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The mission of the Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society is 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".

The strength of any organization lies within the contribution of its members, and Oregon Chapter members are some of the most creative and active in the American Fisheries Society. For a glimpse into our planned activities for 2005, please go to the Chapter's website and view our annual work plan (www.orafs.org/communications/htm#workplans). My primary job as President of ORAFS is to encourage implementation of the annual work plan and to track our progress of fulfilling our mission. To see to it that this is done, please welcome your newly elected officers for 2005: Barry McPherson, President-Elect; Dave Ward, Past-President; Laura Tesler, Vice-President; Mike Matylewich, Secretary-Treasurer; Molly Webb, Internal Director; Tom Friesen, External Director; and Student Representative, Peter Ober.

There are many activities currently planned and many still to come up through the year. Highlights of planned activities include a stellar annual meeting in Corvallis on February 16 to

18, 2005. The meeting is being organized by Barry McPherson (Program Chair and President-Elect) and Molly Webb (Internal Director), with help as always from our talented administrative assistant, Loretta Brenner (see more news about the annual meeting in this issue). Also planned this year is a teacher education workshop at the Oregon Zoo in October 2004. In the fall of 2005, the Oregon Chapter will co-host the Coastal Cutthroat Symposium with the North Pacific International Chapter and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Doug Young is the Chapter's ad hoc representative for this event (see **page 18**). These Chapter activities cost money to operate. If you are aware of a potential contributor for support of any of the Chapter's activities, have ideas to share, or would like to help with fundraising, please contact Mike Matylewich, Secretary-Treasurer, or myself.

In addition to developing programs that advance understanding of fishery science and appreciation of fishery resources, the Chapter will continue to be an advocate for policies and laws that benefit the conservation and sustainability of fishery resources. On that front, the Natural Production Committee (Lance Kruzic-Chair) and the Fish Culture Committee (Susan Gutenberger-Chair) have once again joined forces (as they did when developing the hatchery-wild white paper posted on our web site) to review the new hatchery listing policy by NOAA Fisheries. The Chapter's review will be posted on our website.

I would like to share with you another area of interest: salmon restoration and dams. "*Salmon returning to the Umatilla...silvery spring Chinook salmon were trapped at Three-Mile Dam on the lower Umatilla River Friday morning, marking their first return to the river in nearly 75 years.*" *East Oregonian*, April 30, 1988

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That was a thrilling time for me, and today thousands of salmon once again return to the Umatilla River in northeast Oregon. This result was possible by cooperative action led by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, working with the Bureau of Reclamation, Bonneville Power Administration, and local irrigation districts.

Another restoration opportunity is occurring on the Deschutes River upstream of the dams at river mile 100 in central Oregon. This time the collaborators are the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon and Portland General Electric working with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and NOAA-Fisheries. This group is working together to make passage improvements at the dams to restore salmon and steelhead to their historic spawning and rearing habitat. Time will tell if they are successful.

Now you are probably thinking that I am supporting the management action as presented in a more recent headline: "Preserving dams, restoring salmon", *Oregonian*, September 18, 2004. As mentioned in the newspaper article, the decision by federal agencies to remove mainstem Columbia and Snake River dams is, at best, decades away. We all know that dams cause environmental and habitat problems for anadromous fish and that removing dams will obviously make them more "fish-friendly". As you remember, Oregon AFS passed a resolution supporting removal of the four lower Snake River dams as a benefit to anadromous fish restoration. Something not mentioned in the newspaper article nor in the resolution, is that removal of smaller dams on tributaries to the Columbia River is possible and is moving forward. For example, Condit Dam on the White

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Contact the national office or the Oregon Chapter, or visit their websites.
Be sure to tell the national office that you want to be an
Oregon Chapter Member.

Oregon Chapter dues are only \$2 per year!

Oregon Chapter's 41st Annual Meeting to be held at Oregon State University

OREGON AFS 2005 ANNUAL MEETING FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS: "MULTIDISCIPLINARY AND INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO AQUATIC RESOURCE CONSERVATION"

The 41st Annual Meeting of the Oregon Chapter AFS is being held February 16-18, 2005 in Corvallis. With the Annual Meeting being held on the Oregon State University campus, I think it's a good time to look at the multitude of tools and approaches available to fishery biologists, and to get our creative juices going and be innovative. That's why we have chosen the theme of the meeting to be "**Multidisciplinary and Innovative Approaches to Aquatic Resource Conservation**". Mary Buckman has been helping me contact people and lay out a good program of plenary and technical sessions. She is also organizing one of the workshops that precede the meeting. We're well on our way toward a very good program that includes useful workshops, thought-provoking plenary speakers, and interesting technical sessions and posters. It's time for you to respond to a call for papers and posters to really flesh it out.

For the 2005 meeting, we will have a plenary speaker at the start of each day before we break out into the concurrent technical sessions. This is a new format to ORAFS, but one that has worked well at other conferences. Our first plenary session speaker for the meeting will be former Oregon **Governor John Kitzhaber**, a creative thinker dedicated to restoring and conserving watershed health. Part of Governor Kitzhaber's legacy is the innovative Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds that fostered multidisciplinary management and monitoring efforts. He is an inspiring speaker who is pushing for innovative approaches to resource management in various forums around the Northwest. To accommodate the Governor's schedule, the Wednesday plenary session will start earlier than usual, at 12 Noon, thus we will have more time for technical sessions on Wednesday afternoon.

For Thursday and Friday mornings, the plenary speakers are tentatively set to be an expert on global climate change (something potentially affecting all aquatic environments and their associated species) and an author/television producer. The plenary speaker on climate change has not yet been selected. The other speaker is **John de Graaf** of Seattle, who produced the insightful TV specials "Affluenza" and "Running Out of Time" and co-wrote the book "Affluenza: The All-Consuming Epidemic". As the National Coordinator for "Take Back Your Time Day" (October 24th of each year), he provides troubling comparisons of present-day U.S. society with the past and with other industrialized nations regarding levels of consumerism, the time spent working to support the consumerism, and the impacts this is having on our personal health and productivity, our families and relationships, our communities and our environment (including global climate change). Many working in aquatic

resource management and research find themselves over-worked as they try to stave off the effects of consumerism and lack of concern for the environment!

Because Corvallis is close to Newport, one of Oregon's centers for marine research and management, and it's an off-year for some important marine fish conferences, you will see more than the usual time spent on marine issues at this year's ORAFS meeting. And with the Annual Meeting being right in the backyard of OSU's Department of Fisheries and Wildlife on their 70th anniversary, you will see a strong input from Department faculty and students, along with opportunities to tour the Department and some of their state-of-the-art fish research facilities.

TECHNICAL SESSIONS & CONVENERS

If you are planning a paper directly related to a session topic, before you submit an abstract, please find out if there will be time for your presentation by contacting the convener(s) of the session on that topic. If you have trouble contacting the conveners, or if you want to present in a contributed paper session, contact me, Barry McPherson, Annual Meeting Program Chair, at 541-574-6111 or at bdmcpherson@coho.net. Space for papers will be limited so contact the appropriate convener soon. **Deadline for submitting abstracts is November 29, 2004. Abstract submission guidelines are on pages 5-6.** Speakers will need to use PowerPoint or other computer-compatible presentations; contact me if you want to use other projection methods. As always, we will set sessions aside for contributed papers for those interesting topics that do not quite fit in a planned session.

2005 ANNUAL MEETING

SESSION TITLES AND CONVENERS:

- **Near-shore Ecology and Management:** Hal Weeks, 541-867-0300 x279, Hal.Weeks@state.or.us and Selina Heppell, 541-737-9039, selina.heppell@oregonstate.edu
- **The Multi-Agency Oregon Plan: What is Coastal Coho Monitoring Showing Us?:** Bruce McIntosh, 541-757-4263, x230, Bruce.McIntosh@oregonstate.edu
- **Salmon 2100 Project: What Will it Take to Restore NW Salmon?:** Robert Lackey, 541-754-4607, lackey.robert@epa.gov and Denise Lach, 541-737-5471, denise.lach@oregonstate.edu

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- **Futuring: Projecting Change in Use of Land and Water and Their Effects on Oregon Fishes:**
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- **Stream Habitat Assessment & Restoration:**
John Faustini, 541-754-4581, faustini.john@epa.gov
- **The Changing Demographics of Oregon: Effects on Fisheries, Fishery Education and Workforce:**
Judy Li, 541-737-1093, judith.li@oregonstate.edu
and Rebecca Goggans, 541-737-8166,
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Another topic we are considering, but have no conveners for at this time, is:

- **Columbia River Spill: The Science and the Decision-Making**

POSTER SESSION & SOCIAL FEBRUARY 16, 2005

Not interested in presenting a paper? Then try your hand at a poster at Oregon Chapter Poster Session and Social to be held Wednesday evening, February 16th. **The deadline for poster abstracts is November 29th, 2004.** We have approximately 32 poster slots and these always fill up, so send in your abstracts right away! **Details on submitting abstracts can be found on pages 5-6.** Questions about the Poster Session and Social should be directed to: **Jen Stone, Poster Session Chair, 360-604-2500 or Jen_Stone@r1.fws.gov.**

PRE-MEETING WORKSHOPS FEBRUARY 15-16, 2005

We are scheduling three useful workshops to choose from preceding the Annual Meeting. **See page 8 for more details on these workshops.**

- **Mary Buckman** is organizing a workshop to help you design projects so valid statistical analysis can be applied to the data collected. **“Experimental and Survey Design in Fisheries: A Statistics Workshop”** will run from 1-5p.m. Tuesday, February 15, and continue February 16, 2005 at 8:00-11:30a.m.
- **Tom Rien** is organizing a workshop that will help you determine age and growth in a variety of fish and shellfish using the latest technology. **The workshop “Fish Age Assessment and Validation Techniques,”** will run from 1-5p.m. Tuesday, February 15, and continue February 16, 2005 at 8:00-11:30a.m.
- **Jen Stone** is bringing in an expert from the national AFS office to present a **Certification Workshop that will help you become a Fisheries Professional Associate or a Fisheries Professional Certified biologist.** This **FREE** workshop will be held Wednesday morning, February 16, before the start of the Annual Meeting! **Note: Oregon AFS has limited scholarships available to help fund your certification application fees. See page 17 for details.**

Submitted by Barry McPherson, Annual Meeting Program Chair and President-Elect.

SHARE THE WEALTH!

This year the Chapter would like to post information from the Annual Meeting presentations on our Web site (www.orafs.org). The approach would be to collect, in electronic form, the abstracts and the electronic presentations from each of the speakers at our 2005 Annual Meeting and post them on our website. The abstracts are already part of the program, and since all presentations are PowerPoint or similar electronic form, the talks would also be posted on the website. I've seen this done for other meetings and thought it was informative. The challenge will be collecting abstracts from each presenter or convener and putting together an easy-to-follow web format. The PowerPoint slides, even without text or audio, presented the information quite well. The Chapter hopes this endeavor will make very little additional work for presenters and will allow the knowledge to be shared, as well as provide an excellent archive of our annual meetings. I am willing to coordinate this activity and will work with people on the program to get the needed files. **In the meantime, if you have questions or comments contact me, Mary Buckman, at mary.buckman@oregonstate.edu, 541-757-4263 Ext. 229.**

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING PAPER & POSTER ABSTRACTS OREGON CHAPTER AFS 2005 ANNUAL MEETING

(Required reading for anyone submitting an abstract)

“Multidisciplinary and Innovative Approaches
to Aquatic Resource Conservation”

Oregon Chapter AFS 41st Annual Meeting

February 16-18, 2005

Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon

Abstract Submission Deadline: November 29, 2004, (5:00 p.m.)

The deadline is Monday, November 29, 2004, 5:00 p.m. for submitting abstracts for the paper and poster sessions for the 2005 AFS annual meeting at Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon. **Abstracts must be submitted via email as an attached Word or WordPerfect file. If you are planning a paper directly related to a session topic, before you submit an abstract, please find out if there will be time for your presentation by contacting the convener(s) of the session on that topic. If you cannot reach the convener, contact Barry McPherson, Program Chair.**

We ask that both paper and poster presenters register for either the full or one-day annual meeting option. Registration information and the registration form is available in this newsletter and on the Chapter website (www.orafs.org/meetings.htm). Please contact the **Annual Meeting Program Chair, Barry McPherson: 541-574-6111, bdmcpherson@coho.net**, if you have special requests regarding registration or questions about paper presentations.

Questions about posters? Contact **Jen Stone, Poster Session Chair: 360-604-2500, Jen_Stone@r1.fws.gov**.

NOTE: For paper presentations, PowerPoint or other computer-compatible presentations are required; please contact the Annual Meeting Program Chair if you want to use slide projectors or other presentation devices. Paper and poster presentations will be accepted for the Annual Meeting at the discretion of the Annual Meeting Program and Poster Session Chairs, and as space allows, so please submit your abstract as early as possible. If accepted, note that the abstract you submit will be the final used in the printed Annual Meeting Program (corrections and revisions accepted until the November 29, 2004 deadline for abstracts).

Instructions for Submitting Abstracts for Paper or Poster Presentations

(Instructions and sample abstracts are available on the ORAFS website at www.orafs.org/meetings.htm)

INCLUDE THIS INFORMATION WHEN SUBMITTING YOUR ABSTRACT:

A. PRESENTER INFORMATION (Place at the top of your paper or poster abstract):

1) Name, employer or affiliation, mailing address, city, state, zip code, phone, and email.

2) Indicate if paper or poster presenter is:

- an AFS member and indicate your chapter(s) of membership, e.g. Oregon Chapter.
- planning to use a presentation device other than a computer projector for paper presentation. **PowerPoint or other computer-compatible presentations are required (with few exceptions); please contact the Annual Meeting Program Chair if you want to use slide projectors or other presentation devices.**
- a student; **if you are a student, please indicate if you want to be included in the best student paper or poster competition;** all students are eligible for these competitions. **Presented work needs to have been done while a student, not as an employed professional who is currently enrolled as a student.** Students who fail to indicate their desire to be included in the best paper or poster judging competition by the abstract deadline of November 29, 2004, will not be considered for judging. Student winners receive an award and acknowledgement at the 2005 Annual Meeting, and recognition in the *Piscatorial Press* and *Fisheries* publications!

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B. ABSTRACT FORMAT (See sample abstracts on the ORAFS website: www.orafs.org/meetings/htm)

- 1) **LINE 1:** Indicate if the abstract is a **PAPER (oral) or POSTER** presentation. Include 1 space between line 1 and 2;
- 2) **LINE 2:** For **PAPER** presentations please indicate which session you are presenting your paper in (if known) or the name of the session convener. (Papers not designated for a session will be included in the contributed paper sessions or fit into other sessions). Include 1 space between line 2 and abstract title;
- 3) **ABSTRACT TITLE:** Use upper and lower case, and in bold. Include 1 space between title and list of authors;
- 4) **LIST OF AUTHORS:** Use upper and lower case; first name or initials followed by last name; author name followed by a superscript number to reference author's contact information (the same number should be applied to each author having the same contact information); each author then separated by a comma;
- 5) **PRESENTING AUTHOR(S):** Use an * to indicate the presenting author(s). No space between authors and contact information.
- 6) **AUTHOR CONTACT INFORMATION:** Use upper and lower case. Using subscript numbers to reference authors, list employer or affiliation, mailing address, city, state, and zip code. Include phone and email only for the presenting author(s). Include 1 space between contact information and the body of abstract.
- 7) **ABSTRACT (250 words or less):** Use sentence case (the combination of upper and lower case used in a typical sentence).

ABSTRACT DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 29, 2004, 5:00 p.m. (submit as an email attachment)

PAPER (ORAL) PRESENTATIONS:

If you are planning a paper directly related to a session topic, before you submit an abstract, please find out if there will be time for your presentation by contacting the convener(s) of the session on that topic. If you cannot reach the convener, contact Barry McPherson, Program Chair.

Email your abstract as an attached Word or WordPerfect file by Monday, November 29, 2004, 5:00 p.m. to the Annual Meeting Program Chair, Barry McPherson: bdmcperson@coho.net.

To ensure receipt of your PAPER abstract, you should receive a confirmation from Barry McPherson that your abstract was received. **If you do not hear back from Barry, phone him at 541-574-6111 to confirm receipt of your abstract.** The winner(s) of the Best Student Paper award will be acknowledged at the 2005 Annual Meeting banquet on Thursday night, February 17, 2005.

QUESTIONS ABOUT PAPER PRESENTATIONS? Contact Barry McPherson at: 541-574-6111 or bdmcperson@coho.net.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS:

Email your abstract as an attached Word or WordPerfect file by Monday, November 29, 2005, 5:00 p.m. to the Poster Session Chair, Jen Stone: Jen_Stone@r1.fws.gov.

To ensure receipt of your POSTER abstract, you should receive a confirmation from Jen Stone that your abstract was received. **If you do not hear back from Jen, phone her at 360-604-2500 to confirm receipt of your abstract.** Due to space constraints, there **will not** be space to accommodate posters that just "show up" at the meeting.

Approximately 32 poster slots will be available at the 2005 Annual Meeting. Posters need to fit in a 4 ft X 4 ft space and poster display boards will be provided. Means of attachment include Velcro and push-pins (not provided). Contact Jen Stone directly if you have additional questions about the display boards or your poster. The winner(s) of the Best Student Poster award will be acknowledged at the annual meeting banquet Thursday night, February 17, 2005.

QUESTIONS ABOUT POSTER PRESENTATIONS? Contact Jen Stone at: 360-604-2500 or Jen_Stone@r1.fws.gov.

POSTER SESSION AND SOCIAL:

The combined Poster Session and Oregon Chapter Social will be held Wednesday night, February 16, 2005. Posters need to be set up by 6:00 p.m. on the day of the social. Posters may be removed AFTER the morning break on Friday, February 18, 2005.

FOURTEEN REASONS TO ATTEND THE 2005 OREGON AFS ANNUAL MEETING!

Location: the CH2M Hill Alumni Center and LaSells Steward Center at Oregon State University, February 16–18, 2005.

Pre-Meeting Workshops: “Experimental and Survey Design in Fisheries: A Statistics Workshop” led by Mary Buckman, ODFW; “Age Assessment and Validation Techniques” led by Tom Rien; ODFW, and “AFS Certification...A How-To Guide” facilitated by Jen Stone, USFW.

Welcome Coffee: Complimentary coffee and tea for those arriving and registering early February 16th. Network, catch up with friends and colleagues, and peruse sale items. Wednesday, February 16, 10-11:30a.m. We will also offer complimentary early morning coffee and tea before the start of each day’s sessions, and during the breaks.

Brown Bag Lunch: Avoid the lunchtime rush! Pre-pay for a brown bag lunch and enjoy a relaxing lunch at the CH2M Hill Alumni Center with friends and colleagues. This should help those who are taking workshops, and ease the transition to the earlier Plenary Session start time!

Plenary Session: Featuring former Governor John Kitzhaber **Note earlier start time: 12Noon, Wednesday, February 16th.** We will also start each morning with a different plenary speaker (see page 3).

Wednesday Concurrent Sessions: Four concurrent sessions following the plenary to offer members the opportunity to present and learn.

Student Mentoring (Match-the-Hatch): We will provide tables labeled by professional topic to link experienced professionals with students with similar interests. And of course there will be complimentary beer and non-alcoholic refreshments for participants.

Poster Session, Trade Show & Social: A poster session will be complemented with a trade show and combined with a complimentary social on Wednesday evening February 16th.

Spawning Run: For the early Thursday risers, work out your lungs with a morning run. We will offer prizes to those who finish the closest to their estimated running times.

Concurrent Technical Sessions and Contributed Papers: Again, the meeting offers four concurrent sessions on a host of fisheries topics.

Business Meeting & Luncheon: Thursday luncheon is again being offered to complement the Chapter’s business meeting.

Thursday Evening Social: The pre-banquet social will offer subsidized microbrew and non-alcoholic refreshments.

Banquet, Awards, Raffle & Auction: Plan on an entertaining evening with friends, good food, great raffle items, silent and oral auctions, award ceremony, and more microbrew and other favorite beverages.

Entertainment: This year we’ll be hosting a DJ - Karaoke Party after the raffle and auction! Visit www.nwmobilej.com, go to the “Karaoke” link, then to the “Karaoke Search Engine” to select YOUR songs in advance...check the Chapter website for more info later this fall.

FMI contact Molly Webb, Internal Director and Arrangements Chair, at Molly.Webb@oregonstate.edu, 541-737-2463

DONATE NOW TO THE 2005 ORAFS RAFFLE & AUCTION!

Now is the time to start thinking about donations for the 2005 Oregon Chapter Annual Meeting Raffle and Auction. If you are not in the giving mood but know someone or a company that is—the contact would be much appreciated! Some of the most popular items are fish art, prints, handmade items, fishing flies and lures, guided fishing and raft trips, outdoor gear, books and fine beverages—but we want your NEW ideas for items, too! Donation forms are available on the chapter website at www.orafs.org/meetings.htm.

The Oregon Chapter thanks **Martyne Reesman** and **Tucker Jones** who have agreed to co-chair the Oregon Chapter Raffle and Auction with **Laura Tesler**. Contact Martyne at: amartini70@yahoo.com, 503-657-2000 x425; or Tucker at: tucker.a.jones@state.or.us, 503-657-2000 x410.

Send donations to Martyne or Tucker c/o ODFW, 17330 SE Evelyn St, Clackamas, OR 97015. Contact them to arrange for pickup of larger items.

For questions about the Raffle and Auction, contact Laura Tesler, Raffle and Auction Co-Chair: 503-947-6254, laura.tesler@state.or.us.

PLAN AHEAD!

The 2005 ORAFS Annual Meeting Has an Earlier Start Time!

Plenary Session Begins Wed., February 16th at 12Noon

Featuring former Governor John Kitzhaber

OREGON CHAPTER OFFERS THREE PRE-MEETING WORKSHOPS!

The Oregon Chapter is offering three pre-meeting workshops before the 2005 Annual Meeting. Two of the workshops will be held over two days, and a free certification workshop will be offered Wednesday morning before the annual meeting. Use the 2005 Annual Meeting Registration Form on pages 9-10 to register for these workshops. Check the Oregon Chapter website for workshop updates: www.orafs.org.

Workshop A: Experimental and Survey Design in Fisheries: A Statistics Workshop

When you are going on a trip, do you jump in the car and start driving? I doubt it; you figure out where you want to go then you plan your route. And it should be the same with investigations in fisheries. Our studies should begin with careful planning to identify the questions that need to be answered, the data needed to answer the questions, the time we have to produce answers, and the steps we will go through to collect and analyze the data. If we are thorough in the early stages, we will be more likely to produce information that we can analyze, that is statistically defensible and holds up under scrutiny, and is gathered at a reasonable cost.

This statistics workshop offered by the Oregon Chapter will be an introduction and review of the philosophy and the methods used to design monitoring and experimental studies about fish populations. It will be a reminder of the assumptions we make each time we present a P-value as evidence for our conclusions. We will review the statistical underpinnings of analyses such as samples vs. populations, statistical distributions, null and alternative hypotheses, Type 1 and Type 2 errors, bias vs. precision, statistical "power" and sensitivity, sample sizes, modes of inference, and the role of observational studies. We will follow with planning for specific types of studies such as survey sampling, spatially balanced sampling, designed experiments, creel surveys, mark-recapture studies, and others. The course will be primarily non-mathematical, planned so the biologist can leave with an awareness of the array of tools available to help plan their future investigations.

The workshop will be held at the LaSells Stewart Center in Corvallis from 1–5 p.m. on Tuesday, February 15, 2005, and from 8–11:30 a.m. on February 16, just before the Annual Meeting. The course will be presented by Mary Buckman, Biometrician for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. She will have additional presenters from the OSU Statistics Department and the Forest Sciences Lab. We are seeking Continuing Education credit from the Parent Society for the course. Register for the workshop on the meeting registration form (pages 9-10). Registration includes breaks and a Tuesday night reception. Registration is \$100 for AFS members and \$125 for nonmembers. Student and retiree rates are \$80 for members and \$105 for nonmembers; register using the Annual Meeting form (pages 9-10).

For more information, contact Mary Buckman at mary.buckman@oregonstate.edu, 541-757-4263 ext 229.

Workshop B: Age and Growth Assessment and Validation Techniques

◆How old is it? ◆How do you know? ◆Can you believe it? If you have some experience interpreting fish ages and you would like to broaden that experience by looking at other species and learning about different techniques, you might be an aging geek. Not an old geek who is getting older, but an aficionado interested in assigning age values to animals that cannot tell us directly how long they have lived. Then...this might be the workshop for you.

This workshop will take place over two days, just prior to the 2005 Annual Meeting, and starts on Tuesday, February 15, 2005 1:00–5:00 p.m. and Wednesday, February 16, 8:00–11:30 a.m. It will be held at the LaSells Stewart Center at Oregon State University.

Major topics and activities will include:

- ◆Aging methods for a number of species and families including salmonids, sturgeon, mussels and others.
- ◆Exposure to several age estimation techniques—scales, otoliths, spines, break and burn, optical pattern recognition, oxytetracycline marking.
- ◆Aging animals without persistent hard parts.
- ◆What happens when von Bertalanffy fails to describe observed growth?
- ◆Some techniques for validating aging methods.
- ◆What are potential consequences of being wrong?

The workshop will be a mix of presentations, demonstrations, and hands-on opportunities. Registration is \$100 for AFS members and \$125 for nonmembers. Student and retiree rates are \$80 for members and \$105 for nonmembers; register using the Annual Meeting form (pages 9-10).

For more information contact Tom Rien: tom.a.rien@state.or.us, or 503-657-2000 ext. 404.

Workshop C: AFS Certification...A How-To Guide

There is no time like the present to become AFS certified! At this FREE workshop, AFS representatives will walk you through the process, answer all of your questions, and get you organized and well on your way to sending in your application. If your excuse has always been "who has the time?"...you do! The workshop will run from 9:00-11:30a.m. Wednesday, February 16, 2005, at the LaSells Stewart Center, OSU, just before the Oregon Chapter Annual Meeting. Register on pages 9-10. **For more information contact Jen Stone at: jen_stone@fws.gov or 360-604-2500.**

REGISTRATION FORM - ANNUAL MEETING & WORKSHOPS (Page 1 of 2)

Oregon Chapter American Fisheries Society ~ 41st ANNUAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 16-18, 2005

"Multidisciplinary and Innovative Approaches to Aquatic Resource Conservation"
CH2M Hill Alumni Center & LaSells Stewart Center, Oregon State University, Corvallis
Pre-meeting Workshops (February 15-16) - See Information Below
(Early registration deadline: January 14, 2005 ~ Submit one form per person)

Name (first and last as you want name badge to read) _____

Organization _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Guest Name (for additional name tag) _____

*Member of _____ AFS Chapter(s) I DO NOT want my name included on an attendee list

PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOXES:

- I am presenting a (circle one) paper / poster / both I plan to attend 'Match the Hatch' Student-Mentor Social Wed. night
 I am a student presenter and would like to be included in the student (circle one) paper / poster competition / both I would like to be a **mentor** at the Student-Mentor Social Wed. night. Indicate area of professional interest: _____

MEETING REGISTRATION February 16-18, 2005 - (Feb. 16: Coffee 10am, Plenary 12Noon; Feb. 18: Adjourns 12Noon).

Full Registration includes: Coffee Breaks, Social & Poster Session, Thursday Lunch and Banquet, Raffle & Auction

*Become a member of AFS - reduce your registration costs! Sign up at www.fisheries.org/html/forms.shtml for membership information

Yes! I have just paid AFS membership dues, please register me at member rates! (please enclose copy of membership application)

AFS MEMBER (write fee on the line to the right)

EARLY REGISTRATION Submitted by January 14, 2005

	Full Registration	Registration-No Banquet
Regular	\$123	\$97
Retired	\$98	\$72
Student	\$78	\$52
One-day registration see next page ¹		

NON MEMBER (write fee on the line to the right)

EARLY REGISTRATION Submitted by January 14, 2005

	Full Registration	Registration-No Banquet
Regular	\$148	\$122
Retired	\$123	\$97
Student	\$88	\$62
One-day registration see next page ¹		

\$ _____

Thursday Business Lunch (Feb. 17) - Included with all registrations - Please check your selection:

- Dijon Mushroom Chicken Pork Roast Spanakopita (Vegetarian) I Will Not Be Attending the Lunch

Thursday Night Banquet (Feb. 17) - Included with FULL registration - Please check your selection:

- _____ Halibut with Hazelnuts & Fruit Salsa _____ Beef Tenderloin w/ Mushrooms & Bleu Cheese _____ Ravioli w/ Creamy Pesto (Vegetarian)

LATE FEE (Add to all registrations submitted after January 14, 2005) \$20 / Registrant \$ _____

**** SPECIAL "BOX LUNCH" LUNCHEON ** (Wed. Feb. 16, 11:30 am) - Grab a quick lunch that includes a drink & dessert**

- Turkey Sandwich Ham Sandwich Vegetarian Wrap (Vegetarian) **\$ 9 / Lunch** \$ _____

BRING A GUEST TO: WEDNESDAY NIGHT SOCIAL & POSTER SESSION \$10 / Guest \$ _____

THURSDAY BUSINESS LUNCHEON (indicate lunch choice above) \$16 / Guest \$ _____

THURSDAY NIGHT BANQUET (indicate banquet choice above) \$26 / Guest \$ _____

PRE-MEETING WORKSHOPS - Workshops A&B - Feb. 15 (1:00-5:00pm) & Feb. 16 (8:00-11:30am) Workshop C - Feb. 16 (9-11:30am)

Please indicate workshop choice(s). See workshop descriptions on the Oregon Chapter Website or in this newsletter.

- Workshop A. "Experimental and Survey Design in Fisheries: A Statistics Workshop" - Mary Buckman (facilitator) Workshop B. "Age Assessment and Validation Techniques" - Tom Rien (facilitator) Workshop C. "AFS Certification... A How-To Guide" - FREE Jen Stone (facilitator)

WORKSHOP FEE (A or B - circle one) EARLY REGISTRATION Postmarked by January 14, 2005

\$100 AFS MEMBER
\$ 80 AFS STUDENT / RETIREE
\$125 NON-MEMBER
\$105 NON-MEMBER STUDENT / RETIREE

\$ _____

LATE FEE (Add to workshop registrations submitted after January 14, 2005) \$20 /registrant late fee \$ _____

SUBTOTAL OF PAGE ONE MEETING FEES



Registration form continued on next page

REGISTRATION FORM (Page 2 of 2)
2005 ANNUAL MEETING & PRE-MEETING WORKSHOPS
Federal Tax ID # 23-7226681 - Oregon Chapter American Fisheries Society

EARLY MEETING REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 14, 2005

GROUP LODGING RATE DEADLINE: JANUARY 14, 2005

Last Name of Registrant:

SUBTOTAL FROM PAGE ONE:

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION TO SPONSOR STUDENT REGISTRATION & LODGING (Tax Deductible) - Thank You! \$ _____

PURCHASE ORDER PROCESSING FEE-\$20 PER SEPARATE INVOICE \$20/invoice \$ _____

TOTAL PAYMENT DUE:

Registrations cannot be held unless paid in full.

We accept payment by check, money order, Mastercard, Visa or Discover.

Payment by check saves the Oregon Chapter money by avoiding credit card processing fees. Thanks!

CHECKS & MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO: OREGON CHAPTER AFS

VISA, MASTER CARD or DISCOVER PAYMENT (please include all information for processing)

PRINT NAME (from card) _____ CARD # _____

SIGNATURE _____ EXPIRATION DATE _____

DIGIT CIN # (from back of card) _____ ZIP CODE (from credit card billing address) _____

MAIL REGISTRATION TO: Oregon Chapter AFS - AM 2005
P.O. Box 722
Corvallis, OR 97339

FAX REGISTRATION TO: 541-757-4102 (ATTN: MARY BUCKMAN)

AFTER FEBRUARY 7, 2005: Email LKBrenner@comcast.net or call 541-753-0442 to indicate you will attend the meeting. **You will still need to register on-site** at the AFS desk at the CH2M Hill Alumni Center. On-site registrants **cannot** be guaranteed meal choices.

ONE-DAY REGISTRATION FEE FOR MEETING: For February 16, 17, & 18 = 80% of your full meeting rate.

REGISTRATION REFUNDS: AFS cancellations sent **in writing** prior to February 7, 2005 will be refunded in full minus a \$20 handling fee. **NO REGISTRATION REFUNDS AFTER FEB 7, 2005.**

HOTELS:

Hilton Garden Inn

(\$96/night/ 2-person room, adjacent to meeting site) For the group rate: enter "FSA" in the Group/Convention code when booking on-line or over the phone. 1-800-445-8667
www.corvallis.gardeninn.com

Holiday Inn Express

(\$75/night/ 2-person room, 2 miles from meeting site). For the group rate: enter "AFS" in the Group Booking code when booking on-line or over the phone. 1-800-465-4329
www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/6c/1/en/hd/cvoor

You must enter the code so Oregon AFS will get credit for your room.

Reservations must be made by January 14, 2005 to guarantee rates.

Hotel cancellations must be made 48 hours prior to check-in date for full refund.

ANNUAL MEETING QUESTIONS: Molly Webb, Molly.Webb@oregonstate.edu; 541-737-2463

REGISTRATION QUESTIONS: Loretta Brenner, LKBrenner@comcast.net; 541-753-0442

ANNUAL MEETING UPDATES & INFO: www.orafs.org/meetings.htm

If not you . . . then who?

SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2005-2006 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's a great chance to learn about the other aspects of fishery science, develop management skills, and meet people who might give you jobs that actually pay. Retiring officers are glad to help you learn the ropes, and we have numerous training materials to get you up to speed.

If you've been thinking about getting more involved in AFS, now's the time. Officer positions have different types of time requirements, sometimes lower intensity, but nonstop; and others that are short bursts of intense action. Your approach is up to you, but it is always educational and entertaining. I'll be happy to go over the demands of each position with you if you need more information.

We seek candidates for the following positions:

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 & annual meeting chair, president, past president

**Assists in arranging the annual meeting facilities for the subsequent year (i.e., will require some work prior to September 1, 2005)

Submit nominations by December 3, 2004. Elections will be held at the annual meeting in February 2005, and terms begin September 1, 2005. **Nominating is EASY!** If you are interested in running for an office just submit your name (or someone else's) via an email or a phone call! If you know someone you think would be a great officer, but don't feel comfortable asking them, please submit their name to me and I will contact the potential candidate to determine their interest in serving. Candidates will need to prepare a candidate's statement by December 15th for publication in the January 2005 *Piscatorial Press* describing themselves, their background, education, work, interest in the position, and what they would like to contribute to Oregon AFS. **You can find descriptions of officer responsibilities on the Oregon Chapter website: <http://www.orafs.org/pdfdocs/offduties.pdf>**

Submit your nominations or questions to:
Dave Ward, Past President, Oregon Chapter AFS
503-657-2000 EXT 402
David.L.Ward@state.or.us

Please give some thought to tossing your name in the hat or to recommending other qualified candidates who might need just a little nudge. I'd like to extend a special invitation to those members who have retired—vacationing, golfing, skiing, fishing, and home projects get old. We'd value your experience and expertise back in the AFS fold.

Your Chance to Speak Out! CALL FOR CHAPTER RESOLUTIONS

Is there a resource issue that needs addressing? Do you have 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 accomplish this goal. If you wish to bring an issue to the membership, **please submit your resolutions to the Resolutions and Bylaws Committee by Friday, December 3, 2004.** Your resolutions will be reviewed by the Resolutions Committee, published in the Winter 2004-05 issue of the *Piscatorial Press*, posted to the Chapter website, and submitted to the Chapter membership for a vote at the 2005 Annual Business Meeting in Corvallis. Join in the democratic process and be heard!

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

For More Information on Submitting Resolutions Contact:
Laura L. Tesler, Vice President and Resolutions Chair, 503-947-6254
laura.tesler@state.or.us

Don't Miss Your Chance to Present a Paper at the Annual Meeting!

Contact the convener of the session where you would like to present to request inclusion in that session (see page 4).

If the session filled, submit your abstract to Barry McPherson, Program Chair, to be included in the Contributed Paper selection process.
541-574-6111
bdmcperson@coho.net

WHO WANTS TO BE AN AWARD WINNER? SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS FOR 2005 AWARDS NOW!

Now is the time to nominate those deserving candidates for the Chapter's multiple awards. 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 group efforts. If you have nominated someone in the past, and they did not receive an award, you are welcome to resubmit your nomination for them. Contact Peter Lofy, Awards Chair, directly if you would like to do this. If you have questions about criteria for an award please contact me, and thank you in advance for your nominations!

Fishery Team of the Year—NEW!

Be the first in Oregon Chapter history to have your favorite team receive this prestigious award!

- For outstanding contribution of interagency, watershed, or other task based group to fisheries science or to the American Fisheries Society.
- May be a single contribution of major national or regional importance or a substantial, sustained contribution to fisheries science or the Society.
- Shows evidence of cooperative work that produced results greater than would likely be achieved by individuals working independently.
- Demonstrates results that significantly promote sound fisheries and resource management practices.
- Each individual identified as "part of the team" must have made substantial contribution toward the outcomes touted as the main efforts of the team.
- At least one team member must be a member of the AFS Parent Society.
- May or may not be presented each year.

Fishery Worker of the Year

- Substantial lifetime contribution to fisheries or single contribution of major national or regional importance.
- Active participation in other conservation, professional or social organizations that promote sound fisheries and resource management practices.
- Usually presented to one person per year, but multiple awards can be presented.
- Must be an AFS Parent Society member.
- May or may not be presented each year.

Award of Merit

- Nominees may be an individual, organization, or a group.
- Major contribution, above and beyond normal job requirements, to fisheries or the society over one or more years.

- Evidence of creativity, cooperation and results.
- May be a member or non-member of the AFS Parent Society.

Bill Wingfield Memorial Award in Fish Culture

- Major or sustained accomplishments in fish culture.
- May be presented to an individual or group of people working together.
- Individual must be a member or at least one member of the group must be an AFS Parent Society member.

Broken Oar Award

- Most embarrassing field incident.
- Nominee may be a member or non-member of the AFS Parent Society.

Everyone's favorite and just for fun; the Broken Oar Award is presented for "an outstanding display of field technique and coordination." No doubt you already have some nominees in mind from this year's "memorable" field season

**DEADLINE FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS:
DECEMBER 20, 2004**

To request more detailed nomination criteria, contact:

**Peter T. Lofy,
Oregon AFS Awards Chair
503-230-4193, ptlofy@bpa.gov**

ATTENTION CHAPTER MEMBERS WE NEED YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS!

Calling all AFS members, we need your photographs! Like last year, we are looking for pictures representing the different projects our members are involved in, photos of past annual meetings, and more! These will be presented as an on-going slide show during the 41st Oregon Chapter Annual Meeting to be held February 16-18, 2005. Please send the digital files of these pictures via e-mail in JPEG, BMP, or TIF format to: **Jen_Stone@fws.gov**, or mail them on a CD to: **Jen Stone, USFWS, 1211 SE Cardinal Ct, Suite 100, Vancouver, WA 98683**. We look forward to seeing what you are doing out there! Thanks!

EXTERNAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT & COMMITTEE UPDATE

Out with the old...

During a recent Oregon AFS ExCom conference call, where we were merrily editing the Administrative Handbook, I discovered that one of my duties as External Director is to write an External Committee report for each issue of the *Piscatorial Press*. Seems appropriate to me that I enthusiastically jump into this newly-remembered responsibility on my last day as External Director, so here goes.

Over the past two years, the External Committees (Education and Outreach, Aquatic Habitat, Natural Production, Fish Culture, and Legislative) have been very active. The **Education and Outreach Committee** (Nancy Uusitalo) developed a traveling Oregon AFS poster, a Chapter brochure, a member-oriented slide show for the 2004 Annual Meeting, and revamped the web page. This committee will be conducting a Teacher Workshop at the Oregon Zoo in October of this year. The **Natural Production Committee** (Lance Kruzic) is currently working on finding a member to serve on ODFW's Native Fish Task Force, commenting on the Summer Spill Decision, and commenting on NOAA-Fisheries' Hatchery Fish Policy. The **Aquatic Habitat Committee** (Tom Stahl) commented on the instream aggregate mining issues and has addressed motorized access into the Steens. The **Fish Culture Committee** (Susan Gutenberger) has provided comment on the Artificial Production Review and Evaluation document, and is currently working with the Natural Production Committee on reviewing NOAA-Fisheries' Hatchery Fish Policy.

Over the past two years the one thing that has reverberated through all the committees is that they could use more help. To help recruit committee members, we are going to add a new section on the front page of the web page called "Committee Activities". This will allow everyone to keep track of what our External Committees are doing, and wade in to help when time becomes available or personal or professional interest is piqued. Additionally, the External Committee Report in

each issue of the *Piscatorial Press* will become more routine. Of course, it is very easy for me to make these promises as I walk out the door. Which brings me to my last task, which is introducing to you the new External Director. But before I do, it has been great working with the Oregon AFS ExCom and External Committees and I intend to remain an active member with this Chapter!

*Submitted by Jen Stone,
Past External Director*

...in with the new!

Gosh, nothing like setting the bar high for the new guy. Thanks Jen, for the job you've done this year and for helping me transition into the External Director position. Here's what the committees have been up to recently:

The new **Legislative Committee** chair, Mary Buckman, realizing she has some large shoes to fill as Laura Tesler takes over as Vice President, is working to gather a team of willing and active committee members. Veteran legislative committee powerhouse Jim Hall has committed with a firm maybe, and Mary is getting Laura's list of past committee members to start directed recruiting so we can hit the ground running as the Legislature comes into session. As in the past, we'd like to identify Chapter members in each of the Legislative Districts so we can be an information source and provide one-on-one contact on issues. Mary will be contacting the Wildlife Society to talk about coordinating our plans, and will talk to Jim Myron in the Governor's Natural Resource office for a heads-up on what he sees as contentious issues. After those meetings, the committee plans to present some ideas to ExCom to identifying some "hot topics" for chapter focus, perhaps by authoring white papers.

Also on the task list is updating the Committee duties for ExCom's review, and updating the Chapter Handbook.

Tom Stahl and the **Aquatic Habitat Committee** have made inquiries into how we might get involved in the National Fish Habitat Initiative (NFHI), which is just getting started and was a workshop topic at the national AFS meeting in August. No Oregon Chapter members were able to attend, but Tom has made inquiries into how to stay informed and get involved in subsequent efforts. The NFHI is a nationwide strategy that harnesses the energies, expertise, and existing partnerships of state and federal agencies and conservation organizations. The goal is to focus national attention and resources on common priorities to improve aquatic habitat health. More information is available at www.fishhabitat.org.

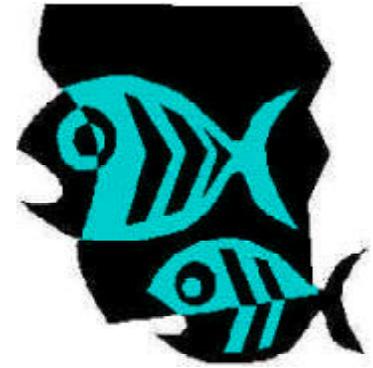
Lance Kruzic chairs the **Natural Production Committee**. As Jen mentioned, they have their hands full with reviews of the NOAA Fisheries status reviews and the new Hatchery Listing Policy for salmon and steelhead ESUs throughout the region. The **Fish Culture Committee Chair**, Susan Gutenberger, is pitching in to help. Natural Production will also be commenting on ODFW's updated Sensitive Species List.

That's what I know. I do want to reinforce Jen's comments on committee help. I'm sure some of you will be asked to serve on committees in the very near future (and certain chairpersons are very persuasive). But there are other things you can do to help. We can always use more eyes and ears. If you run across a hot topic, issue, or document you think AFS should comment on, please let us know! I can be reached at: 503-657-2000 x411, tom.a.friesen@state.or.us.

Finally, we have the luxury of Tom, Susan, and Lance returning to their chair positions for another year. I want to recognize their continued dedication and efforts, and thanks also to Mary and Jen for stepping up and taking on new roles.

*Submitted by Tom Friesen,
External Director*

CALLING ALL STUDENTS!!! APPLY NOW FOR 2005 SCHOLARSHIPS!!!



OREGON CHAPTER AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

Undergraduate and Graduate Student 2005 Scholarship Application Guidelines

The Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society is proud to announce a competition for three student scholarships (undergraduate, Master's, and Doctoral student categories). Scholarships will be formally awarded at the 2005 Oregon Chapter annual meeting at Oregon State University, Corvallis. 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 \$1,500, one year of student membership in AFS (may be a renewal), an award certificate, recognition at the 2005 annual meeting and in *the Fisheries* journal and the *Piscatorial Press*, and group lodging and refunded registration at the 2005 Oregon Chapter AFS annual meeting February 16-18, 2005.

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 scholarship application (see **National AFS website: (www.fisheries.org/html/forms.shtml) (be sure to sign up for the Oregon Chapter membership at \$2/year).**)
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 and/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 and how you think your future contributions 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.

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2. Copies of transcripts from all colleges or universities attended to date (internet-generated transcripts or photocopies of official transcripts will be accepted).
3. Two letters of recommendation from mentors or other professionals, one of whom 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 in the future.

Scholarship application materials must be postmarked by January 7, 2005

Submit to:
 2005 Scholarship Committee
 Oregon Chapter American Fisheries Society
 PO Box 722
 Corvallis, OR 97339

For More Information Contact:
 Steve Parker, 541-867-0300 Ext 256; steve.parker@oregonstate.edu

Loretta Brenner, 541-753-0442; LKBrenner@comcast.net

Oregon Chapter Web Page: www.orafs.org

Your Registration Waived at the 2005 Oregon Chapter Meeting

BE A STUDENT VOLUNTEER!

We are seeking college undergraduate or graduate students to help with pre-registration, registration and sales, AV-computer equipment & room lights, poster session set-up and take-down, etc.

Learn About Fisheries & Aquatic Ecosystem
Research and Management in Oregon

Meet fisheries professionals in an informal
setting and get to know ORAFS, mem-
bers, and officers

FREE REGISTRATION for the 2005 AFS
Meeting in Corvallis and two nights of
GROUP lodging in exchange for approxi-
mately 4 hours of on-site volunteer work,
or 12 hours pre-meeting assistance.

To volunteer or for more information
please contact:

Karen Wegner, ODFW
541-757-4263 ext. 220
karen.wegner@oregonstate.edu

TRADE SHOW RETURNS TO THE 2005 ANNUAL MEETING!

Come see some of the latest products, resources, and services in the fisheries field or spice up your home or office with wildlife art! The Oregon Chapter will host a Trade Show during the annual meeting, February 16-18, 2005, at the CH2M Hill Alumni Center at Oregon State University. The trade show will open Wednesday night, February 16th with the Poster Session and Social, and run until Friday, February 18th.

Space is still available, so consider registering yourself or inviting your favorite vendors. Trade show applications can be downloaded from the Oregon Chapter AFS website in beginning in November at www.orafs.org

For more information, contact Doug
Olson, Chapter President, at 360-604-
2500, doug_olson@r1.fws.gov

WINNERS OF THE 2004 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WATERSHED OR FISH HABITAT RELATIONSHIPS

The Oregon Chapter recently awarded two unique, one-time scholarships to students with an educational focus on fish-habitat relationships or fisheries science combined with watershed studies. These scholarships were made available through the Chapter's last offering of its Watershed and Stream Restoration Workshop held February 2000 in Eugene, Oregon. While there were many highly qualified applicants, only two scholarships could be awarded.

The undergraduate-level scholarship was awarded to K.C. Briggs at the University of Washington's School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences. K.C. is a senior who last year completed a six-week research excursion with her fellow students and faculty studying aquatic ecology in the Bristol Bay region of western Alaska. K.C. is also president of the University of Washington's undergraduate fisheries club, known as SURF. K.C. plans to complete her Bachelor's of Science degree requirements by March 2005.

The graduate-level scholarship was awarded to Lisa Krentz at Oregon State University's Department of Fisheries and Wildlife. Lisa is pursuing her Master of Science degree, and her thesis is on the movement and habitat use patterns of sea-run cutthroat trout in Oregon's Salmon River Estuary. Lisa has presented her research results to date at two Oregon Chapter annual meetings, in 2003 and 2004, as well as at the 2004 Western Division AFS Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah. She also received an award for presenting her work at the 2003 Estuarine Research Federation Conference in Seattle, Washington. Lisa plans to complete her degree requirements by December 2004.

Submitted by Dan Shively, Co-Chair of 2000 Watershed and Stream Restoration Workshop



WELCOME TO THE NEW OREGON AFS STUDENT REP!

Welcome to Peter Ober the 2004-2005 Student Representative for the Oregon Chapter! He is active in the Oregon State University Fish and Wildlife Club, a transfer student from California State University at Chico, and has served in the Navy for six years. He enjoys the outdoors, plans to graduate in a year, and looks forward to working with everyone in the Oregon Chapter. **Contact Peter at: oberptr@yahoo.com**

AFS STUDENT SUBUNIT UPDATE (OSU FISH AND WILDLIFE CLUB)

The OSU Fish and Wildlife Club's 2004-2005 officers include:

Lucy Herron, President
Darek Smith, Vice President
Victoria Cronin, Treasurer
Christine Burdett, Secretary
Shannon Russell, Outreach
Ali O'Conner, Fundraiser
Kevin Drake, TWS Liaison
Peter Ober, AFS Liaison
Richard Van Drieshe; Webmaster

On October 8-11, 2004, students visited the Alsea, Oregon fish hatchery and toured the facility. On October 16th they'll be doing red counts and one-on-one training with professional biologists from ODFW and BLM. A date for fall seining will be set for later this fall. Students in the OSU Fish and Wildlife club are excited about the upcoming annual ORAFS meeting in Corvallis in 2005. Our club is full of eager beavers willing to volunteer, gain hands on experience and work with professionals. Contact us if you need undergraduates to help with research. Feel free to contact me if you have ideas about how students can gain more experience in fisheries and related fields: **oberptr@yahoo.com.**

Submitted by Peter Ober, Student Representative

ONE MAN'S TALE... AM I CERTIFIABLE?

Well I certainly think so, but only the American Fisheries Society (AFS) Professional Certification Program knows for sure.

As promised by Jen Stone in the previous issue of the *Piscatorial Press*, I am kicking off the Chapter's drive to encourage member certification by documenting my own experience in this quest. I began the application process in early September, just in time to have something to report.

Before getting into the details of my initial experience, I feel honor-bound to inform you that my application is probably much easier than most others will be. First, I am eligible to apply as an "Established" Certified Fisheries Professional (i.e., "old fart"). That means I am not required to meet specific education criteria or submit transcripts. I qualify because I have a Master's Degree and more than 7 years of qualifying experience. Second, the nature of my job and the level of my involvement with the Chapter have allowed me to rack up a lot of PDQP's (professional development qualification points), a certain number of which (in a number of categories) are required for certification.

So, let the games begin. To start the certification process, I (1) visited the Certification page on the AFS website, (2) downloaded and reviewed the description of the program and the examples of frequently asked questions (FAQ), (3) thought a bit about and summarized my PDQP's, (4) downloaded the application, and (5) began a rough draft. I spent about two hours checking out the website, downloading, and reviewing information before beginning the application. I paid special attention to the PDQP requirements, and spent an additional hour penciling out my PDQP's. I then penciled out a very rough draft of the application.

Total time invested so far: a little over 3 hours.

My next step was to complete what I would call an 80% draft of my application on my computer (your application can not be hand-written). Basically, I typed up everything that was easy, including all my PDQP information that was readily available (including dates I acquired or achieved points), my qualifying work history, etc.

Time invested: about 1.5 hours.

Next, I gathered up the materials necessary for me to complete my application (mostly harder to find information on PDQP's), completed a draft of my application, thoroughly reviewed it, and made minor revisions and corrections. **Time invested: about 2 hours.**

The total amount of time required for me to complete my application (to my satisfaction anyway) was about 6.5 hours. I then sent my application to someone already certified and asked for a final review. After getting the thumbs up, I sent my application to AFS for approval or rejection. It went in the mail on September 13, 2004. We'll see what happens next.

Submitted by Dave Ward, Past President

OREGON AFS OFFERS SCHOLARSHIPS TO HELP PAY CERTIFICATION FEES

Oregon AFS is taking new actions to promote AFS certification by offering up to three competitive scholarships per year to reimburse successful member's certification application fee (\$50 for associate, \$100 for certified). For more information on the certification process, please refer to: <http://www.fisheries.org/html/Certification.shtml>

Requirements:

- Be an Oregon AFS member in good standing
- Not currently AFS-certified

Process:

- **Deadline for certification scholarship is close of business December 1, 2004**
- Scholarship recipients will be selected randomly from the pool of applicants and will be eligible for reimbursement only upon confirmation of AFS certification (i.e. reimbursements will not be made to those that do not get certified)
 - Unsuccessful applicants may submit a rebuttal to the AFS certification board within 30 days
 - If any of the original three applicants are unsuccessful, replacements may be selected randomly from the original pool of applicants
- Up to three successful scholarships will be awarded during each application cycle

Application Procedure:

Send an email to Jen_Stone@fws.gov requesting she include you in the scholarship selection pool; include your contact information and your AFS member number.

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Salmon River in Washington, Powerdale Dam on the Hood River, and Marmot Dam on the Sandy River in Oregon are all scheduled or undergoing permits for removal, ultimately making them all more "fish-friendly". These dam removal, river restoration projects are also collaborative endeavors involving the utilities, agencies, and environmental groups. Seeing the removal of these dams for restoration of the rivers will again be a thrilling moment in my career. Furthermore, monitoring the environmental and ecological consequences of removing these dams will provide powerful information for future decision-makers, 10 or even 50 years from now.

If you are aware of issues that the External Committees should consider taking on, I encourage you to contact Tom Friesen, External Director, or any of the committee chairs, as listed on the last page of this newsletter and our web site. If you have resolutions for the members to consider at the annual meeting, contact Laura Tesler, Vice-President (see page 11).

I look forward to serving the Oregon Chapter in the coming year. And remember, come this November, your vote counts!

*Respectfully submitted by Doug Olson,,
Oregon Chapter AFS President,*

Catch a Quick Lunch Before the 2005 Annual Meeting!

Great for workshop participants and for those wanting a chance to relax, meet colleagues and avoid the lunchtime rush!

Box Lunches will be available for \$9.00 per lunch at the CH2M Alumni Center

Order your box lunch on the 2005 Registration Form (pages 9-10)

COMING SOON IN 2005...COASTAL CUTTHROAT SYMPOSIUM!

From September 29 - October 1, 2005, the Fish and Wildlife Service, in conjunction with the Oregon and Pacific International Chapters of the American Fisheries Society, will co-host a Coastal Cutthroat Trout Symposium. The symposium will be held at Fort Worden State Park near Port Townsend, Washington. The purpose of the Symposium is to review and update coastal cutthroat trout information that was presented during the 1995 Sea-Run Cutthroat Trout Symposium, and to discuss research, monitoring, and conservation needs across the range of coastal cutthroat trout. The Symposium will also introduce practical aspects of conservation agreements that could be used to improve knowledge and management of coastal cutthroat trout across the Pacific states, British Columbia, and Alaska. In the near future, more information (e.g., lodging, transportation, registration) will be available on the Oregon AFS website at www.orafs.org. Interested parties can contact either Tim Cummings, Tim_Cummings@fws.gov, 360-604-2512; or Doug Young, 503-231-6179, Doug_Young@r1.fws.gov.

Submitted by Tim Cummings

MAKE THOSE PRESENTATIONS PROFESSIONAL!

You have decided to go through the stress and anxiety of speaking to a room full of your peers at the 2005 Annual Meeting, so you may as well take the time make your presentation effective. The Oregon Chapter provided a workshop on effective presentations at the 2004 meeting that was relatively well attended, but I always fear that we were preaching to the choir. Here are some requests for you potential presenters who did not attend the workshop:

- We are not all blessed with the ability to be great speakers, but try to show some enthusiasm.
- Take some time and put together a well thought out and organized presentation.
- No matter what you may think, most of the audience doesn't care a lot about the excruciating details of your methodology. Instead, set aside time so you can concentrate on the "So What?" of your talk.
- DON'T EVER USE SLIDES FOR WHICH YOU MUST APOLOGIZE!!! If you must apologize for text size, color combinations, etc., you have demonstrated a lack of preparation and are wasting your audience's time.
- Keep it simple! Don't try to jam five major points into a 20-minute talk. Do a few things well rather than many things not so well.
- Finish strong! Finish by discussing the implications of your findings (the "So What"). Don't just stumble onto your final slide and say "that's all I have".

I could provide you with more guidelines, but I think I'll hold off until the next time we hold our presentation workshop! Good luck with those presentations!

Submitted by Dave Ward, Past President

Get Your Event on the Calendar!

Submit your conferences, workshops, and other important events to Loretta Brenner:
LKBrenner@comcast.net. Please include date, contact person, website, email, etc. Thanks!

Are You a Life Member of AFS?

If you answered "yes," have you paid your annual Oregon Chapter dues? Oregon Chapter dues are only \$2.00 per year, **but you must send in your dues annually.**

Just let the National AFS office know that you are a Life Member paying your Oregon Chapter dues. If you don't pay, you're not included in the Oregon Chapter mailing list! Thanks for your help! For more assistance contact: Loretta Brenner, 541-753-0442; LKBrenner@comcast.net

WANTED STUDENTS...

to present their research at the Oregon AFS 2005 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 & More!

See pages 2-5 for information on sessions, abstract guidelines, and more!

Abstract Deadline Nov. 29, 2004

EVENTS CALENDAR 2004

NOVEMBER 1-3, 2004

"Watershed Planning: Approaches, Challenges, and Strategies for Success II"

Stevenson, Washington

Contact: 250-729-9623, sff@island.net

DECEMBER 7-9, 2004

NORTHWEST FISH CULTURE CONFERENCE 2004

"New Challenges, New Opportunities"

Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

www.nwfcc.confmanager.com

Contact: nwfcc@gofishbc.com

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OREGON CHAPTER AFS 41ST ANNUAL MEETING

"Multidisciplinary and Innovative Approaches to Aquatic Resource Conservation"

Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon

Abstract deadline: November 29, 2004

FMI: www.orafs.org/meetings.htm

Meeting Chair: Barry McPherson

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PRE-MEETING WORKSHOPS

OREGON CHAPTER AFS 41ST ANNUAL MEETING

Workshop A: "Experimental and Survey Design in Fisheries: A Statistics Workshop"

Contact: mary.buckman@oregonstate.edu or 541-757-4263 x 229

Workshop B: "Age Assessment and Validation Techniques"

Contact: tom.a.rien@state.or.us or 503-657-2000 x 404

Workshop C: "AFS Certification...A How-To Guide"

Contact: jen_stone@fws.gov or 360-604-2500

SEPTEMBER 11-15, 2005

NATIONAL AFS 2005

AFS 135TH ANNUAL MEETING

"Creating a Fisheries Mosaic: Connections Across Jurisdictions, Disciplines, and Cultures"

(Held in conjunction with the 2005 Western Division and Alaska Chapter Annual Meetings, and the 23rd Lowell Wakefield Fisheries Symposium on Pacific Rockfishes)

Anchorage, Alaska

Contributed Paper Abstract Deadline: February 11, 2005

FMI: <http://www.wdafs.org/Anchorage2005/index.htm>



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