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OREGON CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER CHANGE...A CHALLENGE WORTH ACCEPTING

I can still remember that fateful day in 2004. While fishing with Dave Ward I was lured, like a fish, into volunteering my time to participate as Internal Director of the Oregon Chapter. As a token of my appreciation, Dave has not fished with me since that summer morning. Four years have passed since that fishing trip and I can now say that am grateful to Dave for recruiting me and for your confidence in electing me as a Chapter officer. It is my honor to serve the Chapter as its President and I look forward to meeting the expectations that contribute to making the Oregon Chapter the best AFS Chapter.

I would like to start my first column by thanking the outgoing officers and welcoming the new ones. Mike Reed ended his three-year presidential rotation, during which time the Chapter received yet another AFS Chapter of the Year Award. Rich Grost is stepping in as President-elect and through his diligence has the Chapter well on its way towards another outstanding annual meeting. As Secretary-Treasurer, Julie Firman had the honor of managing the financial windfall associated with the 2008 Annual Meeting and now passes the responsibility of managing the new found wealth on to Shaun Clements. After several years of providing his services and much appreciated insight, Ian Reid has been replaced by Christy Fellas as Vice-President. As External Director, Brad Houslet did an admirable job fulfilling the duties associated with this challenging position. Your new External Director for 2008-2009 is Jeremiah Osborne-

Gowey. Last year Jeremiah worked as the Executive Committee Liaison, during which time he was tasked with identifying key fishery issues and recruiting Chapter volunteers to address the issues. The experience that Jeremiah gained is already proving to be invaluable. Finally, I would like to thank Jason Grant for accepting the challenge of balancing his final year at OSU with the responsibilities associated with the Student Representative position. Kristle Warren, from OSU, has been selected as the Student Representative and appears ready to assist in increasing student involvement.

As I enter my third month in office, I can report that the ExCom has been successful in completing the annual work plan, budget, and the 5-year strategic plan (available at www.orafs.org). It is our belief that these plans will enable the Chapter to meet its mission to:

"Improve the conservation and sustainability of Oregon fishery resources and their aquatic ecosystems for long-term public benefit by advancing science, education, and public discourse concerning fisheries and aquatic science and by promoting the development of fisheries professionals".

Because of the financial success of the 2008 Annual Meeting, the Chapter has been provided with an opportunity to enhance the values of the student scholarships, initiate the Carl Bond Scholarship, increase

support we provide to other professional meetings and student sponsored events, and earmark funds for a Chapter-sponsored grant for the purpose of advancing fishery science and improving fishery resources.

Behind the leadership of Rich Grost, 2009 Annual Meeting Chair, and Martyne Reesman, Internal Director, the ExCom has been busy preparing for the 2009 Annual Meeting in Bend. The theme of the 2009 Annual Meeting is *Sharing our Passion*, a theme that we hope not only applies to this meeting but also our members increased involvement in the Chapter this year and beyond. The Final Call for



papers and symposia was recently released. More information about the meeting is available in this edition of the *Piscatorial Press* as well as at www.orafs.org.

In Doug Young's last President's Corner column, Doug suggested that the ExCom and subsequently the membership "rarely implement components of our mission statement or annual work plan other than those associated with the

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For more information about the 2009 Oregon Chapter AFS Annual Meeting please visit :

www.orafs.org

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Contact the national office or the Oregon Chapter, or visit www.fisheries.org. Be sure to tell the national office that you want to be an Oregon Chapter Member, dues are only \$2 per year

“SHARING OUR PASSION”

2009 OREGON CHAPTER AFS ANNUAL MEETINGS— FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS AND POSTERS

Bring it to Bend, February 25-27, 2009

Your passion, that is, for fish, fisheries, science, art, and everything that keeps us going in this aquatic profession. “*Sharing our Passion*” is the overall theme for the 2009 Oregon Chapter AFS Annual Meeting, convening February 25-27 at the Riverhouse in Bend, OR. It is our passion, after all, that powers us through challenging times, keeps us interested in our work, and makes us interesting among our colleagues. The topics we are most passionate about are those that showcase our creativity, and best connect us.

The 2009 Annual Meeting program includes a robust variety of opportunities for sharing technical expertise, creativity, wild ideas, and generally networking among colleagues. It includes educational workshops, a passionate keynote presentation, diverse and relevant technical sessions, poster displays, vendor displays, a student-mentor mixer, jam session, business meeting, a post-meeting tour, and social events that will not disappoint you.

Your suggestions and assistance are welcome; please contact Program Chair Rich Grost (richard.grost@pacificcorp.com, or 541-498-2617).

Workshops (February 24-25)

Drawing from the success of recent workshops, and demand for cutting-edge and useful training, we are offering two workshops preceding the Annual Meeting, and one site tour following the meeting (see detailed descriptions elsewhere):

Workshop 1: Aquatic Invasive Species Identification and Control: How To *Not* Be a Vector; Organizer: Jill Hardiman, (Jhardiman@usgs.gov)

Workshop 2: Fisheries Telemetry: Recent Advances and Techniques for Achieving Success; Organizers: Carl Schreck and Shaun Clements (Shaun.Clements@oregonstate.edu)

Site Tour: Visit Round Butte Dam and New Fish Passage Facilities (and have a free chili-dog); Organizers: Don Ratliff (Donald.Ratliff@pgn.com) and Jim Bartlett (James.Bartlett@pgn.com)

Technical Sessions (February 25-27)

Presentation and poster sessions will address fisheries topics from the open ocean to the high mountains and desert. Please consider organizing a session around your most passionate subject or issue, soliciting presenters, and submitting 5 or 10 abstracts as a package. Special sessions will be considered based on relevance, uniqueness, presentations, and available space. Or, contact an organizer to see if your presentation fits within a session already planned. Please submit all abstracts via www.ORAFS.org, and identify whether they are part of an organized session. **THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING SESSION TOPICS AND ABSTRACTS IS DECEMBER 10, 2008.**

Session topics (and organizers) include:

- Marine Research; Scott Heppell (scott.heppell@oregonstate.edu)
- Marine Reserves – Science, Politics, and the OR AFS White Paper; Selina Heppell (selina.heppell@oregonstate.edu)
- Got the Blue-Green Algae Blues? -- Case Histories and Emerging Knowledge; Joe Eilers (jeilers@maxdepth.com)

- Bull Trout and the *Salvelinus confluentus* Curiosity Society – A Tale of Shared Passion Realized; Jason Dunham (jdunham@usgs.gov)
- Deschutes Basin Fishery Program Update; Mike Gauvin (michael.w.gauvin@state.or.us)
- Hydropower and New Fish Facilities; Stephanie Burchfield (Stephanie.Burchfield@noaa.gov)
- Strange Fishes from Amazonia to Oregon; Ray Troll (ray@trollart.com)
- Pinnipeds and other Non-human Predators
- Lamprey and Non-game Fishes
- Tapping into Traditional Knowledge and Management
- Harvest Management—Recent and Impending Challenges
- Aquaculture Advances –Keeping Fish on the Menu
- Fires, Firefighting, and Fish – Case Histories and Latest Research; Ian Reid (ireid@fs.fed.us)
- Education and Outreach – Spreading Our Passion
- Ecology and Trophic Interactions
- Water, Weather, and Fish – Emerging Challenges
- YOUR favorite topic here (if you organize it)

Contributed papers unrelated to above themes; Rich Grost (rich.grost@pacificcorp.com)

Student papers; Brooke Penaluna (brooke.penaluna@oregonstate.edu)

STUDENTS WANTED

to present their research
at the 2009 ORAFS Annual Meeting!

- Share your work through oral or poster presentations
 - Compete for Best Student Paper or Poster
 - Expand your network
- Build your resume, make job contacts, and more!

Abstract Deadline: December 10, 2008

For more information contact: Rich Grost, 541-498-2617, richard.grost@pacificcorp.com

Your Chance to Get Involved!

SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2009-2010 OREGON CHAPTER EXCOM!

This is your opportunity to become an officer in one of the biggest and best chapters of the American Fisheries Society! It is a great chance to learn the other aspects of fishery science, develop management skills, and network with other fisheries professionals. Out-going officers are glad to help you learn the ropes and get up to speed.

If you have been thinking about getting involved in AFS, now is the time. Officer positions have different types of time requirements, sometimes lower intensity, but nonstop, and others that are short bursts of intense action. Find a position that fits your needs, time constraints, and skills.

We seek candidates for the following positions (terms begin September 1, 2009):

President	3-year term*
Vice President	1-year term
Secretary-Treasurer	1-year term
Internal Director	1-year-term**
External Director	1-year term

*3-year term: 1 year each as President-Elect and Annual Meeting Chair, President, and Past President

**With the exception of assisting in the annual meeting facilities pre-planning for the subsequent year (will require volunteer work prior to September 1, 2009).

Elections will be held at the Business Meeting during the Annual Meeting. Nominating is EASY! If you are interested in running for an office just submit your name to me via an email or phone call. If you know someone you think would be a great officer, but do not feel comfortable asking them, please submit their name to me and I will contact them to determine their interest in serving. Final candidates will need to prepare a short statement describing themselves, their background, education, work, interest in the position, and what they would like to contribute to Oregon AFS, by January 9, 2009, for publication in the Winter 2009 *Piscatorial Press*. Please contact me if you have ANY questions, and thank you for your interest!

Submit nominations by January 9, 2009 to:

Doug Young, 503-231-6914

doug_young@fws.gov

Be a part of American Fisheries Society Vision and History!

CALL FOR CHAPTER RESOLUTIONS

Is there a resource issue that needs addressing? Do you have fisheries concerns to voice? Then the Oregon Chapter wants to hear from you! The Chapter wants to be responsive to the needs of its members, and this is one way we can help accomplish this goal. Past Oregon Chapter adopted resolutions have called for the breaching of Snake River dams and stressed the relation between human population growth and depleted fisheries.

If you wish to bring an issue to the membership, please submit your resolutions to the Resolutions and Bylaws Committee by Friday, January 9, 2009.

Your resolutions will be reviewed by the Resolutions Committee, and if accepted, published in the Winter 2009 *Piscatorial Press*, posted to the Chapter website, and submitted to the Chapter membership for a vote in Bend in 2009. Join in the democratic process and be heard!

Adopted Chapter resolutions can be found on the website at: <http://www.orafs.org/communications.htm#resolution>.

For more information about submitting resolutions, please contact:

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**Mark Your Calendar!
2009 ORAFS Annual Meeting**

February 25-27, 2009

Riverhouse Resort

Bend, Oregon

Visit www.orafs.org for more information

2009 ORAFS ANNUAL MEETING WORKSHOPS

Fisheries Telemetry: Recent advances and techniques for achieving success

Feb 24, 2009, 1:00 – 5:00 pm and Feb 25, 8:00 – 11:30 am

The Riverhouse Resort, 3075 N. Business 97, Bend, Oregon

Sponsored by: The Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society, OSU, ODFW, USGS

Conveners: Carl Schreck & Shaun Clements

This one day workshop covers the principles and techniques of radio and acoustic telemetry. The workshop will include a mix of Power-Point presentations and interactive demonstrations of tagging (including hands-on experience), telemetry setup, and data management/validation (i.e. when is a fish actually a fish).

Our goal is to improve participants understanding of how to use telemetry to meet a variety of study objectives. Participants should be familiar with the following at the conclusion of the workshop:

- Latest advances in telemetry equipment.
- Surgical techniques, including the latest research on minimizing the impact of surgery.
- Understand how stress (associated with tagging) can affect fish behavior and how to address this in the study design and conclusions.
- Appropriate tag to body weight ratios (based on a synopsis of research)
- How to deploy receivers and/or antennas: site selection and setup
- How to optimize detection efficiency
- How to manage and validate data

Aquatic Invasive Species Identification and Control: How To Not Be a Vector

Feb 24, 2009, 1:00 – 5:00 pm and Feb 25, 8:00 – 11:30 am

The Riverhouse Resort, 3075 N. Business 97, Bend, Oregon

Organizer: Jill Hardiman, USGS, Columbia River Research Laboratory, Western Fisheries Research Center, jhardiman@usgs.gov

Sponsors and instructors include: the Oregon Chapter AFS, U. S. Geological Survey, 100th Meridian Columbia River Basin Team, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Oregon Marine Board, Oregon Sea Grant, U. S. Forest Service/Bureau of Land Management, and Portland State University Center for Lakes and Reservoirs

This full day workshop will include an overview and identification of aquatic invasive species of concern in the Pacific Northwest. We will present some basic biology, distribution, and life history traits as to why these species are “good invaders” and why we should be concerned. We will focus on pathways and vectors for invasive species as they relate to fishery professionals and recreationists out in the field. The workshop will cover procedures for decontaminating field gear, such as waders, boots, nets, etc. that can be used in the field and back at the office, lab or home. We will present current legislative, policy and/or enforcement topics and procedures in the region. At the end of the training attendees will receive a Level I certificate for Watercraft Inspection training for invasive species. The following topics will be included:

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) threatening the Pacific Northwest

- Aquatic Invasive Species identification
- Pathways and vectors
- Field gear decontamination procedures
- Level I Watercraft Inspection training certificate
- Current legislature, policy and enforcement procedures for AIS
- Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point Planning (HACCP) overview
- Aquatic and Riparian Effectiveness Monitoring Program (AREMP) AIS procedures

Visit Round Butte Dam Friday Afternoon and view the nearly completed New Selective Water Withdrawal Tower and new Downstream Fish Passage Facilities

Friday February 27, 12:30 pm until 3:00

Free Lunch – At Round Butte Dam Overlook Park

Directions at the ORAFS Annual Meeting

The Riverhouse Resort, 3075 N. Business 97, Bend, Oregon

Hosts: Don Ratliff and Jim Bartlett, Portland General Electric will be there to answer questions, and serve hot dogs and chili.

For more information, contact Don or Jim via email:

Donald.Ratliff@pgn.com; James.Bartlett@pgn.com

PGE and the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation are rebuilding the intake to Round Butte Dam to use a selective water withdrawal tower to enhance downstream fish passage, and manage lower Deschutes River water temperatures. In cooperation with State, Tribal, and Federal fisheries and land management agencies, this effort is part of one of the most ambitious anadromous fish reintroduction projects attempted. The new facility will draw up to 6,000 cfs of water from the surface during the spring, and collect all the downstream migrants for transport down to the lower Deschutes River. Scheduled for completion April 15, during late February, the three major components, a new deep intake, the floating surface intake, and the vertical flow conduit are scheduled to be assembled. They will be tied with a support bridge to the shoreline. The associated Fish Transfer Facility will be complete

FISH WORSHIP: RAY TROLL TO KEYNOTE 2009 ORAFS ANNUAL MEETING



Ray, as Honorary PhD in Fine Arts from the University of Alaska Southwest

From his tree-top studio, high above the Tongass Narrows in rainswept Ketchikan Alaska, Ray Troll draws & paints fishy images that migrate into museums, books and magazines and onto t-shirts sold 'round the globe. Basing his quirky, aquatic images on the latest scientific discoveries, Ray brings a street-smart sensibility to the worlds of ichthyology & paleontology.

Ray earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kansas in 1977 and an MFA in studio arts from Washington State University in 1981. He is proud to be an honorary member of the Gilbert Ichthyological Society, the Guild of Natural Science Illustrators & a lifetime member of S.P.O.O.F. (the Society for the Protection of Old Fish).

Troll's unique blend of art and science culminated in his traveling exhibit, "Dancing to the Fossil Record," a major show which opened at the California Academy of Sciences in San Francisco in 1995. The huge exhibit included Ray's original drawings, gigantic fossils, fish tanks, murals, an original soundtrack, a dance floor and an interactive computer installation. In 1997 the exhibit traveled to the Oregon Coast Aquarium in Newport. In 1998 it hit the streets of Philadelphia at the Academy of Natural Sciences. The tour ended in 1999 at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. By that time it had grown to 14,000 square feet.

Ray also had a museum show on the road based on his children's book, "Sharkabet, a Sea of Sharks from A to Z". Venues included the Science Museum of Minnesota, the Anchorage Museum of History and Art, and the Carnegie Museum of Natural History in Pittsburgh among others. Ray's most recent exhibit, "The Fin Art of Ray Troll: Be Careful What You Fish For" opened October 30, 2008 at the Seattle Aquarium to an audience of 400 fish-o-philas.

In addition to "Sharkabet", Ray has illustrated 3 books with author Brad Matsen : Shocking Fish Tales, Planet Ocean, and Raptors, Fossils, Fins & Fangs. He has also done the illustrations for "Life's a Fish and then You Fry" by chef Randy Bayliss.

He & his wife, Michelle, own & operate the SOHO COHO Contemporary Art & Craft Gallery, located on a spawning stream in the former red light district of Ketchikan. The gallery features Ray's own artwork, t-shirts and fish juju, as well as original artwork by other local artists.



2009 Annual Meeting — Jam Session

At the risk of starting a new tradition, we will again offer a stage and microphone for our musically-inclined members and see what kind of "Fishhead Jam Session" ensues. There will be an opportunity to practice, Wednesday night at 10:00 p.m. following the Poster Session, prior to the real show scheduled for Thursday, February 26 at 9:00, immediately after the conclusion of the banquet and auction. Perhaps you will hear some selections from the "Spawntaneous Ratfish Wranglers" collection of Ray Troll in the mix. Thanks in advance to Mike Faler (micheal_faler@fws.gov) and his Red-Eye Gravy String Band for organizing this event.

2009 Annual Meeting — ORAFS Business Meeting

In an attempt to increase attendance, we are trying a new strategy in 2009, hosting our annual ORAFS Business Meeting at the end of the day instead of during the breakfast or lunch. To ensure there is no conflict with talks that you would like to see, the only activity scheduled from 4:00-5:30 on Thursday, February 26 is the business meeting. Show your interest in future activities of the ORAFS by attending this meeting.

TIME TO REGAIN AFS CHAPTER-OF-THE-YEAR STATUS...THE ORAFS NEEDS YOUR HELP

HELP ENERGIZE OUR CHAPTER...

and bring it back to the forefront of fishery and aquatic resource activity.

Have an issue you'd like to see the Oregon AFS chapter explore?

Been thinking about getting involved but don't know how or in what capacity?

Oregon AFS has a rich history of fisheries- and aquatic-related conservation action thanks to a willing and active membership. And we've been building on that history. In the last couple of years, our Chapter has provided testimony to both the State and Federal Legislature on various fisheries- and natural resource-related bills and provided comments on 1) the Western Oregon Plan Revision draft EIS, 2) the Oregon sensitive fish species list, 3) the relicensing of the Klamath Hydroelectric Project, and 4) the Oregon Native Fish Status Report.

Recently, we reviewed several marine reserve proposals that were submitted to Governor Kulongoski's Ocean Policy Advisory Council (OPAC). And we've been exploring what action(s), if any, we should take on issues pertaining to wave energy, inter-basin water transfers, mining law reform, and the final EIS for the BLM's Western Oregon Plan Revision (WOPR).

But we couldn't do any of this without you. And the point is, WE NEED YOU TO BE INVOLVED! There are a variety of ways to stay active or become active if you haven't yet done so. And the more of us that are available to help, the more evenly we can distribute the work. In doing so, we'll again be able to rise to the challenges facing our natural resources without putting too much on any one person's shoulders. Recruiting help doesn't need to be akin to pulling teeth...so check in, pick your issue, and help our Chapter out!

If you have a topic or an emerging issue you'd like to see the Chapter explore, and you'd like to get more involved, send our External Director (Jeremiah Osborne-Gowey) an email with your idea(s). You can reach him at "jeremiah" dot "osborne" hyphen "gowey" at "oregonstate" dot "edu" (jeremiah.osborne-gowey@oregonstate.edu) or at 541.757.4263 extension 281.

Until then, he'll be eagerly awaiting your ideas...

Submitted by Jeremiah Osborne-Gowey (External Director)

Book Your Room Early for the 2009 ORAFS Annual Meeting

Lodging at the Riverhouse: (800) 547-3928

Reservations: Must be made by January 23, 2009, to guarantee rates if rooms are available

Group Name: American Fisheries Society

Room Rates: \$90 single; \$108 double

If you have any 2009 Annual Meeting registration questions, please contact Martyne Reesman, martyne.j.reesman@state.or.us or 971-673-6083.

Room cancellations must be made 72 hours prior to arrival

Early Registration for the 2009 ORAFS Annual Meeting Now Available Online

Electronic 2009 Annual Meeting registration is now available at <https://www.123signup.com/register?id=zgpbt>

Please visit the 2009 Oregon AFS annual meeting website (www.orafs.org), and familiarize yourself with all 2009 annual meeting opportunities and options *before* attempting to electronically register. You may also register at the door at the actual meeting – but we will growl at you!

Early electronic registration runs from November 7, 2008 to January 23, 2009. Late registration fees will be charged beginning January 24, 2009.

If you have any 2009 Annual Meeting registration questions, please contact Shaun Clements, 541-757-4263.

WHO SHOULD BE AN AWARD WINNER? SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS FOR 2009 AWARDS NOW!

It is fall and you are knee-deep in exciting field work. With nothing else to occupy your mind, your thoughts wander to last year's Annual Meeting and the people you wish you had nominated for an award. So...avoid the rush and start now! You know who these people are...the peer, the mentor, the teacher, the partner from another agency, the private landowner who worked so hard to do that great habitat work...the one who made your whole project come together...or who inspired you to go back to graduate school! Now is a great time to start putting your thoughts on paper so you will have plenty of time to refine your 2009 nomination before the **award nomination deadline of January 9, 2009.**

For all awards except Broken Oar, you should indicate how the nominee's efforts are above and beyond their regular job. No award is required to be given each year. The Chapter may award multiple Awards of Merit each year, so you are encouraged to submit multiple nominations for the Award of Merit for individual or team efforts.

Do you know of a top-notch team that is doing (or has done) exemplary work? You may now nominate them for the **Fishery Team of the Year** award! This award represents recognition that there are outstanding teams that merit acknowledgement for excellent work beyond an Award of Merit. The stringent award criteria are similar to the Fishery Worker of the Year, but for team efforts. This award recognizes the collaborative efforts to understand and manage fisheries resources, and that these efforts frequently cross geographic, disciplinary and socio-economic boundaries.

Although the Award of Merit has always been open for recognition of team efforts, the Fishery Team of the Year award carries with it similar prestige as the Fishery Worker of the Year. If you have questions about criteria for an award please contact Doug Young.

Fishery Worker of the Year

Nominees **must be AFS members in good standing** who are responsible for substantial single or sustained accomplishments above and beyond their regular job. Nominations should indicate how efforts are related to the goals of guiding and influencing sound resource practices.

Fishery Team of the Year

At least one nominee of the team must be an **AFS member** in good standing. The team or group must have been responsible for substantial single or sustained accomplishments. Each member of the team nominated must have produced a substantial portion of the work. Nominations should indicate how they are related to the goals of guiding or influencing sound resource practices. To demonstrate equivalent contributions, describe substantive contributions of each member of the team.

Award of Merit

This award recognizes **individuals, groups, or organizations** that have contributed to fisheries. Recipients can be either **AFS members or non-members.**

Bill Wingfield Memorial Award in Fish Culture

Nominees should be **individuals or groups** that have contributed significantly to advancing fish culture (including fish health) in Oregon. **AFS members or non-members** may be nominated.

Broken Oar Award

Everyone's favorite and just for fun, the Broken Oar Award is presented for "outstanding display of field technique and coordination." No doubt you already have some nominees in mind from this year's field season! **AFS members or non-members** may be nominated.

Full description of awards criteria and suggestions about how to write nominations will be posted to the Oregon AFS Chapter website or can be obtained by **contacting Mindy Simmons at 503-808-4766 or mindy.m.simmons@usace.army.mil**

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS: January 9, 2009

Your Giving Helps the Oregon Chapter!

SECOND CALL FOR 2009 RAFFLE AND AUCTION DONATIONS

One of the highlights of the Oregon Chapter's Annual Meeting is our raffle and auction, and this year will be no exception. Based on survey results from the last two years, we are going to continue employ a similar approach for the 2009 Annual Meeting (i.e., fewer oral auction items, increase the number of silent auction items, and when your raffle ticket is called you select your own raffle prize). So, we are accepting your tax-deductible donations NOW! Popular items include fishing trips, artwork, weekend getaways, boats, etc.

Revenue from the raffle and auction is used to support Chapter activities and actions. Donation forms and other information are available on the Oregon AFS website at www.orafs.org. **Donations may be sent to:**

Terry Smith, Raffle and Auction Chair

Phone: (541) 883-6785

tasmith@fs.fed.us

PRESIDENT'S CORNER: CONTINUED

Oregon Chapter's annual meeting". Doug suggested that "something is broken and that we need to fix it if we want to remain a nationally recognized AFS chapter". Doug offered that modifying the ExCom structure "could improve the way the Oregon Chapter addresses its conservation mission". During ExCom's fall retreat, committee members reviewed and discussed Doug's proposal. Although the ExCom indicated that there could be merit to Doug's claim, committee members do not believe the ExCom structure has not been impeding the ExCom and Chapter members from performing such tasks. It was the ExCom's belief that a better understanding of their duties and the delegation of responsibilities would increase the likelihood that the ExCom could implement the appropriate processes required to ensure that the conservation mission is met. The committee recommended that during their spring retreat they will evaluate their conservation-oriented achievements and decide whether Doug's proposal to restructure the ExCom is should be further considered.

For the Chapter to fulfill its conservation mission, we need your assistance. As I write this, there is hope, change is upon us. The mantra this past year was change. "It's about time... It's about change". Of course this battle cry was not associated with the Chapter; however, after reviewing the first *Piscatorial Press* columns submitted by recent Chapter Presidents, it is very obvious that each of these individuals felt that there was a need for change within the Chapter. Some of the

Presidents were more forthright than others. The "change" these individuals were pleading for was an increase in volunteerism from Chapter membership.

Already, through the leadership of Jeremiah Osborne-Gowey, coordination of Scott Heppell (Marine Habitat and Ecology Committee, Chair), and generous efforts of members that volunteered their time, the Oregon Chapter has been able to perform scientific reviews of several marine reserve proposals. If you are aware of issues that the ORAFS and its External Committees should consider addressing, please contact Jeremiah. On behalf of the ExCom, I am grateful to those that provided their "free time" to review the marine reserve proposals. I am proud of the commitment those individuals made and would like to use their actions as a challenge to the rest of the membership. It is time for the Oregon Chapter to regain the AFS Chapter of the Year Award.

I look forward to serving you in 2008-2009 and welcome your comments and feedback.

Submitted by

Neil Ward, President

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Got Passion?

It's with mixed feelings I relinquish my post held on the Oregon AFS ExCom the past three years. I was honored to serve the chapter and its members, but now it's time for me to move on and spend some of my limited extra time budget on family.

I am truly excited about the theme "Sharing our Passion" for next year's annual meeting. Let's face it, the passion for science-based fisheries management, conservation, and restoration is what brought many of us into this profession in the first place, and have kept some of us in it for decades. How many of us got into fish biology because we enjoyed fishing? As scientists we often tend to forget about the human dimensions, qualitative aspects, and "fun factors" of our jobs. Next year's annual meeting should be one to recharge, galvanize, inspire, motivate, and stimulate.

Speaking of stimulation, one way to show your passion for the profession is to serve as a mentor. One of my favorite plenary presentations at our annual meetings came from Jim Martin, touting the importance of mentors in shaping his professional career. We all have our mentors, people who have inspired us, pushed us, forced us to think critically about, *OR* issues, or been admired from afar for their skills and commitment. Here's an incomplete short list in no particular order of some of my fisheries mentors—role models might be a better word as some of these people probably wouldn't recognize my face in a crowded room: Roger Smith, Judy Li, Dan Shively, Peter Moyle, Don Virgovic, Dave Loomis, Jeff Uebel, Michael Parker, Amy Unthank, Jack Williams, Dave Heller, Scott Lightcap, Jay Nicholas, Randy Frick, Stan Gregory, Barry McPherson, Jim Lichatowich, Michael Fraidenburg, Susan Maiyo, Phil Pister, Stewart Reid (no known relation), and of course Jim Martin. While many of these scientists probably have different views on proper fisheries management, they all share the common denominator: passion.

Different ways to serve as a mentor include volunteering at the student-mentor session at the Bend annual meeting, sponsoring a high school AFS Hutton Scholar (applications are due in February so start hand-picking those students now), contributing articles about Oregon fisheries to this newsletter, or leading by example and getting involved behind the scenes with Oregon Chapter AFS—we have a myriad of ways to meaningfully contribute to the organization and share your passion for the profession.

We are all strapped for time, but a little extra effort can reap huge dividends. Case in point is Diamond Lake, which I was lucky enough to get to fish this summer. To say this fishery and ecosystem have experienced incredible, unfathomable recovery would be an understatement. The current situation of clear, swimmable water; football-shaped trout; and smiling anglers' faces is a living testament to the dedication and persistence of all the hard-working men and women who made this recovery happen against all odds. Clearly, the Diamond Lake transformation would not have occurred without the vision, leadership, and passion of fisheries scientists and Oregon AFS members.

Over the last several decades the fisheries community has lost many important contributors and comrades: Carl Bond, Bill Ricker, R.R. Miller, Bill Minckley, Steve Malvestuto, and Carl Hubbs to name a few. Who will fill these scientists' shoes and mentor the next generations of fishery professionals?

Will it be you?

Ian Reid, Outgoing Vice President



The future of Oregon AFS? Ila Sage Reid, age 2.1, full of passion with her first fish; June 2008, Hyatt Lake, OR.

ANNOUNCING THE CARL BOND SCHOLARSHIP



A Tribute to Dr. Carl Bond

And Introducing

The Carl Bond Memorial Student Scholarship

Applications Due: December 31, 2008

In honor of the great Oregon ichthyologist, the Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society is proud to announce the creation of the Dr. Carl Bond Memorial Student Scholarship. Beginning in 2009, the Dr. Carl Bond Memorial Student Scholarship will be annually awarded to a highly-qualified AFS student member studying Oregon native fishes. We will continue to honor Dr. Bond and his legacy of work associated with Oregon's fish through this scholarship. Our goal is that the Dr. Carl Bond Memorial Student Scholarship will help aspiring students in the future, as they trace and expand on Dr. Bond's footsteps, pursuing the unique fishes of Oregon. The award amount will be \$5000 each time that it is awarded.

Carl Eldon Bond, 87, passed away in Corvallis on Nov. 12, 2007. Carl was an active member and fellow in many professional organizations, including the American Fisheries Society, American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists, the Gilbert Ichthyological Society, and the American Institute of Fishery Research Biologists. Carl was one of the Oregon Chapter AFS' original members. He attended the very first Oregon Chapter AFS meeting and held several Oregon Chapter AFS Executive Committee positions (including President during 1966-1967).

Carl received his bachelor's degree in 1947 and master's degree in 1948 in fisheries and wildlife from Oregon State College. He received his Ph.D. from Michigan in 1963. In 1950, he joined the faculty of the Oregon State University Department of Fish and Game Management (later Fisheries and Wildlife) and remained with the Department throughout his career. He retired as Professor Emeritus in 1985.

Carl's professional interests ranged widely and included much of the natural history of the Pacific Northwest. His ichthyological knowledge of the region was unmatched, particularly for the little-known fishes of Oregon's desert. As a crowning achievement, Carl poured his lifetime of knowledge of fishes into the master textbook "Biology of Fishes", which is still one of the standard texts in fish biology.

Among his awards, Carl was named "Oregon Scientist of the Year" in 1983 by the Oregon Academy of Science. He received the American Fisheries Society Award of Excellence in 1998 and its Distinguished Service Award in 2000. He was also honored by the Desert Fishes Council.

Of all his accomplishments, Carl was most proud of his students. During his long career he mentored 63 graduate students; 15 doctoral and 48 masters. Many of these students went on to distinguished careers of their own. Memorial articles, contributed by several of Carl's past students and colleagues, can be found at the Oregon Chapter AFS website (www.orafs.org).

Scholarship criteria for the Dr. Carl Bond Memorial Student Scholarship

Minimum qualifications for this scholarship:

Student AFS member

Graduate student in a field of study relevant to fisheries science

Minimum 3.5 GPA

Agree to present results of research conducted using the Carl Bond funds at a future Oregon Chapter AFS meeting

Student must be conducting research on Oregon's native fishes

Please provide the following in electronic form to the Scholarship Chair (address below) by December 31, 2008:

A cover letter that includes description of minimum qualifications (above)

A 1 page CV

A 2-page description of your project, including elements that discuss how the work honors Dr. Bond's legacy

Two letters of recommendation, at least one of which must be from a current Oregon Chapter AFS member

A budget that details how you intend to use the funds

GRADUATE STUDENTS...APPLY NOW FOR 2009 OREGON AFS SCHOLARSHIPS!

Applications Due December 31, 2008

OREGON CHAPTER AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

Graduate Student

2009 Scholarship Application Guidelines

The Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society is proud to announce a competition for two graduate scholarships. Scholarships will be formally awarded at the 2009 ORAFS Annual Meeting in Bend, Oregon. The goal of these scholarships is to further the objectives of AFS by rewarding and promoting the education and development of future fisheries professionals. **The award will consist of a check for \$2,000, one year of student membership in AFS (may be a renewal), an award certificate, recognition at the 2009 Annual Meeting and in *Fisheries* and the *Piscatorial Press*, and group lodging and refunded registration at the 2009 ORAFS Annual Meeting February 25-27, 2009, in Bend.**

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicant must be enrolled in or have been accepted for admission into a degree program within the state of Oregon
2. Applicant's major field of study must be relevant to fisheries science.
3. Applicant must be a current member of AFS, but may join AFS at the time of the scholarship application (see Oregon Chapter AFS website: www.orafs.org).
4. Applicant must not have been previously awarded the Oregon Chapter AFS Scholarship.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Each applicant must submit the following:

1. **A short, 3-page essay (maximum 1,400 words, single spaced) describing how your academic and professional development has and/or will contribute to the AFS objectives of:**
 - advancing the conservation, development, and appropriate use of fisheries resources;
 - promoting the development and advancement of all branches of fisheries science;
 - gathering and disseminating scientific and technical information about fisheries; and
 - encouraging the teaching of fisheries science and practice in colleges and universities.

You are encouraged to include undergraduate and graduate experience or research, along with volunteer and work experience to demonstrate the relevance of your professional development to the objectives of AFS. Essays may also describe any grants, honors, or awards you have earned; or the influence of a class project or how you think your future contribution to fisheries science issues will promote the objectives of AFS. Essays will be judged based on the ability to communicate your ideas in writing and how well your goals further the objectives of AFS. **Include your name, address, phone number, email address, school and department of enrollment, major, year in college, degree pursuing, anticipated graduation date, and AFS membership number or proof of membership application.**

2. **Copies of official transcripts** from all colleges or universities attended to date (photocopies of official transcripts will be accepted).
3. **Two letters of recommendation** from mentors, or other professionals, **one of which must be an AFS member**. The letters should address the potential of the applicant to be a productive member of AFS and to contribute to fisheries science.

Scholarship application materials should be submitted electronically no later than December 31, 2008 to:

Scholarship Chair:
 Scott Heppell
 Department of Fisheries and Wildlife
 Oregon State University
 104 Nash Hall
 Corvallis, OR 97330
 (541) 737-1086
Scott.Heppell@oregonstate.edu

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS...APPLY NOW FOR 2009 ORAFS SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications Due December 31, 2008

OREGON CHAPTER AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

Undergraduate Student

2009 Scholarship Application Guidelines

Two \$2000 awards – one AA and one BS

Eligibility Criteria

1. Applicant must be a full-time student in a degree program within the state of Oregon
2. Applicant's major field of study must be relevant to fisheries science
3. Applicant must be a member of the Student Sub-Unit of AFS and a member of the Oregon Chapter of AFS, but may join at time of scholarship application
4. Applicant must not have been previously awarded the Oregon Chapter AFS scholarship.

Selection Criteria

The ORAFS Undergraduate Scholarships are intended to foster students who have demonstrated potential for making a future professional contribution in fisheries through research, management, education or outreach.

Scholarship may be used to support educational expenses (tuition or books), a low- or un-funded work experience (internship), travel to a professional meeting, manuscript publication, research project or other professional activities.

The following are examples of selection criteria that will be considered:

- Leadership of a student organization
- Development or participation in a special project
- Service on a professional, Department or University committee
- Volunteer work in service to the profession
- Participation in an inter-departmental or intra-departmental project to foster cooperation among disciplines
- Providing service to other students, such as tutoring or mentoring
- Promoting professional, Department or University efforts to increase student diversity
- Overcoming adversity in academic or personal life to achieve education and professional goals
- Member of underrepresented group (e.g., gender, ethnic, racial, first college student in family)
- Presenting at a professional or other natural resource-related meeting (poster or paper)
- Publication of manuscript or other resource-related publications

To apply for any of these awards

1) Attach a one-page cover letter to the above application that introduces yourself, describes your educational goals and professional aspirations relative to fisheries and wildlife, and elaborates on knowledge, skills and abilities not included in your resume.

2) Attach a resume that shows at least

Past work and volunteer experience, especially as it **relates to fisheries** (include dates and duration for each paid and volunteer position)

Leadership activities, honors/scholarships, publications/presentations, professional and other memberships (clubs, committees, etc.)

Three professional references and their contact information

Return application, cover letter, and resume to Scott Heppell, [at scott.heppell@oregonstate.edu](mailto:scott.heppell@oregonstate.edu) , (541) 737-1086

OREGON CHAPTER AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION
Application Deadline: November 24, 2008

Application must be typed

Name (last, first, middle) Oregon Resident? Y or N _____

Oregon high school graduate? Y or N _____ Academic focus _____ GPA _____

Your last term college GPA FR SO JR SR PB _____
Year in college this term Expected graduation date

Your total college hours Hours taken _____

Your address City State Zip

Your phone number E-mail address _____

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL NEED:

Considering your entire educational expense to obtain an AA or BS degree, please indicate the **percentage** of the dollar amounts available to you in the following categories.

- _____ Total available from parents
- _____ Amount available from loans (banks, financial aid, etc.)
- _____ Amount available from grants or scholarships
- _____ Total provided by yourself (summer employment, etc.)
- _____ Other sources (trust fund, inheritance, etc.)

Estimate what your total loan amount will be at the end of your degree program: _____

I, the undersigned, certify that the information on this application is correct.

Applicant's signature

Date

Scholarship application materials should be submitted electronically no later than December 31, 2008 to:

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STUDENT SUBUNIT UPDATE

The student sub-unit at Oregon State University took a trip to Coos Bay during the weekend of October 24-26. This trip was sponsored directly by the Oregon Chapter of AFS. The group directly worked with Fish Biologist, Tom Rumreich during all activities. Students were provided with the opportunity to help spawn fall Chinook salmon and collect broodstock at the Morgan Creek STEP Hatchery and the Millicoma Interpretive Center. It was a great opportunity for student to get out of the classroom and identify salmonids in the local streams. They were also given the opportunity to seine the bay in Charleston collecting bait fish and juvenile rockfish for identification purposes. Students had great feedback and appreciated the opportunity working outside of the classroom.



OSU UNDERGRADUATE SYMPOSIUM

AFS Members Speakers Request:

A student group from OSU is requesting AFS members help with providing speakers for their Symposium at the AFS Conference. This symposium is part of their senior project. If you are interested in being a speaker for the following symposium please contact Kristle Warren by email: warrekri@onid.orst.edu.

Symposium Title: Pesticides: How does it affect Salmonids?

Goal: To educate on the adverse effects of pesticides on organisms leading to the alteration of migration patterns in salmonids.

Brief Description: A water quality monitoring study completed in March 2008 by the USGS showed that source drinking water and Coho salmon and Steelhead habitats in the streams and rivers of the Pacific Northwest are widely contaminated with pesticides that have run off from urban areas and agricultural lands. Pesticides have been shown to have negative affects on numerous organisms. Raptors, Amphibians, Micro invertebrates, and salmonids have all been proven to have adverse affects due to pesticides. Through this symposium we plan on bringing together professionals from all aspects dealing with pesticides to inform about the issue of pesticides affecting migration patterns of salmonids.

Speakers request: We need speakers on amphibians, micro vertebrates, and salmonids associating affects of pesticides on these critters. Having several speakers on the different stages of salmonids or amphibians would be ideal.

2009 OREGON AFS ANNUAL MEETING IN BEND

The 45th Oregon Chapter AFS Annual Meeting will be convened at the Riverhouse Resort in Bend February 25-27, 2009. The meeting will offer an array of technical sessions, posters, and contributed papers. Workshops will be held February 24-25, 2009. Other meeting highlights include:

- Poster Session Social on Wednesday night
- Student-Mentor Social on Wednesday night
- ORAFS Luncheon and Awards Ceremony on Thursday
- ORAFS Chapter Business Meeting Thursday afternoon
- Banquet Social on Thursday night
- Banquet and Raffle/Auction on Thursday night
- Texas Hold'em Fundraiser on Thursday night
- Open Jam Session on Thursday night

Check the Oregon Chapter website for annual meeting updates (www.orafs.org).

See page 7 for the Call for Papers and Posters, and guidelines for submitting abstracts. Abstracts are due December 10, 2008

For more information, contact the meeting organizers listed below:

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<http://lists.oregonstate.edu/>

At the "List Name" prompt type: ORAFS.

You will then have several choices including subscribing.

You can unsubscribe at any time by going to the OSU List Serve website and following the prompts. Give the ORAFS List Serve a try. It is another way the Oregon Chapter is working to improve our outreach and communication.

If you have questions, contact Kara Anlauf at kara.anlauf@oregonstate.edu.

Chapter Updates and Announcements

Visit the Oregon Chapter Website for annual meeting updates, award nomination announcement, scholarship opportunities, and more: www.orafs.org

If you can not find what you are looking for, contact the Oregon AFS Webmaster Kara Anlauf at kara.anlauf@oregonstate.edu.

WINTER NEWSLETTER

AVAILABLE JANUARY 4

Deadline for submitting information: December 28, 2008. Please submit your information to Neil Ward at neil.ward@cbfwa.org.



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