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President's Corner

As this will be the last newsletter during my term, I would like to use this opportunity to thank all those who have graciously extended a helping hand to the Chapter in any way. I especially want to express my sincere appreciation to those fellow officers and committee chairs who devoted so much of their time and effort to this worthy cause.

At this time, I would also like to encourage those who are not members of the parent society to join as I am sure you will find the rewards of being an active member far outweigh the price of admission.

Our Chapter is in good shape financially which should allow us to maintain or even expand our current involvement in areas such as continuing education, political action, and fish technical committees to name a few. I'm sure other issues to perk our interest loom on the horizon. As our scope of involvement in fishery issues expands, so should our financial status to meet those demands on our treasury.

At our Dubuque EXCOM Meeting in July, topics of discussion included the 1993 annual meeting and Chapter bylaws revisions. Mike McGhee and Bernie Schonhoff are busy making preliminary arrangements for the '93 meeting to be held in the Quad Cities with the Illinois Chapter. You'll be hearing much more about this in coming issues, but mark February 16-18 on your calendar now as it promises to be a good meeting. Mike Mason and Larry Mitzner have done an excellent job in revising our Chapter bylaws. A copy has been sent to Dale Burkett, the Society's Bylaw Review Chair, for review. Upon approval, the new bylaws will be published in an upcoming newsletter for membership review and will be voted on during our '93 annual meeting.

EXCOM has decided to purchase two \$50 national raffle tickets for a chance to win an extraordinary fishing trip to South America. With each of the \$50 tickets comes three \$5 tickets, so in all we have eight chances for a society member of our Chapter to win a prize at the South Dakota drawing in September. Those of you who are interested in tickets of your own, contact Lanny Miller or me. All proceeds will go to the Skinner Memorial Fund for student membership.

Lastly, Kay Hill and the Nominating Committee have selected four well-qualified individuals to run for Chapter offices. I urge you to vote for the candidate of your choice and mail your ballot promptly. Thank you.

David Marolf

SECRETARY/ TREASURER'S REPORT

The Chapter treasury stands at a record high of \$3,255.00. Since the Midwest meeting 147 Pocket Fisheries Guides have been sold. Send a check for \$3 to Ia AFS in care of Ken Snyder at the Fairport Hatchery RR #3 Muscatine, Ia. 52761 if you want one of the 44 remaining copies. A reprint of the Guides is likely in the future.

Jumer's Hotel in Bettendorf will be the site for the '93 annual meeting. The rates for single and double occupancy rooms will be \$52 and \$59 per night respectively. Those interested in making early reservations can call Jumer's at 1-800-285-8637.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Iowa Chapter sponsored the second computer workshop taught by Richard Frie of the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point. The workshop was held on March 10-11 at the ISU computer lab. Quattro Pro, dBase III+, Statistix, Fishcalc and DisBCal were used for spreadsheet analysis, graphics, statistical analysis and age and growth statistics. All of the participants comments about the class that I heard were favorable.

MEMBERSHIP TRENDS

The Iowa Chapter has seen it's membership grow slowly, but steadily. The first mailing list in 1970 showed 48 members. Membership ranged from 45 to 55 through 1985. In 1992, 72 out of the 111 people on the mailing list have paid their 1992 dues. If you have not paid please send in the membership form on the back page. About 50 percent of the Chapter members belong to the Parent Society and as Dave mentioned membership is well worth the dues. There are also a significant number of Parent Society members living in Iowa who do not belong to the Iowa Chapter. Membership in the la Chapter will keep you up to date on issues and meetings in the local scene. There is potential for the Iowa Chapter to continue to grow and it all starts by sending in the membership slip!

THANK YOU

REAP UPDATE

August 1992 - First, a THANK YOU to those who volunteered and helped put out the PSA's earlier this year.

FY-93 Budget: The FY-93 budget for REAP has been set, almost. As it now stands REAP is funded for 9.4 million. However, \$900,000 of this was originally for two programs which Gov. Brandstad vetoed. These funds were supposed to revert to the General Fund. This apparently could not be done within the context of the bill, and those funds instead reverted to the overall REAP fund. When the Iowa General Assembly returns to session this winter the plans are to ask that the bill be changed so that the \$900,000 will revert to the General Fund. As a result REAP is working on the basis that the funding level for FY-93 is 8.5 million.

1992 REAP Assemblies and Congress: No major changes were noted in 1992. Funding was the single largest issue discussed. The good news is that the discussions indicated support for funding levels of at least \$10 million dollars annually. If monies are available, then funding should be restored to the original level of \$30 million dollars. If funds are not available, as has been the case for several years, the program should be extended for however many years it takes to reach the original goal of \$300 million dollars.

Renew America Award: Iowa's REAP program was selected to receive the Renew America Environmental Achievement Award, the only national award presented by the environmental community, is bestowed upon an environmental program for their success in protecting the environment, inspiring others to take environmental action and reaching community goals. To quote Tina Hobson, executive director for Renew America. "Iowa's Resource Enhancement and Protection Program established Iowa as a national leader in the movement to retain our country's rich base of ecological resource. This program sets a positive example for the rest of the nation to follow". Congratulations to Kevin Szcodronski, REAP Coordinator and all who work so hard for the REAP program.

Respectfully submitted:

Dick McWilliams

WALLEYE TECHNICAL MEETING

The Walleye Technical Committee held it's second annual meeting in Dubuque, Ia. on July 21-23 with 49 members from ten states in attendance. Five papers were presented concerning walleye tournament philosophies, regulations, mortality and state/provincial regulations, and five papers on some aspect of evaluating walleye length limits and various impacts on the fisheries. In addition, Dr. Neil Billington (II) presented a paper on cases of hybridication and introgression of natural walleye and sauger populations. Open discussions and comments followed the presentations.

At the WTC business meeting Daryl Ellison (NE) stated the 1990 Walleye Stocks and Stocking Symposium would be out shortly in the North America Journal Of Fish Management. The status of symposia in the future were discussed, but at this time the WTC is not planning for hosting anything in 1993. Mark Flammang and Dave Willis (SD) are in the process of developing a Wr for saugeye - anyone with data they can use should contact them.

Don Gablehouse (KS) updated the committee on Team Saugeye. The program has 23 waters in 7 states, with water areas from 47 to 900 acres. Don passed out and outlined the sampling procedures.

Other items of interest were: The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources is proposing to up-date and computerize the walleye/sauger bibliography; and develop a new walleye "Synthesis" document. The WTC may be able to help with these efforts, and Mike Staggs (WI) will be looking into this and report at the Midwest. The WTC is looking to put together "Classic Walleye Waters" from each state/province. Chair Dave Fielder (SD) asked that each state/province put together something for the Midwest.

The WTC has over 175 people on the mailing lists. It is an active committee of the NCD, and has many individuals from states outside the NCD that are active participants. Two meetings are held annually, one (primarily a business meeting) in conjunction with the Midwest, and a summer meeting (usually the third week in July) which is structured more as a workshop with presentations devoted to proposals, or findings, or other topics of interest to members.

IOWA CHAPTER - AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY BYLAWS AND PROPOSED CHANGES TO BYLAWS

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SECTION 1

Name and Objectives

- The name of this organization shall be the Iowa Chapter of the American Fisheries Society, and herein after referred to as the Chapter.
- The objectives of the Chapter shall be those of the American Fisheries Society, <u>herein after called the Society</u>, as set forth in Article I of the Constitution, and to encourage the exchange of information by members of the Society residing within the State of Iowa.

SECTION II

Membership

 Society members in good standing and residing in the State of Iowa are eligible for membership in this Chapter.

SECTION III

Meetings

- The Chapter shall hold at least one meeting annually at a time and place designated by the Executive Committee.
- The program and presentation of papers shall be the responsibility of the Program Committee.

SECTION IV

Officers

- The officers of the Chapter shall consist of a President, President-Elect, <u>Past President</u>, and a Secretary-Treasurer.
- 2. Officers shall be elected at the annual meeting. The elected officers—
 President-Elect and Secretary-Treasurer—shall be installed on the date of the Society's annual meeting. At the installation, the current President-Elect and President automatically become President and Immediate Past-President, respectively. These three officers retain office until the Society's next annual meeting.

- The Secretary-Treasurer may hold office for a period longer than one year, but the term of the other officers shall be one year.
- 4. In case of a vacated position, the Executive Committee shall appoint a qualified replacement to fill an unexpired term. A vacated immediate past-presidency shall not be filled until the next scheduled transition of officers.
- 5. In the event of a cancellation of an annual meeting, the officers and the members of any committees shall continue to serve until the next scheduled meeting.

SECTION V

Duties of Officers

- 1. The President of the Chapter shall
 - (a) preside at all meetings; serve as the Chairman of Executive Committee chair all Chapter and Executive Committee meetings;
 - (b) represent the Chapter on the North Central Division Executive Committee;
 - (c) and represent the Chapter at the Society meetings;
 - (d) and shall make appointments and perform other duties and functions as are authorized and necessary by the Bylaws;
 - (e) establish and appoint special committees as required;
 - (f) exercise other responsibilities arising from actions of the Executive Committee, Chapter, North Central Division, and the Society.
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 (g) insure publication of a Chapter Newsletter, with a minimum of two and a maximum of six issues, while in office.
- 2. The President-Elect shall
 - (a) assume the duties of the Present President in the event the President when that officer is temporarily or permanently unable to act;
 - (b) shall be Chairman of chair the Program Committee.
- The Immediate Past-President shall
 - (a) serve as Chapter Membership chair;
 - (b) serve on the North Central Division Membership Committee.
- The Secretary-Treasurer shall;
 - (a) keep maintain the official records of the Chapter;
 - (b) collect and be custodian of fees collected under Section IX of these Bylaws, and any other funds which that may be allotted to the Chapter;
 - (c) The Secretary-Treasurer shall pay all Chapter accounts owed and disburse funds as directed by the Membership or the Executive Committee;
 - (d) and shall submit a record of receipts and disbursements at the annual Chapter meeting;
 - (e) The Secretary-Treasurer shall perform such duties as may be requested by the Executive Director of the American Fisheries Society and the President of the North Central Division.
 - (f) submit a report to the Executive Director of the Society within 30 days after the annual meeting of the Chapter is held and perform other duties as may be requested by the Director or President.

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- 2. All appointees must be Society Members, and their terms of duty extend to the end of the President's term if not stipulated otherwise.
- 3. Standing committees shall include Auditing, Membership, Public Awareness, and Nominating Committees.

SECTION VIII

Voting and Quorum

- 1. At least 30 days prior to the Society's annual meeting, the president shall mail to all Chapter members a ballot bearing nominations for President-Elect and Secretary-Treasurer. There must be at least two nominees for President-Elect. Members will be allowed at least 21 days from the mailing date to return ballots to the Chair of the Mail Ballot Tally Committee.
- 2. The nominee receiving the largest number of votes for each office is elected. If a tie occurs, the President, President-Elect and Secretary/Treasurer will make the selection by a majority vote.
- Decisions at meetings of the Chapter shall be by a majority of those members present at any meeting, except for the amendment of these Bylaws, as shown in Section X XI.

SECTION IX

Fees

- The Executive Committee may assess fees necessary to cover the costs of the meeting and Chapter activities.
- 2. To increase the effectiveness of the Chapter, a list of interested persons not yet members of the Society will be established as "Friends of the Iowa Chapter". Those persons who wish to have their names on such a listing will be required to pay a fee to cover mailing, meeting attendance, and other related costs the same annual dues as Chapter members. The fee shall be established by the Executive Committee on a yearly basis. "Friends" have no voting privileges and cannot hold an office or serve on committees.

SECTION X

Expenses

1. The Chapter shall provide financial assistance, determined by the executive committee and contingent upon sufficient funds in the treasury, to assure attendance by the President at North Central Division and Society EXCOM meetings.

SECTION VI

Executive Committee

- The <u>Chapter</u> Executive Committee for the <u>Chapter</u> shall consist of the <u>current</u> elected officers and the immediate Past-President.
- The committee is authorized to act for the Chapter between meetings and to perform appropriate duties and functions.

SECTION VII

Chapter Committees

- Ecommittees and their Chairmen, except as listed in Section V of these Bylaws, may be appointed by the President as may be necessary for the conduct of the Chapter activities.
- 1. The President shall appoint and charge the chairs and members of the following standing committees within 60 days after being installed into
 - (a) AUDITING

 The Committee conducts an audit of the presents a report at the annual meeting. Personnel: two persons, one of whom shall be Chair.
 - (b) MEMBERSHIP
 The Committee maintains Chapter Membership and takes appropriate measures to attract new members. Personnel: (1) Immediate Past-President (Chair); (2) indefinite number of others.
 - (c) BEST PAPER
 The Committee nominates a Chapter member who makes an outstanding presentation at the annual Chapter meeting. Personnel: Chair plus at least two others.
 - (d) RESOLUTION

 The Committee drafts resolutions, screens and edits resolutions submitted to it by officers or members, and presents its slate of resolutions for vote at the Chapter's annual meeting. Personnel: Chair plus at least one other.
 - (e) NOMINATING AND BALLOT TAILY

 The Committee names a slate of candidates for the Chapter offices of President-Elect and Secretary/Treasurer. Also, the Committee counts the mail election ballots and transmits the results to the President within 10 days of the election's closing date. Personnel: Chair plus two people.
 - The Committee assembles and administers the program for the Chapter's annual meeting. Personnel: (1) President-Elect (Chair);

 (2) indefinite number of others.
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SECTION X XI

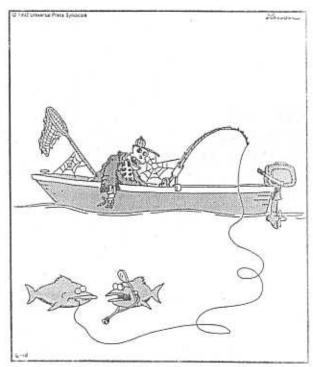
Amendments of the Bylaws

- The Bylaws of the Chapter may be amended by a 2/3 majority vote of approval by those members voting at the annual meeting or by mail ballot, provided that prior notice of at least 30 days be given to the membership of the proposed change(s).
- 2. Said change(s) must be approved by do not take effect until the Society's Executive Director has sent the Chapter written notice of approval by the Society's Executive Committee of the Society before taking effect.

Dennis the Menace



"MAYBE HE WANTS TO SEE YOUR LICENSE."



"Well, first the bad news --- you're definitely hooked."