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CHAPTER NEWS

As you are well aware, the Alberta Chapter of the Wildlife Society received its charter in April 1989. The Chapter currently has 61 registered members and a membership list is enclosed. Also enclosed is an application form. Please encourage your colleagues to sign up.

Since receiving our charter, an interim committee consisting of Morley Barrett, Mike Dorrance, Bill Glasgow, and Bill Samuel has been hard at work laying the ground work and initial organization of the chapter. They have provided for election of a slate of officers as well as our first annual meeting.

ELECTIONS

The Chapter Bylaws (enclosed) indicate that the executive officers shall include a President, President-Elect (Vice President), and Secretary-Treasurer. In addition, the Executive Board shall consist of the officers, the immediate Past-President, and three duly elected Directors.

A nominating committee, struck by the interim committee and chaired by Ken Lungle, has provided nominations for the first Executive Board. The following nominations have been received:

President: Bill Glasgow
Arlen Todd

Vice Pres: Bill Hall

Bill Samuel

Sec-Tres: Rick Bonar
Jon Jorgenson
Michael Raine
Kevin Wingert

Director: Michael Dorrance
Rick Kunelius
Luigi Morgantini
Don Thomas
Paul Woodard

A biographical outline of each nominee is enclosed. The committee will receive further nominations up to December 20. Nominations should be phoned in to Ken Lungle at 422-9538 (w) or 462-7861 (h).

Ballots will be mailed out in late December. Marked ballots should be returned by January 15. The first Executive Board

will be installed in Red Deer.
ANNUAL MEETING

The interim committee has provided for the **first Annual meeting of the Alberta Chapter of the Wildlife Society** to be held January 19 & 20, 1990 at the Black Knight Inn in Red Deer.

The program format will consist of a half-day business meeting on Friday afternoon, January 19. The Chapter executive will be installed. This will be followed by a working session to discuss those issues and activities the Chapter may wish to pursue in its first year. The business meeting will be followed by a social (sociable?) evening.

On Saturday, January 20, a number of invited speakers will cover a variety of wildlife management issues of concern in Alberta.

A general program outline includes:

Humane Trapping & Animal Rights

- Gilbert Proulx

Wildlife Diseases & Game Farming

- Margo Pybus, Bill Samuel

Bison Management in Alberta

- Bob McFetridge

Endangered Species Management in Alberta

- Steve Brechtel

Pulp Mills & Wildlife

- Rick Bonar, Bob Wynes

Strategic Plan for Alberta

- Les Cooke

Chapter Notices

A list of issues and items for consideration by the membership will be circulated in late December (along with the election ballot). The list could form the basis for discussion during the working session at the meeting in Red Deer.

Dr.. John Stelfox, one of our founding members received the 1989 Honourary Membership Award from The Wildlife Society. The award recognizes John's continuous long-term outstanding service on behalf of wildlife. John was chosen overall in the national competition and there is no doubt that he is completely deserving. One can only hope his contributions are not yet finished. Congratulations John

The interim committee would like to thank the Northwest Section of the Wildlife Society for the generous start-up funds awarded to the Alberta Chapter. In addition, a special thanks to Judy Peek who designed the Chapter logo.

NORTHWEST SECTION NEWS

The Western and Northwest Sections of the Wildlife Society will meet together in Reno, Nevada on February 22-24, 1990. The theme of this joint meeting is "Wildlife Management throughout the Pacific Rim - Politics, Economics, and Biology". Proposed sessions include: Wildlife Disease/ Treatments, Environmental Contaminants, Forest Wildlife, Wetlands, Biodiversity, Natural Resource Economics, Foreign Trade/ Wildlife, and Wildlife Law Enforcement. Further information is available from Richard Pedersen, USDA Forest Service, Box 3623, Portland Oregon 97208.

The North Dakota Chapter has announced a symposium concerning "Environmental Contaminants and their Effects on Biota of the Northern Great Plains". The symposium will be held at the Doublewood Ramada Inn, Bismarck, N.D. on March 20-22, 1990.

The goal of the symposium is to provide people involved with natural resources an increased awareness of environmental contaminants. A wide variety of topics will be addressed. For further details contact Rick Nelson, US Bureau of Reclamation, Box 1017, 304 E. Broadway, Bismarck, N.D. 58501 (701-250-4724).