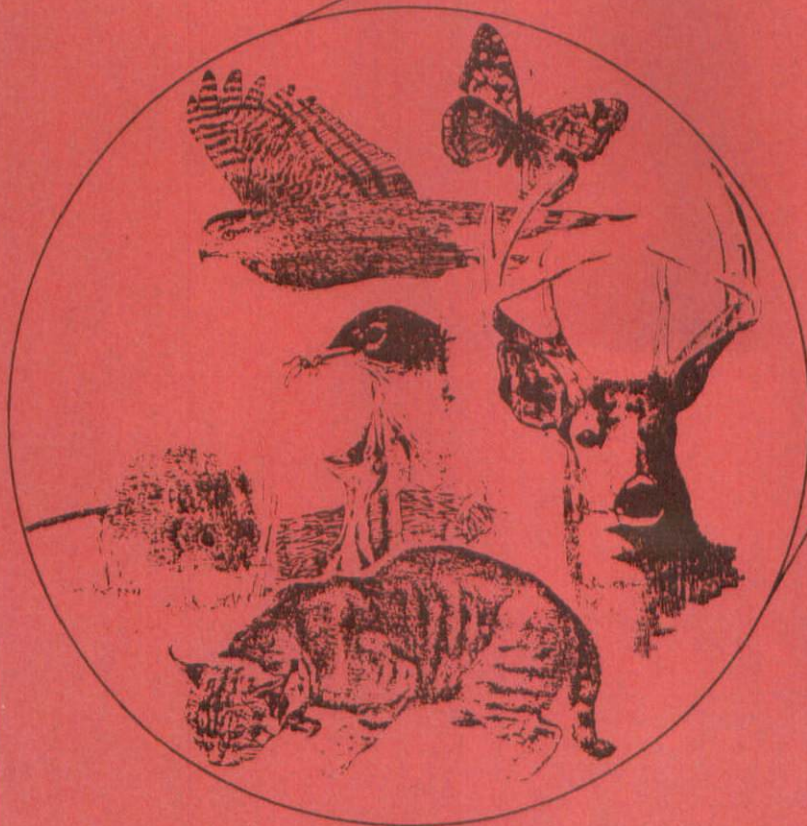




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INTRODUCTION

At their 1990 annual meeting, the members of the Washington Chapter of the Wildlife Society decided that a historical record of Chapter activities and highlights should be developed for the 1991 meeting, since this would be the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Washington Chapter. Reade Brown and Fred Martinsen were appointed to the Historical Committee. The following report represents our best effort at putting together the desired information.

In delving through the files we found that record keeping has been sporadic at best and often left large gaps in information about Chapter activities. Some of these gaps have been filled by relying on the memories of old-timers in the organization while in other cases the information simply was not available.

The Northwest Section of the Wildlife Society was formed in the early fifties and had been holding annual meetings that rotated around the states and provinces included in the section. However, by the early to mid-sixties, in an attempt to broaden participation in society affairs, the parent society started encouraging the establishment of state chapters. By 1965 state chapters had been established in Oregon, Idaho, and Montana.

In early 1966, with support from Fred Evenden, Executive Secretary of the Wildlife Society, Burton Lauckhart, Game Management Division Chief for the Department of Game, appointed a committee to study the feasibility of establishing a Washington state chapter. An informal meeting of Washington members was called in conjunction with the Northwest Section meeting on March 24, 1966 at LaGrande, Oregon.

After considerable discussion it was decided that a chapter should be established. For a chapter to be recognized, the National required a petition signed by at least 10 members in good standing with the national society. Those signing the petition for the Washington Chapter were: Wendell Dodge and Dan Campbell of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service; Bill Lawrence and Donald O. Swanson of Weyerhaeuser; Glen Crouch of the U.S. Forest Service; and Carl Crouse, Burton Lauckhart, Clar Pratt, Russ Hupe, and Reade Brown of the Washington Department of Game (Fig. 1). The petition was submitted to the parent Wildlife Society on April 5, 1966.

The first officers elected for the new chapter were Bill Lawrence, President; Jack Larson, Vice President; and Fred Martinsen, Secretary. Jack Larson invited the group to hold their first official meeting in Wenatchee and volunteered to be the program chairman. The meeting was held on June 24th and 25th. Table 1 shows the location and time of each annual meeting of the Chapter. In addition to organizing the first meeting for the Chapter, the new officers were also charged with developing a set of objectives and bylaws.

- PETITION -

Wildlife Petition to the Wildlife Society

The undersigned, all members in good standing of the Wildlife Society, petition the council for the formation of a Washington Chapter of the parent society. Dated April 5, 1966.

Wendell E. Sodge

William H. Lawrence

Don L. Campbell

Glenn L. Couch

C. Reade Brown

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Figure 1. A copy of the original petition to The Wildlife Society to form the Washington Chapter of The Wildlife Society.

Table 1. Location and dates of annual meetings of the Washington Chapter of The Wildlife Society, 1966 - 1991.

Year	Date	Location	President
1966	3/24-26	LaGrande, OR	Organizational/1
1966	6/24-25	Wenatchee	William Lawrence
1967	4/6-7	Moscow, ID	William Lawrence/2
1968	6/15-16	Yakima	David Riley
1969	8/11-13	Olympia	David Riley
1970	6/1-2	Vancouver	Fred Martinsen
1971	6/3-4	Wenatchee	Fred Martinsen
1972	5/20-21	Mt. Vernon	Glen Crouch
1973	6/1-2	Olympia	Glen Crouch
1974	5/17-18	Seattle	John Patterson
1975	4/25-26	Colville	John Patterson
1976	2/24-27	Yakima	Jim Rochelle
1977	5/6-7	Longview	Jim Rochelle/2
1978	9/29-30	Omak	Richard Poelker
1979	10/5-6	Port Angeles	Richard Poelker
1980	10/3-4	Pullman	Bruce Moorhead
1981	10/2-3	Olympia	Bruce Moorhead
1982	8/25-26	Port Townsend	Don Ziegler
1983	12/9-10	Richland	Don Ziegler
1984		No Annual Meeting Held	
1985	6/22	Seattle	Dave Brittell
1986	2/6	Olympia	Dave Brittell/3
1987	5/2	Seattle	Dave Brittell/4
1988	3/31	Chelan	Richard Fitzner/3
1989	2/22-24	Hood River, OR	Richard Fitzner/5
1990	2/28-3/2	Rippling River, OR	Harriet Allen/5
1991	4/18-20	Silverdale	Harriet Allen/2

1/ The Chapter was organized by Wildlife Society members from Washington State that were attending the Northwest Section meeting in LaGrande, OR.

2/ The only Chapter meetings in these years were held in conjunction with Northwest Section meetings.

3/ Meetings held in conjunction with USDA Forest Service Annual Biologists meetings.

4/ Joint meeting with the Pacific Northwest Bird and Mammal Society.

5/ Joint meetings with the Oregon Chapter of The Wildlife Society.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Washington Chapter as spelled out in the original bylaws were:

- A. To provide a medium for information exchange, (1) in-state -- between wildlife and related resource managers, and (2) between Chapter members, associates in other regions, and the parent Society.
- B. To promote public understanding of wildlife management principles.
- C. To develop, sustain, and give recognition to highest possible resource management standards among practicing wildlife biologists.
- D. To improve communication between Chapter members and the parent Society.
- E. To encourage all persons having interest in the management of wildlife resources in the State of Washington to affiliate with the Chapter.

Further objectives of the Chapter were to conform to the principles, policies, and objectives of the parent Society and to implement these objectives at the state and local level.

ADMINISTRATION

Specific details of administrative procedure were included in the Chapter bylaws. Officers of the Chapter consisted of a President, Vice-President or President-Elect, and a Secretary-Treasurer which were to be elected by the Chapter membership for two-year terms. The Chapter's governing body would consist of the officers, a three member Executive Board (also elected by the membership), and the immediate Past-President. All officers and board members had to be members in good standing of the parent Society and must reside in the state of Washington. Officers and board members could serve only one two-year term in office and were not eligible for re-election to the same position for two consecutive terms.

Committee chairpersons were to be selected and appointed by the President with advice from the Executive Board. In most cases members of committees would be selected by the chairperson. Appendix 1 lists the officers, board members, and committee chairpersons that were elected and appointed by year in as much detail as could be gleaned from the files.

MEMBERSHIP

All members of the Wildlife Society in good standing who reside, work, or study within the state of Washington were eligible for full membership in the Washington Chapter including the right to vote and hold office. There was also an affiliate member category available to those who did not qualify or did not choose to belong to the parent society. Affiliate members were entitled to all the privileges of the regular members but could not vote on society business affairs or hold office in the parent Society or the Chapter.

Chapter dues were originally established at one dollar. Regular dues were augmented by registration fees at annual meetings. These varied from year to year. In recent years various innovative techniques, including auctions and raffles, have been used to raise funds for Chapter activities.

COMMITTEES

Standing committees as established in the original bylaws were: Nominations, Membership, Program, Information and Education, and Resolutions and Public Statements. The Nominations, Membership, and Program committees are self-explanatory. The Information and Education Committee was established to promote the free exchange of technical information between professional wildlife workers, and to seek better understanding by the public of Society and Chapter activities and objectives.

The Resolutions and Public Statements Committee was restricted to taking actions only on those issues that would result in the betterment of the wildlife profession, The Wildlife Society, or the wildlife resource. Any Chapter member could submit resolutions or public statements to be considered by the committee. Actions involving new policy were required to be submitted to the membership for approval while those involving established policy could be acted upon by the Chapter officers with approval of the Executive Board.

Other standing and ad hoc committees were established from year to year as the need arose. Some of the more important of these included Endangered Species, Newsletter, Certification, and Fund Raising committees.

FUNCTIONS

The Washington Chapter holds one membership meeting per year. Dates of the meetings have varied from February to December and they have been held in all parts of the State (see Table 1). In addition, the President may call special meetings of the officers, executive board and/or committee chairpersons at any time the need arises. These

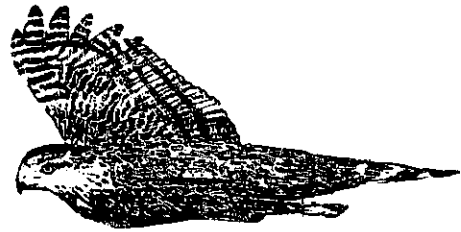
meetings have been open to any of the general membership that were interested in attending. Traditionally, a Chapter Executive Board meeting has been held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Northwest Section of the Wildlife Society.

The annual meetings have given a forum where special problems concerning wildlife in the state could be presented and discussed, research programs reviewed, and environmental issues examined. Special efforts have been made to encourage presentation of student research papers. In addition to the presentation of formal papers at the annual meetings, attempts have been made to conduct field trips to areas with special wildlife problems or where research was being conducted.

Other activities included examining environmental issues that affect the wildlife of the state and the preparation of written comments, positions statements, or resolutions to be presented to those with the authority to impact the direction that these issues would take. Efforts have been made to keep abreast of state and federal legislation that could impact our wildlife and to let legislators know our position. The Chapter has had some influence in the appointment of members of the Washington State Wildlife Commission and has sponsored candidates for national environmental awards.



ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS



1966

President Bill Lawrence gavelled the first annual meeting of the Washington Chapter to order in the Elks Lodge at Wenatchee on June 24, 1966. Jack Larson, serving as program chairman, had put together an impressive program. Attending the meeting and joining the Chapter as charter members were 94 individuals of whom 51 were members of the parent society. Chapter dues were \$1.00, registration was \$0.50 for members and \$1.00 for non-members, and banquet tickets were \$3.75 (Fig. 2).

The inaugural meeting got the Chapter off to a very auspicious beginning and probably created a bigger splash than any annual meeting since that date, but also came near to being its downfall! The meeting generated 138 column inches of publicity in the Wenatchee Daily World, more than the combined publicity from any 10 other annual meetings (Fig. 3). A major factor in this degree of publicity was having Justice William O. Douglas of the U.S. Supreme Court as the banquet speaker. Also contributing was the fact that the publisher of the Wenatchee World, Wilfred Woods, appeared on the program.

The formalized program consisted of four panel discussions held on June 24. The first of these was a discussion of "The Effects of River Basin's Development on Wildlife" chaired by Bernie Leman, Biologist with the Chelan County P.U.D. Mitigation of wildlife losses as a part of the basic development costs were emphasized.

The second panel, chaired by J. K. Blair, Supervisor of the Wenatchee National Forest, discussed "Wildlife Economics vs Washington's Population Explosion." This panel raised the question of whether user fees should or could cover the costs of wildlife maintenance and management.

The third panel, "Washington's Hen Pheasant Season", chaired by William Zimmer, President of the North Central Washington Sportsmen's Council, reviewed Washington's experimental hen pheasant season. The general consensus was that the program was proceeding in a satisfactory manner and should be continued to allow for development of more definitive information.

The final panel on "Management of the North Cascades", generated some of the most heated discussion of the meeting. Chaired by Dr. Victor Scheffer, Research Biologist with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the other panel members were: Clar Pratt, Information Officer with the Department of Game; Robert Bendt, Assistant Superintendent, Mt. Rainier National Park; Charles Banko, Leavenworth District Ranger,

Justice Douglas Will Highlight Meeting Here

Wildlife Society Formed

(Additional Story on Page 3)

U. S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, a national leader in the movement for conservation of natural resources, will speak in Wenatchee tonight.

Douglas' banquet speech will highlight a two-day charter meeting of the Washington State Chapter of The Wildlife Society, a national organization dedicated to proper wildlife management.

About 100 persons are attending the chapter's first formal meetings, including a number of officials from federal and state agencies in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and California.

Most of the sessions will consist of panel discussions of some of the problems facing persons interested in wildlife management, topped by an afternoon panel session today on the controversial question of management of the North Cascades.

All meetings are being held at the Wenatchee Elks Temple.

Justice Douglas is scheduled to arrive by chartered plane this evening in time to address the 7:30 p.m. buffet banquet. His attendance was made possible when the Supreme Court concluded its sessions earlier this week.

Chairmen of the various panel sessions today included Ber-

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NEW CHAPTER LEADERS — Among the early registrants for the charter meeting of the Washington Chapter of The Wildlife Society was Dr. Kenneth Hungerford, Moscow, Idaho, who received material from Mrs. John Patterson, Wenatchee. Others, from left, are William Lawrence, Centralia, president of the new chapter; Jack Larsen, Wenatchee, vice president, and C. Fred Martinsen, Walla Walla, secretary-treasurer.—Daily World Photo.

WILDLIFE

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nie Leman, biologist for the Chelan County PUD; J. K. Blair, supervisor of the Wenatchee National Forest; William Zimmer, Wilbur, president of the North Central Washington Sportsmen's Council, and Dr. Victor Scheffer, Seattle, research biologist for the Bureau of Sports Fisheries and Wildlife.

The charter for the new chapter will be presented by Dr. Kenneth Hungerford, professor of wildlife biology at the University of Idaho and a representative on the society's na-

tional committee.

President of the chapter is William Lawrence, Centralia, for wildlife research biologist for the Weyerhaeuser Co.

Jack Larsen, biologist for the Wenatchee National Forest until recently transferring to Seattle, is vice president of the state group and handling arrangements for the meetings.

Among those scheduled to at-

tend some or all of the meetings are J. Herbert Stone, Portland, regional forester for the U.S. Forest Service; John Biggs, director of the Wash-

ington State Department of Game; Dr. A. W. Stevenson, Yakima, president of the state sportsmen's council, and Patrick Goldsworthy, Seattle, president of the North Cascades Conservation Council.

Figure 2. Publicity in the Wenatchee Daily World concerning the formation of the Washington Chapter of The Wildlife Society.

Wildlife Panelists Back Season For Hen Pheasants

Washington's hen pheasant season should be continued until more studies have been made to determine its advantages and disadvantages.

That was the consensus of the panelists who spoke at a somewhat controversial meeting of the Chapter of the Washington Wildlife Society here Friday.

"We have great cats since the war or Game Wildlife Cor-

Howard continued, "other hand, I decided for a while that I will be able to leave this said Dr. A surge the State "We over the them

sex hunting," said Gardner. Richland, a commit-tee member of the Washington State Sportsmen's Council.

He called the hen season "amply justified in that it is not an addition to natural pheasants but a supplement to them."

Charge For A View, Wildlife Men Told

The day has come when people should pay a charge for seeing a beautiful sunset from a mountain top, a panel member suggested at the Washington Chapter Wildlife Society meeting in Wenatchee Friday.

The suggestion came from Tim Vaughn, of the Washington Water Power Co.

due to poor farming practice in leaving unharvested corn in the fields.

The loss was reduced the next year by using 285 tons of surplus corn from the Commodity Credit Corporation to help feed the mallards, said Halstead. Also, essay bag limits and other steps lowered the winter population to about 25,000 mallards.

Wildlife people have failed in the past to provide adequate information in advance on the costs of depreciation control and other factors, Halstead said.

Conservationist Asks Bigger Park

Evans' proposal for a North Cascades National Park was voiced by a panel member at a meeting in Wenatchee Friday afternoon.

Patrick Goldsworthy, president, North Cascades Conservation Council, called for enlarging the boundaries of the proposed national park so it encompasses the North Cross-State highway that already is under construction.

With a park, you need a road," said the conservation council, who is a biochemist at the University of Washington Medical School in Seattle.

Preserving trees and other wilderness scenery in this area is the major goal, he indicated. "People like to drive through a park."

The park itself should be a wilderness "core park" similar to Olympic National Park which has peripheral roads with "spokes" coming in toward the wilderness core, he suggested.

A ski area still could be developed along the new highway. The National Park Service has developed skiing facilities at Yosemite Park, and Goldsworthy.

However, personally, he said, "I would like to see one cross-state highway that is not all the Snoquaquam Pass Highway look badly scrambled, he observed.

In saving trees for scenery, the National Park Service is superior to the U.S. Forest Service, also claimed the wilderness proponent.

"When a tree gets old and dies, unless there is reason to expect a major problem, the National Park Service does not feel it's necessary to take it out," said Goldsworthy. "The Forest Service always feels it's necessary to take trees out."

He cited an example of some isolated wind-blown trees in the Mt. Baker Recreation Area. The U.S. Forest Service canceled timber sales because of the North Cascades Conservation Council's objections, said Goldsworthy.

"Without our objections, they would have built logging roads into this recreation area," he charged.

The U.S. Forest Service was concerned about a possible insect infestation, admitted Goldsworthy.

He expressed the hope that in the future, technology may enable the Forest Service to take isolated injured trees from the forest by air.

The panel generated considerable light and a little heat on "Management of the North Cascades," the panel topic. Panel members included Dr. Victor Scheffer, chairman, research biologist, U.S. Bureau of Soils, Fish and Wildlife; Clair Pratt, information offi-

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pi: Robert Bend, assistant superintendent, Leavenworth National Park; Charles Banko, Service, and Wilfred Woods, U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee Daily World.

Woods, a member of Governor Evans' North Cascades Study Committee, told the Wilderness Society chapter that it was "unusual so many diverse interests could come to agreement" in drafting the Governors' plan.

The Governors' plan recommends that the Federal government reserve over two million acres for recreation, wilderness and park in a North Cascades Recreation Area.

Hunting would be permitted in wilderness and recreation areas but not in parks.

Despite the loss of some hunting area in the park, the State Game Commission totally endorsed the Governors' plan because "a component of the State Game Department," said Pratt.

"A united state approach is desirable," he declared.

Goldsworthy later took issue on this point. Olympic National Park was created in the face of most diverse state opinions, he declared.

"The Game Department fought it bitterly, communities fought it."

Despite the opposition, the park was created. Afterward, chambers of commerce that opposed the park before saw how the other benefits, said Goldsworthy.

A Wilderness Society member in the audience asked Goldsworthy if he had surveyed the Game Department's opinion after Olympic National Park was created. Goldsworthy said he hadn't but the results might be interesting.

"We could do it in two minutes here," the questioner snapped. The matter dropped there.

The U.S. Forest Service has managed the North Cascades lands "satisfactorily," said Sengers, he said.

The Forest Service is a "buffer organization" and pressure for change "is not new," added Banko.

Goldsworthy in his own remarks praised the U.S. Forest Service as "excellent" in areas where there is supposed to be multiple use of forests by many different types of users.

A bill for a proposed North Cascades National Park possibly will be introduced in Congress before adjournment, he said.

U.S. Senator Henry M. Jackson of Washington held hearings on the proposal — even without unusual interest in it. Other hearings will be held after a bill is introduced.

"We are a long way from through with discussing it," concluded Woods.

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Land To Be Lost

A total of 428,000 acres of land has been or will be inundated by 42 existing hydroelectric projects and a greater number under construction or planned, said Wendell Oliver, game biologist, Washington State Department of Game, Yakima.

The 428,000 acres are enough to support 2,700 elk, almost 15,000 deer, 160,000 pheasants, over 850,000 quail, and other game birds, said Oliver.

In addition, the possibility of enhancing the animals through better wildlife management is a "complete and irrevocable" loss when land is flooded by a dam's reservoir, Oliver claimed.

Non-Federal projects have been better than Federal projects in providing funds to offset the wildlife losses, said Oliver.

Federal agencies have been moved "only by pressure and demand," he charged.

The Federal agencies aren't required to have a license from the Federal Power Commission and generally haven't gone as far as the licenses require in the case of non-Federal utilities.

Federal dams on the middle Snake River, Libby Dam in Montana and others are inundating "thousands of acres" of game habitat, said J. N. Brown, field supervisor, River Basin Branch, U. S. Bureau of Sports Fisheries & Wildlife in Spokane.

Substituting new habitat for waterfowl can help offset this loss, he noted.

The projects WILL be developed," said Brown.

However, too often fish and wildlife has been dependent upon the leavings in the past, he added.

Additional money for operation and maintenance of the new habitat is needed, declared Brown.

Public Must Be Sold

The public, the Bureau of the Budget, Congress and others — even ourselves — must be sold on the need for funds to mitigate losses," he said.

The situation has "improved significantly" but there is "still a long way to go," Brown said.

He called for "cooperative planning" of both construction and conservation agencies.

The Wildlife Society program Saturday includes a field trip from 9:10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to the Colquhoun Game Range and Washington State University Multiple Use area.

Discussion leaders include Norman Knott, Olympia, game lands management chief, Washington Department of Game; John Paterson, game biologist, Washington Department of Game; Grant Harris, associate professor, Washington State University; Ted Kline, assistant lands division supervisor, Washington Department of Natural Resources; and Arcene Mills, range and wildlife staff, Wenatchee National Forest.

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wildlife area, suggested Leon

of the Regional Forester's staff,

ast Service, Portland, Ore.

S. Forest Service goal is to "mini-

negative effects," looking at pro-

jects from the standpoint of timber

recreation, grazing, fishing, hiking and

interests, said Murphy.

of the key problems today was posed

at the outset by the first panel mem-

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actually has "turned the sagebrush into

e of the best hunting and fishing spots in

a United States," said William Halstead,

ame management agent, U.S. Bureau of

ports Fisheries & Wildlife in Yakima.

At the same time, however, "terrific costs"

have come from projects, he said.

Deprivations in one irrigation area from

150,000 to 175,000 mallards wintering adjacent

to newly planted corn growth caused farmers

a "heavy loss," Halstead maintained. Farm-

ers unsuccessfully petitioned Congress for help

to offset crop loss. One farmer went "belly

up," said Halstead, although it was partially

Figure 3. Articles in the Wenatchee Daily World concerning the first meeting of the Washington Chapter.

Wenatchee National Forest; Patrick Goldsworthy, President, North Cascades Conservation Council; and Wilfred Woods, Publisher, Wenatchee Daily World. The discussion centered around the various proposals for the establishment of a North Cascades National Park.

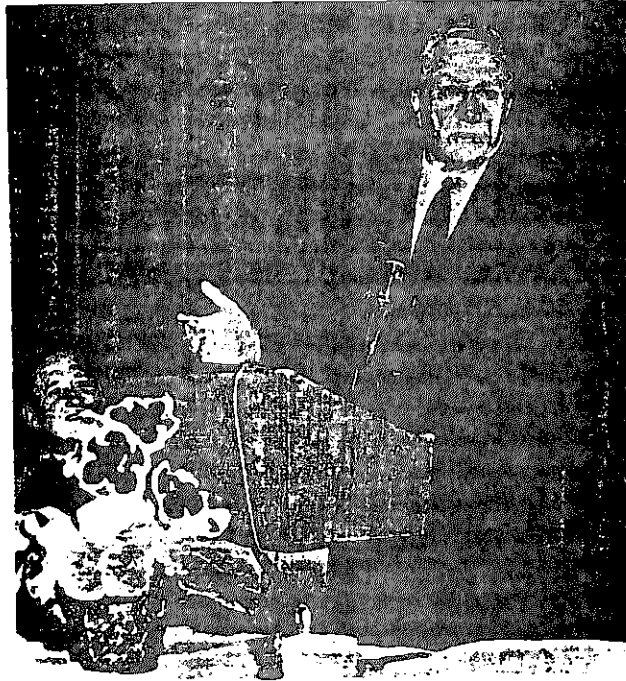
The second day of the meeting consisted of an all-day field trip to the Game Department's (WDG) Colockum Game Range and Washington State University's (WSU) Multiple Use Area. The group was able to observe range research projects that were being conducted by WSU and heard discussions concerning the cooperative land management program between the WDG, Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Forest Service, and WSU that made this research possible.

The banquet on the evening of June 24 had Washington State Representative Stewart Bledsoe as the Master of Ceremonies and Justice William O. Douglas of the U.S. Supreme Court as the speaker (Fig. 4). Justice Douglas emphasized the need to preserve from development some of our remaining open spaces, rivers and streams. He favored protecting the North Cascades with a wilderness core that would never be developed and with people kept on the perimeters. He pointed out that it would cost about the same to clean up the pollution in all the rivers in the United States as it would cost to put a man on the moon, but that the latter was far more likely to happen. He suggested that since we had programs to pay farmers not to raise certain crops, maybe we could develop a program to pay the Army Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation not to build dams. In summary he called for a revolution in thinking in America, from one bound to destroy all of our lands and rivers, to one that would protect our natural resources.

At the business meeting the charter for the new Chapter was presented to President Bill Lawrence by the Northwest Section Representative, Dr. Kenneth Hungerford. A Bylaws Committee, consisting of the elected officers, was established to develop bylaws for the new chapter. Other committees were appointed covering the following areas: Membership, Endangered Species, Information and Education, Resolutions, and Nominations.

After a discussion concerning the financial problems of the parent society by Dr. Hungerford, the Chapter passed a resolution recommending that student memberships in TWS be raised to \$10 and regular memberships be raised to \$13 to \$15. Dr. Hungerford was instructed to carry this recommendation to the parent society (Appendix 2).

Obtaining the services of Justice Douglas to serve as banquet speaker at the inaugural meeting was quite a feather in the cap for our new chapter but it also created some serious problems. Although Justice Douglas waived his usual honorarium for speaking to the group, what the officers didn't anticipate was that he expected all of his expenses, including a charter plane to reach Wenatchee and then take him on to Seattle, together with the meals and lodging for both he and



DOUGLAS SPEAKER — "Save the Wilderness." U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas tells an audience at the Washington State Chapter of the Wildlife Society meeting in Wenatchee Friday. Seated is State Rep. Stewart Bledsoe of Ellensburg, who was master of ceremonies at the banquet.—Daily World Photo.

Douglas' Cry: Save Wilderness

Raising his favorite battle cry, "Save the Wilderness." U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas spoke last night to more than 100 at a banquet of the Wildlife Society at the Elks Temple.

Conservation has become almost as controversial at the Supreme Court itself, Justice Douglas commented.

In his plea to preserve the wilderness he stressed the importance of keeping the North Cascades as a wilderness core.

"I've seen 95 per cent of this world. But I don't know anything worth fighting for more than the North Cascades," he said.

"I don't come with a blueprint for a solution," he added. "But I shudder at the thought of several thousand people camping in the Picket Range." This was his comment on the state's proposal to make the Picket Range of the North Cascades adjacent to the Canadian border a national park.

Justice Douglas said that his new book, "Farewell to Texas" will soon be out, a melancholy book, he said. He called Texas the worst possible example of land management.

If there's anything to be salvaged, it's because private enterprise has ruined it and then wants the Federal Government to bail 'em out, he said.

"In Texas they're turning into dollars everything but the sunset, and I expect there's a synacate working on that," he quipped.

"I have a deep spiritual conviction that it is important to do the opposite of what is happen-

ing in Texas," he said. "A state park in Texas is a dance pavilion — a Coney Island sort of place."

Justice Douglas emphasized holding intact the wilderness cores where possible — and keeping people on the perimeters. "Let's not destroy the sanctuaries," he said.

He aimed criticism at the bureaus and agencies which are building dams and building roads — the Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Public Roads, TVA.

All these agencies need conservation standards, he said. We need to keep our free flowing rivers. "Look at your Tumwater Dam," he noted. "This is the symptom of a disease that infects America."

Dams are being proposed just to keep engineers busy, he charged. We pay farmers not to plant crops . . . why not pay the Corps of Engineers not to build dams, he suggested.

It would cost about the same to clean up the pollution on every river in America as it will to put a man on the moon — but the latter is far more likely to happen.

The battle over pollution is occurring even in Russia. He said that the scientists there won their case against the engineers who were going to pollute Lake Baikal with a pulp mill.

Lake Erie has been ruined, he noted. There is a continual fight to keep the Corps of Engineers from damming the Potomac.

Justice Douglas would have cartmen, sheepmen, and lumbermen visit the Middle East, where denuded hills tell the story of misused resources.

Figure 4. Article in the Wenatchee Daily World about Washington Chapter banquet speaker Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas.

his pilot, to be covered by the Chapter! This left our fledgling Chapter with a bill for several hundred dollars when there was practically nothing in the treasury. Some of the officers felt we should refuse to pay the bill and let Justice Douglas sue the Chapter. They said he could take the case all the way to the Supreme Court if he wanted!

Another alternative was for the Chapter to declare bankruptcy, but that would almost certainly have been the end of the chapter. After exploring all possible means of paying the bill, President Bill Lawrence added it to his expense account and the Weyerhaeuser Company footed the tab for Justice Douglas. Consequently, members should harbor a kind thought for Weyerhaeuser, because had it not been for their benevolence, we might not even have a Washington Chapter of the Wildlife Society today!

1967

After the all out effort of 1966, there was a definite let down in Chapter activity in 1967. Primary efforts were directed at developing a set of bylaws for the new Chapter. Proposed bylaws were drawn up by the elected officers of the Chapter and these were submitted to Chapter members for their perusal along with a newsletter in February of 1967. The bylaws were to be voted on at a business meeting to be held in conjunction with the Northwest Section meeting in Moscow, Idaho, April 7 and 8.

The files do not reveal the outcome of this vote nor do they indicate that any other Chapter meetings were held in 1967. However, it is assumed that the bylaws were adopted and submitted to the parent society since this is a requirement in the acceptance of a Chapter by the National. Several amendments, primarily clarifying the dues structure and how environmental issues would be addressed by the Chapter, were proposed and these were included in a later newsletter.

Since it was agreed when the Chapter was formed that officers would serve for two years, the 1966 officers: Bill Lawrence, President; Jack Larson, Vice-President; and Fred Martinsen, Secretary/Treasurer; continued to serve in 1967.

1968

The 1968 annual meeting was held June 15 and 16 at Department of Game facilities in Yakima. David Riley was installed as President, Fred Martinsen as Vice-President, and Wendell Oliver as Secretary/Treasurer. Glen Crouch and Vince Shultz were elected to the Executive Board.

The highlight of the meeting was a provocative panel discussion on the "Pros and Cons of Artificial Elk Feeding" moderated by Jack Larson and was followed the next day by a tour of the Game Department's Oak Creek Game Range. Lively discussion continued through an enjoyable patio cocktail party at the Ellis Bowhay residence in Glead. An evening of dining and dancing followed at the Elks Club.

We had 58 paid up members in 1968 and 35 of these attended the annual meeting. An interesting guest was Ralph Jingu, a Wildlife Manager from Tanzania, Africa.

In the fall of 1968 a questionnaire was sent to the Chapter membership in an attempt to gather grass roots ideas on the direction the Chapter should be taking. Approximately 50 percent of the membership responded. Based on this response, it showed that 84 percent of the membership desired continuance of annual meetings with some indicating a preference for both a summer and winter meeting. Ninety-one percent appreciated the opportunity to hear or present what were termed "unpolished" regionally-oriented papers; and 87 percent were willing to present such a paper. Membership in the parent TWS should not be a pre-requisite to Chapter membership according to 68 percent of those responding, and all of them favored retaining student memberships.

Eighty percent of the respondents felt the Chapter should issue statements regarding state wildlife issues but there was little unanimity on how this should be done. Approval of resolutions by the entire membership was desirable but most recognized that this would often be impossible. Most (31) felt that approval by the President with concurrence of the Executive Board should be the minimum requirement.

Preferences for the type of organization the Chapter should be were expressed by the questionnaire respondents as follows:

- One that provides a mechanism for speaking out on wildlife issues (40)
- One that sponsors annual technical meetings (29)
- One that accredits individuals or institutions (17)
- One that publishes only a journal (4)

A subject being discussed at the national level involved the status of tax exemptions and the Chapter submitted a letter requesting that the parent Society seek "Group Tax Exemption" status for chapters. This would make it easier for the Chapter to seek contributions to help carry on various activities.

1969

In 1969 the Chapter made its first effort at publishing a regular newsletter. Volume 1, Number 1 of the Quarterly Newsletter came out in January with Tom Knight serving as editor (Fig. 5). Objectives were to keep the membership informed of Administrative and Executive Board activities and plans and objectives for future activities of the Chapter.

A business meeting of the Chapter, attended by 25 members, was held in conjunction with the Northwest Section meeting in Victoria, B. C., March 28. Two amendments to the Chapter bylaws were adopted: the first improved the Chapter's mechanism for issuing public statements; and the second established Chapter dues of \$1.00 for student and full members, \$2.00 for affiliate members, and a sustaining membership for anyone contributing \$50 or more.

At the Northwest Section meeting, Chapter officers Dave Riley and Wendell Oliver were also elected President and Secretary/Treasurer of the Section. Reade Brown was elected Vice-President. The annual meeting of the Chapter was held in Olympia August 11-13 at the Tye Motor Inn. The indoor portion of the program consisted of a panel entitled "Research and Management Programs of Various Agencies in the State that Affect Wildlife Management" moderated by Clar Pratt. The panel was designed, not to present research results, but to acquaint people with the types of research that were being conducted in the wildlife area by all of the different federal, state, and private agencies. An afternoon field trip on the 11th involved a tour of the Federal Research Center conducted by Glen Crouch of the USFS and Wendell Dodge of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. On August 12, the group travelled to the WDG's Scatter Creek Wildlife Recreational area, Weyerhaeuser's Clemons Tree Farm, and the DNR Capitol State Forest. Public hunting programs, forest rehabilitation techniques, and animal damage control activities were discussed.

Recreational research involved a happy hour and backyard buffet (\$2.25 per person) in the Gene Dzedzic backyard in Lacey on the 11th. On the 13th a charter boat full of intrepid wildlifera ventured into the Pacific in search of the wily salmon, but the newsletter contained no statistics on harvest rates. For the landlubber types, a dog training session was held at the Department's Scatter Creek Wildlife Recreational area using live pheasants and quail (privately purchased).

A resolution regarding "Action to Insure Wildlife Production and Public Access on Publicly Financed Irrigation Projects", was presented to the group, but considerable controversy developed over some of the provisions, especially those pertaining to regulation of weed control districts and private land access. The resolution was returned to the Resolutions Committee for rewriting.



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President's Message

This is the first issue of what, hopefully, will become a regular Chapter publication. Now our Newsletter will be utilized in open to suggestion, but for the present we will endeavor to outline Executive Board activities since taking office in June 1968; pertinent plans and objectives for the future; and measures to be considered in 1969's Chapter meetings.

Chapter Tax Exempt Status

In addition to securing considerable correspondence from TWB, we have prepared and submitted a letter authorizing the Society to seek "Group Tax Exemption" status for donations to our Chapter. Under present IRS law, contributions to the Washington Chapter are not deductible. Acquiring such a tax exempt status would allow us to seek sustaining memberships. Financing has not been a problem, but increased activity would require more funds than are presently available.

Secretary-Treasurer Report

The summer Chapter meeting in Yakima June 15-16, 1968 was attended by 35 people. Your elected officers and board members are as follows:

- Pres: David Eddy (USFS) Spokane
 V-P: Fred Larntsen (WSP) Coeur d'Alene
 Sec-Treas: Wendell Oliver (WSP) Bismarck
 Board: Stan Pratt (WSP) Olympia
 Members: Steve Smith (WSP) Pullman
 Glen Crowth (USFS) Olympia
 Bill Lawrence (WSP) Centralia

The business meeting was followed by a provocative panel discussion on "Pros and Cons of Artificial Elk Feeding." Jack Larson (USFS) Seattle, moderated the panel of Ben Andrews (WSP) Yakima, Barton Leukhart (WSP) Olympia, Wendell Oliver (WSP) Bismarck, and John Townley (NPS) Leavenworth. A lively discussion continued through an enjoyable potluck dinner at the Ellis Highway (WSP) residence. An evening of singing and dancing followed at the Ellis Highway residence. Ralph Jings, a Wildlife Mgr. from Bismarck, was an interesting guest. We had 58 paid up members in 1968. The bank balance is \$101.80.

Proposed Bylaw Changes

The following proposed amendments will be considered at the next Chapter meeting:

(Proposed) **ARTICLE VIII RESOLUTIONS AND PUBLIC STATEMENTS.** Section 1. Resolutions of the Chapter shall be confined to those assigned for the betterment of the wildlife profession. The Wildlife Society or the Wildlife resources and shall not exceed in scope those disciplines where expertise of Chapter membership can provide professional guidance.

Section 2. Any Chapter member may submit resolutions or public statements for consideration by the Resolutions Committee. This Committee shall acquire whatever testimony is needed to assess the validity of the issues, make such modifications as deemed appropriate, and with approval of the Committee membership, submit a recommendation to the President. A simple majority vote will constitute approval and dissenting votes should accompany the recommendation.

Section 3. Recommended resolutions involving new Chapter policy or issues not covered by Society Position Statements shall require a two-thirds majority of those Chapter members voting. Actions falling within previously established Chapter policy, restricting Society Position Statements, or in the absence of sufficient public statements may be issued by the President provided they have been recommended by the Resolutions Committee and unanimously approved by available members of the Executive Board.

Changes in **ARTICLE VII** are considered necessary to implement the desires expressed by the membership for a voice in State Wildlife issues. Approval of public statements, under existing bylaws, is virtually unobtainable.

(Proposed) **ARTICLE VII MEMBERSHIP.** Section 1. Annual Chapter dues of \$1.00 for active members and full members and \$2.00 for affiliate members shall be payable to Chapter by 30th April, no later than April 30 of each year. Sustaining memberships shall be awarded for contributions of \$50 or more. (continued on page 2)

... would be ... this may ... the Chapter's desires ... approving authority, as reflected by the questionnaire, were:

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| - President with board concurrence | 11 |
| - Resolutions Committee | 5 |
| - I & E Committee | 2 |
| - Others (generally desired vote of entire membership or did not express a preference) | 11 |

Concerning the choice of a type organization, preferences were expressed for a Society that:

- Provided a mechanism for speaking out on wildlife issues
- Sponsor annual technical meetings
- Accredited individuals or institutions
- Publishes only a journal

Meetings

Washington Chapter is currently scheduled to host the 1970 meeting of the Northwest Section, The Wildlife Society, during a 1968 meeting in Edmondton. Sponsor was offered as an alternative location in the great British Columbia failed to extend an invitation for 1969. The Canadians have proved to be excellent hosts--let's be up to the job in 1970. Plan now to help and please send any suggestions you may have concerning that meeting, i.e., location, agenda, etc.

very common complaint in the questionnaire was the lack of sufficient notification time to allow members to plan to attend. To remedy this situation, the following tentative plans for 1969 are proposed:

March 28 (or 29), 1969, to be held in conjunction with the Annual NW Section meeting, Victoria, British Columbia. Exact location to be announced during registration for Section meeting.

Home luncheon business meeting to include consideration of proposed bylaw changes (pg. 1).

August 11, 12, and 13, 1969. Somewhere in the vicinity of Aberdeen, Wash. Three informative locations and reservation instructions will be carried in a later Newsletter.

First day - Formal review of previous activities of all wildlife interests in Wash., i.e., State, Federal, and private. Business meeting Evening banquet.

Second day - Tours of Wash. Dept. of Game's Scatter Creek Public Shooting area, Department of Natural Resources' Capital Forest and/or some of Weyerhaeuser's research programs on the Clemons Tree Farm.

Third day - (optional) charter boat salmon fishing (reservations are a must for this excursion--plan to fill a boat with buddies of your choice).

Committee Reports

Activity reports were solicited and received from each standing committee. Recommendations from these reports will be considered upon reconstituting these committees. To these committees the Chapter owes a debt of gratitude for services rendered during the quarter year. Thank you.

Hope to see Washington well represented in Victoria B.C. March 23 and 29.

Figure 5. Copy of the first issue of the Washington Chapter newsletter, January 1969.

On August 6, 1969 two Chapter members, Doug Pierson of the WDG and Paul Martin of the U.S. Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife were killed in a plane crash while monitoring radio-collared elk in the Lake Cushman area of the Olympic Peninsula. Also killed was the pilot, an army veteran with several years Viet Nam flying experience. Prior to their tragic deaths, Doug and Paul were receiving national recognition for their pioneering work in radio telemetry of black bear and were just starting a project involving elk. Needless to say, their deaths set radio telemetry research in the state of Washington back many years. Following their deaths, the Chapter set up a memorial fund to recognize the loss of Chapter members.

1970

On March 11-13 at the Ridpath Hotel in Spokane, the Washington Chapter hosted the annual meeting of the Northwest Section of the Wildlife Society. It was reported that the Chapter "did itself proud" with excellent participation by members in the program, displays, and other events.

In conjunction with the Section meeting, the Chapter held a business luncheon on March 12 that was attended by 47 members. The resolution on game bird habitat in irrigation projects generated some heated discussion but the group could still not reach a consensus so the resolution was returned to the committee for further work. It was at this time that the Chapter learned that it had gained tax exempt status under I.R.S. regulations. However, to maintain this status, the Chapter had to submit annual detailed financial reports to the national office of the Society.

The Chapter's annual meeting was held June 1 and 2 at the Quay Restaurant in Vancouver, Washington. The program consisted of a panel discussion on "State and Federal Waterfowl Management Areas - Are Their Divergent Goals Adequately Fulfilling a Public Need?" moderated by Carl Crouse. Also coming in for discussion was the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. A social hour and buffet dinner was held at the Game Department's Vancouver Regional Office.

Field tours included a trip to Sauvie's Island to view the Lower Columbia River Waterfowl Management Area intensively managed by the Oregon Department of Fish and Game; and a trip to the Skamokawa area to view the not yet declared endangered Columbian white-tailed deer and their habitat. Recreational research included the "First Annual Wildlifer's Open Golf Tournament". It seems the BSWF threw down the gauntlet to the WDG.

New officers elected at the meeting consisted of Fred Martinsen, President; Carl Anderson, Vice President; and Leonard Tinsley,

Secretary/Treasurer. Dr. Richard (Dick) Taber was also elected to the Executive Board.

Copies of a new publication sponsored by the Chapter and written by Burton Lauckhart, entitled "Rare Mammals of Washington" was made available to members at the Vancouver meeting. The publication covered species that were potentially either rare or endangered in the state. Included were pronghorn, woodland caribou, moose, Columbian white-tailed deer, bighorn sheep, grizzly bear, cougar, Canada lynx, gray wolf, red fox (Cascade), wolverine, sea otter, fisher, Ord kangaroo rat, pygmy rabbit, white-tailed jackrabbit, and western gray squirrel.

The resolution concerning wildlife habitat in publicly financed irrigation projects, after several revisions was passed and sent to state and federal officials and politicians that could influence these projects. A resolution supporting the Izembek Wilderness proposal in Alaska was also adopted by the Chapter.

1971

The Chapter in 1971 was subjected to a serious turnover in officers as the result of extensive transfers out of state and other unfortunate circumstances. Vice-President Carl Anderson was transferred out of state and was replaced by Bernie Leman. Executive Board members Wendell Dodge and Eric Peacock were both transferred out of state and they were replaced by Wally Kramer and John Patterson. Secretary/Treasurer Leonard Tinsley was also transferred out of state and was forced to resign from his position. Jerry Kettunen was appointed to replace him but shortly after assuming office, Jerry was stricken by a serious illness and passed away in November of 1971.

In the process of transferring records etc. from Tinsley to Kettunen, some of these, including a personal check covering the Chapter's bank balance, were inadvertently mailed to the wrong address. An unknown individual at this address opened the package, found the check and cashed it, absconding with all of the Chapter's assets! Despite extensive checking by President Fred Martinsen, the culprit was never apprehended and thus, for the second time in its short history, the Chapter was left destitute. An attempt was made to recoup some of this loss through a higher than normal registration fee at the annual meeting, but Chapter activities, including distribution of newsletters, had to be severely curtailed.

The annual meeting was held in Wenatchee on June 3 and 4. The formal part of the program took place in the PUD meeting room and consisted of discussions of the Game Department-PUD fish planting program; the Swakane and Entiat game range program, present and future; the bighorn

sheep planting program; the Antilon pump storage proposal; plus pictures of the previous summer's wildfires in the Entiat area. A field trip on June 4 toured some of the unprescribed burn area of the Entiat and gave the group a first hand view of all the wildlife habitat that had been created in a few short days the previous summer. Attendance was very low because of a communications glitch that left very few members informed of the time and location of the meeting!

1972

The annual meeting was held in Mt. Vernon May 20 and 21. A technical session at the Game Department Regional Office on May 20 included a panel discussion on "A Cooperative Approach to Wildlife Mitigation Studies". Other subjects discussed included: A Status Report on the North Cascades National Park; Current Trends in Wildlife Damage Techniques; Introduction and Status of Mountain Goats in Region 1; and the Status of Sand Point Pheasant and Band-tailed Pigeon Research.

Following the meeting, a seafood dinner and an evening of dancing was enjoyed by the members at the Blanchard Community Hall. The dinner consisted primarily of seafood that was scrounged from the waters of northern Puget Sound including clam chowder, steamed clams, oysters, crab, and smoked steelhead prepared by local Chapter members and their spouses. During one of the seafood scrounging expeditions just prior to the meeting, a Game Department patrol boat was very nearly swamped due to the inexperience of your landlubber Historian, but that is another story!

On May 21 a field tour of the Department of Game's Skagit Wildlife Recreation Area was held. Of interest were enhancement programs designed to attract waterfowl and reduce depredations on adjacent agricultural lands. Also discussed were hunting programs, snow goose populations, and conflicts between waterfowl use of tideland areas and the increasing interest in commercial soft-shell clam harvests.

Officers elected at the meeting were Glenn Crouch, President; James Stout, Vice-President; and Nancy Field, Secretary/Treasurer. Julia Fitzner was elected to the Executive Board.

The Chapter had 69 dues paying members in 1972, but more than 100 other potential members did not join the Chapter.

1973

At this time the Chapter, as well as the Section and the Society as a whole, was struggling with an identity crisis. As President Crouch pointed out in an early newsletter, the Chapter included the whole

spectrum of opinions as to its role, from the "do nothing" to the "do everything" philosophy. The major question of the time was how to formulate a policy of operation that would satisfy such a diverse membership. It was a question then and still is not fully answered today.

Early in 1973 the officers and executive board developed a new set of bylaws for the Chapter designed to bring the Washington Chapter into conformance with other chapters and the parent society. These were mailed to the membership in April for their perusal and then were acted upon at the annual meeting in June. Three revisions were made, the most important being to raise the chapter dues to two dollars for all members, both regular and affiliate. The others were to allow for absentee ballots during elections, and to permit nominations from the floor or field for officers provided they had the backing of six members. With these revisions, the bylaws were unanimously approved.

The annual meeting was held in Olympia on Friday and Saturday, June 1 and 2. On Friday the group met at the Forestry Sciences Laboratory and from there travelled to the Centralia coal-fired steam generating plant. There they examined and discussed the coal strip-mining operations and the practices being employed to restore soil and vegetation after the stripping. A chicken and keg festival followed the field trip.

Technical and business meetings were held at Evergreen State College on Saturday. Topics covered in the technical session were: Magpie Food Habits; Endangered Species and Reforestation; Decline of the Peregrine Falcon in California; Shrews in Relation to Reforestation; HCB in Wildlife; Forest Birds; and A Multiple Satisfactions Approach to Game Management.

The business meeting, in addition to adopting the new bylaws, involved a spirited discussion on how to revitalize committees and the extent that the Chapter should be involved with wildlife issues in the state. As was pointed out earlier, there was little unanimity of opinion. David Manuwal was elected to the Executive Board to replace Richard Taber whose term was expiring.

Issues addressed during the year included the Chapter going on record as supporting Referendum 33 to establish a revenue source to support nongame wildlife programs, and also supporting development of a refuge in the Skamokawa area for Columbian white-tailed deer. The Chapter also responded to requests for information concerning the environmental impacts of the re-routing of Interstate 90 through the Cascades; on a proposed use of DDT in the Tussock Moth spray program; and the impact on wildlife of the use of DDT spray for pealeaf weevil control in eastern Washington.

Two chapter members served on national committees of the parent society. They were Glen Crouch on the ad hoc Future of the Wildlife Society and Carroll Rieck on the Nongame Wildlife committees.

1974

The annual meeting was held at the University of Washington in Seattle Friday and Saturday, May 17 and 18. The program was designed to familiarize the Chapter membership with activities of the relatively new wildlife research program. Introducing the program was Dr. Taber with a discussion entitled "U. of W. Wildlife Science Program - The First Five Years."

Mammal research at the University was covered with four papers entitled: Marine Mammal Research in the College of Fisheries; Patterns of Deer Road-Kills in Western Washington; Population Estimates by Pellet Analysis; and U.W.-Peace Corps Wildlife Program in Chile. The second half of the program, covering bird research, included a paper that was indicative of new interests in nongame species and a new trend that was beginning to develop among wildlife professionals in the state. This was a paper by Carol Gavareski on Bird Species Diversity in Urban Parks of Seattle. Other papers covered Seabird Population Studies in Washington; Winter Ecology of the Bald Eagle on the Skagit River; and the Nongame Investment. The meeting was followed by a banquet at the University Tower Hotel (\$6.50 per person) where Dr. Gerard Schreuder discussed "Wildlife Considerations in Forest Management Decisions".

A field trip on Saturday took the group to the City of Seattle's Cedar Creek Watershed where the University was doing extensive research under the auspices of the IBP Western Coniferous Forest Biome. The major discussions centered around the radio monitoring of Rocky Mountain elk in the watershed and their relationship to forest management activities. Also discussed were studies of wildlife use of right-of-ways.

The meeting had an attendance of approximately 90 people, one of the better turnouts, but in October, the Chapter still had only 44 paid up members out of 179 parent Society members in the state. Obviously not many parent society members were paying chapter dues and even less than half of those attending the annual meeting were paid up members!

New officers elected at the meeting were John Patterson, President; Merle Wischnofske, Vice-President; and Richard Poelker, Secretary/Treasurer. Nancy Field was elected to the Executive Board.

Issues addressed included a proposal from the Tennessee Chapter to change the name of The Wildlife Society. The Washington Chapter went on record in opposition to this proposal. The Chapter also prepared a

resolution to the Governor recommending that serious consideration be given to those individuals with natural resource backgrounds and an interest in nongame wildlife resources when making appointments to the Washington State Game Commission. The resolution also offered the assistance of the Chapter in locating qualified candidates.

In October new President John Patterson offered a challenge to the Chapter members based on the inability of the Chapter to agree on a procedure for developing position statements on environmental issues. He pointed out that there were numerous citizen action groups around the state that would welcome members with professional backgrounds in wildlife ecology. His challenge: "Get involved! Find out how democracy functions! Break up the clique of professionals talking to professionals in an ever tightening circle and damning the ignorant general public while wildlife environments erode away! Let the Wildlife Society keep us current in the profession through publications and meetings but we disciples should deliver 'The Word'. The choice is ours."

Chapter members serving on national committees included: Glen Crouch on Certification, Nancy Field on Environmental Action, and Carroll Rieck on Long Range Planning.

1975

The resolution submitted to the Governor last fall recommending the appointment of individuals with professional wildlife or natural resource backgrounds to the Washington State Game Commission began to pay off early this year. The Governor contacted the Chapter requesting a list of qualified persons that were willing to be considered for the two positions that were open, one from eastern Washington and one from western Washington.

Chapter officers then contacted a number of individuals they felt were qualified and developed a list of two names for the eastern Washington position and four names for the western Washington position. When the final appointments were made, the Governor filled the eastern Washington position with one of the individuals nominated by the Chapter, Archie Mills. Archie was a long time Forest Service employee only recently retired from the Range and Wildlife staff position on the Wenatchee National Forest. He was a member of the Chapter and had long been active in the Audubon Society. The Chapter was very gratified that the Governor saw fit to follow their recommendations and to appoint an individual with Archie's qualifications to the Game Commission.

At the Northwest Section meeting in Anchorage, Alaska in early April, Washington Chapter members Reade Brown, Jim Evans, and Keith Guenther were elected President, Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer,

respectively of the Northwest Section for 1976. The Washington Chapter was scheduled to host the Section meeting in 1976.

The annual meeting was held in Colville Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25 with "Timber Management for Wildlife Production" as the theme. The Friday afternoon program in the conference room of the Colville Federal Building included discussions by Stan Guenter on "Experimental Game Range Rehabilitation", by Dr. Ken Hungerford on "Forest Grouse and Logging", and Roger McKeel on "Burning and Deer Use". A buffet dinner at Smith's Cafe in the evening cost \$3.75 per person.

A Saturday field trip to the Sherman Creek and Little Pend Orielle Game Ranges of the Department, led by forester Chuck McComb, demonstrated how a profitable timber management program could be designed for maximum wildlife habitat benefit.

Charles Robbins was elected to fill the Executive Board position being vacated by Julia Fitzner. Over 50 people attended the meeting. It was decided it was becoming too costly to continue sending newsletters to all members of the parent society that resided in the state as had been done in the past. In the future only those having paid their dues would receive newsletters.

Highlights from newsletters indicate that the Department of Game's Nongame Program was off and running because of the funding that was now being received from the sale of personalized auto license plates. This was the result of the successful passage of Referendum 33 in the fall of 1973. In 1974 nearly 3,000 license plates were sold. Monies received thus far were used to develop a comprehensive nongame management plan and to fund graduate student research projects on several rare nongame species. Also during this year, the State of Washington was one of the first three states in the nation to qualify for federal funding under the Federal Endangered Species Act of 1973.

Another item of interest was that the State of Washington became the first state in the nation to take over the Fish and Wildlife Service's Animal Damage Control program.

Issues addressed included comments by the Chapter to CBS critical of their documentary "Guns of Autumn", and comments to the National Society concerning their Certification Proposal.

As of the end of the year the Chapter had 79 paid members, still far short of the more than 200 potential members that belonged to the Parent Society in the state.

Chapter members serving on national committees of the Parent Society were: Glen Crouch, Certification; Dick Taber, Environmental Affairs; and Dave Manuwal, Student Affairs.

1976

The 1976 annual meeting of the Chapter was held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Northwest Section in Yakima, February 24 to 27. The Chapter business meeting took place on the 24th. New officers elected at this meeting included Jim Rochelle, President; Richard Poelker, Vice-President; and Bruce Moorhead, Secretary/Treasurer. Merle Wischnofske was elected to the Executive Board, replacing Dave Manuwal.

The Chapter hosted the Section meeting which had as its theme, "Providing Habitats and Management of Natural Resources". The meeting consisted of an all day session of papers on the 25th including concurrent sessions in the afternoon, an all day field trip on the 26th, and concurrent indoor sessions again on the 27th. The morning session on the 25th was a panel chaired by Jack Ward Thomas entitled "Forest, Rangeland, and Wildlife Management in the Northwest". The two concurrent sessions in the afternoon were panels on: "Big Game and Forest/Rangeland Habitat Relations" chaired by Richard D. Taber; and "Land Use: For and Against Nonconsumptive and Consumptive Wildlife" chaired by Charles E. Meslow.

The Friday morning concurrent sessions were entitled: "Threatened, Endangered, and Special Interest Wildlife", chaired by Albert W. Erickson; and "Wetlands, Waterfowl, and Game Birds", chaired by Wendell Oliver. The field trip on Thursday was to the Game Department's Oak Creek Wildlife Recreation area and covered such topics as elk management, winter feeding programs, and damage control.

No other chapter meetings were held in 1976.

1977

The annual meeting held May 6 and 7 in Southwest Washington turned out to be more of a roving field trip than a formal meeting! The group of about 30 members met in Longview at the National Guard Armory. Following a business meeting and a short technical session, the group travelled to Cathlamet and the Columbian White-Tailed Deer Refuge where recovery team activities, refuge operations, and deer population status was reviewed. In the evening the group continued on to Long Beach for an overnight stay and to participate in a crab feed and beer bust.

On the 7th the group toured Long Island on the Willapa National Wildlife Refuge where the proposed land exchange between the Weyerhaeuser Company and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was discussed along with joint resource management plans. Information was

also presented concerning black bear research on the Island and other refuge programs.

Rolf Johnson was elected to the Executive Board replacing Nancy Field whose term was expiring.

Issues addressed included resolutions to our state leaders and congressional delegation supporting reintroduction and passage of the "Federal Aid to Nongame" bill and favoring adoption, with some qualifications, of the proposed "Cooperative Applied Forestry Extension Act of 1976". Another resolution to our congressional delegation opposed the establishment of a Marine Mammal Sanctuary in Puget Sound because such action was felt to be premature and would preclude further research including the collecting of marine mammals. The Chapter also prepared comments on the Department of Game's EIS for a Skagit Interpretive Center.

1978

A business meeting of the Washington Chapter was held in Vancouver, B.C. on March 8 in conjunction with the Northwest Section meeting. New officers were elected for the Chapter as follows: President, Richard J. Poelker; Vice-President, Bruce Moorhead; and Secretary/Treasurer, Richard Haines. Also elected to the Executive Board was David Paullin.

The parent Society had agreed to start collecting Section and Chapter dues along with national dues and remit these back. However, problems with computer programing were still creating some glitches in the operation. This was expected to simplify dues collection for the Chapter and was already starting to show in a healthier Chapter bank balance.

The annual meeting of the Chapter was held in Omak on September 29 and 30. The banquet was hosted by the Colville Indian Tribe. The field trip took the group into the Colville Indian Reservation and the Okanogan Cooperative Mule Deer Study area for discussions of research on mule deer management problems.

Issues addressed included the preparation of comments on the Draft Recovery Plan for Peregrine Falcons, comments to the Northwest Section in opposition to a proposal to develop a regional wildlife journal, letters to our congressional delegation and the President in support of S.1140, H.R. 10233, and H.R. 10915; all bills setting up funding programs for nongame wildlife. The Chapter also sent copies of TWS publication "The Ways of Wildlife" to environmental specialists in the state's 12 administrative school districts along with data on how to get more information.

A number of Chapter members were serving on national committees for the parent society. These were: Joe Ball - Continuing Education; Richard Taber - Leopold Award and Honorary Members; Jim Evans - Membership; and Dean Longrie - Urban Affairs and Regional Planning.

1979

The annual meeting was held in Port Angeles at the Olympic National Park Visitor Center Friday and Saturday, October 5 and 6. The program was designed to give wildlife professionals and others an informative briefing on wildlife research activities on the Olympic Peninsula and Olympic National Park. This included discussions of mountain goat and Roosevelt elk research in the park, distribution and abundance of marine birds in Puget Sound and Strait of Juan de Fuca, and the Washington Island National Wildlife Refuge.

On Saturday two field trips were offered, one to the Hoh Rain Forest to review the Roosevelt elk research program, and the other to Hurricane Ridge/Klahane Ridge area to discuss the mountain goat research program. The 1.5 mile hike "steeply" to the summit of the ridge provided a bit of a challenge for some of us old timers that were getting a bit long in the tooth and wide in the middle sections. The effort was worthwhile, however, and some very interesting and informative discussions followed including one on the technique for establishing "bait" stations for the salt hungry goats on the ridge.

Approximately 80 individuals were in attendance at the meeting. During the business session President Poelker was overwhelmed by silence when calling for volunteers or nominations for committee positions. He also reported on a new policy of the Northwest Section whereby Chapter representatives to the section or section officers that have trouble getting travel expenses for attendance at section meetings could be partially reimbursed by the section.

1980

For the first time in the history of the Chapter a slate of officers was elected by a mail ballot that was distributed to the paid up members of the Chapter. Elected were: President, Bruce Moorhead; Vice-President, Don Ziegler; and Secretary/Treasurer, Dave Brittell. Elected to the Executive Board were Bob Jonas and Jack Smith.

The annual meeting was held at Washington State University in Pullman on October 3 and 4. The technical session at the Compton Union Building on Friday presented information on such topics as: Evaluation of Habitat Plots in Eastern Washington, Sage Grouse Movements in Eastern Washington, Winter Raptor Survey in the Columbia Basin, Review

of Columbia Basin Wildlife Research, Raptor Rehabilitation, and Natural History of Cliff-nesting Great Basin Canada Geese on the Palouse River, 1977-1980. The evening's entertainment included beer/pizza/wine followed by an illustrated talk on Vancouver Canada Geese by John Ratti.

Saturday morning was devoted to a tour of the new veterinary science facilities, with an illustrated talk on wildlife health problems followed by a necropsy demonstration of a road-killed deer put on by Dr. William Foreyt. In the afternoon, there was a choice. Dedicated wildlifers could tour the captive elk nutrition facilities while those less dedicated could attend a WSU-Pacific Tigers football game. Being a dedicated wildlifer and an Idaho alum to boot, your historian participated in the tour of the nutrition facilities where Dr. Charles Robbins presided over a very stimulating and informative session. The files do not indicate who won the game, but I believe WSU lost.

Issues addressed included a resolution to the Bureau of Land Management recommending the Juniper Forest area in southeast Washington be classified as "wilderness" to give it some protection from the onslaught of off-road vehicles that were destroying one of the few remaining examples of unaltered steppe vegetation in Washington. The Chapter presented arguments to the University of Washington College of Forest Resources for continuing funding of a wildlife management curriculum. Because of budget constraints the College was seriously considering dropping the wildlife curriculum. A resolution was submitted to the State Department of Personnel protesting their proposal to accept a bachelor's degree in any natural resource science field as qualification to fill a Wildlife Biologist position. The Chapter reviewed and addressed issues and concerns in the Okanogan National Forest Plan. The Chapter also adopted a resolution supporting a proposal by the Oregon-Washington Interagency Wildlife committee to develop Westside Forest-Wildlife Habitat Relationships for Oregon and Washington.

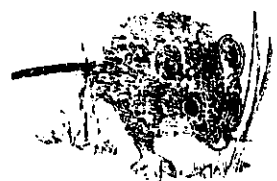
1981

A Secretary/Treasurer's report shows the Chapter's bank balance at the end of 1980 was only \$93.61 (Table 2). Although dues were then being collected through the National, there were still problems getting the money filtered back down to the Chapter. The National was sending Section and Chapter dues to the Section and then the Section was to remit the Chapter dues. However, in 1980, the Section's check remitting the Chapter dues bounced!! - again leaving the Chapter in a financial bind!

The annual meeting was held in Olympia at the Evergreen State College October 2 and 3. Indicative of the increasing interest in non-hunted wildlife, the entire program was devoted to nongame issues and

Table 2. Year end bank balances for the Washington Chapter, 1972-1990.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Dec. 31</u>
1972	86.18
1973	57.00
1974	89.00
1975	160.28
1976	211.74
1977	245.38
1978	316.98
1979	385.48
1980	93.61
1981	324.40
1982	274.89
1983	347.39
1984	469.52
1985	175.65
1986	520.93
1987	842.08
1988	713.36
1989	1041.49
1990	1598.77



problems. Topics covered in the technical session included: Inventory of Harbor Seals in Northern Puget Sound; Distribution and Abundance of Shorebirds During 1981 Spring Migration at Gray's Harbor; Dam Impacts on a Wintering Population of Bald Eagles on the Skagit River; Nongame Fish Distribution in the Cascade Mountains and Western Washington; and Environmental Contaminants Investigation of Great Blue Herons. Brief status reports were presented on the Department of Game's Nongame Program, the Fish and Wildlife Service's federal endangered species program, and the Forest Service's wildlife-habitat relationships in western Oregon and Washington. After a no host dinner at Shakey's Pizza, Fred Dobler presented a program on the Peregrine Falcon in Washington.

On Saturday two field trips were scheduled. The first was to the Mima Mounds Natural Area led by Reed Schuller of the Washington Natural Heritage Program, to examine these unique structures and the vegetation that surrounds them. The second trip was to Bowerman Basin in Grays Harbor County to discuss the importance of this area in shorebird migrations.

Issues addressed included a lengthy review and comments on the USDA Forest Service, Region 6, Standards and Guidelines/Pacific Northwest Region Plan.

1982

Again the officers of the Chapter for the coming two years were elected by mail ballot. They were: President, Don Ziegler, Vice-President, Dave Brittell, and Secretary/Treasurer, Richard E. Fitzner. Elected to the Executive Board was Betty Rodrick.

In the spring of 1982 the Chapter distributed a questionnaire to members designed to get a better feel for what the members expected from their organization. It appeared that in recent years disenchantment was building with the direction of activities or lack of activities by the Chapter.

The message was clear. Summarized, most of the members wanted the Chapter to: 1) be more active politically, 2) increase the size and effectiveness of the organization, and 3) provide more diversity in the subject matter and format of annual meetings.

The annual meeting was held at Fort Worden State Park at Port Townsend, Wednesday and Thursday, August 25 and 26. The technical session addressed such topics as: Olympic Elk; Elk and Deer in the Olympic National Forest; Mountain Goats and Park Management; Birds and Forest Management, Olympic National Forest; and Wildlife Conservation on Islands. On Thursday the group took a field trip to Protection

Island where the importance of the Island to extensive seabird nesting colonies was discussed.

The only issue addressed was the Draft EIS for the Okanogan National Forest Plan and the plan itself. Detailed comments were prepared and submitted to the forest. The Chapter at the end of 1982 had about 100 members, still far less than the 231 parent society members residing in the state.

1983

In 1983, the Northwest Section held its annual meeting in Washington at the Ridpath Hotel in Spokane on the 14th and 15th of April. Theme of the meeting was "Resource Agencies - A Time of Transition". John Andrews of the Washington Chapter was program chairman. Rich Poelker was Vice-President of the Section.

Early in the year the Chapter participated in distributing educational materials to educators interested in National Wildlife Week. The Chapter also purchased slide programs developed by the National Wildlife Federation and distributed them to each of the six Game Department regional offices where they were available for public use.

The annual meeting was held in Richland, December 9 and 10. the technical session on the 9th, at the Battelle Auditorium, covered a wide range of topics such as: Washington Game Department Spotted Owl Project; Brood Ecology of Great Basin Canada Geese; Columbia Basin Waterfowl Distribution Plan; Physiology of Elk; The Elk of Arid Lands Ecology Reserve; Endrin, Its Effects; and Endrin, Washington Politics.

On Saturday field tours were available to the Arid Lands Ecology Reserve or to the Umatilla National Wildlife Refuge.

Issues addressed by the Chapter included two pertaining to Army Corps of Engineers projects on the Columbia River. The first involved a proposal to widen the existing navigation channel below Ice Harbor Dam with the spoil to be dumped on Strawberry Island. The second involved a seaplane use plan for the McNary and Lower Snake River Reservoirs. Both proposals were reviewed and potential impacts to wildlife pointed out. The chapter also adopted a resolution, which was sent to various state agencies, recommending immediate termination of the field use of endrin and heptachlor and an increase in research to develop alternative control methods.

This year the Chapter joined the Washington Environmental Council as an organizational member.

1984

Activity in the Washington Chapter came to a virtual standstill in 1984. Fairly early in the year President Don Ziegler resigned because of a transfer in jobs. No annual meeting was held and there seemed to be considerable confusion among the existing officers about the continuity of leadership. Eventually Vice-President Dave Brittell took over the Presidency but no action was taken to fill other office or Executive Board positions.

Late in 1984 the Chapter did sponsor two individuals, Ms. Eleanor Stopps and Ms. Lorna Campion for the 1985 Gulf Oil Conservation Awards. These ladies were jointly sponsored for their work in the protection of Protection Island from development interests and its eventual classification as a National Wildlife Refuge.

Although the Chapter was largely inactive there were a number of members that served on Parent Society Committees. These were: Robert D. Everitt, Certification; James E. Tabor, Habitat on Private lands; John F. Lehmkuhl, International Affairs; John T. Ratti, Leopold Award; Andrew B. Carey, Publications; and Fred F. Gilbert, Urban Wildlife.

1985

Early in 1985 Ms. Stopps and Ms. Campion, sponsored by the Washington Chapter, were selected to receive one of the prestigious Gulf Oil Conservation Awards for their work in the preservation of Protection Island. Both ladies travelled to Washington, D.C. in May where they were presented their award at the Conservation Awards banquet at the Four Seasons Hotel.

By 1985 it was becoming apparent that the Chapter, rather than being terminally ill, had simply been in a period of dormancy and was starting to re-awaken. An election of officers reaffirmed Dave Brittell as President since he had taken over when Ziegler resigned; and elected Richard E. Fitzner, Vice President; and Harriet L. Allen, Secretary/Treasurer. Lora L. Leschner and William P. Bradley were elected to the Executive Board. It was about this time, although it is not clear in delving through the files exactly when the decision was made, the Chapter decided to switch from a vice-presidential position to a president-elect position that would automatically assume the presidency at the next change of officers.

An annual meeting was held at the St. Thomas Convention Center in Kirkland on June 22. More than 80 people attended and considerable enthusiasm was generated for getting the Chapter rolling again. A number of committees were appointed and the chairpersons were even able to find a few volunteers to assist on these committees. One of

the highlights of the meeting was a paper presented by Bill Ruediger entitled, "Telling it Like it Is - A Professional Responsibility." In the paper he pointed out: "The primary responsibility of a professional biologist is to obtain accurate information, to analyze it fairly and objectively, and to present it in a clear manner which speaks directly to the issues of concern." Following the meeting, there was a seafood extravaganza picnic on the Conference grounds featuring crab (caught by an adventurous group of members in the days prior to the meeting!), salmon, steamer clams, barbequed oysters and all the trimmings. Members with fine culinary talents prepared all the goodies for the crowd.

On July 26 at Marysville, the officers, executive board, and chairpersons got together to plan the future direction of the Chapter. The Program Committee outlined plans for the next year's annual meeting, the Conservation Committee listed eight major issues facing the state that the Chapter should be involved in, and the newsletter committee agreed to again start publishing a newsletter to keep the membership informed. The Education Committee agreed their first priority should be support for Initiative 90 establishing a funding source for the Department of Game. The Membership Committee pointed out that the Chapter now had 134 paid members, 71 paid through the parent society, 39 became members at the annual meeting, while 24 joined at other times.

In the past the Chapter has strongly recommended to the Governor that he make appointments to the Washington State Game Commission from those individuals having professional natural resource backgrounds. Consistent with this recommendation, the Chapter endorsed two candidates, Richard Fitzner for the eastside opening and Reade Brown for the westside. Neither were selected by the Governor.

The Chapter bylaws were again revised. These were primarily housekeeping changes to bring them into conformity with changes that had been made in the parent Society bylaws.

1986

In an attempt to stimulate interest in the Chapter and increase participation, the 1986 annual meeting was held in conjunction with the Washington Game Department's and the USFS, Region 6 Wildlife Biologists workshop in Olympia, February 6. The strategy paid off when more than 200 wildlifers attended the Chapter meeting.

Setting the stage for the meeting was a thought provoking lead off paper entitled "The Role of Rotting Wood, Small Mammals, Fungi, and Nitrogen Fixing Bacteria in Sustainable Forestry" by Dr. Chris Maser, Research Biologist with the BLM.

Other papers presented in the morning session included the following topics: Continued Range Expansion of the Barred Owl in Western North America from 1976-1985; Range Overlap of the Spotted Owl and the Barred Owl in Washington and Implications for the Future; Amphibian Surveys in Different-Aged Douglas Fir Stands in Washington: Preliminary Results; Management of Grizzly Bear and Caribou in Northeastern Washington; and Herschel's Sushi Bar - Sea Lions and the Media.

Focal point of the conference was an afternoon panel addressing the subject "The Role of Old-Growth Forest in the State of Washington." The panel was moderated by Dr. Len Ruggiero, Leader, Old Growth Task Force and including Hugh Black, Director, Wildlife and Fisheries, USFS, Northwest Region; Brian Boyle, Commissioner of Public Lands, Washington Department of Natural Resources; Dr. Andrew Carey, Wildlife Biologist, Old-Growth Wildlife Program; Pam Crocker-Davis, Legislative Affairs Officer, National Audubon Society; Bob Spence, Vice-President, Pacific Lumber and Shipping Co.; and Jack Smith, Chief, Wildlife Management Division, Washington Department of Game. Banquet speaker was Andy Stahl, who presented a thought provoking presentation on "The Perils of Biopolitics for Today's Professional Wildlife Biologist."

Another innovation at the annual meeting was a highly successful raffle, held to raise additional funds to support Chapter activities. The item raffled was a wooden greenwing teal duck decoy, superbly carved by Dr. Richard Fitzner, and donated to the Chapter. More than \$500 was raised from the sale of tickets. In an effort to make more funds available for Chapter activities, the members also voted a dues increase from \$2 to \$5 to take effect in 1987.

The bylaws, that were revised last year, were reviewed and approved by the parent society, making Washington the first Chapter in the Northwest Section to accomplish that feat.

The Chapter was very active on environmental and political issues in 1986. Probably the most significant was the Initiative 90 campaign which would have raised the state sales tax 1/8 of one percent with the additional revenue earmarked to fund wildlife programs. The Chapter contributed funds to the Northwest Quality of Life coalition that sponsored the initiative and worked diligently for its passage through letter writing, phone calls, and fund raising efforts. However, the initiative failed to gather enough public support and did not pass during the fall elections.

Another issue on which the Chapter took a strong stand was a proposed governmental reorganization giving the Governor authority to appoint the director of the Washington Department of Game and severely weakening the existing Game Commission system. The Chapter opposed this move and so advised the Governor and key legislators.

Other issues addressed included registering support for federal Senate Bill 1748 concerning tropical deforestation and the loss of biological diversity in developing countries; urging implementation here in the state of the conservation easement program of the Federal 1985 Farm Act; provided comments on the Okanogan National Forest's draft forest plan; and reviewed the USFS Draft Supplement (DSEIS) to the Environmental Impact Statement for an Amendment to the Pacific Northwest Regional Guide; Spotted Owl Guidelines.

Late in 1986, the Chapter again submitted Dr. Richard Fitzner's name to the Governor as a candidate for the Washington State Game Commission.

1987

Throughout the history of the Chapter, activity has run in cycles. Years of extensive activity tended to be followed by a letdown where activity became sporadic at best. Nineteen eighty-seven appears to be one of those years, although the Chapter did hold an annual meeting.

The annual meeting was held in conjunction with the Pacific Northwest Bird and Mammal society in Seattle, May 2, at the Seattle Aquarium. The program included twelve papers in two general sessions. Topics presented in the first session were: Flying squirrel abundance in Douglas-fir forests of the Oregon Coast Range; Tracking deer mice with fluorescent pigments and radiotelemetry: a comparison of techniques; Radio-telemetric assessment of grid-trap revealed microhabitat use by small mammals; Preliminary results of lead shot investigations in Skagit Co., Washington; and Planted parenthood: why do other birds raise cowbirds? In the second session were papers on: Observations on herd composition and productivity of mule deer in western Okanogan Co., WA; Estimation of sustained harvest rates for deer in the Pacific Northwest; Evaluation and monitoring of nesting and foraging habitats for ferruginous and Swainson's hawks in the Juniper Forest; Use of trees for feeding by cavity-nesting birds in the southern Washington Cascades; The effect of spatial scale on small mammal habitat association patterns; An assessment of elk in Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming; and Graphical data bases in wildlife education. For a social function the group of approximately 80 members took a sunset dinner cruise on Puget Sound with seafood, beer, wine and dancing on a 65-foot charter boat.

A photo contest was held with the meeting and prizes were awarded for the winning pictures in several categories. Another fund raising raffle was also held with several donated pieces of art as trophies.

Although the Conservation Committee in 1986 consisted of eleven members and was very active on many issues, by 1987 interest was starting to wane. The Chairman recommended that the committee as such be

abolished but retain the chairperson to serve as coordinator of environmental issues. This person would also have the authority to call on any member's expertise in addressing issues as they arose. This would speed response time and there wouldn't be a bunch of committee people sitting around wondering what was going on when no issues were being presented to them.

Although in 1986 the Chapter had opposed a proposed reorganization of the State Game Department that would have allowed the Governor to appoint the Director, House Bill 758 passed the legislature in the spring of 1987. In addition to giving the Governor the authority to appoint the Director, HB758 also changed the name of the Department from Game to Wildlife, and authorized an 8 million dollar general fund appropriation over the next two years to finance Department programs. The Chapter presented testimony in support of the name change and the general fund appropriation.

Election of officers for the period 1988 and 1989 was held by mail ballot. Those elected were Dr. Richard Fitzner, President; Harriet Allen, President-Elect; and Robert Everitt, Secretary/Treasurer. Because the normal rotation of Executive Board members had been fouled up three new members were elected: Lea Knutsen, Robert Martin, and Steve West.

1988

The 1988 annual meeting was again held in conjunction with the USFS, Region 6 Wildlife and Fisheries biologist's workshop. The meeting took place March 31 at Campbell's Inn in Chelan. Approximately 85 people attended the Chapter meeting.

In the morning, the Forest Service opened their workshop to Chapter members outside the Service and covered such topics as: Fisheries Limiting Factors Analysis; Coordinated Resource Inventory; Old-Growth Inventories; and the LaGrande Deer/Elk Study.

The Washington Chapter portion of the program consisted of two general paper sessions moderated by Richard Fitzner and Gregory Green. The first included the following titles: Habitat Needs of Lynx and Timber Harvesting: Conflicts or Compromise?; Interspecific Competition Between Barred and Spotted Owls; Sampling Bark Arthropods Available to Bark Foraging Birds: A Case Study of the Brown Creeper; and Summary of On-Going Research in the USFS Wildlife Habitats Relationship Project.

The second session addressed these topics: Sea Otters in Washington: Distribution, Abundance, and Activity Patterns; Controlling Variability in the Application of HEP; Seasonal Habitat Use by Roosevelt Elk on the Queets River Valley of Olympic Peninsula, Washington; and Management of Bald Eagles in Washington.

A number of conservation issues were brought to the Chapter and acted upon during the year. Primarily because of the interest of the Conservation Committee Chairman Bob Martin, a federal bill entitled the Cave Resources Protection Act relative to the protection and management of caves on federal land, was brought to the attention of the Chapter, which decided the bill was worthy of support. They, in turn, brought the issue to the attention of the Parent Society which also went on record in support of the legislation.

Largely through the urging of Chapter members with letters and phone calls, most of the Washington congressional delegation went on record supporting House Joint Resolution 50. This resolution commemorated the 100th birthday of Aldo Leopold, recognized his contributions to the protection and wise management of renewable resources, and urged federal land management agencies to model their activities after the conservation ethic Leopold inspired. The measure was finally passed by Congress during the summer.

The Chapter presented testimony before the State Wildlife Commission in support of WAC 232-12-014 classifying the northern spotted owl as a state endangered species and WAC 232-12-276 establishing a new set of rules for handling scientific collectors permits.

During the summer a reorganization of programs at Washington State University consolidated the Wildlife Biology Program and the Department of Forestry and Range Management into one program called the Department of Natural Resource Sciences. The new chairman of this Department, Dr. Frederick F. Gilbert, contacted the Washington Chapter for counsel concerning the direction the new program should take. Chapter President Fitzner responded with some preliminary comments and followed up with a more detailed analysis.

The Chapter also submitted detailed comments to the USFS concerning the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) for the management of spotted owls in Region 6. They felt the preferred alternative fell far short of providing for a long term viable population of spotted owls in Oregon and Washington.

1989

Continuing the tradition of the last few years, the 1989 Chapter annual meeting was again a joint meeting with another group. This year the Chapter met with our counterparts from Oregon, the Oregon Chapter of the Wildlife Society. The meeting was held February 22-24 at Hood River, Oregon. Several advantages accrued from the joint meetings, especially this one. By pooling their resources, the groups were able to get top quality facilities for the meeting. With a large audience expected from the joint group it became easy to attract top flight speakers and allowed the scheduling of more papers. But the greatest benefit stemmed from the opportunity to meet others with similar

problems but possibly different perspectives and the exchange of ideas that these circumstances encourage.

Keynote speakers for the meeting were Curt Smitch, Director, Washington Department of Wildlife; and Randy Fisher, Director, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. Over the three-day period of the meeting, 52 papers were presented under ten different headings. The first of these was a high technology session for the entire group where four speakers discussed the applications to wildlife biology of: Computers and Computer Software; GIS and Remote Sensing; Habitat Modeling Techniques; and Radio-Satellite Tracking.

The remainder of the program consisted of concurrent sessions with papers being presented under the following headings: Session A, Toxicology (4 papers); Forest (6 papers); Marine (6 papers); and Fire (8 papers). Session B had papers under the headings: Big Game (4 papers); GIS (4 papers); Range (4 papers); Law (4 papers); and Freshwater (8 papers). The Thursday afternoon panel under the heading "Law" was designed to stimulate enforcement personnel interest and participation in The Wildlife Society.

Entertainment consisted of an evening kegger followed by an all-you-could eat dinner of BBQ chicken and ribs. Approximately 300 people attended the meeting with about 100 of those coming from the Washington Chapter area.

At a business meeting on February 23rd the Chapter decided that they would "sponsor a country" to the extent that they would pay for a three-year subscription to the Journal of Wildlife Management and other Society publications for that country. Several countries were proposed, so it was agreed that these would be put on the election ballot along with the candidates for Chapter offices and the membership asked to vote for their preference. In another action the bylaws were amended regarding the election and installation of new officers. Future elections and installations are to coincide with annual meetings.

The Conservation Committee was active and met several times during the year to review issues of concern and to map strategy. The Committee presented testimony and letters to the Seattle City Council in support of an old growth forest reserve in the Cedar River Watershed; submitted recommendations to NOAA regarding the Washington Outer Coast Marine Sanctuary EIS; presented letters and testimony to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service supporting federal listing of the northern spotted owl as a threatened species and suggested consideration as endangered on the Olympic Peninsula; developed a position paper on recommendations for designating Washington rivers for Federal Wild and Scenic classification; and developed a proposal for protecting wetlands on the Olympic Peninsula.

Through availability of a new desktop publisher, Patricia Thompson, Newsletter Editor, began producing a high quality, quarterly newsletter during the year that facilitated communication within the Chapter (Fig. 6).

Officers elected for 1990 and 1991 were President, Harriet Allen; President Elect, Gregory Green; and Secretary/Treasurer, Bob Everitt. Executive Board members elected were Barbara Hill and Greg Schroer. In the balloting for a country to sponsor, Mexico generated the largest number of votes with Brazil second.

1990

The 1990 annual meeting was again held jointly with the Oregon Chapter of the Wildlife Society, following the same pattern that proved so successful last year. The meeting was held February 28 and March 1 and 2 at the Rippling River Resort, Welches, Oregon (45 minutes east of Portland on the flanks of Mt. Hood). Again approximately 100 Washington Chapter members attended the meeting.

In addition to 51 papers presented in one general and six concurrent sessions, there were three workshops on specialized subjects. The first of these was a Spotted Owl Banding Workshop designed to lead participants through the development and implementation of a bird banding program, with applications that extended well beyond spotted owls. The second workshop, presented Thursday morning, was on Snag Management; while the third presented Thursday afternoon, addressed The Public Input and Planning Process.

The theme of the meeting; "An Introspection: Looking Back and Looking ahead in Wildlife Management" was addressed with five papers in the opening general session. Titles of these were: The Wildlife Society: History and Perspective; Changes and Perspectives in Natural Resource Management; Anatomy of a Wildlife Agency; The Year 2010 in Washington; and The Wildlife Revenue Bond in Washington.

The remaining papers were presented in the six concurrent sessions under the following headings: Northwest Forest Ecology and T & E Species; Legislation, Litigation, and Negotiation for Wildlife; Marine Mammals and Other Resource Interactions; Big Game Papers; Waterfowl and Others; and General Wildlife papers.

A banquet on Thursday evening featured Dr. James Butler from the University of Alberta, Canada; speaking on the subject: "Wildlife 2000: Meeting the Challenge". Other activities included an auction and a raffle to raise money for Chapter wildlife programs, and recognition of the Oregon Chapter's 25th Anniversary. For recreation there was skiing on Mt. Hood.

THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

WASHINGTON CHAPTER NEWSLETTER APRIL 1990

1990 Membership Drive Challenge

The 1990 Membership Drive Challenge: **Double our membership by July 1990.** It's easy - all YOU have to do is recruit **ONE MORE MEMBER!** If you are not yet a member - **JOIN!** (It's only five bucks.) Challenge and Membership Drive Contest details see Pages 2 & 3.

WHAT WE STAND FOR - CHAPTER OBJECTIVES

Consistent with the objectives of The Wildlife Society:

1. To develop and promote sound stewardship of wildlife resources and the environments upon which wildlife and humans depend;
2. To undertake an active role in preventing human-induced environmental degradation;
3. To increase awareness and appreciation of wildlife values;
4. To seek the highest standards in all activities of the wildlife profession.

Implementation - To aid in the achievement of these objectives:

1. Provide opportunities for better liaison among individual members, their Section, and The Society.
2. Evaluate proposed or existing public or private activities that could affect wildlife and/or its habitat and respond accordingly.
3. Recognize and commend outstanding professional achievements for wildlife.
4. Focus the aims and objectives of The Society and the Northwest Section upon professional wildlife needs, problems, and events in local situations.
5. Encourage communication between members and non-members to facilitate understanding and effectiveness of research and management of wildlife resources.

Upcoming Meetings:

April 25-28 Country in the City: Urban Streams, Wetlands & Greenways Restoration & Management, Portland, OR Contact Mike Houck (503) 224-1004

April 29-May 3 Society for Ecological Restoration 2nd Annual Conference, Chicago, IL Contact SER (608) 262-9547

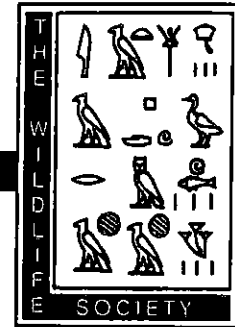
May 2-5 Conference on the Future of Wildlife Conservation in North America, Calgary, Alberta CAN Contact John Marean (403) 220-7698

May 3-6 Landscape Approaches to Wildlife and Ecosystem Management, Canadian Workshop Symposium, Vancouver, B.C. CAN Contact Brent Ingram (604) 228-5271

May 12 Society For Northwest Vertebrate Biology 70th Annual Meeting, Mt. St. Helen's Visitor Center, Castle Rock, WA Contact Ruth Milner (206) 753-5700

June 30 WA Chapter TWS Conservation Committee Meeting, Dept. of Wildlife Office, Mill Creek, WA Contact Greg Schroer (206) 828-0876 h. or 827-8661 w.

July 5-7 Society for Range Management Summer Tour - ML St. Helens "Ten Years After" Rehabilitation Projects, Toledo, WA Contact Jon Anderson (206) 754-5761



"Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little."
- Edmund Burke

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for submitting articles, ideas, reports, comments, artwork, opinions, letters, poetry, field stories, or other script for the next Newsletter is *no later than June 15*. Everyone is encouraged to contribute. Use this publication as a forum for your talents. Trust us. We'll like it. Mail to Newsletter Editor (see above).

Figure 6. Copy of a recent Washington Chapter newsletter done with the new desktop publisher.

In early June (2nd and 3rd) the Washington Chapter tried a different approach to meetings with a general membership meeting and campout at Lake Wenatchee State Park. The meeting was spear-headed by Ann Potter of Washington Department of Wildlife and Sandy Martin, US Forest Service. Although only a few people were able to make it that weekend, the intrepid group of seven had informal discussions about preparations for the 1991 annual meeting, fund-raising, membership, strategies for making a stronger chapter, and major conservation issues affecting the state. The group had a potluck dinner at the lake, but found that June was not the ideal time to be at Lake Wenatchee. Rather than getting eaten alive by mosquitos, they adjourned to a more hospitable Leavenworth tavern to finish the discussions. All agreed that this was something the Chapter should attempt again in the future.

The chair of the Membership Committee, Rod Pharness, kicked off a major membership drive in the spring with a prize to be awarded to the member that could recruit the largest number of new members. By mid-July, 27 new members had been signed up and Ron Swatfigure won the contest by recruiting 11 new members. His prize was a book of Beverly Doolittle prints. Along with the membership drive, Rod also started developing a slide series showing Wildlife Society activities that could be used in recruiting new members.

The Awards Committee, led by Greg Green, developed a proposal for a Washington Wildlife Society Special Achievement Award to recognize significant contributions of individuals, groups, or organizations to Washington's wildlife resources. If deserving candidates were nominated, the first award would be made at the 1991 annual meeting.

During the year, in addition to addressing many other issues, the Conservation Committee, under the enthusiastic and dedicated leadership of Greg Schroer, took on a special project. This project was to focus attention on the need for protection of the Lilliwaup area on the east side of the Olympic Peninsula. This is a unique, low elevation wetland area that provides habitat for a wide variety of wildlife and plants. The area was relatively undisturbed at the time but faced the threat of extensive logging activity in the near future.

To develop awareness of the area, the Chapter met with several other organizations such as the Audubon Society, Washington Environmental Council, Native Plant Society, and Sierra Club. Each month from April through September the Chapter sponsored a field exploration trip into the area. Proposals for the protection of this important habitat were developed.

Some of the other issues the Conservation Committee addressed were: submitted a proposal to the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for funding to maintain some older-age forests for elk winter range habitat; went on record supporting the Comprehensive Land Use Planning Initiative 547 and worked to obtain signatures; presented testimony in support of

the Domestic Policy Council's Task Force on Wetland's national goal of no net loss of wetlands; continued an intensive review of the Timber, Fish, and Wildlife Management Guidelines; and represented the Chapter at the Greater Ecosystem Alliance summit to defend the Greater North Cascades Ecosystem. The ultimate goal of the summit was to bring ecosystem concepts into the public consciousness and to the agencies which plan for and manage this and other ecosystems.

In 1991 the Washington Chapter will be hosting the annual meeting of the Northwest Section of the Wildlife Society. Numerous meetings were held and much effort was put into ensuring that this would be a successful meeting. The Washington Chapter will also be celebrating it's 25th anniversary at this meeting, at which time this document will be presented to the membership.

CONCLUSION

In several recent newsletters and meetings, officers and others have issued a challenge to the members to make the Washington Chapter of The Wildlife Society a voice for wildlife professionals in the state. Along this line it seems appropriate at this time to reiterate the objectives of the Chapter as stated in Article II of the current bylaws. These are:

1. To develop and promote sound stewardship of wildlife resources and the environments upon which wildlife and humans depend;
2. To undertake an active role in preventing human-induced environmental degradation;
3. To increase awareness and appreciation of wildlife values; and
4. To seek the highest standards in all activities of the wildlife profession.

After many years of struggling, often just to stay alive, it appears the Washington Chapter is reaching maturity. There are many indications of this including nearly two hundred chapter members; turnouts of nearly 100 members at recent annual meetings; a quality newsletter distributed to members on a quarterly basis; a treasurer's report that shows more than \$2,000 in the bank at the end of March 1990; and a Conservation Committee report that lists 24 members, eight subcommittees working on various issues, and quarterly meetings scheduled throughout the year.

It appears that the Washington Chapter has definitely grown and matured to where it can be the "voice" of wildlife professionals in the state. Whether it continues depends on the willingness of present and future members to become involved in Chapter activities.

An anonymous poem brought back from the North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference in Denver by Chapter President Harriet Allen speaks to the issue very clearly!

"Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed?;
Or are you just contented that your name is on the list?
Do you attend the meetings, and mingle with the flock?;
Or do you stay at home and criticize and knock?
Do you take an active part to help the work along?;
Or are you satisfied to be the kind to 'just belong'?"



Appendix 1. Elected Officers and Appointed Committee Chairs,
Washington Chapter of the Wildlife Society 1966-1991.

	1966	and	1967
<u>Officers</u>			
President	William Lawrence		
Vice Pres.	Jack Larson		
Sec-Treas	Fred Martinsen		
Exec. Board	Clair Aldous		
	Dan Barnett		
	Clar Pratt		

<u>Committees</u>	<u>Chair</u>
Bylaws	Chapter Officers
Membership	Reade Brown
End. Species	Burton Lauckhart
I & E	Wendell Oliver
Resolutions	Vic Scheffer
Nominations	Carl Anderson
Program	Jack Larson

	1968	and	1969
<u>Officers</u>			
President	David Riley		
Vice Pres.	Fred Martinsen		
Sec-Treas	Wendell Oliver		
Exec. Board	Clar Pratt		
	Vince Shultz		
	Glen Crouch		
Past Pres.	William Lawrence		

<u>Committees</u>	<u>Chair</u>		
Bylaws			
Membership	Dick Pedersen	replaced by	Jerry Kettunen
End. Species	Burton Lauckhart		
I & E	Vacant		Dick Tabor
Resolutions	Jack Larson		
Nominations	Carroll Rieck		
Program	Reade Brown		Homer Brent
Enforcement	Wes Moholt		
Game Animals	Ellis Bowhay		
Game Birds	Don Galbreath		
Fisheries	Curt Burley		
Newsletter	Tom Knight (Ed.)		

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	<u>1970</u>	and	<u>1971</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	Fred Martinsen		
Vice Pres.	Carl Anderson	replaced by	Bernie Leman
Sec-Treas	Leonard Tinsley	replaced by	Jerry Kettunen *
Exec. Board	Dick Taber		
	Wendell Dodge	replaced by	Wally Kramer
	Eric Peacock	replaced by	John Patterson
Past Pres.	Dave Riley		
<u>Committees</u>			
	<u>Chair</u>		
Membership	Archie Mills	replaced by	Jim Stevenson
End. Species	Burton Lauckhart		
I & E	Vacant		Dick Tabor
Resolutions	Gary Garrison		
Nominations	Merle Wischnofske	replaced by	Jack Adkins
Program	Wally Kramer		Archie Mills
Enforcement	Bob Rasmussen		
Game Animals	Keith Guenther		
Game Birds	Don Galbreath		
Economic Rel.	Jim Rochelle		

* Kettunen passed away Nov. 1971

	<u>1972</u>	and	<u>1973</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	Glen Crouch		
Vice Pres.	James Stout		
Sec-Treas	Nancy Field		
Exec. Board	John Patterson		
	Julia Fitzner		
	Dick Taber		Dave Manuwal
Past Pres.	Fred Martinsen		
<u>Committees</u>			
	<u>Chair</u>		
End. Species	Burton Lauckhart		
Nominations	Merle Wischnofske		
Program	Jack Adkins		Rich Poelker

Appendix 1. Cont'd.

	<u>1974</u>	and	<u>1975</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	John Patterson		
Vice Pres.	Merle Wischnofske		
Sec-Treas	Richard Poelker		
Exec. Board	Julia Fitzner		Charles Robbins
	Dave Manuwal		
	Nancy Field		
Past Pres.	Glen Crouch		
<u>Committees</u>			
	<u>Chair</u>		
Nominations	Jack Adkins		
Program	Dave Manuwal		Wayne Elmore
Newsletter	Rolf Johnson		
	<u>1976</u>	and	<u>1977</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	James Rochelle		
Vice Pres.	Richard Poelker		
Sec-Treas	Bruce Moorhead		
Exec. Board	Charles Robbins		
	Nancy Field		Rolf Johnson
	Merle Wischnofske		
Past Pres.	John Patterson		
<u>Committees</u>			
	<u>Chair</u>		
Nominations	John Pattterson		Keith Guenther
Awards	Caroll Rieck		
Membership	Bruce Moorhead		
Symposia	Rolf Johnson		
Resolutions	Dick Taber		
Education	Joe Ball		
Publicity	Keith Guenther		

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	<u>1978</u>	and	<u>1979</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	Richard Poelker		
Vice Pres.	Bruce Moorhead		
Sec-Treas	Richard Haines		
Exec. Board	Merle Wischnofske		David Paullin
	Rolf Johnson		
	Charles Robbins		
Past Pres.	Jim Rochelle		
<u>Committees</u>			
	<u>Chair</u>		
Nominations	Keith Guenther		
Env. Action	Jack Howerton		
Program	Richard Haines		Bruce Moorhead
Newsletter	Rolf Johnson		
Certification			Richard Haines
Educ. & Enfor.	Bill Bradley		

	<u>1980</u>	and	<u>1981</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	Bruce Moorhead		
Vice Pres.	Don Ziegler		
Sec-Treas	Dave Brittell		
Exec. Board	David Paullin		
	Bob Jonas		
	Jack Smith		
Past Pres.	Rich Poelker		
<u>Committees</u>			
	<u>Chair</u>		
Nominations	Rolf Johnson		
Program	Bob Jonas		Betty Rodrick
Einarsen Award	Don Ziegler		
Environ. Action	Jack Howerton		

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	<u>1982</u>	and	<u>1983</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	Don Ziegler		
Vice Pres.	Dave Brittell		
Sec-Treas	Richard Fitzner		
Exec. Board	Bob Jonas		
	Jack Smith		
	Betty Rodrick		
Past Pres.	Bruce Moorhead		
<u>Committees</u>			
	<u>Chair</u>		
I & E Program	Dick Haines Richard Fitzner		

	<u>1984</u>	and	<u>1985</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	Note: The Chapter was largely inactive in 1984 with no annual meeting and no election of officers.		Dave Brittell
Vice Pres.*			Richard Fitzner
Sec-Treas			Harriet L. Allen
Exec. Board			Betty Rodrick
			Lora Leschner
Past Pres.			William Bradley Vacant
<u>Committees</u>			
	<u>Chair</u>		
I & E Program Conservation Membership Fund Raising Newsletter Certification			Steve Penland Bill Ruediger Mel Walters Harriet Allen Lora Leschner Bob Everitt Harriet Allen

* At about this time the Vice President position was changed to that of President Elect.

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	<u>1986</u>	and	<u>1987</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	Dave Brittell		
President Elect	Richard Fitzner		
Sec-Treas	Harriet Allen		
Exec. Board	Betty Rodrick		
	Lora Leschner		
	William Bradley		
Past Pres.	Vacant		

<u>Committees</u>	<u>Chair</u>
I & E	Steve Penland
Program	Bill Ruediger
Conservation	Robert Martin
Membership	Harriet Allen
Fund Raising	Harriet Allen
Newsletter	Bob Everitt
Certification	Harriet Allen

	<u>1988</u>	and	<u>1989</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	Richard Fitzner		
President Elect	Harriet Allen		
Sec-Treas	Robert Everitt		
Exec. Board	Lea Knutsen		
	Robert Martin		
	Steve West		
Past Pres.	Dave Brittell		

<u>Committees</u>	<u>Chair</u>
I & E	Steve Penland
Program	Bob Everitt
Conservation	Robert Martin
Membership	Greg Green
Newsletter	Harriet Allen
Historian	Patricia Thompson
	Reade Brown

Appendix 1. Cont'd.

	<u>1990</u>	and	<u>1991</u>
<u>Officers</u>			
President	Harriet Allen		
President Elect.	Greg Green		
Sec-Treas	Robert Everitt		
Exec. Board	Barbara Hill		
	Greg Schroer		
	Sandy Martin		
Past Pres.	Richard Fitzner		
<u>Committees</u>			
	<u>Chair</u>		
I & E	Wayne Bohls		
Program	Dave Brittell		Greg Green
Conservation	Greg Schroer		
Membership	Lea Knutsen		Rod Pharness
Historian	Reade Brown		
Newsletter	Patricia Thompson		
Nominations	Ruth Milner		
Awards	Eric Cummins		Greg Green

Appendix 2. Issues Addressed Each Year (1966-1991) by the Washington Chapter of The Wildlife Society.

- 1966 * Passed a resolution to the parent society recommending a dues increase for both regular and student members.
- 1968 * Requested the parent society seek tax-exempt status for sections and chapters.
- 1970 * Sponsored publication of a booklet entitled "Rare Mammals of Washington" by J. Burton Lauckhart.
- * Adopted a resolution advocating preservation of habitat and the maintenance of public access within publicly financed irrigation projects.
- * Passed a resolution supporting the Izembek Wilderness proposal in Alaska.
- 1973 * Went on record supporting State Referendum 33 - a measure designed to establish a revenue source to fund nongame wildlife programs.
- * Supported development of a refuge for Columbian white-tailed deer.
- * Supplied information on: the environmental impacts of re-routing Interstate 90 through the Cascades; the proposed use of DDT in tussock moth spray programs; and the impact on wildlife of the use of DDT spray for pealeaf weevil control in eastern Washington.
- 1974 * Opposed a proposal by the Tennessee Chapter to change the name of The Wildlife Society.
- * Sponsored a resolution to the Governor recommending that professional natural resource backgrounds be a prime criteria in selecting members of the Washington State Game Commission.
- 1975 * Comments sent to CBS critical of their documentary entitled "Guns of Autumn".
- * Comments sent to the National concerning their certification proposal.
- 1977 * Resolution to Washington congressional delegation recommending reintroduction and passage of the "Federal Aid to Nongame" bill.

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- 1977 * Resolution to Washington congressional delegation opposing the establishment of a Marine Mammal Sanctuary in Puget Sound.
- * Comments sent to the Game Department concerning their EIS on an interpretive center on the Skagit Delta.
- 1978 * Commented on the Draft Recovery Plan for peregrine falcons.
- * Commented to the Northwest Section in opposition to a proposal from Montana for developing a regional wildlife journal.
- * Letters to the President and our congressional delegation in support of S.1140, H.R.10255, and H.R.10915; all bills designed to provide funding for nongame wildlife programs.
- 1980 * Resolution to BLM recommending wilderness classification for the Juniper Forest in southeast Washington.
- * Letter to the Univ. of WA College of Forest Resources urging continued funding of a wildlife management curriculum.
- * Resolution to the Department of Personnel protesting their proposal to accept a B.S degree in any natural resource field as qualification for a wildlife biologist position.
- * Comments provided to Okanogan National Forest re: their Forest Plan.
- * Adopted a resolution and sent it to state and federal agency heads in Oregon and Washington supporting the proposal by the Interagency Wildlife Committee to develop Westside Forest-Wildlife Habitat Relationships for Oregon and Washington.
- 1981 * Reviewed and prepared lengthy comments to the USDA Forest Service, Region 6 concerning their Standards and Guidelines/Pacific Northwest Region 6 Plan.
- 1982 * Reviewed and prepared detailed comments on the Okanogan National Forest's Draft EIS and Forest Plan.

- 1983
- * Comments provided to the Army Corps of Engineers concerning a proposal to dredge and widen the existing navigation channel below Ice Harbor Dam.
 - * Comments to the Army Corps of Engineers concerning a sea plane use plan for the McNary and Lower Snake River Reservoirs.
 - * Adopted a resolution and sent it to various governmental agencies recommending immediate termination of the field use of endrin and heptachlor and an increase in research to develop alternative control methods.
- 1985
- * Sponsored two individuals as candidates for Washington State Game Commission positions.
- 1986
- * Contributed funds and worked diligently on the Initiative 90 campaign to raise funds for wildlife programs.
 - * Opposed a governmental reorganization that would give the Governor authority to appoint the Director of Game and take it out of the hands of the Game Commission.
 - * Supported federal legislation (SB1748) concerning tropical deforestation and loss of biological diversity.
 - * Urged implementation here in the state of the conservation easement program of the Federal 1985 Farm Act.
 - * Provided comments on the Okanogan National Forest draft Forest Plan.
 - * Reviewed the USFS Draft Supplement (DSEIS) to the Environmental Impact Statement for an Amendment to the Pacific Northwest Regional Guide: Spotted Owl Guidelines.
 - * Sponsored a candidate for a vacancy on the Washington State Game Commission.
- 1987
- * Opposed state legislation that would give the Governor authority to appoint the Director of Game (HB758) but supported provisions in the same bill that changed the name of the department of Game to the Department of Wildlife and appropriated money from the general fund for wildlife programs.
- 1988
- * Supported passage of federal legislation entitled the Cave Resources Protection Act.

Appendix 2. Cont'd.

- * Urged our congressional delegation to support and pass HJR50 commemorating the 100th birthday of Aldo Leopold.
- * Presented testimony before the State Wildlife Commission in support of WAC 232-12-014 classifying the spotted owl as a state endangered species, and WAC 232-12-276 establishing new rules for handling scientific collector permits.
- * Presented preliminary comments concerning programs and direction for the new Department of Natural Resource Sciences at Washington State University.
- 1988 * Comments to the U.S. Forest Service concerning the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) for management of spotted owls in Region 6.
- 1989 * Testimony to Seattle City Council in support of an old growth forest reserve in the Cedar River Watershed.
- * Submitted recommendations to NOAA regarding the Washington Outer Coast Marine Sanctuary EIS.
- * Presented testimony to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service supporting federal listing of the northern spotted owl as a threatened species and suggested consideration as endangered on the Olympic Peninsula.
- * Developed a position paper on recommendations for designating Washington rivers for Federal Wild and Scenic classification.
- * Developed a proposal for protecting wetlands on the Olympic Peninsula.
- * Provided funds to send a set of all Wildlife Society publications to Mexico for three years.
- 1990 * Sponsored field trips into the Lilliwaup Wildlife/Wetlands Natural Area and continued working on proposals for the protection of this area.
- * Submitted a proposal to the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for funding to maintain some older-age forest for elk winter range habitat.
- * Went on record supporting the Comprehensive Land Use Planning Initiative 547.

Appendix 2. Cont'd.

- * Presented testimony in support of the Domestic Policy Council's Task Force on Wetlands' national goal of no net loss of wetlands.
 - * Continued an intensive review of the Timber, Fish and Wildlife Management Guidelines.
 - * Participated in the Greater Ecosystem Alliance summit to defend the Greater North Cascades Ecosystem.
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