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Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
SUMMER 2005

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

"RECAPPING A PRESIDENTIAL YEAR"

It's been quite a journey for me from volunteering as Chair of the Fish Culture Committee back in 1999 to being elected into the President-Elect, President, and soon to be Past-President series of the Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society. Being involved as an officer, especially as President, has also helped me recognize that we make contributions beyond the State of Oregon, as part of a larger organization, involving the Western Division (www.wdafs.org). For example, the Oregon Chapter participated in the Western Division review of the Federal Columbia River Power System Biological Opinion. This AFS review independently confirmed the recent ruling in U.S. District Court that the 2004 plan was insufficient for protection and recovery of listed salmon and steelhead in the Columbia River. Another Western Division activity to pay attention to includes the 2005 election of candidates, including the run by our very own Dave Ward for Secretary-Treasurer. Bob Hughes, another Oregon AFS member, is the current Vice-President of the Western Division, moving on to President in the coming year. And come this September, Barry McPherson, as President of ORAFS, will be representing the Oregon Chapter at the Western Division business meeting in Anchorage, Alaska. Congratulations to Dave and Bob, and I look forward to hearing from Barry on his adventure to Alaska.

One of the reasons I was nominated to run for President of Oregon AFS had to do with my involvement and experience with the science and management of salmon and steelhead hatcheries. This issue was "hot" back in 1999-2001, which led to the development of the ORAFS white paper "Managing Wild

and Hatchery Fish in Oregon" (<http://www.orafs.org/pdfdocs/wildhatch.pdf>). This paper is an example of Oregon AFS members working together, each having different expertise in science, management, and communications, representing diverse and opposing views, coming together to articulate an ORAFS position. This white paper was effectively used by ORAFS representatives in communications with the state legislature and their staff. I would like to think that ORAFS support also influenced the development and funding of the new Hatchery Research Center (see www.dfw.state.or.us). I encourage ORAFS to continue to build positive relationships and open dialog with hatchery management professionals.

A recent news headline that caught my attention was the proposal by the Federal Government for expansion of off-shore coastal development of Sea Ranches. While I am sure ORAFS members have different views on this topic, I am just as sure that an important item needs to be injected into this proposal, and that item is including an objective scientific review and environmental assessment of this proposal, as well as developing monitoring and evaluation guidelines, if implemented.

Another ORAFS position paper (also found on our web site) pertinent to this issue, covers the topic of "Marine Reserves" (<http://www.orafs.org/pdfdocs/marinerespos03.pdf>). As stated in the position paper, an Executive Order was issued in 2000 by then President Clinton for federal agencies to work together to "develop a scientifically based, comprehensive national system of marine protected areas representing diverse U.S. marine ecosystems, and

the Nation's natural and cultural resources." In Oregon, the Ocean Policy Advisory Council recommended to former Governor Kitzhaber that Oregon establish a limited system of marine reserves in the Oregon territorial sea in order to test their effectiveness. Two phrases that are important to emphasize from the two previous sentences are: "scientifically based" and "test their

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effectiveness". I would hope the present State and Federal administrations will consider the same emphasis in science when considering ocean sea ranches, as well as consider establishment of scientifically-defensible Marine Reserves.

All of the issues mentioned above are part of External activities of the Chapter. External reviews completed during my term included comments to State of Oregon forest practices act, NOAA Fisheries proposed critical habitat designations, and their proposed hatchery listing policy. These "letters from the President" are posted on our web site. To get involved I encourage you to be a part of the development of Information Sharing Networks (ISN) and/or our Chapter's External Committees. Many thanks to Tom Friesen and committee chairs in leading the charge, and to Don Ratliff and Hiram Li in helping foster development of ISNs.

Now on to Internal business. On May 5-6, Oregon AFS officers met in Seaside to discuss past and future business. Thank you to those attending, including: Barry McPherson, Dave Ward, Mike Matylewich, Tom Friesen, Peter Ober, Neil Ward, Mike Reed, Ian Reid, and Loretta Brenner. Molly Webb joined us by phone on May 5. A couple of items I would like to highlight are the budget and work plan. First of all, congratulations to the Chapter. While planning deficit spending, we actually came out

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***New Committee Chair**
****New Committee**

**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, educa-
tion, and public discourse
concerning fisheries and
aquatic science and by
promoting the development
of fisheries professionals."**

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Please submit a copy of your old & new addresses to both:

American Fisheries Society, Membership Department
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301-897-8616 main@fisheries.org www.fisheries.org
AND

Oregon Chapter AFS
PO Box 722, Corvallis, OR 97339
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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, dues are only \$2 per year!**

President's Corner
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ahead by almost \$10,000 last year, largely because of a very successful annual meeting. This money will be invested for future endeavors by the Chapter (thank you to Mike Matylewich for leading the adhoc investment committee). While not yet approved, current annual budget plans for Fiscal Year 2006 are for zero deficit spending. One of the larger cost savings is with electronic distribution of the newsletter. I am planning on sending out a survey to members prior to the annual meeting to gauge membership satisfaction with this newly developed distribution method. Other noteworthy work plan and budget items that we are planning are: continue aquatic education for teachers, support student sub-unit activities, promote three or more student scholarships and three AFS certification scholarships, maintain an annual reserve to promote development of fishery and aquatic science professionals, continue our contract for administrative assistance (thank you to Laura Tesler for working with Loretta Brenner), and of course, conduct our Annual Meeting in March 2006 in Sunriver (thanks to Molly Webb, and our incoming Internal Director Neil Ward, and incoming President-Elect Mike Reed).

In this issue is a call for 2006-2007 Oregon Chapter AFS officer nominations (see page 7) These are leadership positions of responsibility that will help the profession and organization continue to grow in the direction you would like. All levels of experience are desired, from student to senior scientist, from seasonal technician to program manager; please consider who you would like to see in officer positions for your Chapter. I look forward to hearing from you.

In closing, I am impressed by the high level of commitment from members of the Oregon Chapter. Oregon AFSers continue to make a positive difference in contributions to science, responsible resource management, and development of aquatic science professionals. Thank you to past, present, and future Oregon AFS officers and membership. I was honored to represent the Chapter.

Respectfully submitted by
Doug Olson, President,
Oregon Chapter AFS

Oregon Chapter's AFS 42nd Annual Meeting to be held in Sunriver, Oregon

OREGON CHAPTER AFS 2006 ANNUAL MEETING - FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS AND POSTERS

Planning is underway for the 2006 Oregon Chapter AFS Annual Meeting to be held March 1-3, at Sunriver Resort, Sunriver, Oregon. The theme of the meeting "Addressing Fisheries Issues in the 21st Century" will be the focus of our plenary sessions and the meeting will include our usual array of outstanding technical sessions, posters, contributed papers and social events. **Deadline for Submission of Abstracts is November 28, 2005 (see pages 4-5 for Abstract Guidelines).**

We are going to follow the same format for plenary speakers that we followed at the 2005 annual meeting by starting each of the three days with a speaker. We have some ideas for some dynamic plenary speakers who fit the meeting's theme, but are still open to suggestions.

The theme of addressing fisheries issues in the 21st century is intended to get us thinking about the challenges that we are not only facing today but will face in the future. Are we making headway on the challenges currently facing fish and their habitats? How do we prepare for the challenges that face us in the future? How can we as a Fisheries Society, as well as individuals representing diverse public and private organizations, prepare for these challenges?

We'd like to encourage sessions that cover east-side as well as west-side issues and topics. Potential technical sessions include:

- Modeling tools that can predict landscape changes and their impacts
- Urbanization: What role should urban areas play in natural resource protection and restoration?
- Salmon Ecology
- Non-salmonids
- Aquatic Habitat
- Marine Science
- Management of Lake and Reservoir Fisheries
- Hatcheries
- Hydro Issues
- Education

Topics for other technical sessions are also welcome, especially those related to the theme. As in the past, we will make room for sessions dedicated to contributed papers and a poster session combined with a Chapter social. We are looking for conveners and speakers for these technical sessions.

We want to encourage participation from students including presenting papers, displaying posters, meeting with mentors, etc. We have some great ideas for workshops that will be offered at the meeting but are also open to suggestions and interested organizers. If you have an interest in convening or speaking in one of the above sessions, have other topics to propose, want to offer a workshop, or want to volunteer for the many fun and important tasks we have available, please contact **Mike Reed, Annual Meeting Program Chair, at 503-823-3399, or michaelr@bes.ci.portland.or.us.**

Registration Information for the 2006 Annual Meeting will be available in the September 2005 issue of the *Piscatorial Press* and also on the Oregon Chapter website: (www.orafs.org).

Guidelines for Abstracts are listed on pages 4-5 and are also available on the Oregon Chapter website.

Submitted by Mike Reed,
Annual Meeting Program Chair and
Incoming President-Elect

FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS & POSTERS
OREGON CHAPTER AFS 2006 ANNUAL MEETING
GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING PAPER & POSTER ABSTRACTS
(Required reading for anyone submitting an abstract)

“Addressing Fisheries Issues in the 21st Century”
Oregon Chapter AFS 42nd Annual Meeting
March 1-3, 2006, Sunriver, Oregon

Abstract Submission Deadline: November 28, 2005 (5:00 P.M.)

Abstracts must be submitted via email as an attached Word or WordPerfect file.

We ask that both paper and poster presenters register for either the full or one-day annual meeting option. Registration information will be available in September 2005 in the fall newsletter and on the Oregon Chapter website.

Questions About Papers? Contact Mike Reed, Annual Meeting Chair
503-823-3399; michaelr@bes.ci.portland.or.us

Questions About Posters? Contact Danielle Warner, Poster Session Chair
360-431-8433; Danielle_Warner@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 copy used in the printed Annual Meeting Program (corrections and revisions will be accepted until the November 28, 2005 deadline for abstracts).

Instructions for Submitting Abstracts for Paper or Poster Presentations
(Instructions also available at www.orafs.org)

INCLUDE THIS INFORMATION WHEN SUBMITTING YOUR ABSTRACT:

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

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

2) Indicate if paper or poster presenter is:

a) an AFS member and indicate your chapter(s) of membership, e.g. Oregon Chapter.

b) planning to use 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.**

c) 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 (November 28, 2005) will not be considered for judging. Student winners receive an award and acknowledgement at the 2006 Annual Meeting, and recognition in the *Piscatorial Press* and *Fisheries* publications!

ABSTRACT – (250 words or fewer)

LINE 1: Indicate if the abstract is a **PAPER (oral) or POSTER** presentation. Include 1 space between line 1 and 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

ABSTRACT TITLE: Use upper and lower case, **and bold font**. Include 1 space between title and list of authors;

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 (**see sample abstracts on page 6**);

PRESENTING AUTHOR(S): Use an * to indicate the presenting author(s). No space between authors and contact information.

AUTHOR CONTACT INFORMATION: Use upper and lower case. Using **superscript 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.

ABSTRACT (250 words or fewer): Use sentence case (the combination of upper and lower case used in a typical sentence).

ABSTRACT DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 28, 2005, 5:00 p.m. (submit as an email attachment, see information below)

PAPER PRESENTATIONS:

Email your abstract as an attached Word or WordPerfect file by Monday, November 28, 2005, 5:00 p.m. to Mike Reed, Annual Meeting Program Chair, at michaelr@bes.ci.portland.or.us (503-823-3399)

To ensure receipt of your PAPER abstract, you should receive a confirmation from Mike Reed that your abstract was received. If you do not hear back from Mike, phone him to confirm receipt of your abstract. **The winner(s) of the Best Student Paper and Best Student Poster awards will be acknowledged at the 2006 Annual Meeting banquet on Thursday night, March 2, 2006.**

POSTER PRESENTATIONS:

Email your abstract as an attached Word or WordPerfect file by Monday, November 28, 2005, 5:00 p.m. to Danielle Warner, Poster Session Chair, at Danielle_Warner@fws.gov (360-431-8433)

To ensure receipt of your POSTER abstract, you should receive a confirmation from Danielle Warner that your abstract was received. If you do not hear back from Danielle, phone her 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 2006 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 Danielle Warner 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, March 2, 2006.

POSTER SESSION AND SOCIAL:

The combined Poster Session and Oregon Chapter Social will be held Wednesday night, March 1, 2006. 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, March 3, 2006.

(See sample abstracts on next page)

SAMPLE ABSTRACTS

OREGON CHAPTER AFS 2006 ANNUAL MEETING

(Please see guidelines on page 4-5)

Paper Presentation Abstract Example:

Presenter Information:

Robert J. Danehy (Contact Person)

Weyerhaeuser Company; PO Box 275; Springfield, OR 97478

541-741-5219; bob.danehy@weyerhaeuser.com

Oregon Chapter AFS Member

(If presenter is a student, indicate if you want to be included in the Student Best Paper Competition)

Paper Abstract

Session: "Things Without Backbones," Convener: Jen Stone

Periphyton as a Diagnostic Tool for Salmon Recovery

R. J. Danehy^{1*}, and JA. Rugenski²

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²Department of Biological Sciences, Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID 83204

Small streams are an abundant watershed feature that typically do not support fish or support fish at low densities. Yet each small stream contributes to...

Poster Abstract Example:

Presenter Information:

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Oregon Chapter AFS Member

Student (We would like to be included in the Student Best Poster Competition)

Poster Abstract

Impacts of the Tapeworm *Schistocephalus solidus* on Fish and Wildlife in Central Oregon

David Banks¹, Jessica Coyle¹, Victoria Cronin², Mark George¹, Randall Linden¹, Justin Miles¹, and Barbara Shields¹

¹Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, 104 Nash Hall, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331

²Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, 104 Nash Hall, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331
541- 758-8833, croninvi@onid.orst.edu

The tapeworm *Schistocephalus solidus* has become established in the Deschutes Basin as a result of invasion by a non-native fish, the threespine stickleback...

Your Chance to Get Involved!

SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2006-2007 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 (will require some work prior to September 1, 2006)

**Assists in arranging the annual meeting facilities for the subsequent year (will require some work prior to September 1, 2006)

Submit nominations by December 5, 2005. Elections will be held at the annual meeting in March 2006, and terms begin September 1, 2006. 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 describing themselves, their background, education, work, interest in the position, and what they would like to contribute to Oregon AFS, by December 15, 2005 for publication in the January 2006 *Piscatorial Press*. **You can find descriptions of officer responsibilities on the Oregon Chapter website: www.orafs.org/pdfdocs/offduties.pdf.**

Submit your nominations or questions to:
Doug Olson, President, Oregon Chapter AFS
(360) 604-2537
doug_olson@fws.gov

Please give some thought to tossing your name in the hat or to recommending other qualified candidates who might need just a little nudge. These are leadership positions of responsibility that will help the profession and organization continue to grow in the direction you would like. All levels of experience are desired, from student to senior scientist, from seasonal technician to program manager; from new hires to retirees.

Submitted by Doug Olson, President

OREGON AFS HEADS TO SUNRIVER FOR 2006 ANNUAL MEETING!

The 42nd Annual Meeting of Oregon AFS will be in Sunriver, Oregon on March 1-3, 2006. The meeting will offer an excellent array of technical sessions, posters, and contributed papers. Pre-meeting workshops will be held February 28 and March 1, 2006. Other meeting highlights include:

- Student-Mentor Social on Wednesday night
- Poster Session & Social on Wednesday night
- Spawning Run on Thursday morning
- Combined Oregon Chapter AFS business meeting, officer elections, and lunch on Thursday
- Banquet and raffle-auction on Thursday night

Check the Oregon Chapter web site for annual meeting updates (www.orafs.org). For meeting information or to volunteer, contact Neil Ward, Incoming Internal Director and Arrangements Chair, 503-229-0191; neil.ward@cbfwa.org.

For registration questions, contact Loretta Brenner at (541) 753-0442, LKBrenner@comcast.net.

Submitted by Molly Webb, Internal Director and Arrangements Chair

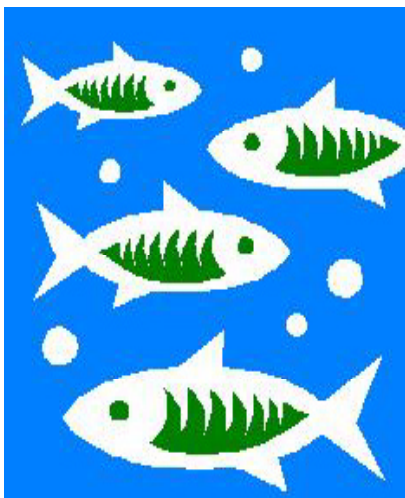
Your Chance to Speak Out!

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 Monday, December 5, 2005.** Your resolutions will be reviewed by the Resolutions Committee, published in the January 2006 issue of the *Piscatorial Press*, posted to the Chapter website, and submitted to the Chapter membership for a vote at the 2006 Annual Business Meeting in Sunriver, Oregon. 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 on Submitting Resolutions Contact:
Laura L. Tesler,
Vice President and Resolutions Chair
503-947-6254; Laura.Tesler@state.or.us



WHO WANTS TO BE AN AWARD WINNER? SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS FOR 2006 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

- 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

- For 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 22, 2005

Visit the chapter website (www.orafs.org) under "Awards & Scholarships" for nomination criteria. For more information, or to request more detailed information about how to prepare a nomination, contact:

Peter T. Lofy
Oregon AFS Awards Chair
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Submitted by Peter Lofy, Awards Chair

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted" - Aesop

FIRST CALL FOR 2006 RAFFLE AND AUCTION DONATIONS!

Although the Oregon Chapter meeting is still over six months away, it's never too early or too late, to consider donating to the raffle and auction. Last year with your help we raised over \$8,000 to support Chapter activities and actions, and we thank everyone who made a donation or purchased items! For the 2006 raffle and auction we are seeking original artwork, prints, guided fishing trips, signed books, hand-made items, and other goods and services. We are accepting donation items NOW, so donate early and avoid the rush! Donation forms can be found on the chapter website at www.orafs.org (under "Meetings and Workshops"). **As an added bonus, remember all donations are tax-deductible.**

We also need energetic volunteers to sell raffle tickets, set up displays, and "model" items during the oral auction. If you have items to donate or would like to volunteer your time, please contact me, your 2006 raffle and auction chair. Thanks a bunch!

Martyne Reesman, Chair,
2006 Oregon Chapter AFS Raffle and Auction
503-657-2000 ext. 425
martyne.j.reesman@state.or.us

Submitted by Martyne Reesman, Raffle and Auction Chair



CALLING ALL STUDENTS! APPLY NOW FOR 2006 SCHOLARSHIPS!



Oregon Chapter AFS Undergraduate and Graduate Student 2006 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 2006 Oregon Chapter annual meeting at Sunriver Resort, 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 \$1,500, one year of student membership in AFS (may be a renewal), an award certificate, recognition at the 2006 annual meeting and in the Fisheries journal and the Piscatorial Press, and group lodging and refunded registration at the 2006 Oregon Chapter AFS annual meeting March 1-3, 2006.**

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) and 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.

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
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EXTERNAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I'm happy to report that, for the first time in recent memory, all of our committees are fully staffed.

Jim Grimes has been appointed as the Chair for the **Aquatic Habitat Committee, now renamed as the Freshwater Habitat Committee**, and has already recruited almost a dozen committee members. Jim brings over 23 years of fisheries experience in research, harvest management, habitat management, and fish passage. Jim works for the Oregon Department of State Lands and can be reached at jim.grimes@dsl.state.or.us.

After a protracted and largely unsuccessful search (I was zero for four), **Lucy Herron** volunteered to chair the **Education and Outreach Committee**. Lucy is a recent graduate of Oregon State, and was named the Outstanding Senior in the Fish and Wildlife program. She served on the OSU Fish and Wildlife Club Leadership Team for four years (as Outreach Coordinator and President), and helped put together many successful outreach and recruitment efforts. I think she's a great addition. Lucy can be reached at lucy.herron@yahoo.com.

In early June, anticipating some of the best razor clamming tides of the year, ExCom held its annual retreat in Seaside. Sadly, razor clamming closed statewide about a week before the retreat, so we were forced to focus on Chapter business. One of the things we did was to create a new external committee, "**Marine Habitats and Ecology**." We tweaked the current Aquatic Habitat committee so its efforts will focus on freshwater issues; the new committee will be dedicated exclusively to marine fisheries and habitats and the many challenges facing them. Thanks to **Steve Parker** (steve.parker@oregonstate.edu) for coming up with the idea for this committee, and for graciously accepting his appointment to chair it. Steve will be developing a work plan and pulling together committee members this summer.

The other committees and chairs remain unchanged; these are: **Legislative (Mary Buckman)**, **Natural Production (Lance Kruzic)** and **Fish Culture (Susan Gutenberger)**. So there, we've got pretty cool committees with some outstanding people running them. Now we need to step up our efforts to utilize them. I'd like to challenge all ORAFS members, and especially committee members, to be on the lookout for ideas or issues the committees can help with—that's why we have them. Contact the chairs directly or feel free to e-mail me, your friendly neighborhood External Director, at tom.a.friesen@state.or.us.

If you haven't visited the ORAFS website in a while, check it out (www.orafs.org). Webmaster extraordinaire **Donna**

Allard (with help from **Loretta Brenner** and others) has made a number of changes and improvements. There are new pictures up, contact information and committee lists are updated, and there are new links to **Dr. Nate Mantua's** talk on global warming and **Governor Kitzhaber's** plenary speech (both from the 2005 Annual Meeting). There is also a new link to the Information Sharing Networks (ISNs) under "Communications". Watch for updates here as the ISNs continue to evolve.

Finally...I'm outta here. This is my last newsletter before turning the External Committees over to the capable hands of **Karen Wegner** on September 1. I have to admit, serving on ExCom has been a lot more fun than I thought it would be when Mary Buckman practically forced me into it a year ago (thanks, Mary). Even not counting all the free beer and trips to the beach. Thanks for the opportunity to serve.

Submitted by Tom Friesen, External Director

NO CLAMS AT EXCOM RETREAT

The Executive Committee held its annual retreat on May 5-6, 2005 in Seaside to review the past year and to identify and discuss priorities for the upcoming year. Seaside was selected in part to provide an opportunity for ExCom members to hunt the elusive and dangerous razor clam during free time; however, razor clamming was closed just days before the meeting (see, they are dangerous). Fortunately, our past year was much more successful, and prospects for the upcoming year look splendid as well.

As usual, the retreat agenda was packed, and required discussion well into the night of May 5. Our first order of business was to welcome new ExCom members who will be taking office in September: Mike Reed (President-Elect), Neil Ward (Internal Director), and Ian Reid (Secretary-Treasurer). Incoming Internal Director Karen Wegner was not able to attend.

We discussed the 2005 annual meeting in Corvallis, which was a huge success, and with over 550 attendees we set a new attendance record. The meeting generated more revenue than projected. The change in the plenary sessions to one talk starting each day drew positive comments. Comments on lodging expenses were less favorable, but this is often the

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case. We also need to consider improvements to the Student-Mentor Social. As for post-banquet festivities, it seems that folks either loved or hated karaoke, but we had more people stay and have a good time than in recent years. Karaoke will be back!

We also made considerable progress on preliminary planning for the 2006 meeting, which will be held in Sunriver. The theme will center on emerging fisheries issues in the 21st century. ExCom recognized that diversity of meeting participants is important, and that we should appeal to a variety of geographic areas and species interests (including both freshwater and marine), and to fish culture specialists. With this in mind, we discussed potential plenary speakers, technical sessions, and workshops, and gave Program Chair Mike Reed plenty of ideas to pursue.

We also discussed future meeting sites. We have received interest from Corvallis and Ashland for the 2007 meeting, which, following recent tradition of alternating between sides of the Cascades will be in western Oregon. Eugene is another potential location. Ashland does not have adequate facilities for our group, so ExCom directed Neil Ward to get bids from both Corvallis and Eugene. Because of the overwhelming success of the 2005 meeting, Corvallis should be considered the early front-runner; however, some potential issues include parking, hotel rates and access to food. Neil will have his hands full with arrangements.

Neil will be even busier because ExCom agreed to host the 2008 Western Division meeting in conjunction with our annual Chapter meeting. The 2008 meeting will be in Portland because of the expected number of attendees (a temporary change to geographic tradition). The meeting will most likely be in spring rather than our usual time of late winter.

Due mostly to the better than expected revenue from the 2005 annual meeting, President Doug Olson will enjoy quite a bit of flexibility when preparing the next annual budget, which covers the period from May 1, 2005 through April 30, 2006. ExCom reviewed the projected and actual budgets for the past year, and discussed general priorities for expenditures in the upcoming year. Secretary-Treasurer Mike Matylewich distributed a draft investment strategy, and ExCom decided to form an ad-hoc Investment Committee consisting of the Past President, President, and Secretary-Treasurer (chair). The committee will report back to ExCom with specific recommendations on investments by September 1.

As for external committees, ExCom agreed that the Aquatic Habitat Committee will be changed to the Freshwater Habitat Committee and marine habitat will be deleted from the committee's responsibilities. A Marine Habitat and Ecology Committee will be created. Steve Parker has volunteered to create a work plan for the new committee. In addition to formal committees, ExCom discussed and was pleased with the early interest in the Information Sharing Networks. A follow-up survey will be done with the ISN leads to evaluate continued interest and participation. ISN coordination will be added to the External Director duties.

As usual, the Executive Committee has a full plate for the coming year. We are confident that the dedicated members of ExCom and our active chapter membership will rise to the challenge.

Submitted by Dave Ward, Past President

OREGON CHAPTER OFFICER SPONSORS HUTTON SCHOLAR

James Vial has been chosen as one of the 63 students who will participate in the **2005 Hutton Junior Fisheries Biology Program**, an innovative education program sponsored by the American Fisheries Society (AFS). Vial, a recent graduate of South Medford High School, will be working with his mentor, **Ian Reid (incoming Oregon Chapter AFS Secretary-Treasurer)**, on the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest (RRSNF) and will be awarded a scholarship from AFS. Vial will be working on several fisheries projects on the RRSNF this summer including salmon and steelhead monitoring and stream restoration projects. **For more information about the RRSNF fisheries program visit: www.fs.fed.us/r6/fishing/forests/rogrivsis/gofishing/index.html.**

The principal goal of the Hutton Program is to stimulate interest in careers in fisheries science and management among groups underrepresented in the fisheries professions, including minorities and women. Application to the program is open to all sophomore, junior, and senior high school students regardless of race, creed, or gender. Because the program seeks to increase diversity within the fisheries professions, preference will be given to qualified women and minority applicants. Each student chosen for the program is awarded a \$3,000 scholarship and is

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PISCATORIAL PRESS GOES (MOSTLY) ELECTRONIC

The Oregon Chapter AFS membership approved a resolution to make the quarterly newsletter, *The Piscatorial Press*, an electronic newsletter to save paper and to reduce printing costs. We will post the newsletter on the website, and then send you an email when the newsletter is posted. We will still be printing and mailing a small number of copies for those members who do not have email or website access or request a paper copy.

It will no doubt take a couple of newsletter cycles to make this work smoothly...we appreciate your patience! If you don't receive a newsletter be sure to check the Oregon Chapter website and see if a new newsletter has been posted (www.orafs.org), select the "Communications" link, then the "Newsletter" link and look for the current issue.

To make this work we need your help! When you receive the email notice of the newsletter posting:

- 1) please reply to that email so we know that your email is correct;**
- 2) if you have updated your email in the past 3-4 months please send your new email address to: LKBrenner@comcast.net; and**
- 3) If the email version of the newsletter won't work for you please contact: LKBrenner@comcast.net or 541-753-0442, and let her know that you want the paper version of the newsletter.**

Thanks for your help with this! And please provide feedback on how the electronic newsletter is working for you at:
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Here is the resolution as it was approved by the Oregon Chapter members, February 17, 2005:

Whereas printing and bulk mailing of the *Piscatorial Press* costs the ORAFS approximately \$2,600 per year; and

Whereas the ORAFS continues to spend more money annually than it receives; and

Whereas paper copies of the *Piscatorial Press* are unnecessary uses of natural resources for persons with website access; and

Whereas the ORAFS Administrative Assistant already sends electronic copies of the *Piscatorial Press* to those requesting it; and

Whereas many AFS subunits and other organizations send their newsletters electronically:

We therefore resolve that, beginning with the spring 2005 issue, the *Piscatorial Press* shall be electronically mailed and made available on the ORAFS website, unless members explicitly request otherwise.

**Come One & All...
70th Reunion of
the OSU
Fisheries &
Wildlife Alumni**

**July 15-17, Benton
County Fairgrounds,
Corvallis, Oregon**

Come celebrate with your colleagues! The program includes lively discussions, a talk by **Jack Ward Thomas**, a traditional "liar's contest" around the campfire, private tours of Fall Creek Fish Hatchery Research Center, a trip to the Corvallis watershed to see spotted owls and red tree voles, a tribute to Carl and Lenora Bond, an "Auction of Memories" (with unique outdoor recreation gear), fish and wildlife art, and all proceeds going to student scholarships. **The gathering will also celebrate the 60th anniversary of the OSU Fish & Wildlife Cooperative Research Unit.**

Cost for the weekend is \$45, which includes 2 continental breakfasts, a box lunch, a BBQ chicken dinner (Fri.) and a grilled salmon dinner (Sat.), beer and Oregon wines. Camping and camper hook-ups are available at the Benton County Fairgrounds for \$28 per night, and hotel and motel lodging is available.

For more information or to register, contact Jan Cyrus jan.cyrus@oregonstate.edu, or 541-737-1936.

**COASTAL CUTTHROAT TROUT
SYMPOSIUM:
Biology, Status, Management, and Conservation**

**September 29-October 1, 2005
Fort Worden State Park, WA (near Port Townsend)
<http://www.orafs.org/cutthroat.html>**

Symposium Objectives:

Update information and activities since the 1995 Reedsport symposium. Enhance knowledge on all facets of life history and ecology. Provide current assessment of the status of populations coast-wide. Encourage development of a coordinated, coast-wide conservation plan.

Sponsored by: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, Oregon, Humboldt, Alaska, and North Pacific International Chapters of the American Fisheries Society.

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Deadline for Lodging Registration is July 24, 2005. After that date, room availability and costs are not guaranteed at Fort Worden State Park. **Symposium Registration deadline is September 2, 2005.** (After these dates, contact the registration coordinator directly for more information at LKBrenner@comcast.net).

Students may receive free lodging, but must register by the July 24th deadline. For additional information (e.g., registration, meals and lodging packages, draft program, local area attractions) visit the Coastal Cutthroat Trout Symposium homepage:

<http://www.orafs.org/cutthroat.html>

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?

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

PLAN AHEAD!

The 2006 Oregon Chapter AFS Annual Meeting will be held:

March 1-3, 2006
at Sunriver Resort,
Oregon

Call for Papers and Poster
Abstracts Deadline is
November 28, 2005

Meeting Details will be
Announced in Future News-
letters & on our Website:
www.orafs.org

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**NATIONAL AFS 2005
AFS 135TH ANNUAL MEETING
Anchorage, Alaska**

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

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**OREGON CHAPTER AFS 42ND ANNUAL MEETING
Sunriver Resort, Sunriver, Oregon
"Addressing Fisheries Issues in the 21st Century"
Call for Papers & Posters Deadline: November 28, 2005**

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