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OREGON CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Dear friends and colleagues,

As I write what will be my final President's Corner, I find myself reflecting on what a "long strange trip" it has been. 2020 was a challenging, dynamic and, yes, strange year to be President of the Oregon Chapter. Some of the issues were large, much larger than ORAFS, such as the global pandemic, the social justice movement and political upheaval. Others were much smaller and more personal, such as the realization that this will probably be the first ORAFS Executive Committee in history that will never have spent a single second in the same physical space together. I feel some sadness at the opportunities for connections missed and the good times never had but my overriding feeling is one of gratitude.

Gratitude for the hard-working, long-suffering professionals who found a way to reimagine how ORAFS conducted its business and kept the chapter active, vibrant and relevant through the toughest year I've endured in my relatively short life. The ORAFS Executive Committee found ways to conduct Spring and Fall planning retreats virtually and transact chapter business via email, phone, text and Zoom. We executed an Annual Meeting that held to the highest professional traditions of ORAFS. We reimagined and leveraged the opportunities of the virtual space to provide lower costs, expand access and try new formats. Some things worked, some will require more thought, but overall the feedback was positive. Moreover, the meeting was a financial success securing funding for the Chapter's important support for aquatic sciences and professionals for 2021. The External and Internal Committees continued to award scholarships, provide position papers on important regulatory and legislative topics, and put on virtual events that provided opportunities for social connection while physically distant. Oh yeah, and we won the Western Division Chapter of the Year Award! There are many accomplishments both large

and small that required a team effort that we can all be proud of as individuals and a Chapter.

None of the achievements above would have been possible without the engagement of too many members to name. As I've said before, there is no "ORAFS." We are ORAFS. We are a volunteer-led, volunteer-run organization and that is perhaps our greatest strength. If you have a passion, if you have an interest, if you even have a couple of good ideas you'd like to pursue, consider getting involved in one of our Internal (<https://orafs.org/internal-committee/>) or External (<https://orafs.org/external-committee/>) Committees. There's a diversity of options that provide opportunity for every talent and interest. If you're looking to take on a leadership role, consider serving on the Executive Committee (<https://orafs.org/executive-committee/>). Again, there's a role for every talent and skill set including those you didn't even know you had. I doubt Andrea Carpenter knew back in January that she was a virtual meeting web design virtuoso.

Finally, I'd like to reiterate the gratitude I feel towards my fellow 2020 ExCom, Internal and External Committees and the members at large who've given so freely of their time and talents. I feel I can speak for most when I say this has been a difficult and challenging year personally and professionally. The successes we have had would not have been possible without the contributions of each and every one of you. I've been humbled to serve you as President and I look forward to my Past President year. My sincere thanks, heartiest congratulations and best wishes to you all!



Peter Stevens,  
President  
[President@orafs.org](mailto:President@orafs.org)

# EXTERNAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Hi Everyone,

Hope your winter was well and your 2021 is off to a good start. Let me begin with a quick recap of what the membership was working on this winter of 2021:

As some of you may know, much time was spent by your committees preparing for the Oregon AFS annual meeting that was held early this March. I would also like to acknowledge all the hard work by our both our professional and student volunteers that helped make the annual meeting such a smooth operating success this year. This was our first online or virtual event in the membership's history, so all of you that participated in some way from just attending, setting up, or volunteering made history this year, congratulations and thank you for your dedication.

We do not know yet what the future will bring with the general population getting more vaccinated. Will we continue to offer online options in the future? I would like to hear how your experience was this year with not only Oregon but other chapters, divisions, and the national meetings going online. Would you be in favor of keeping an online component in the foreseeable future for the Oregon chapter? Is there something that the other meetings did that you liked that you would like to see implemented at the ORAFS meeting? I would like to say that I really liked the ability to catch the talks that I was unable to attend, either due to work or familial duties. I hope that we can keep this portion of the format into the future, as it allows me to keep up with the chapter science scene even if I am not able to attend in person. Please feel free to drop me or any of my ORAFS colleagues a line about how well you liked or what you did not like about the conference and how we can improve the experience for you.

## Climate Adaptation Committee:

Thank you Kris Hormel for your service as chair of the Climate Adaptation Committee Chair and congratulations to Kara Anlauf-Dunn for taking the reins.

## Diversity Equity Inclusion Committee:

Here's an article detailing our DEI committee chair and fellow Pacific Northwest Treaty Tribal members and their experience with dwindling salmon runs while maintaining fishing traditions: [Swimming Upstream | Ethos | dailymerald.com](#)

## Legislative Committee:

Oregon Legislative Bills

- The Legislative Committee should limit advocacy and focus on science-based responses.

- Following fish passage bill (HB 2610). Legislative Committee drafted letter in opposition to this bill. The Executive Committee voted to support the opposition of HB-2610 due to provisions in bill that would weaken or dismiss protections of salmonid habitat and passage.
- Tracking SB 301 (gill net prohibition) and SB 592 (use of lead in fishing and hunting).
- The Oregon Legislature has been on a slow path again this session due to a Republican walkout.
- Simpson Plan Letter: Executive Committee voted to abstain due to language that would have detrimental impact on ESA-protections. Legislative Committee is working on drafting a response to letter.
- Support for Updating the Essential Salmonid Mapping Process and the Proposed 2021 ESH Map Updates

## Native Fish Committee:

The Covid vaccinations are beginning to gain steam, so we continue to be on track for a safe Nongame Native Fish Workshop featuring Sabretooth Salmon, September 1-2 near Madras, OR. It will be important to have received your Covid vaccination beforehand. Stay tuned for more regarding the workshop.

## Society News:

Mike Gauvin has become our chapter historian, congratulations on receiving the prestigious mantel. A big thank you to Jason Seals for handing over the torch and for your service to the Society.

I hope that your spring goes well and that you get out to enjoy the company of loved ones and the outdoors now that things appear to be getting better. Also, I would be remiss in saying here is to an improving spring chinook run this year.



*Ryan Branstetter,*  
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## MHCC STUDENT SUBUNIT UPDATE

Mt. Hood Community College's AFS student subunit has found ways to keep busy this spring, both virtually and in-person. The first ever virtual ORAFS conference kept us all on our toes but provided incredible learning and networking opportunities. Both the student-mentor mixer and the student-student mixer made quite a splash, and we would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone involved.

This spring, classes continue to be on Zoom, but our subunit is planning a socially distanced clamming trip to the Oregon coast. What better way to build comradery safely than digging furiously together after the ever-elusive Razor Clams? On April 24th, MHCC will host a cleanup event on campus in partnership with the Sandy River Watershed Council. Fisheries and natural resource students are working together to plan this event in honor of Earth Day, so make sure to join the cleanup crew if you're in the area!

Lastly, our second-year fisheries students will be migrating out to new seas of opportunity soon. We are so thankful for the contributions of our outgoing president and student liaison, Kaylea Berry, as well as our outgoing vice-president, treasurer, and social media representative, Rudy Busch, Brenden Churchwell, and Matt Gonzalez, respectively. New officers will be elected this spring to carry on the AFS legacy as MHCC.

If you have any questions or comments for the subunit, please contact: [mhcc.orafs.subunit@gmail.com](mailto:mhcc.orafs.subunit@gmail.com).

Gina Maag  
MHCC Student Subunit Secretary



*MHCC first year students getting ready to conduct stream surveys on Beaver Creek.*

## OSU STUDENT SUBUNIT UPDATE

Winter term at Oregon State University went smoothly and our subunit was able to host some great events, despite still being online. We are looking forward to the opportunities that Spring will bring for more fun events! During Winter term, we focused on finding ways to keep our subunit connected and engaged. We hosted a Zoom meeting to get to know all of our new members and to get some ideas for the Spring, had weekly leadership team meetings, and got to have a Q&A session with Nicole Hams, a fisheries biologist from the USFWS. Everyone that attended the annual meeting had a great time, especially attending the student-mentor and student-student mixers and hearing the amazing variety of talks that were available. One of our main events was an outreach event for local students where our TWS liaison Daniel Gillies instructed them how to dissect owl pellets. It was a great opportunity to have some fun, learn about wildlife, and learn how to organize outreach events during COVID. We are looking forward to hosting a virtual Gyotaku fish printing workshop with Bruce Koike this Spring and carrying on our tradition of this event. We hope that everyone has a wonderful start to Spring and we appreciate all of the hard work that ExCom has put into making this year great!

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The Native Fish Committee of the  
Oregon Chapter American Fisheries Society  
and  
The Earth Sciences Department of the University of Oregon  
Presents  
**The 2021 Nongame Native Fish Workshop**  
The 2021 Featured Species  
**Sabretooth Salmon**



Sabretooth Salmon (*Oncorhynchus rastronus*)

Illustration courtesy of UO

**September 1-2, 2021 Near Madras, Oregon**

The Native Fish Committee of the Oregon Chapter American Fisheries Society organizes annual field workshops featuring nongame native fish in Oregon. This year, the committee and Paleontologists from the University of Oregon will study the Sabretooth Salmon (from the paleontological record) near Madras, Oregon. We will hear presentations and engage in discussions regarding the species, dig for their fossils in a nearby pit, and observe their past habitat to assist workshop participants' understanding of the species.

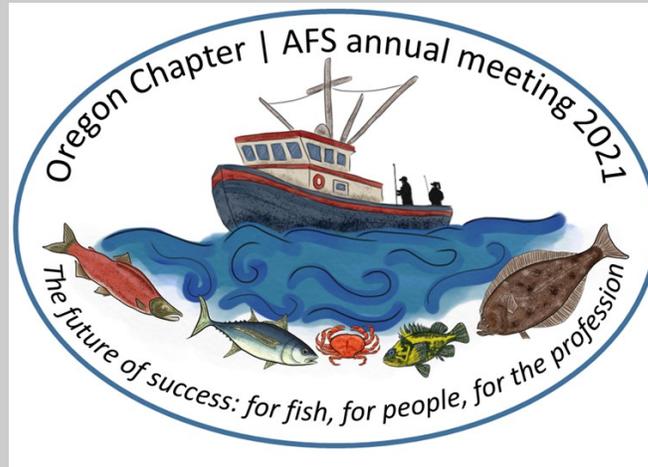
There is no charge to participate in the workshop. All biologists and paleontologists are welcome to participate and students are encouraged to attend. The pit is located on private land, so all participants must be covered by health insurance, per landowner requirement. Presentations and camping will occur at the Trout Creek property, owned by Portland General Electric. It is 4 miles down a dirt road beyond a locked gate at the intersection of NE Clemens Dr. and NE Coleman Rd. We will meet in Madras at noon, September 2nd, at the NE corner of the Madras Safeway parking lot and caravan behind the gate together. Electricity, and a restroom occur at the PGE site. Our presentations will occur in a barn onsite. Bring your own water, camping gear, and a camp chair for the presentations in the barn. Dinner and evening refreshments will be provided September 2nd (Courtesy of ORAFS), but bring your own food for other meals.

The workshop will start noon September 1st at the NE corner of the Madras Safeway parking lot (80 NE Cedar St, Madras, OR). We will proceed to the PGE property, 4 miles behind a locked gate, where we will engage in presentations and camp. The morning of September 2nd, we will dig for Sabretooth Salmon fossils at a nearby pit, under the guidance of paleontologists from the University of Oregon. The workshop will end at 1:00 PM on September 2nd. **If you plan to attend, please RSVP James Capurso, ORAFS Native Fish Committee Chair, at [james.capurso@usda.gov](mailto:james.capurso@usda.gov), by August 15, 2021.**

# ANNUAL MEETING RECAP

## 57<sup>th</sup> ORAFS Annual Meeting Everywhere, USA March 3-5, 2021

### THE FUTURE OF SUCCESS: FOR FISH, FOR PEOPLE, FOR THE PROFESSION



Here are a few highlights:

- **This was ORAFS first ever virtual meeting!**
- Three great plenary speakers, one each day
  - Chris Free, UC Santa Barbara
  - Lauren Rogers, NMFS Alaska Fisheries Science Center
  - Brittany King, Oregon State University
- 322 Registrants from 9 different states, including regular members, retired members, student members, non-members, and four high school participants!
- These registrants came from a wide variety of state and federal agencies, NGOs, tribal organizations, consulting and other businesses, academic institutions, and more.
- Four vendors, and 16 sponsors
- 11 sessions over three days: 98 talks, 12 posters

The Planning Team is very grateful to all the attendees, sponsors, and donors for supporting the 2020 Annual Meeting! Special thanks to Andrea Carpenter for all her work wrangling CVent and to Christina Linkem, Alvaro Cortes, and the OSU and MHCC students who made the technical session and break rooms work like a charm!

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THE FUTURE OF SUCCESS: FOR FISH, FOR PEOPLE,  
FOR THE PROFESSION

A HUGE Thank You to the Audio-Visual Volunteers! We  
couldn't have done it without you!!



Pictured, upper left to lower right: Kelsi Antonelli, Alvaro Cortes, Sarah Wright, Madeline Hicks, Jan Arif, Christina Linkem, Ezmie Trevarrow, Claire Rosemond, and Janelle Layton. Not Pictured: Mee-ya Monnin.

# ANNUAL MEETING RECAP-CONT'D

## Posters and Presentations

Fisheries Science Success in a No-Analog Future 2 2/17/21

### Model Evaluations: Point Estimate (Method)

**Existing Model (Joint State)**

- Tag rate expansion

$$\hat{h}_{t,i} = \frac{CWT_{t,i}/t_{fi}}{\sum_{i=1}^n CWT_{t,i}/t_{fi}} * H_t$$

- No formal likelihood framework

**Alternative #1**

- Tag rate expansion within a multinomial likelihood framework
- Bayesian model with Jeffreys (uninformative) prior

Note: We assume total harvest  $H_t$  is known without error

Fisheries Education and Outreach 2/17/21

Fisheries Legislation and Policy 2/17/21

### Mixed-stock fisheries aren't going away

Logos for: SALMON, OREGON Fish & Wildlife, WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, CALIFORNIA FISH & WILDLIFE, NOAA FISHERIES, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Pesca et Océanos Canada.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Special thank you to Mike Gauvin for the meeting screen shots!

### Uncertain Climate

- A complete change of the ecosystem
- Moving baselines (aspirational vs plausible)
- Climate change as a scapegoat?
- Happening faster than in our control
- What is in our control?
- Can we adapt?



### "Fisheries Science Success in a No-analog Future"



- Only 10% of tagged individuals used thermal refuge habitat during the summer of 2020
- All employed all 3 tactics for coping with high temperatures (largescale movement to cool tributary, short movement to cool microhabitats, and warm water tolerance) suggesting population adaptive capacity in warmer future
- Fish in coldwater alcoves or the Mckenzie displayed substantially cooler internal temperatures than those who remained in the mainstem Willamette
- Individuals who used thermal refuge habitats were larger than the average size of tagged individuals
- Migratory fish shows restricted homorange size during this slice of ontogeny



Sport Groundfish Onboard Sampling Program

**Potential Benefits**

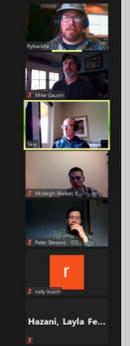
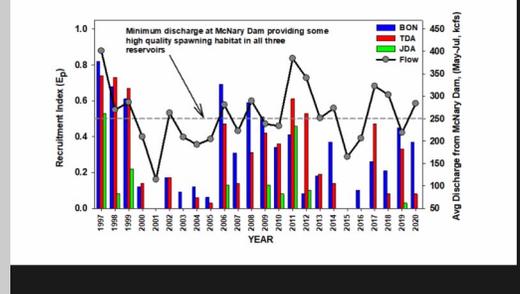
- An additional monitoring resource for the recreational fishery
- Address the uncertainty currently associated with bycatch data
- More representative data
  - More data collected on landed catch
  - Enhanced data collection on bycatch



### Thunder Struck - A June Storm Triggers Downstream Salmon Migration!!!!

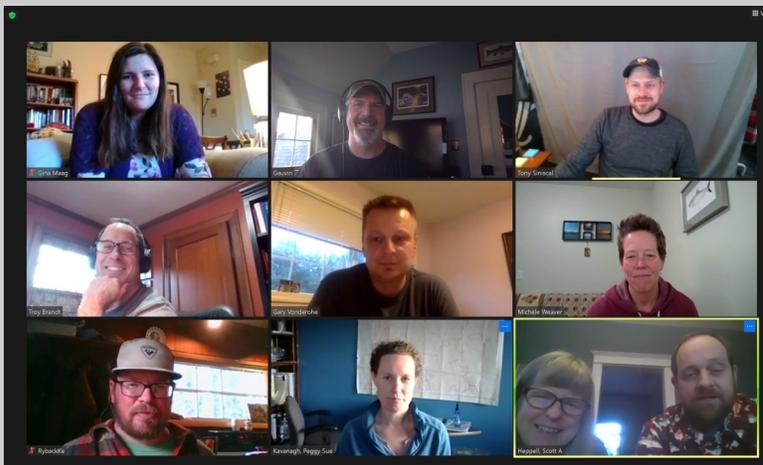
Includes a table with columns for Date, Time, Location, and other data points.

Video call thumbnails for participants: Hazani, Layla Fe..., Armstrong, Bria..., Colleen Fagan.



# ANNUAL MEETING RECAP-CONT'D

## Mentoring, Happy Hours & Auction



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#51 : Redband Trout Print ☆ f t

**Bidding ends in 4m 5s** + anti-sniping  
 on March 5th 2021 12:30:00 PM  
 Anti-sniping extension is active  
 New bids may extend closing time due to anti-sniping rules

**Current high bid \$277.00 by Logan Breshears**

The next bid must be at least \$279.00

\$  .00

Quick bid mode

Place as proxy bid? (What is a proxy bid?)

You are bidding as Mike Gauvin (mikegauvin429@gmail.com)

11.25" x 20.5" Redband Trout Print by Joseph Tomelleri

Print is unframed and will be shipped to the winner. Contact Michele Weaver (michele.h.weaver@state.or.us) to arrange shipment/pick-up.

Bidding History



Donated by ORAFS

# AND THE AWARD GOES TO...

The 2021 Annual Meeting was a place to share ideas, learn about state-of-the-art research, visit with old friends, and meet new friends. It was also a place to recognize the achievements of our colleagues. This year's professional awards were expertly managed by Colleen Fagan and the Awards Committee. Congratulations to the award winners, and thanks to all of the members who submitted nominations and reviewed the awards nominations.

- ◆ The **Award of Merit** is awarded to individuals, groups, or organizations that have made special contributions to fisheries. This year's recipients were **Greg Taylor** for his efforts and achievements bettering fishery resources throughout the Willamette Basin, and **Tony Siniscal and Troy Brandt** for their leadership in ensuring the Oregon Chapter's financial sustainability.

## AWARD OF MERIT Greg Taylor



## Award of Merit Tony Siniscal and Troy Brandt



Scott Heppell's Tuna Fishing Trip – The Auction is Open. Current Bid = \$900



Crabbing and fishing with Gary Vonderoe!



No award given for Fishery Team of the Year or the Broken Oar in 2021.

# AND THE AWARD GOES TO...(CONTINUED)

- ◆ The **Bill Wingfield Memorial Award in Fish Culture** goes to individuals or groups that have contributed significantly to advancing fish culture in Oregon. This year's recipient was **Kurt Kremers** for all his efforts to improve hatchery and natural production in Oregon.

Bill Wingfield  
Memorial Award in Fish Culture  
Kurt Kremers



- ◆ The Chapter's **Fishery Worker of the Year Award** is presented annually to an individual responsible for substantial single or sustained accomplishments above and beyond their regular job. This year's recipient was **Chrissy Murphy** for her great work in understanding the complexities of food webs in Willamette Valley reservoirs and for her efforts to recognize the achievements of women in fisheries.

FISHERY WORKER OF THE YEAR  
Dr. Christina Murphy



- ◆ The Chapter's most prestigious award is the **Lifetime Achievement Award**, presented to someone who goes above and beyond year after year and has made a substantial lifetime contribution to fisheries. This year's recipients were **Dr. David Noakes** (posthumously) for his dedication to the study and conservation of fishes and **Ed Bowles** for his remarkable career as a visionary leader in fish management.

## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

**"For those that go above and beyond year after year and have made a substantial lifetime contribution to fisheries"**



**"Our followers will stand on his shoulders for decades to come, a transformational foundation of conservation and sustainable fisheries"**



## AND THE AWARD GOES TO...(CONTINUED)

### Student Scholarship Recipients

The 2021 ORAFS student scholarships were awarded to:

Kaylea Berry, Associate's Degree, Mt. Hood Community College

Elena Eberhardt, Bachelor's Degree, Oregon State University

Geoffrey Walker, Master's Degree, Oregon State University

Lauren Diaz, Doctoral Degree, Oregon State University

The Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Scholarship was awarded to Zowie DeLeon, Oregon State University.

Gwen Bury and the Scholarship Committee did a great job managing the scholarship process and evaluating the worthy applicant pool.

### Best Student Paper and Poster

The Best Student Paper Award went to Benjamin Americus, Oregon State University

The Best Student Poster Award went to Ezmie Trevarrow, Oregon State University

Ivan Arismendi, Maryam Kamran and Gwen Bury did an excellent job planning for these important awards. Many thanks to Ivan, Maryam, and Gwen and the team of volunteer judges who helped make these awards possible!

**Congratulations everyone! Keep up the good work!**



## APPRECIATION AWARDS

**Becky Flitcroft** received the Past President Award for her years of service. Thank you to Becky for your leadership, guidance, and dedication to the Chapter.



## THANK YOU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE!

Thank you to all the attendees, volunteers, presenters, moderators, donators, and sponsors; this meeting would not have been possible without all of your efforts and contributions. Special thanks and acknowledgement to the 2020-2021 ExCom, for a year of behind-the-scenes planning: **President-elect Scott Heppell, President Peter Stevens, Past President Becky Flitcroft, Vice President Todd Hanna, Secretary Andrea Carpenter, Treasurers Elizabeth Moats & Becky Flitcroft, Internal Director Peggy Kavanagh, External Director Ryan Branstetter, and Student Representatives Annika Carlson, Caleb Yann, and Kaylea Berry.** Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication to the Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society.

## WELCOME TO THE 2021-2022 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE!

The new officers are:

President-Elect : Chris Hirsch , USFS  
 Vice President: Victoria Quenessen,  
 Treasurer: Adrienne Averett, ODFW

The returning officers are:

President: Scott Heppell OSU  
 Past President: Peter Stevens, ODFW  
 Internal Director: Peggy Kavanagh, ODFW  
 External Director: Ryan Branstetter, CRITFC  
 Secretary: Andrea Carpenter, ODFW

## LATE (BUT NOTEWORTHY) NEWS

### The Upper Willamette Stewardship Network (UWSN) wins National AFS and Western Division awards!

The 2020 President's Fishery Conservation Award (non-AFS Member/Unit) and 2020 Conservation Achievement Award were awarded to the Network that is made up of five non-profit agencies. These agencies are the McKenzie, Long Tom, Middle Fork Willamette, and Coast Fork Willamette watershed councils, and the McKenzie River Trust.

From the nominating letter signed by 26 multi-agency, academic, and corporate supporters:

"These groups realized that the environmental challenges they were grappling with were beyond the capacity of any individual organization, and recognized that nature functions without regard for jurisdictional boundaries. The concept behind The Network is visionary. Instead of competing for funding and duplicating effort, they collaborate and communicate to identify, partition and plan projects and events to maximize efficiency and amplify the magnitude of aquatic resource conservation and ecological benefits in the upper Willamette Basin.

Over the past decade, members of the UWSN had become increasingly collaborative, partnering with each other, public agencies, landowners, and other community organizations on projects and long-term programs to increase conservation outcomes and community benefits in the upper portion of this watershed. These collaborative efforts were enhanced by deliberately aligning and coordinating activities among The Network's members and their partners. The Network is now able to submit grant applications for very large and complicated projects as the UWSN, a group much stronger than the sum of its parts.

The mission statement for the group is, "Working with communities to care for land and water in the upper Willamette Basin." Individually, their accomplishments range from habitat restoration, improving urban water quality, land acquisition and management, to education and outreach. Each member of the network has their own niche in addition to working specifically on projects within their own sub-basin."

## Congrats UWSN!

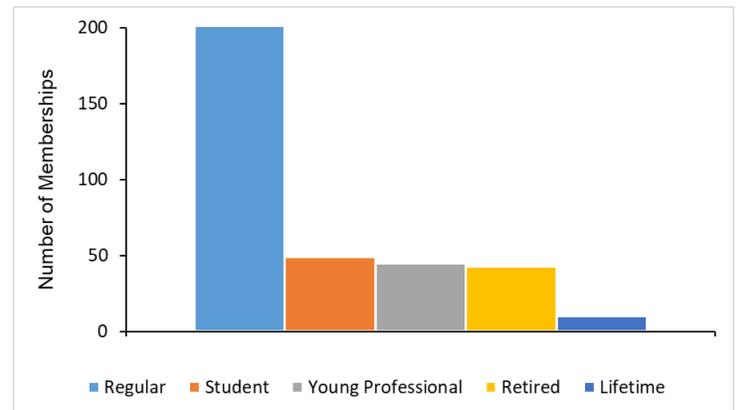


## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

On behalf of the Executive Committee, we would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's Annual Meeting, "The Future of Success: For Fish, For People, For the Profession." During the meeting, we were also honored to learn that we won the coveted Outstanding Large Chapter Award from Western Division AFS for 2021. While a discount on your meeting registration is a bonus to becoming an AFS member, there are so many additional benefits including to help fund the great work this outstanding chapter and further develop your career as a fisheries professional. If you are considering joining as a member, information on all of the benefits of membership are located at <https://fisheries.org/membership/>. Note that we also have lifetime memberships available in coordination with AFS Society level lifetime memberships. If you have any questions about memberships, please contact our chapter secretary, Andrea Carpenter.



Andrea Carpenter  
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*Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society comprised of 348 members as of March 2021, we have 348 members, mostly consisting of regular members. Membership is discounted based on career levels, making the benefits for students and young professionals more affordable.*

## BECOME A LIFETIME MEMBER OF ORAFS

Are you an AFS Life Member and interested in showing your life-long dedication to the Oregon Chapter? We have an Oregon Chapter Life Membership that allows you to do just that! The Oregon Chapter Life Membership costs \$125 or 12.5 times the Oregon Chapter annual membership rate. This relative cost difference mirrors the AFS Life Member cost. Show your dedication to the ORAFS legacy and invest in a membership that will pay off for a lifetime! Please contact Natalie Scheibel ([secretary@orafs.org](mailto:secretary@orafs.org)) for more information.

## PISCATORIAL PRESS: CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

**Do you have something newsworthy to share?**

**Hot Topics, Fishery Features, Upcoming Events...**

**Submissions from ORAFS members are welcome!**

Do you have an update on interesting work you would like to share with the membership? Are you interested in providing a Fishery Feature or a Hot Topic to tell the membership about your recent project? Do you have an upcoming event that you would like to advertise to the membership? If so, please submit your story or thoughts to Stacy Strickland at: [stacy.a.strickland@state.or.us](mailto:stacy.a.strickland@state.or.us). **Submission deadlines** for news items are: September 15; December 15; March 15; and June 15. The newsletter is published approximately three weeks after submissions are received. Submissions are used as time and space allows.

# SAVE THE DATE



## 151st Annual Meeting

BALTIMORE • NOVEMBER 6-10, 2021

### Investing in People, Habitat, and Science

The American Fisheries Society, President Brian Murphy, and the Potomac and Tidewater Chapters are excited to host the 151st AFS Annual Meeting, now rescheduled for November 6-10, 2021. Baltimore, also known as “Charm City,” is famous for its blue crabs and crab cakes, as well as a vibrant cargo port and numerous nearby fishing opportunities in the Chesapeake Bay, Patapsco River, and Gunpowder Falls State Park. Baltimore will be a fantastic location to continue to commemorate 150 years of fisheries science achievements, so be sure to join us for special celebrations throughout the conference. The past, present, and future of fisheries science will be on display as we bring together professionals from across North America and countries throughout the world under the theme of “Investing in People, Habitat, and Science.” We will solicit symposia topics, contributed papers, and posters that exemplify the latest research in fisheries science and that will benefit a range of audiences with the aim of advancing the science of fisheries ecology, conservation, and management.

<https://afsannualmeeting.fisheries.org/>

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**Marine Habitat & Ecology:** Michael Harte & Kelly

***Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Mission***

*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.*

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