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Matt Powell - Editor

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Steve Elle

As I begin the start of my "official tour of duty" as President of the Idaho Chapter, I am honored you thought highly enough of me to elect me to leadership. I have the "advantage" of having one year of experience as I enter the coming year. Hopefully, that will allow me to continue to work towards accomplishing some of the goals I set last year.

Specifically, the goals during my presidency are two fold. Financially, I want to improve our ability to fully fund our annual meeting through registration fees. During 2002, we had to increase registration fees for the second time in two years. However, I believe our fees are currently in line with what it takes to put on a 3-day meeting. Not coincidentally, 2002 was the first year in 3 that we "broke even" with registration and did not have to steal money from the fund raising effort to cover meeting costs. The current registration fees continue to allow us to let students attend for free...an objective Excom has consistently supported. The registration fees will remain the same for 2003 (\$75.00 pre-registration/ \$90.00 at the door). Without the meeting cost overruns, we were able to fund many worthwhile projects during the past year (see below). Specifically, we have made the first of 3 installments towards endowing the undergraduate scholarship (\$10,000) versus coming up with \$500 annually. We also were able to assist with the Fishes of Idaho ongoing effort and Western Division cutthroat documentary. I look forward to being able to say "yes" to more funding requests in the coming year.

Professionally, my goal is to attract the fish health/fish culture portion of our profession back into the Idaho Chapter membership. My attitude is that our society is based on 3 legs: management, research and fish health/fish culture. There was a time in the not too distant past when we enjoyed strong participation from all disciplines. In the last 10 years we have lost the attendance from the fish culture crowd. In order to encourage these folks to rejoin us, we need to develop a product which provides value to everyone. To that end, I encourage the submission of fish health/fish culture papers for the annual meeting in Boise. If you know of presentations you believe would be of interest, please let Vaughn Paragamian or me know and we will try to get those presentations added to our agenda. Or if you know of ongoing work that is of interest, encourage the author(s) to consider presenting at the meeting. We did not lose this portion of our profession overnight and it will take time to convince them the Chapter has something to offer them again. This is not a "gimme" and will take some effort on everyone's part. But the time to start is now. If you know anyone in the fish health/fish culture field who

would be interested in our meeting, let me know and we will add them to our mailing list.

I close with a familiar refrain. This is **your society**. Get involved! We are only as good as the collective efforts of our individual members. Unfortunately, a few folks tend to do the lions share of the work. This is not news to any volunteer group. Over time those few "burn out" and subsequently drop out. If we spread the wealth a bit, maybe we can prolong the energy of everyone involved. Committee chairs are provided below. Pick an area of interest and see what you can do to help. Also, let me know if there is a project you believe our Chapter should undertake. The Chapter may or may not be able to take on new proposals. However, I am a really poor mind reader and we may never know our limits if you don't push those limits a bit.

Vaughn is putting together a terrific meeting that should offer something of value to everyone. I look forward to seeing you in Boise.

2003 ICAFS ANNUAL MEETING

First CALL FOR PAPERS

Vaughn L. Paragamian – Program Chair

Program Theme

The theme of the 2003 Annual Meeting is: "*Technology - Where are we, where are we headed, and has it made us better Managers and Investigators*". The plenary session will be devoted to discussions of recent developments and advances in technology including electronic, scientific equipment, computer software for modeling, and advances in scientific analysis. What more can a radio or sonic transmitter tell us besides it's location, can we make more precise estimates of fish population densities and biomass by acoustics, can our more recent models better represent population changes, or is all this "high powered stuff a lot of fluff and show"? I encourage all of you that are involved in some of the high tech gear and equipment that we are using now in place of past methods to participate in the technology session that will follow. We will have representation from S. P. Kramer and Associates, Biosonics, University of Idaho, and Lotek. Other anticipated sessions may include fisheries management, anadromous issues, ESA, native aquatics, fish culture and riparian. Regardless there is room for you to participate and contribute. All people interested in presenting should notify (465-8404) email: vparagam@idfg.state.id.us. Abstracts should be limited to 300 words and should include who will be the presenter, if coauthors. Please provide Title, author(s) and address and whether you are interested in presenting a paper or poster. Please indicate audio-visual equipment needs.

Abstracts: Format Guidelines

Abstracts will be accepted through January 24, 2003. Please submit abstracts electronically or on CD or diskette in MS Word.

Presentations will be restricted to specific format guidelines. For those who chose to stay with the, 35mm slides will be accommodated as usual. If you wish to give your presentation in digital format, please use the following guidelines. You will be restricted to MS PowerPoint in Office 95 or 97, stored on 100MB ZIP drive discs or a CD. Do not plan to bring your own computer or projector. We will have computer, projector and back-ups to serve all PowerPoint presentations. These guidelines have worked well to minimize presentation delays and confusion caused by different storage media, computers and operating systems. **There will be no exceptions.** If you have **ANY** questions, contact Vaughn (769-1414): vparagam@idfg.state.id.us or Liz Mamer (465-8404 - IDFG Nampa Fish Research Office; lmamer@idfg.state.id.us).

Time and Place

The 2003 annual meeting will be held at the Double Tree Hotel Boise Riverside, from February 27 through February March 1 (Thursday - Saturday). The Double Tree Boise Riverside Hotel is located at 2900 Chinden Blvd. In Boise. A block of 70 rooms has been reserved. Please support the Idaho Chapter by making your accommodations at the Double Tree Riverside. The block of rooms will be held at the following rates until **February 4, 2003.**

Single occupancy (same as government rate)	\$61.00
Double occupancy (government rate)	\$76.00
Triple or quad occupancy (government rate)	\$99.00

All rooms subject to 11% local tax and fees. Reservations can be made by calling 208-343-1871 and requesting the Idaho Chapter American Fisheries society special booking rate. If you have any questions about accommodations, scheduling or other logistic.

Registration

Please see the registration form at the back of this newsletter. Preregistrations are due by February 14, 2003. Mail the completed form along with your registration fees to ICAFS c/o Rob Van Kirk, Department of Mathematics, Campus Box 8085, Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID 83209.

Help Needed

Jared will not be able to help out with the AV equipment at the 2003 ID Chapter AFS meeting. We need help with setting up the PowerPoint projectors and loading presentation programs and working with the AV equipment. Anyone willing to help out will get a free lake trout fishing trip and escorted by Vaughn Paragamian to Priest Lake in beautiful and green north Idaho. Anyone interested call Vaughn at (208) 769-1414.

Manuscript Preparation Workshop

A workshop entitled Manuscript Preparation for a Journal will be held on February 26, the day before the Chapter meeting. It too will be held at the Double Tree Riverside in Boise. It will be offered on a first come first serve basis and registration to cover the lunch and breaks will be \$20.00. Manuscript preparation and all the nuances that go with it are entirely overlooked in our academic training and most of us have to learn the hard way and often times avoid this important aspect of communication. It will not only prepare you better in your own manuscript preparation but should also benefit those of you that are in the editorial or review process. This workshop will provide training on many important areas of manuscript

preparation including; why do we publish, what is publishable, how to organize a manuscript, what to include in a manuscript, what does a journal expect of you, how to submit a manuscript; what to expect in the review process, who is your audience and where do you publish, and more. We will hold the workshop size to 25 to 30 participants. Dr. Dave Bennett of the University of Idaho will be the primary instructor with assistance from Sharon Kiefer and Vaughn Paragamian. If there are more folks interested we may hold two workshops. One on February 25 for the attendees from the Boise area and the second on February 26 for those that have to travel further. Whether this course can be offered as an AFS continuing education credit is still under investigation.

If you wish to attend please fill out the application below, enclose a \$20.00 check or money order made out to Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society and send it to:

Vaughn L. Paragamian
Idaho Department of Fish and Game
2750 Kathleen Ave.
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815

Workshop Attendance Application

Name:

Affiliation:

Address:

Experience level in publishing - check one Never published
Published one to five papers

Published six or more papers Would like to published but I am too sensitive to constructive criticism

What do you hope to learn from the workshop?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Propagated Fish in Resource Management Symposium**
December 1, 2002 is the Deadline for Titles and Abstracts for Paper/Poster submissions for the Symposium on Propagated Fish in Resource Management Symposium that will be held June, 2003 in Boise ID. Everyone who manages, studies or deals with cultured fish and their role in, and impacts on, aquatic ecosystems should consider a contribution to this important Symposium. Details on all aspects of the Symposium, including subject areas for papers and posters, can be found at the website: <http://www.fishbiologycongress.org/pfirm>
Vince Mudrak and Gary Carmichael are the Symposium Chairs

- **Sinks Symposium Video Available**

If you missed the Sinks Symposium last February or want to see it again, video tapes of the symposium are now available. The symposium explored the origin and management of fishes in the Snake River Plain sinks drainages of eastern Idaho. The tapes were produced by public access television channel 12 in Pocatello. The Chapter has one set of the four-tape series available for loan. You may also obtain your own copy of the set for the cost of four video cassettes plus a \$20 copy fee. Contact Rob Van Kirk at 208-282-2503 or vankrobe@isu.edu for more information.

- **State Chapter Website**

We've got our own website with info that includes current and past newsletters, announcements and addresses/telephone numbers for your chapter officers. Check it out at http://www.fisheries.org/idaho/news_letter.htm

- **Cutthroat Prints Available**

Prints of Idaho's state fish are available for \$35.00. Contact Steve Elle for information at 208-465-8404 or selle@idfg.state.id.us

- **Pass It On!**

Please pass along this electronic newsletter to everyone in your agency. If you did not get it directly, send your email address update to Chris Downs at cdowns@sandpoint.net

- **Congratulations!**

Undergraduate, Jason Pyron and PhD Candidate, Lance Clarke were selected as the 2002/2003 recipients of ICAFS student scholarships. The ICAFS scholarship committee awards the \$500.00 scholarships each spring after deliberation of applicants.

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Registration

ICAFS Annual Meeting

February 27th – March 1st, 2003 Boise

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Campus Box 8085, Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID 83209)

Please make checks out to Idaho Chapter American Fisheries Society (ICAFS)

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

Affiliation: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: (work) _____ (Home): _____

Palouse Unit Member (check if yes): _____

Registration Fees:

2003 pre-registration (\$75.00) _____
registration at the door (\$90.00) _____
National Dues (\$76.00) _____
Sections/Publications (optional) _____

Total for 2003 AFS Member _____
2003 Student Member (\$38.00) _____

(If you are a 2003 student member of National AFS, registration fee is waved)