

IDAHO CHAPTER THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

P.O. Box 398 Kamiah, ID 83536

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⁶ Mr. John Madson, Chairman Conservation Education Award Committee Conservation Department Olin Corporation East Alton, Illinois 62024

Dear Mr. Madson:

The Idaho Chapter of The Wildlife Society wishes to nominate Mr. Stuart Murrell for this year's Conservation Education Award. Mr. Murrell is a Regional Conservation Educator for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and is stationed at Jerome, Idaho.

Since coming to Idaho in 1966 as a conservation educator for the Department, Stu has shown a tremendous amount of enthusiasm for his work. His main interest has been to educate teachers in environmental matters so they can pass the knowledge on to their students. While he was stationed at Lewiston, Idaho during the 1966-71 period, he taught a three-credit graduate course and a one-credit undergraduate course in environmental education at the University of Idaho. Both courses were primarily for teachers already in the field teaching.

Stu formed the Magic Valley Environmental Education Team in 1971 and has acted as chairman from that time until present. This team has presented a total of ten Environmental Education Workshops for teachers in all areas of Magic Valley. As chairman, he has organized the annual Mini-Cassia Conservation Tour for the past three years. This tour involves over 800 sixth grade students in Minidoka and Cassia counties annually.

During the last two years, Stu has been the organizer and primary instructor for the annual Boy Scout Conservation Camp at Camp Bradley and has issued over 350 merit badges in the conservation field.

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As Stu has been able to accomplish these activities, in addition to a heavy workload involving audio-visual programs and news releases, we believe he has shown dedication and professionalism that warrants recognition with the Conservation Education Award. We hope you agree.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas A. Leege President

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