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Discovery T-shirts will be for sale at seriously reduced prices at the Missouri Natural Resources Conference. Come prepared to buy several and support the TWS Chapter.



Scat and Other Droppings

By Dan Zekor, Chapter President

This will be my last column as your Chapter President so it's probably important that I try and summarize Chapter accomplishments and share with you some observations and thoughts about the future. But first, I'd like to reiterate some thoughts from a year ago.

I know and work with many of you. I know the dedication you bring to your jobs and the enthusiasm and passion you carry in your heart for the wildlife resources we work to protect and manage. Yet I remain baffled by the apparent lack of interest in the Missouri Chapter of the TWS, North Central Section of TWS, and even the parent Society. I know there is only so much time for work, family, and recreation, and adding other commitments is difficult; however, if we cannot find a modicum of time in a year, or even every other year, to give something back to the "profession" then we must, I believe, question what it means to be a professional.

I believe part of being a wildlife professional includes supporting The Wildlife Society at all levels. Certainly, paying dues is an important part of that support; however, giving of your time and expertise in some manner in order to lend strength and diversity to the array of professional needs and causes is critical. I know I could've done more this past year; there was more I wanted to do. But I needed your help. I hope that more of you will step-up and pitch-in in the future. Moreover, if the Chapter or the Society is not fulfilling your expectations, I hope you'll take the initiative to help change their course and direction so they will meet your needs in the future. The professional societies are important to our collective cause; however, they are only as active as the membership.

Communication – we pledged better communication with the members and I think we succeeded to a certain degree. A new website (www.motws.org) and regular e-mail messages helped us get more information out faster. There are still issues with electronic communications like keeping e-mail addresses up-to-date and how to keep the non-wired members in the loop; however, we will keep working the issues until we have resolution. Thanks again to Tom Kulowiec for

helping on this front. In the future we will work to improve the website design and utility, and explore the possibility of establishing a list-server.

Professionalism and Certification Committees – we have taken the first steps in combining two old committees into one. The new Professional Development committee will take the important elements of the previous committees and combine them with important annual functions such as arranging for one continuing education workshop each year at the MNRC and recommending travel grants.

Farmer/Wildlife Committee – past discussions about the need to re-define this award brought us to the threshold, but we still have work to do here. In early 2004, we will present new criteria for a Landowner/Conservationist Award.

Fall Meeting – The fall meeting idea received lots of attention and discussion but we decided against it for 2003. We are asking your opinion about future possibilities in a survey with this news letter. Please fill it out with your membership.

Operations Manual and By-Laws – Thanks to Margie Mitchell, the Operations Manual has been edited and will be further modified pending the outcome of the annual meeting discussion of By-Laws changes. The revised manual will be posted on the website when completed. The current manual is there now.

Student Chapters – There are three official student chapters, MU, Missouri Western State College, and the newest, Central Missouri State University. We have designated liaisons with each chapter (MU – Zekor/Mechlin, MWSC – Mitch Miller/Dennis Browning, and CMSU – Todd Stewart/David Borrowman). Communication seems improved with student chapters and I look forward to more improvement and collaboration in the future.

Awards and Scholarships – the Executive Board reviewed and approved award and scholarship nominations at the Midwest meeting. All winners will be announced and honored at the MNRC. I think you'll be pleased with the outcome! Please join us at the annual meeting and banquet for the celebration.

North Central Section News – Missouri's John Schulz is now the current President of the North Central Section (congratulations John!). Give him a call if you'd like to help with NCS activities. Gary Potts, NCS Representative will join us at the MNRC conference and annual meeting. Also, at the Midwest meeting, the membership (all 25 of us) voted to increase dues from \$5 to \$10.

Finally, thanks for the opportunity to be your Chapter President. I hope I have contributed in a positive way and look forward to assisting you and TWS in the future. I also greatly appreciate all the help and support given by the Executive Board and others (you know who you are) during my term. Thanks! See you in January!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Missouri Natural Resources Conference January 28 – 30, 2004 Tan-Tar-A

Final plans have been made for the MNRC! Are you prepared to set sail on the "Voyages of Discovery for the Next Millennium." Check out the latest news about the conference and register on-line at www.mnrc.org. Join the Missouri Chapter of TWS now and save \$15.00 on the early bird conference registration (only \$35.00) if you register for the conference before January 9, 2004. After January 9, 2004, conference registration will be \$70.00 whether you belong to a society or not. For the runners, a 5K Fun Run will be held on Wednesday (January 28) afternoon.

In addition to recognizing our professional colleagues and citizens for their contributions to natural resources, this year's banquet (and Plenary Session) will feature appearances by nationally renowned speakers. At the banquet, Meriwether Lewis (Richard Cheatham, Living History Associates, Ltd.) will describe his remarkable trek up and down the Missouri River. In the Plenary Session, Thomas Jefferson (portrayed by Robert Barker of Living History Associates, Ltd.) will present his view of the interaction of natural resources and society and how the Voyage of Discovery shaped it. Also during the Plenary Session, noted author Daniel Botkin will discuss how this interaction has evolved from Jefferson's

day and where it is headed in the future. For more details on these nationally-renowned speakers go to the conference web site provided above.

Make plans right away to attend this premier conference and support your society, your colleagues, and continue your professional development!

CHECK THE WEB - WWW.MOTWS.ORG

This is the TWS Missouri Chapter site. Recent information placed on the site includes: 2003 Annual Meeting Minutes, Proposed By-Laws changes, fall meeting survey, nominations for officers for 2004, and membership form. In the near future you will see a proposed resolution dealing with the need for botany within college wildlife curriculums. After viewing the site, if you have any ideas on what you would like to see (or NOT see), go to the site and click on the *e-mail us* link at the bottom of the opening page, or you can send an e-mail to webmaster@motws.org

REPORTS FROM STUDENT CHAPTERS

Missouri Western State College Student Chapter By Joe Nicholson

New officers: A new semester at Missouri Western State College has arrived with new officers. Our President is Joe Nicholson, our Vice-President is Kristi Ruegge, our Treasurer is Aaron Bunker, and our Secretary is Lisa Miller.

Projects: We conduct 6 spotlight deer surveys on Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge. We also participate in various deer check stations activities. We run the check station at the MDC Northwest Regional Office during the entire general firearms deer season and staff the research check station to collect age data. We are active in the statewide monitoring program for chronic wasting disease (CWD). Several members have been through training for collection of the biological samples necessary to evaluate incidence of CWD. Additional members will be trained for this coming year. We participate at Squaw Creek Work Days. Activities range from refuge repair and maintenance to habitat restoration on the loess hills. We also participate in Eagle Days at Squaw Creek, where we do interpretive work and serve hot chili to

attendees. Our Chapter began an important environmental monitoring project in cooperation with the College's Environmental Safety Officer's Office this year. We locate potential or actual hazardous materials dump sites on campus, GPS those sites, plot them in GIS, and then clean up the sites. This will be the first time the College has used geospatial analysis to monitor college assets and infrastructure. Our Chapter is very active in community outreach programs. For example, we host an orienteering course for the local Council of the Boy Scouts of America during their annual Camporee. This year, it took place at Pony Express CA, and we employed GPS technology to lay out the orienteering course stations. We are also involved in wildlife management activities such as dove wing collection each fall. This year, along with MDC biologists at Pony Express CA we collected 3000 dove wings from hunters. Soon we will set up quail surveys in Northwest Missouri for MDC. During the summer, many of our members gain experience through work and internship opportunities. We had members working for the International Wolf Center in Minnesota, World Bird Sanctuary, Army Corps of Engineers, DNR and MDC in Missouri, and the Arizona Game and Fish Dept. We are proud to be members of The Wildlife Society and look forward to another very productive and enriching year!

University of Missouri Student Chapter

By: Jered D. Wisdom and Lauren Wibbenmeyer

The MU Chapter has accomplished quite a bit this semester. The membership is up to about 65 members, while it was just 43 the previous year. Besides hot pizza and cold soda, we have had several informative speakers at our bi-weekly meetings. In order to pay for that pizza and soda we worked a concession stand at every Mizzou home football game. This was probably the best year the Chapter has seen for working at the games. Additionally, during the firearms deer season we worked two check stations, which gave our members some experience, our organization some money, and MDC some man power. Some further experience our members received involved helping with quail whistle counts at Reform CA. The Mammals Program has allowed some of us to recall information learned in Mammalogy, as well as expose about 300 youth to different mammals in Missouri. The Mammals

Program, our education and outreach program, goes into 4th grade classrooms, gives a slide show, answers questions, and presents tracks, skulls, and pelts to children. For the first time, the program also visited some Boy Scouts this semester. Additionally we have been working this semester to get mammal paraphernalia donated to improve our presentation. Several of our members just returned from the Midwest Conference in Kansas City and we anxiously await going to the MNRC at Tan-Tar-A. For next semester we plan on several normal activities such as our annual Basket Area Clean-up and winter bird count at Prairie Fork CA. However, The Chapter is doing a few new things this year. First, the Chapter and a couple other organizations helped the MU School of Natural Resources purchase bicycles for needy children, and we are also currently looking for a local cause to help support. We also plan on going to northern Missouri to view Prairie Chickens, have a float trip once it warms up, and anything else that the Chapter decides to do. Weekends to do activities are the biggest limiting factor.

For additional information visit:

www.missouri.edu/~wildlife

CRAWFORD/BASKETT MO CHAPTER CHALLENGE

The names, **Tom Baskett** and **Bill Crawford**, are synonymous with the Missouri Chapter of TWS. They helped form it, they both served as President and they both received our Chapter's highest honor, the E. Sydney Stephens Award. Both families have donated \$10,000 to The Wildlife's Society's Endowment Campaign as a challenge (\$20,000) to our states' conservationists to step forward and join TWS capital campaign. The challenge is to raise an additional \$80,000 to place Missouri in a national leadership position in ensuring the future of TWS policy and outreach programs. We are over half way towards TWS goal of \$3.0 million. Please carefully consider being a participant when asked to join in this campaign. Think of it as an investment in wildlife conservation. The following people have already responded either on the national scale or to the Missouri Chapter Challenge: **Glenn and Jeannie Chambers, Dave and Janice Erickson, Dale and Vicki Humburg, Dave and Gunilla Murphy, Dean and Bette Murphy, Dan and**

**Brenda Witter, Diana Hallett and Larry Hall,
Carl and Ann Korschgen and Ollie Torgerson.**

**MOTWS FINANCIAL REPORT
December 15, 2003
Lonnie Hansen Treasurer**

Beginning Balance 1/01/03 \$4,857.12

Income 1/1/03 – 11/30/03

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Dues | 1,830.00 |
| MNRC Conference income | 1,980.00 |
| Donations from SE Deer Study Group | 474.78 |
| Dividends | 68.12 |
| Total Income | \$4,352.90 |

Paid out 1/1/03 – 5/31/03

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Change for MNRC Conference | 100.00 |
| Quail Unlimited cash for raffle | 500.00 |
| Red Weir – plaques for awards | 101.50 |
| Lar Signs – Runge award plaque | 93.86 |
| Grad student award | 750.00 |
| Midwest F & W. Conf. support | 1,000.00 |
| SE Quail Study Group Donation | 300.00 |
| Midyear meeting costs – pizza | 30.00 |
| Missouri Envirothon | 300.00 |
| Meeting Expenses | 336.73 |
| Postage | 22.20 |
| Wildlife Society – Farm Bill issues | 100.00 |
| Total paid out | \$3,634.29 |
| Ending Balance | \$5,575.73 |

Current paid membership 173

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2004

EXECUTIVE BOARD

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Travel to TWS annual meeting | 800 |
| Executive Board meeting expenses | 250 |

OPERATING

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|-----------------------------|-----|
| Web Server | 110 |
| PO Box | 60 |
| Office Supplies and Postage | 70 |
| Awards and Plaques | 200 |
| Graduate Scholarship | 750 |

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|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Travel Grants | 500 |
| Summer/Fall Meeting | 1,000 |
| MNRC Student Chapters Booth | 75 |
| SE Wildlife Conference | 500 |
| Other Conference Work Group Support | 100 |
| TWS Endowment Fund Contribution | 250 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$4,665 |

* No longer have \$650 expense to print the Newsletter

EXPECTED INCOME

| | |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Fund Raisers | 1500 |
| Interest | 100 |
| Dues (160 members) | 1600 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,200 |

BY-LAWS AMENDMENTS

Proposed

During the annual business meeting at the MNRC, we will discuss the following amendments to the Chapter By-Laws. In summary, the amendments 1) adds an objective (letter f) to Article II – Objectives, recognizing our role with student chapters, 2) makes the President of each student chapter an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Executive Board (Article V and VII), and 3) Combine the Professionalism and Certification Committees into a single committee called Professional Development Committee. The exact changes are shown below and the full text of the By-Laws and proposed amendments can be found on the Chapter website.

Article II – Objectives

f. Encourage and support the growth and development of future wildlife professionals through student chapter outreach and involvement.

Article V – Election and Officers

Clause E -Executive Board: The above named officers, with the Past-President, the duly elected Board member ~~and the President of the University of Missouri Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society shall make up the Executive Board which shall act as the governing body for the Chapter.~~

The President of each official student chapter in Missouri shall be an *ex officio*, non-voting member of the Executive Board.

Article VII – Management and Finance

Section 1. Executive Board – The Missouri Chapter shall be governed by an Executive Board comprised of its officers, the immediate Past-President, one member of the Chapter duly elected to the board, and President of the University of Missouri Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society. ~~The Missouri Chapter shall be governed by an Executive Board comprised of its officers, the immediate Past President, and one member of the Chapter duly elected to the~~ **Board. The President of each official student chapter in Missouri shall be an *ex officio*, non-voting member of the Executive Board.**

Article VIII - Committees

~~Clause H - Professionalism: This committee shall recommend Chapter long term goals on professionalism.~~ **Professional Development Committee: This committee shall develop and implement promotional mechanisms for professional certification and development.**

~~Clause K – Certification: This committee shall encourage the maximum number of qualified Chapter members to become Certified Wildlife Biologists.~~

Operations Manual Change
Proposed

2.3 Professional Development Committee

The Professional Development Committee is a standing committee of the Missouri Chapter of The Wildlife Society. The committee chair is selected by the Chapter President with advisement from the Executive Board. The committee’s primary functions are to:

Serve as liaison with the Chapter, Section, and National Professional Development Committees, and the parent society Certification Committee. The Committee will:

Advise the Chapter members on all aspects of TWS certification program.

Advise Chapter members on all aspects of TWS professional development program.

Development and implement promotional strategies for both the Certification and Professional Development programs.

Ensure professional development contact hours are established for workshop and other technical meetings held in Missouri.

Serve as a member of the MNRC workshop committee. The Committee will propose and coordinate all aspects of an annual continuing education workshop at MNRC each year.

Administer the Professional Development Travel Grant. Each year, the Executive Board will authorize a travel grant budget amount to be awarded by the committee in support of a Professional Development need for an individual (member or members) or group (student chapter or chapters). The amount budgeted shall be contingent upon Executive Board travel needs having been first met, and shall be no more than \$1,000 annually.

PLEASE VOTE!!!

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE

PRESIDENT-ELECT

Vicki Jackson, Candidate for President-elect

Personal data: I was born December 25, 1970 in New Port, Rhode Island. My father was in the Navy, so we moved around a lot when I was young. I lived in Rhode Island, Florida, Virginia, Hawaii, and Texas. I have been married to Chad King for 5 years and we have a 3 year old son, Noah.

Education: I received a BS in Wildlife and Fisheries Science from Texas A&M University, May 1992. While I was there I worked with a graduate student studying lekking behaviors of Attwater’s Prairie chickens. I worked at Fort Hays State University with Jerry Choate for my Master’s

degree in Biology (Ecology emphasis). We studied the denning ecology of swift foxes as part of a collaborative effort between Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks and Northern Prairie Science Center. I then returned to Texas for my Ph. D. in Biology (Ecology emphasis). My dissertation was entitled: Use of GIS and remote sensing technologies to study habitat requirements of ocelots, *Leopardus pardalis*, in South Texas. I graduated May 2002.

Employment History: I am currently employed by Central Missouri State University as an Assistant Professor. I teach courses for non-majors (Introduction to the Sciences – Ecology) and majors. I teach both beginning level undergraduate courses (Zoology) and upper level undergraduate/graduate courses (Mammalogy, Conservation GIS, Biostatistics, among others). I have been employed by University of North Texas and Fort Hays State University as both teaching and research assistants. I have worked for Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks and with several other state and federal agencies (Missouri Department of Conservation, Texas Parks and Wildlife, US Fish and Wildlife Service).

Wildlife Society activities: I have attended the annual conference twice, Nashville in 2000 and Burlington 2003. I am a member of the Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Remote Sensing, and Telemetry Working Group and the Missouri State Chapter. Last year, my first year working at CMSU, I helped students establish a student chapter of the Wildlife Society on campus. We have had the opportunity to learn from several seminars, volunteer experiences, and our annual BioBlitz. I am still the faculty advisor to this group. I attended the Missouri Natural Resource Conference last year and plan to attend again this winter. I will attend the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference this December.

Other professional affiliations: I belong to American Society of Mammalogists (Animal Care and Use Committee), Southwestern Association of Naturalists, and Society for Conservation GIS.

Why I want to serve: I feel serving the Chapter as president would provide me with invaluable experience with many facets of wildlife conservation. I enjoy working with wildlife

biologists and academicians. Finding practical applications to the theory we learn and teach in school is a passion for me. I want to be able to help my students find jobs because they are well qualified with practical experience and appropriate course material. I can provide the chapter with my enthusiasm and energy for working together on collaborative projects. I look forward to knowing more people in our chapter and learning more about how I can help meet the goals of our chapter.

Aaron Jeffries, Candidate for President-elect

Personal Data: Born November 5, 1972 in Jefferson City, MO. My wife Leslie and I have been married for two years. One child, Nicholas Paul was born June 20, 2003.

Education: Master of Science, Fisheries and Wildlife Science, December 2000, University of Missouri-Columbia.

Bachelor of Science, Plant Science - Horticulture, December 1995, University of Missouri-Columbia.

Employment History: Wildlife Services Biologist, Missouri Department of Conservation, Jefferson City, MO. November, 2001 to present.

Conservation Policy Specialist, Missouri Department of Conservation and the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Washington D.C. June 2001 through October 2001.

Wildlife Biologist, Missouri Department of Conservation, Lamar, MO. May 2000 through June 2001.

Wildlife Society Activities: 2001 to present, Member; 2003, Graduate Fellowship Committee

TREASURER

Margie Mitchell, Candidate for Treasurer

Began my life and spent my childhood in St. Louis, Missouri, back when they had paddleboats on the Mississippi River. Relocated to Columbia to attend the University of Missouri for a B.A. in Zoology and an M.S. in Wildlife Biology, along the way learning the joys of being a parent to 4-legged,

furry, black Labrador retrievers. After completing an internship with the U.S. Forest Service in Salem, I started my professional career at the University of Missouri in Fish and Wildlife and at the Geographic Resource Center. Had the distinct pleasure of being elected TWS Treasurer in 1989, when I thoroughly appreciated working with the MU Student Chapter of TWS, and then serving as Treasurer for the Natural Resources Conference the same year. Spent several years with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Migratory Bird Office before becoming employed at the Missouri Department of Conservation in Research, Policy Coordination, Private Land Services, and, most recently, in the GIS section. I enjoy being involved with TWS – having helped with several conference and award committees, handled some historian and auditing duties, and, most recently, assisted with editing the TWS Operations Manual. My “girl” Mica would be very proud (as would I) if I were honored to be selected as TWS Treasurer.

Rob Chapman, Candidate for Treasurer

Wildlife Management Biologist, Missouri
Department of Conservation

Personal:

Birth Place: Anderson, Indiana

Birth Date: 11 October 1971

Marital Status: Married 6 years

Children: None

Education:

M.S., Rangeland Ecology and Management,
Oklahoma State University, 2000

B.S., Wildlife Science, Purdue University, 1996

Employment History:

1992 – 1993, Co-op Student, Indiana Department of
Natural Resources

1995 – 1996, Research Technician, Purdue
University

1997, Wildlife Technician, North Carolina Wildlife
Resources Commission

1998 – 2000, Research Assistant, Oklahoma State
University

2000 – Present, Wildlife Management Biologist,
Missouri Department of Conservation

Affiliations:

The Wildlife Society President, Purdue University
Student Chapter, 1995-1996
Membership Chair of Missouri State Chapter, 2003
Natural Areas Association
Southeast Quail Study Group
Society for Range Management
Missouri Conservation Federation
Missouri Prairie Foundation
Kiwanis International

My professional work focuses on the ecology and management of grassland and savanna ecosystems. Specifically the restoration and conservation of native plant and wildlife communities for sustainable use of multiple resources, population ecology and management of grassland and shrubland associated wildlife, and responses of plant communities and wildlife populations to prescribed fire. Integral to my professional work is my fulfillment from canoeing, hiking, hunting, and fishing. Playing guitar, landscaping with native plants, reading, and watching the History Channel occupy my free time while collections of old wildlife ecology books and beer bottles with wildlife labels adorn my bookshelves.

BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE

Alan Leary, Candidate for Board Member at Large

I was born in 1969 in southeastern Minnesota. I was raised in Winona, Minnesota and grew up hunting, fishing, and camping on the Mississippi River. I received my Bachelor of Science degree with Majors in Wildlife Management and Biology from the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point in 1991. After completing my B.S. I worked for about two years as a field technician at the U.S. Department of Energy's Hanford Site in southcentral Washington. While at the Hanford Site I assisted with projects on numerous species including elk, mule deer, bald eagles, Canada geese, sage grouse, long-billed curlews, and great blue herons. I obtained my Master of Science degree in Biology from Boise State University in 1996. I did my thesis research on Ferruginous Hawks in the state of Washington. After completing my M.S. degree, I worked for a year as the Endangered Species Specialist at Fort Bliss, Texas. After a year

at Fort Bliss I moved to Missouri to work as the Endangered Species Specialist for the Missouri National Guard. After working for the National Guard for four years I accepted my current position as a Senior Biological Specialist for the Missouri Department of Transportation about two years ago. I currently live in Jefferson City with my wife, 9 month old son, and bird dog. My hobbies include hunting, fishing, dog training, and playing hockey. I also enjoy spending time with my wife and son. I have been a member of The Wildlife Society since college and I am a Certified Wildlife Biologist. I have attended 7 of the 10 national meetings that the Society has held and I am a member of the Biological Diversity Working Group through the National Chapter. I am also a member of the Wilson Ornithological Society.

Rosemary Heinen, Candidate for Board Member at Large

Personal Data: Born in Shallowater, TX in 1962, but currently living on a small farm near New Franklin, MO. My hobbies include bow hunting, bird hunting, fishing and aviation.

Education: B.S. in Wildlife Management, Texas Tech University, 1985, M. S. Range and Wildlife Management, Sul Ross State University, 1996

Employment History: 1987-1990 Texas Animal Damage Control Service, Wildlife Specialist, 1990-1993 Missouri Department of Conservation, Wildlife Damage Biologist, 1995-1996 Sul Ross State University, Research Assistant, USDA Wildlife Services, Wildlife Biologist in Chicago 1997-1999 and Denver 1999-2001, currently working for USDA Wildlife Services in Missouri as a District Supervisor.

Professional Activities: Texas Tech Student Chapter President. Served on the Membership and Education Committees in the Texas Chapter. Elected Treasurer of the Missouri Chapter 1993. Currently a member of the National and Missouri Chapters of TWS and a member of the Wildlife Damage Management Working Group. Served as Regional IV Director for the National Animal Damage Control Association 1993-96.

2003 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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2003 MO-TWS Committees

Audit-----David Erickson
Certification-----Bill Bergh
Chambers Scholarship-----Bill Eddleman
Education/Graduate Fellowship-----Josh Millspaugh
Farmer/Wildlife-----Brad McCord
MNRC Steering-----Gene Gardner
Membership-----Robert Chapman
Nominating-----Mike Schroer
Professional Development-----Eric Kurzejeski
Resolutions-----Joel Porath
Runge Award-----Dennis Figg
Raffle/Auction-----Jeff Hodges
Operations Manual-----Margie Mitchell
Stephens Award-----President's Choice

Missouri Chapter of THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM
Mail to: Missouri Chapter of the Wildlife Society
P.O. Box 743
Columbia, MO 65205-0743

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

(If you have one, please include e-mail address for future electronic newsletter and messages)

Phone _____

**PLEASE MAKE YOUR \$10.00 CHECK PAYABLE TO:
MISSOURI CHAPTER OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY**



USE THIS MAIL-IN HARDCOPY 2004 BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT

**2004 Missouri Chapter of The Wildlife Society
Official Ballot**

Please Vote for one person in each office:

President-Elect

Vicki Jackson _____
Aaron Jefferies _____

Treasurer

Margie Mitchell _____
Rob Chapman _____

Board Member at Large

Alan Leary _____
Rosemary Heinen _____

Return Ballots by January 23 to: Mike Schroer, MO TWS Nominations Chair, P.O. Box 743, Columbia, MO 65205-0743

**MISSOURI CHAPTER OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY
SUMMER /FALL MEETING SURVEY**

The Executive Board would like your input on whether the Chapter should host a summer/fall meeting. The Missouri Natural Resources Conference (MNRC) has become so large that it's very difficult to offer activities specific and unique to MOTWS member needs. The Executive Board has discussed the possibility of offering a late summer – early fall get-together for members. This get-together could take the form of a small conference, workshop, outdoor skills forum, or any combination of these or other ideas.

1. Would you be interested in a MOTWS function aside from the traditional MNRC?

Yes_____ No_____

2. What month would be most conducive to you attending a MOTWS function?

June July August September October

3. What format would be most desirable to you (please rank 1=most desirable)?

- _____Conference style with speakers, social, etc.
- _____Workshop with one specific theme
- _____Workshop with multiple themes
- _____Multiple workshops at different times of the year and at different locations
- _____Rendezvous style with multiple activities and demonstrations
- _____Planned field trips to see various resources and related management

4. How much time could you allow for this function?

Hours - One Day - Two Days - Three Days

5. How much are you willing to pay for registration (assume you will have to pay expenses out of you pocket)?

_____Dollars

6. What topics or activities should a MOTWS function like this offer that would make you want to attend?

****** Return to Missouri Chapter of the Wildlife Society
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