using funds raised by these activities, we later held our annual "beast feast", a party for all forestry and biology students and faculty.

Our Chapter participated in the annual Nacogdoches Ducks Unlimited banquet in September, 1987. Also, we held a squirrel hunt at Indian Mound Wilderness Area in the Sabine National Forest, which was open to all members. During spring break, the Chapter participated in the Western Conclave, hosted by Texas Tech, and the Southeastern Conclave, hosted by Murray State. The Quiz bowl team placed second at each conclave. Ten members of the chapter also attended the North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference in Louisville, Kentucky during spring break.

We had many exciting programs and speakers this past year - including a slide show presented by Dr. Montague Whiting on Alaska big game hunting and a presentation by Mary May on wood duck production in nest boxes. Also, there was a discussion led by Daniel W. Lay on "old-time wildlife", a demonstration and talk by Dr. James G. Dickson on wild turkey, including calling techniques and local restoration, and finally a speech given by David Knotts on anti-hunting groups.

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The Chapter adopted a resolution on conservation of Bottomland Hardwoods and distributed copies to approximately 300 resource agency heads, legislators, conservation organizations, business interests, and governmental jurisdictions.

A special task force was established to review future needs and actions regarding animal rights and anti-hunting interests in Texas.

Chapter members participated in a workshop to develop a Wetlands Plan addendum to the 1985 Texas Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Members of the Texas Congressional Delegation were contacted and urged to support H. J. 50 commemorating the 100th anniversary of Aldo Leopold's birth and his contributions to conservation.

The Chapter published a quarterly newsletter that provided timely information about Chapter business and activities, resource issues, and information of general interest to the membership.

The Chapter information brochure /membership application was revised and a permanent mailing address was secured to better serve the membership and enhance correspondence capabilities.

A paid membership mailing list monitoring system was developed to better serve the Chapter and to increase the efficiency in identifying lapses and possible new members.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Bobby G. Alexander ~~Section~~ Chapter TEXAS



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In April we held our annual Wildlife Bar-B-Que, serving over 10 different types of meat. This Bar-B-Que is our principle fundraiser and this more than 600 people attended.

Later in April the Student Chapter assisted with, and catered our department's 50th Anniversary Banquet. Former students, faculty, and staff from across the country attended to tell stories of the "good old days".

In September the Chapter revived an old tradition. We held an Orientation Meeting for all students new to the department. At this meeting we gave a brief overview of TWS objectives and goals and Chapter activities. The head of the department welcomed the students and stressed the importance of being active in TWS. We broke into small groups to allow the students to ask officers questions they may have about the society, the department, or the University. It appears this has been a success. Many of the new students are currently involved throughout the Chapter.

The Chapter held monthly meetings at which speakers from around the state gave presentations in their areas of expertise. The topics were varied and represented each of the fields of study within our department.

This year the Chapter began organizing field trips to a variety of areas in this region. Trips were taken to wildlife refuges, management areas, science museums, and one trip to the headquarters of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Behind the scenes tours were provided at each of these areas to enlighten the students as to how things really work.

The Chapter has created an on-going conservation project in cooperation with the College Station Parks and Recreation Department. Nest boxes for wood ducks and screech owls have been placed in parks around the city. The boxes are maintained and monitored for use by Chapter members. We are in the process of planning the installation of approximately 25 nest boxes for wood ducks at a local reservoir in conjunction with the Corps of Engineers. This project has allowed students to obtain hands-on experience and help conserve wildlife while providing the Chapter an opportunity to work with City officials and resource managers in the area.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Danny Rakestraw; President

Section/Chapter Texas A&M University  
Student Chapter



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Public Service

1. "Adopted" a local lake to assist with an urban fisheries project. Duties included feeding of stocked fish, creal surveys and cleaning up around the lake.
2. Co-sponsored the First Annual Lubbock Fishing Rodeo as a service to the urban fisheries project.
3. Helped host and run Texas Tech's high school FFA judging contest.

Fund Raising

1. Held a turkey shoot the week before Thanksgiving at a local skeet range that was open to the public.
2. Sold Texas Tech Range and Wildlife caps.

Professional Interaction

1. Hosted the Western Students' Wildlife Conclave March 11-13, 1988.
2. Conducted monthly meetings with such keynote speakers as Robert Lee, USFWS; Dr. Steve Keller, Yale University; and Randy Underwood, SCS.

Social

1. Annual First of the Year Hamburger Feed for new students.
2. Participated in intramural softball with both a guys and co-rec team.
3. End of the year picnic bash.

NAME

*Doug Ruster*

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*Texas Tech Student Chapter*

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The objectives established by the Student Chapter at the University of Arizona for the 1987-1988 academic year are to promote professional conduct among chapter members and to develop an understanding of and for professional responsibility.

Activities designed to achieve our goals are best illustrated by efforts of the Education Committee. Group directives included community education and personal development. Activities allowed for personal development through the performance of community service projects. We have also developed a seminar series which has been a benefit to both the University of Arizona academic community and local civic groups. These endeavors required us to focus our efforts and to understand how individual activities would aid in achieving established goals.

Fund raising projects which enabled us to develop our programs included the annual Christmas tree sale and a raffle for the Arizona First of State Duck Stamp and print.

The executive board recognizes Allison Duval as the outstanding senior wildlife student for the 1987-88 academic year as we believe she possess qualities characteristic of a growing professional.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Ramona Mayala Section/Chapter University of Arizona



**NORTHWEST SECTION**

**UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA STUDENT CHAPTER**

**WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT CHAPTER**



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Northwest Section of TWS, submitted by John Ratti, President.

The Northwest Section has a good group of individuals working on behalf of the Section and the wildlife profession. A number of issues have both regional and national interest, such as proposed exploration of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil, ongoing concern for loss of old growth forest habitats and spotted owls, and the proposal by the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks to remove grizzly bears from the endangered species list.

Recently, the Section has put a lot of effort into a quality newsletter. We feel this is important for general representation of the Section, communication among members and Chapters, and we have used it as a tool to recruit TWS members who are not members of the Section. In addition to standard newsletter contents, we have a Guest Editorial from a prominent member in the section, and a "Point - Counterpoint" section used to air both sides of controversial issues.

Our Section has a "rotation system" which requires a systematic rotation of Section Officers and location of our Annual Meeting. On the surface this system seems great. But the main problem is that you cannot geographically schedule leadership and member participation. We have had a number of situation where one state may have great difficulty finding an officer nominee, while an ineligible neighbor state may have a number of people anxious to accept responsibility. A similar problem exists with organization of the annual meeting. The Executive Board anticipates submitting a change from this system to the membership at the Annual meeting in April. If anyone has a system of geographic distribution of officers and annual meetings that works well in their Section, we would like to hear about it.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name

*John Ratti*

Section/Chapter

*Northwest*



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UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA STUDENT CHAPTER OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

By far the largest activity for the University of Montana Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society each year is the International Wildlife Film Festival held in Missoula every April. Last year was the 10th Festival, and the 11th Festival will be held from April 4-10, 1988. Members of our Chapter gain experience in organizing events, public speaking, and fund-raising through the Festival. Hundreds of people come to Missoula from around the world for this annual event.

The University of Montana Student Chapter also meets twice per month where various professional wildlifera speak about their research and experiences. Graduate students and undergraduates who have had research experience or job experience are also encouraged to make presentations at other meetings. The Student Chapter sponsors faculty/student mixes to encourage informal contact between these groups.

Our Educational Outreach Program organizes and gives presentations about wildlife to area elementary and junior high schools as well as to community groups.

Other activities include field trips to Glacier National Park in November to observe the bald eagle concentration, assisting the Boone & Crockett Club project near Dupuyer, MT, assisting with the annual big game count at the National Bison Range, helping to develop a management plan for a private wildlife refuge, and assisting Fish, Wildlife, and Parks with hunter check stations each fall. Fund raisers include wildlife poster sales, wildlife t-shirts and sweatshirts, Christmas tree sales, and a big game feast.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Daniel H. Pletscher  
Student Chapter Advisor

Section/Chapter UM Student Chapter



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- 4 Sept - pic-nic
- 5 Sept - concession stand fund raiser
- 12 Sept - Future Cougar Days - Highschool visitation
- 17 Sept - general meeting - Peregrine Falcon speaker
- 8 Oct - general meeting - grizzly bear speaker
- Oct & Nov - Deer, elk, and game bird hunter check stations
- 2 Nov - general meeting - Techniques of capturing wild ungulates in Africa
- 19 Nov - general meeting - Grizzly Bear habitat & food choice
- 18 Jan - concession stand fund raiser
- 18 Feb - general meeting - public relations in wildlife field
- 10 Mar - general meeting - Ferruginous Hawk speaker
- March 21 - 25 - Wildlife Week - visit 4th graders in Whitman Co.
  - Project WILD - wildlife education
- April - Annual WLB awards banquet

- we had an intramural football team
- officers met twice a month
- five newsletters were distributed throughout the school year

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name John Sargent Section/Chapter Washington State University



**WESTERN SECTION**  
**SAN JOAQUIN CHAPTER**



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ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 1987  
THE WESTERN SECTION, THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

In January 1987, the Section hosted its annual Conference in Fresno, CA. The theme of the conference was "Vision, Initiative, People: Variables for Success". The conference included two general sessions and six technical sessions. It was held jointly with the California Natural Resources Federation, the state affiliate of the National Wildlife Federation, and was attended by approximately 225 people. The 1988 annual Conference was held during February, in Hilo, Hawaii.

The Section completed the analyses of a membership survey (n=282 respondents) to determine perceptions and needs of the Section's members. The results of the survey will be used by the Section to prioritize its programs and provide direction for future endeavors.

The Section's Issues and Resolution Committee was revitalized and provided statements to hearings on the management of the San Francisco Bay-Delta, big game management and livestock issues to the Nevada Wildlife Commission, coordinated with the California Natural Resource Federation to develop a new selection process for Director of the California Dept. of Fish & Game, and helped to develop support for a bond initiative to appear on the next State ballot. The bond is designed to raise over \$700 million for the acquisition of wildlands in California.

The Section currently produces and distributes two slide-tape programs, Golden Wildlife, depicting the wildlife of California and Silver Wildlife, depicting the wildlife of Nevada. These programs are geared for a seventh grade education. The Section has provided funding to develop Teacher's Handbooks for these programs. This should increase the effectiveness of the programs, by making them classroom tools. The Section provided \$500.00 to the Hawaii Chapter to develop a video program entitled "Rainbow Birds", a program similar to Golden and Silver Wildlife. The Section's Conservation Education Committee is currently developing a new marketing strategy for Golden Wildlife. The objectives of the strategy will be to increase both the distribution and income for this program.

The Continuing Wildlife Education committee sponsored the annual Communications Workshop. The Communication Workshop is known throughout the west coast. The Committee is currently developing three future short courses: Deer Management, Negotiating Skills, and Wildlife Management on Managed Rangelands.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

Name Stephen Hall Section/Chapter Western Section

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Western Section (cont.)

The format of the Transactions, which contain papers presented at the annual meeting, have been changed. They are now printed in a double column format and follow the style of the Journal of Wildlife Management. Standing orders for the Transactions are received from several libraries and universities.

The Section's Certification Committee recently developed and published "The Professional Wildlife Biologist", a collection of ten articles discussing philosophical concepts of professionalism. The pamphlet will be distributed to all members of the Western Section.

In addition, the Section is analyzing a new accounting and budgeting system, with an eye toward computerizing its books.

At the national level, the Western Section produced and distributed, to all Society members, the 50th Anniversary Code of Ethics. This project was the Section's major contribution to TWS's 50th anniversary.

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

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Section/Chapter WESTERN SECTION



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The past year has been a year of steady growth for the San Joaquin Chapter. As we now reach 65 members, there has been increasing participation in Chapter activities. Efforts have been made to expand our capabilities to address conservation issues, promote wildlife education, and provide member services.

Within the last year, the San Joaquin Chapter provided public comment on several EIRs, municipal/county plan amendments, support for the North American Waterfowl Plan, and legislative proposals. A letter requesting cosponsorship of HJR 50 was sent to the two San Joaquin Valley Congressmen.

As a fund raiser, the San Joaquin Chapter has been selling Caribou nylon briefcases with the TWS emblem silkscreened on the side. Proceeds from this sale will be used to fund future workshops, expand wildlife education, and improve the Valley's "wildlifer's network".

Suggested topics for informal discussion at the breakfast:

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Name Larry Saslaw Section/Chapter San Joaquin Chapter