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

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5410 Grosvenor Lane, Suite 110
Bethesda, MD 20814-2199
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Email: main@fisheries.org

AND

Oregon Chapter AFS
PO Box 722, Corvallis, OR 97339
Phone: 541-753-0442; brennerL@peak.org

*Be sure to remind the
Membership Office that you are an
Oregon Chapter Member*

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Contact the national office or the Oregon Chapter for an application

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Here we go!

As we begin the new calendar year we will have new challenges, some old problems, and the opportunity to arrive at new and better solutions. We are currently involved in a number of projects striving for better solutions, some which will go forward to completion and some that will fade away. What generally separates the ones that go forward from the ones that fade is the passion that is brought by an advocate to see the project through to completion. Some of the projects that I am going to be an advocate for are:

- ✓ Framework for the operation of the chapter – what do we do, how and why
- ✓ Legacies lost – what components have our aquatic systems lost and what can we regain? (Pleas for help will be in the next newsletter)
- ✓ Web pages for each of the committees listing contacts and current issues/endeavors

What we need to do is line up advocates for other projects:

The first is help with the Education and Outreach Committee. This is a great opportunity to help the Chapter grow as a recognized player in providing aquatic resource education. Kathy Staley has done a great job heading the committee and now is looking for some help. She has developed a list of possibilities for the Chapter's first big video project. What we need is someone who really likes to get things done to help see this premier video project through to completion.

The second is a Newsletter Editor. Chris Zimmerman has helped us out for the last 2+ years. This job can be done electronically from anywhere in the state and has great support from Martha Brooks (technical editor) and Loretta Brenner (layout and printing). If you don't want to be actively involved in committee work maybe this is your opportunity to help out the chapter.

Third is a Natural Production Co-Chair. Dave Buchanan and Dan Bottom are interested in staying involved but want an energetic point person to help move us into the next century providing science leadership for a number of significant decisions regarding aquatic resources.

Last is an advocate for Fish Fest 2001 – A Fish Odyssey - We need a coordinator for this once in a millennium opportunity to showcase and celebrate the native fishes of the state. We had a lot of fun at our inaugural Fish Fest but we are hoping to focus the event a little more and accentuate the celebration. This is a great place for some of our members to showcase their creative talents and right brain energy! Perhaps even interviews with Hal...

As I said in the last Piscatorial Press, we need you to be involved! Please contact me by phone (541-758-7789) or email (David.Hohler@orst.edu). We can rise to the challenges facing Oregon's aquatic resources but we will need to work together to do it.

Submitted by Dave Hohler, President.

CORRECTIONS ARE IN ORDER!

The Fall 1999 issue of *Piscatorial Press* incorrectly attributed the very fine President's Corner to President-elect, Denny Lassuy. In reality, Dave Hohler, current ORAFS President, penned the prose. I apologize for the error and any confusion, I must have been in annual meeting mode or at least on auto-pilot! *Loretta Brenner*

Drop Dead Dates

January 21, 2000

Last day for early registration
Last day for ORAFS special rooms rate
at the Hilton

February 7, 2000

Last day to mail registration form. **After this date, call or email Loretta Brenner at brennerL@peak.org, 541-753-0442; and bring registration form to the Hilton Eugene on Wednesday, Feb. 16.** Please note on-site banquet tickets may be limited. Check available space at brennerL@peak.org.

OREGON CHAPTER YEAR 2000 ANNUAL MEETING ORGANIZERS

Arrangements & Everything	Stephanie Gunckel, 541-737-1977; gunckels@fsl.orst.edu
Auction & Raffle	Steve Wille, 503-231-6179; steve_wille@fws.gov
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Officer Nominations	Tim Hardin, 541-758-1758; hardint@peak.org
Sponsors & Donations	Dave Hohler, 541-752-2628; David.Hohler@orst.edu
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Get the most out of the 36th Oregon Chapter AFS annual meeting!
SPECIAL EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES FOR THIS YEAR'S MEETING
"Emergence" is the theme, February 16-18, 2000, Hilton Eugene and Conference Center

Don't miss the Oregon Chapter's first annual meeting of the New Millennium February 16-18 in Eugene. The Hilton Eugene and Conference Center offers us the advantages of both size and locale. The Hilton Eugene is not only large and spacious enough to comfortably accommodate all of our needs but it is also conveniently located in downtown Eugene. Many fun and unique restaurants, coffee shops, and brew pubs are within walking distance of the Conference Center. This year you'll have plenty of options for your wining and dining pleasure on Wednesday night's dinner out!

Register early. Registration costs increase by \$20 after January 21st. Last day to send in registration form is February 7, 2000.

Stay an extra day...don't forget to register for the post-meeting field trip to HJ Andrews Experimental Forest with Stan Gregory and Fred Swanson, *Stream Processes & Management* is the theme. Leave Friday, 3pm and Return Saturday, 4pm. This overnight trip is an opportunity unique to the 2000 meeting. Only room for 30, so sign up now! \$60 includes meals, lodging, and transportation.

Reserve your room. Mention AFS when you reserve your room at the Hilton Eugene and Conference Center and receive discounted rates (\$67 single, \$77 double). 1-800-937-6660. Deadline for special rates is January 21. *Don't forget your swimsuit and exercise gear for the indoor pool, Jacuzzi, and fitness room.*

Wednesday Morning Social, 10:00-11:30am, Wed. Feb. 16. Arrive early meet up with colleagues new and old, pick up your registration pack, or just relax. ORAFS provides coffee and pastries

Lunch with author Kathleen Dean Moore on Wednesday, 11:30am-12:45pm (before the plenary session). Sign up on registration form. Lunch is \$13.

"Match the Hatch" mixer, for students and professionals, Wednesday, Feb 16, 6:30-7:30pm

Poster Session and Chapter Social, complete with microbrew, local wines, and good eats on Wednesday night, 7-11pm

Spawning Run, Thursday morning 7am, don't forget your running shoes!!!

Business Lunch and Committee Sessions, Thursday 11:30am-2pm, included in your registration. Features student awards, a brief business meeting, and our all-important committee meetings.

Thursday night Banquet, Raffle, & Auction, 7-9pm, no-host reception 6-7pm. Select your banquet dinner entrée (\$23) on your registration form. Halibut, chicken, or vegetable strudel.

And slip an extra \$20 in your pocket for raffle tickets. It'll increase your chances of winning great prizes.

Boogie to Eugene's own Cajun Blues Band, Etouffee, 9pm-Midnight, Thurs. Feb. 17. ORAFS hosts this great party, and invites you to cut loose with the group. Get down with Etouffee, dance the night away and be thoroughly entertained! You can be sure the imbibements committee won't let us down either!

Pick up your NEW Oregon Chapter T-shirt (in short *and* long-sleeved versions) and check the sales tables for prints, publications, t-shirts, posters, and other fishy items. Wed-Fri

Meet with Governor Kitzhaber, Fri., Feb. 18, 2-3pm. The Governor of Oregon, will bring the ORAFS 2000 to an exciting close by making "a major policy statement on Columbia River fisheries." The Governor's speech will be followed by an opportunity for ORAFS 2000 attendees to ask questions. We've been trying for years to get "The Gov," don't miss this chance to have a nearly personal audience with the man!

Check out the ORAFS web site for annual meeting updates (www.orst.edu/groups/orafs)
See the registration form on page 5 for details. If you have questions, contact Stephanie Gunckel at 541-737-1977; gunckels@fsl.orst.edu.
See you in Eugene!

PRESENTING A POSTER?

Please *make sure* you have submitted an abstract to Tim Whitesel. There may not be space to accommodate posters and poster presenters that just "show up" on Wednesday at the Annual Meeting. **Posters can be set up from 10:00am-5:00pm at the Hilton.**

If you are a **student poster presenter**, please contact Tim Whitesel if you want to be considered for the "Best Poster" competition. Posters need to fit in a 4 ft X 4 ft format. Contact Tim: 503-872-5252; timothy.whitesel@state.or.us

STREAM PROCESSES & MANAGEMENT FIELD TRIP WRAPS UP YEAR 2000 ANNUAL MEETING !

SIGN UP SOON – SPACE IS LIMITED

With this year's annual meeting located so close to the HJ Andrews Experimental Forest, we decided to offer you a post-meeting, overnight field trip. The trip will provide a first hand glimpse of research that is leading the way to a better understanding of stream processes and management. HJ Andrews is a Long Term Ecological Research (LTER) site and major center for the long term analysis of forest and stream ecosystems in the Pacific Northwest. The trip will

be lead by Dr. Stan Gregory and Dr. Fred Swanson, both principle investigators at the research forest. Following the theme of the annual meeting they will address emerging issues in forest/stream interactions, stream temperature, dynamics of large wood, and the role of disturbance. The trip is designed to be casual, fun, and informative, with lots of time for discussion and interaction.

We will leave from the Hilton Eugene and Conference Center at 3:00pm Friday, February 18, and return Saturday, February 19 in time for dinner. The \$60 registration fee includes catered dinner, breakfast, and a sack lunch, instruction, accommodations (dorm setting), and transportation. You will need to bring your sleeping bag and pillow, towel, warm clothes, hiking boots, and rain gear. The trip allows a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 30. **DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS JANUARY 21, 2000.** Sign up soon to reserve your space on the annual meeting registration form on the next page. The Oregon Chapter AFS travel reimbursement is applicable towards the cost of the field trip (see this page). If you have further questions please contact Stephanie Gunckel (gunckels@fsl.orst.edu), Martha Brookes (Martha.Brookes@orst.edu), or the ORAFS office (brennerL@peak.org). *Stephanie Gunckel, Internal Director*

**AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR
KATHLEEN DEAN MOORE HIGHLIGHTS ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON!**

To set the stage for the 2000 annual meeting plenary session, Kathleen Dean Moore will be joining us for lunch on Wednesday, Feb 16, 1999, 11:30am-12:45pm. Kathleen Dean Moore is an award-winning author of the essay collections, *Holdfast* and *Riverwalking*, and Professor and Chair of the Department of Philosophy at Oregon State University. As a philosopher and lover of the natural world Kathleen has the uncanny knack of helping us, as scientists and managers, to re-connect with the wonders of nature while asking the question 'what does it all mean'. Our dialog with Kathleen is intended to provide us with a sense of place from which to make our own connections during the meeting, and set the stage for our exciting plenary session. Don't miss this event, it promises to be worth attending. Sign up on registration form on the opposite page. Cost is \$13. *Stephanie Gunckel, Internal Director*

**'MATCH THE HATCH' RETURNS TO THE ANNUAL MEETING 2000!
Opportunities for students and professionals**

Once again, Oregon Chapter AFS will provide an opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students (or recent grads) to meet informally with fisheries professionals. This is a great opportunity for students to better understand your organization or agency, its future opportunities and, more importantly, to make a personal contact. It is also a chance for professionals in the Chapter to meet the next generation of colleagues and potential employees. Please attend—eat a quick dinner after the Plenary Session and get back to the poster session by 6:30pm to "match the hatch". **FMI: Contact Doug Markle, 541-737-1970; douglas.markle@orst.edu**

**TRAVEL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR THE OREGON AFS
ANNUAL MEETING & FIELD TRIP**

Keep in mind as you register for the annual meeting that Oregon Chapter members can apply for travel reimbursement. The Excom has also agreed this year to accept reimbursement requests for the Andrews Experimental Forest post-meeting field trip. Oregon Chapter AFS Members whose travel expenses are not reimbursed by employers may submit a request for reimbursement to Dave Simon, ORAFS Chapter Secretary-Treasurer, either during or after the annual meeting. Reimbursement is dependent on the total amount of requests received. Reimbursement will be made after the meeting, with a maximum award of \$100 per person. Priority is given to those who present a paper or poster at the annual meeting.

Submit your:

**Name, Organization, Address, Phone, Email,
Start Location, and your Mileage or Total Transportation Expense
(e.g., miles driven @ 30 cents/mile OR amount of bus or plane ticket)
Mail to: Dave Simon, Oregon AFS, PO Box 722, Corvallis, OR 97339
simond@ucs.orst.edu**

**<REGISTRATION FORM FOR OREGON CHAPTER AFS
2000 ANNUAL MEETING – SEE WEB PAGE - >**

Deadline for early registration & hotel discount January 21, 2000

**HELP WANTED -
SEEKING NEW EDITOR & COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Here's your chance to get more involved with the Oregon Chapter. We are seeking individuals to serve in the following positions:

NEWSLETTER EDITOR—Chris Zimmerman editor of our quarterly newsletter, the *Piscatorial Press*, since the winter of 1997, has decided it's time to pass the baton. If you've always wanted to try your hand at editing, here's your chance! With a supporting staff of technical editor, Martha Brookes, and layout and mailing assistant, Loretta Brenner, this position can be relatively painless. Contact Chris at 541-750-7385, or Chris.Zimmerman@orst.edu

EDUCATION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE CHAIR—Kathryn Staley has done an excellent job with this committee, but other commitments demand her attention. Give a call to discuss current projects and other committee details. 541-737-1972; or kathryn.staley@orst.edu

NATURAL PRODUCTION COMMITTEE

CO-CHAIR—Currently a position shared by Dave Buchanan and Dan Bottom, they are looking for a point person—someone willing to share responsibilities with Dan and Dave who will primarily act in advisory roles. Contact Dave Buchanan, 541-753-8754; or Dan Bottom, 541-757-4263 x230, or bottomd@ucs.orst.edu

STUDENTS WANTED!

Volunteers Needed for the 2000 Annual Meeting

That's right...the Oregon Chapter is looking for a few good student volunteers for the February 2000 annual meeting at the Hilton Eugene. Not only do you get an incredible deal on registration (reimbursed), but lodging is free in selected student rooms. Volunteers must work at least one 4-hour shift helping with projectors, registration, product sales, ticket sales, etc. Have fun helping the Chapter and networking with people who may be able to help solve your employment and career development worries!

To Volunteer Contact:

**Dave Simon, OSU, 541-737-1977,
simond@ucs.orst.edu**

or

Doug Young, 541-383-7146, Ext 201; Doug_Young@fws.gov

VOLUNTEER WITH BIG RIG NEEDED

Display boards used during the Annual Meeting Poster Session are currently stored in Corvallis. We need a volunteer or volunteers to transport these boards to the Annual Meeting in Eugene on Tuesday night, February 15, (or before 8am on Wednesday the 16th); returning the boards to Corvallis on Friday, February 18, after the meeting. The boards measure 4' X 8', and in the past have been hauled in a Suburban. Please contact Dave Hohler at 541-758-7789 or 541-740-3971; or at David.Hohler@orst.edu.

DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY!

The Oregon Chapter is proud to present:

Etouffee—*they're hot, hot, hot!*

Thursday, February 17, 9PM-Midnight
Hilton Eugene

Swamp Rock at its best led by fiddler Kelly Thibodeaux of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Etouffee (say a-two-fay) combines red hot fiddle, shufflin' rhythm and blues, and kickin' Southern rock to create an exciting new sound know as Swamp Rock. This is music that will roll you down Bourbon Street or lead you into the darkest swamps; music so eminently danceable no one—young or old—can resist. Don't miss this free event, it's music for all of us!

Be a Star!!!

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR ORAFS RAFFLE & AUCTION

Steve Wille, 2nd year Raffle and Auction Chair, reports that auction and raffle preparations are underway, but your help is needed. Steve writes, "There's a lot of wheels spinning, but not a lot of movement, but I expect that to change real soon." If you have helped arrange for a donation in the past, please call your contact now and arrange for a donation for the 2000 Annual Meeting in February, and drop Steve an email to let him know a donation is on its way. If you have an item or trip you would like to donate, call Steve Wille (Statewide Chair), Doug Young (Eastside), or Bill Warnecke (Eugene and South) and they can take care of some "painless" paperwork. Also, if you have a suggestion for a potential donor, and would rather not contact them personally, call Steve, Doug, or Bill and they will make the request on behalf of AFS. Steve demonstrated his auction and raffle savvy at last year's meeting, but any assistance people can give would be appreciated. This is a major fundraising effort for the Oregon Chapter so your help is essential to our success.

During the next month, Steve will be on the phone contacting some of our past supporters. If you have donated in the past and have not yet been contacted, please take a minute to contact Steve and let him know what you'll be donating. Your generous contributions are tax deductible and help fuel the good work and activities of the Chapter. Don't delay, donate today! You can also do your part by purchasing lots of raffle tickets and bidding on the auction items at the Thursday night banquet. *And.. .Yes! We will have another Tomelleri original for the Thursday night auction, probably one of the Oregon fish Tomelleri saw on his 1999 trip to our great state.*

**To donate a raffle or auction & raffle item, make a contact or suggestion get in touch with:
Steve Wille: 503-231-6179; Steve_Wille@fws.gov Doug Young, 541-383-7146 Ext 201;
Doug_Young@fws.gov (Eastern Oregon); Bill Warnecke, 541-541-607-0160; warnckew@efn.org
(Eugene and South)**

The Oregon Chapter is a not-for-profit organization, so your donations are tax-deductible. For a donation tracking form, contact Loretta Brenner, Administrative Assistant, 541-753-0442 or brennerl@peak.org
THANKS! THANKS! THANKS!

Please distribute this information...

**2000 Oregon Chapter AFS
Teacher Workshop**

**EFFECTIVE AQUATIC MONITORING PROGRAMS IN OUR
SCHOOLS**

**Saturday, April 15, 2000
Oregon State University, Corvallis
9am—5pm**

For the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds, monitoring and evaluating progress are critical elements in meeting watershed restoration goals. The Oregon Chapter of AFS recognizes that students and their teachers can contribute to these monitoring efforts and help conserve aquatic resources. These efforts can also increase environmental awareness, expand the knowledge base and foster stewardship for the entire community.

The purpose of this workshop is to help teachers increase the effectiveness of their student monitoring programs. Aquatic scientists will provide guidance and context for appropriate scientific study designs that are compatible with statewide monitoring guidelines. An interactive agenda will allow workshop participants to trouble-shoot problems encountered in their school monitoring programs, and design valid experiments for testing hypotheses related to aquatic restoration activities. We will discuss why monitoring is important, the relevance of spatial and temporal scales in which monitoring takes place, and the dual opportunity monitoring provides students for learning and serving their community.

The workshop will be held on the OSU campus from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, at no charge to teachers. Teachers wishing to apply for professional certification credit from OSU may do so at the workshop.

**For more information, and/or to receive a registration form, contact:
Kathryn Staley; kathryn.staley@orst.edu; 541-737-1972;
Judy Li; judith.li@orst.edu; 541-737-1093; or
Loretta Brenner, brennerL@peak.org**

Total enrollment is limited to 35 and preference will be given to middle and high school teachers who apply by March 15th. We will confirm all accepted registrants by April 1, 2000, via e-mail where possible.

History in the Making!

MEET THE 2000-2001 OREGON AFS EXCOM CANDIDATES

At this point we have an excellent (and currently uncontested) slate of candidates, and including a late breaking nominee for Secretary-Treasurer. There is still time to step forward and run for an office, or nominate someone else; all members are eligible. Nominations will be accepted up to, and during, the Business Meeting at the Annual Meeting in February. Executive Committee positions are non-stop action and entertainment, and the benefits can't be beat! It's an excellent way to contribute to your profession and the Oregon Chapter. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, contact Tim Hardin, Past President and Nominations Chair, **541-758-1758; hardint@peak.org** Elections will be held at the annual meeting in February, 2000, and one-year terms begin Sept. 1, 2000. If you cannot attend the Annual Meeting, please vote by proxy (see form at the bottom of the next page).

Nominee for President-elect:

Tony Faast

Tony holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Wildlife Management from Oregon State University and a Masters of Science degree in Outdoor Education from Southern Oregon State College. A 20-year career with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has included positions as hatchery technician, hunter education coordinator, habitat staff biologist, education supervisor and as that agency's first public involvement coordinator. Joining the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 1993, Tony was involved in the initial development of a pioneering outreach effort to bring a new approach to interacting with the many and varied publics of the Service. He is currently serving a Staff Biologist for the Division of Federal Aid in the Pacific Region of the Service.

"The early 80's saw the AFS sponsored effort that resulted in the Riparian Tax Incentive Program, a recognition by scientists that we needed the help of landowners to share the task of helping fish. The Oregon Salmon Plan is a modern extension of that effort. With everyone now helping us restore habitats and fish, it's no longer our task find partners in fish management, but to keep the *science* part alive and well in those endeavors. In the old days there was just science—a word that needed no more explanation. Now apparently, there is "good science" (what you have)... "bad science" (what they have)...and my personal favorite... "sound science" (what politicians hope you have)! One role we can play as AFS members, is to make sure there is still a lot of *fisheries* science in the 'save the salmon' equation."

Tony is a wildlife biologist with 20 years of experience conducting public involvement activities with state and federal natural resource agencies. Successfully facilitating many task groups, commissions, public meetings and strategy sessions, often under trying circumstances, has earned him the coveted title of *Combat Facilitator*.

Nominee for Vice President:

Amy Stuart

I am a fisheries and wildlife biologist for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. I work in Prineville for the High Desert Region as the Hydropower program biologist (for 51% of the land mass of the state!) for the Hood, Deschutes, Owyhee and Klamath River basins. I have an undergraduate degree in wildlife biology from Cornell University, and a graduate degree in wildlife management from Colorado State University. I have a medley of work experiences including working in forestry, mined land reclamation, fish transport on the Columbia River, trapping boomers in the Oregon coast range, and a variety of others. For the past 16 years, I have worked for ODFW in ocean salmon management, habitat restoration, as a district biologist for 10 years, and now hydro relicensing.

The past-president of the Oregon Chapter, Tim Hardin, offered me this brilliant opportunity to serve with Oregon AFS, of which I have been a regular attendee of meetings, with only one presentation under my belt, but with lots of enthusiasm. After 10 years in an ODFW district, all those evening and weekend and 80 hour work weeks are fading into distant memories, and it's time to fill my life with a big picture look at working in fisheries statewide since my job only covers slightly over half of the state. I also regularly travel in my job, so what's a little more?

The Oregon Chapter of AFS has been a leading chapter and sets a fine example nationwide for native fish and habitat restoration. I would like to be a part of our fine chapter and serve in a capacity that will help to work toward restoring aquatic ecosystems from more than just a hydro power perspective. While I don't have any chapter position experience I do have a lot agency experience that I can contribute to the Society. I look forward to serving the Chapter.

Nominee for Internal Director:

Suzanne Knapp

The opportunity to become involved in the Oregon Chapter AFS was extended to me twice; I took it up the second time. I have been a member and attended annual meetings off and on for the past 10 years, taking a back seat to full participation. With nudging, I decided now is the time to get involved.

I have been working for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife for 10 years as a fisheries research biologist. Most of that time has been as project leader for passage and outmigration studies on the Umatilla River in northeastern Oregon. Prior work with other agencies was mostly on mainstem passage. Past and present work experience has given me skills in management, teamwork, and organization. I am also involved in my community, serving to coordinate events for an environmental group. Within the Chapter, I served as co-chair to the Information and Education committee several years past. These skills and experiences have prepared me for the position for which I am ready and willing to fill. Those who know me, know that I am a conscientious worker, dedicated to fulfilling duties and responsibilities to the best of my ability. Serving the Chapter as Internal Director would be an honor.

Nominee for External Director:

Peter Lickwar

I am a fish and wildlife biologist for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Portland, Oregon. I work with hydroelectric power projects all over Oregon, and am currently involved in several high profile relicensings. As part of my work I also address Endangered Species Act compliance, project operations, water quality, minimum flows, habitat improvement, wildlife, and virtually anything else that can come up as a hydro project issue.

I do not completely understand what I'm signing onto as External Director. However as you can see from my job description I'm very used to getting myself involved in complex and time consuming actions. Hey, being External Director can't be worse than trying to relicense a major hydro project, right? My work on such projects have given a lot of experience in juggling many responsibilities at once. I've also been able to hone my skills in developing relationships, negotiating, and coordinating multiple activities. I'm quite certain that these abilities will all be needed for the position of External Director.

I would enjoy the opportunity to serve the AFS here in Oregon. The organization has consistently worked to benefit natural resources in Oregon, and I would like to be an active part of the AFS's continuing efforts to conserve and restore Oregon's environment.

Nominee for Secretary-Treasurer:

Joan Baker

I am a researcher and Team Leader at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Western Ecology Division in Corvallis. I received my Ph.D. in fisheries from Cornell University in 1981 and M.S. in limnology from the University of Wisconsin. Since moving to Oregon in 1992, my work has been more managerial than hands-on research. I lead a team of 12 scientists at EPA evaluating the effects of large-scale landscape change on stream condition and wildlife, particularly within the Willamette Basin. From a practical perspective, my experience managing budgets and research programs within EPA should have prepared me well to serve as Secretary/Treasurer for the Oregon AFS. More importantly, I would welcome the opportunity to contribute to an AFS Chapter that plays such an important role in the scientific and policy debates in the region.

PROXY ELECTION 2000

USE THIS TO VOTE FOR OFFICERS IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND THE MEETING

If you are unable to attend the Business Meeting at the 2000 Oregon Chapter Annual Meeting, you may ask another member to cast a vote on your behalf. Proxies will be accepted only if signed by a current Oregon Chapter member and if presented by another Oregon Chapter member during the election at the business meeting, to the meeting chairperson.

As a current member of the Oregon Chapter of AFS, I hereby give

_____ permission to cast my vote during the 2000 Chapter Annual Meeting. I have instructed her/him, as my representative, to vote for candidates for office and on other issues that come before the membership at the 2000 Annual Business Meeting, February 17, 2000.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

CONSERVE PAPER GET YOUR NEWSLETTER ONLINE!

With the intent to save paper and reduce mailing costs. The Oregon Chapter of AFS is offering you the option to receive your newsletter online. The *Piscatorial Press* is available quarterly on the Oregon Chapter AFS homepage:

www.orst.edu/groups/orafs

You can also download back issues from the *Piscatorial Press* as well. If you prefer getting your newsletter online only, please email Loretta Brenner, brennerL@peak.org and request that your name be removed from the Oregon Chapter newsletter mailing list. There may be some overlap in mailed and email notices as we convert to the new system. Thanks for your patience!

The Finer Points of Great Slide Presentations

The advantage of the Hilton Eugene and Conference Center is they can comfortably accommodate all of us. ***This means presentation rooms will be larger and filled with more folks.*** BE PREPARED! Plan your slides and overheads accordingly. Make sure people in the back of the room can see your tables and figures and get the most out of your presentation. **Your visuals need to be readable from at least 50 feet on an 8 foot screen.** You've worked long and hard on your research, don't short change yourself with weak visuals.

The clarity of your slides can make or break your talk. Please keep in mind the following points as you prepare your slides:

- 1. Use a font size no smaller than 26 point, bold letters, & sans serif fonts.**
- 2. Use contrasting color combinations and avoid busy backgrounds.**
- 3. When possible use graphs instead of tables. If you use a table, maximum size is 6 rows by 6 columns.**
- 4. Keep graphs simple. Label all axes, use large font, and avoid using gridlines.**
- 5. Keep wording short and simple. Be brief.**
- 6. If you can read your graphics from 50 feet, chances are your audience can too!**
- 7. Have Fun!**

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