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The Vent

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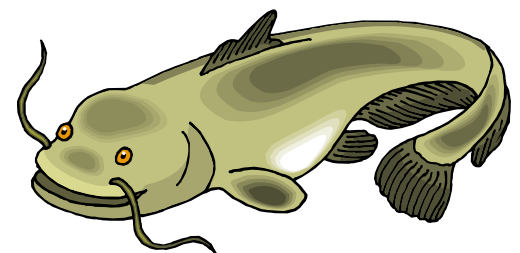
Have you taken the time recently, to stop, and think about what you are thankful for? This fast-paced world that we live in tends to keep our minds preoccupied with other facets of our careers, such as meeting the next deadline, or preparing for the next meeting. Seemingly, too often, we get caught up in routine, daily activities, distracting us from recognizing and appreciating all that we should be thankful for.

I look back over this past year, and am impressed with all of our accomplishments. How in the world did we manage to get everything, and then some, done? I think of all the folks in Colorado and Wyoming that we have communicated and worked together with to make plans come to successful fruition. Interestingly, all of my colleagues have something in common with each other; we are all members of the Colorado-Wyoming Chapter of the American Fisheries Society.

We are all very fortunate to be part of an active and strong Chapter within the American Fisheries Society. I am very thankful to be involved with such high caliber, dedicated folks in our membership. We are a diverse Chapter, full of hard working professionals and students of all

backgrounds and trades, committed to promoting the conservation, development, and wise utilization of Colorado's and Wyoming's fisheries resources. I appreciate the opportunities we share to learn from each other's experiences, as well as those occasions for open exchange of valuable information. We truly should be grateful for one another, and the many friendships that spawn from our common aquatic interests, and the complex challenges facing us. I am pleased and honored to be a member of such an awesome Chapter. Thanks to all of you for your year-round efforts, enthusiasm, and passion protecting, conserving, managing, and researching our states' aquatic resources!

So, as this year comes to an end, I encourage you to reflect upon your achievements in 2006. Be thankful and appreciative of your colleagues, friends, and family, and recognize the importance of all of these people in your daily routines. You will cherish them always.



CO-WY Chapter AFS ExCom Meeting

Colorado Division of Wildlife Office
Fort Collins, Colorado
September 6, 2006
Prepared by Kathy Foster

Attendees

Lori Martin (President)
Hilda Sexauer (Past President)
Matt Kondratieff (Vice President)
Kathy Foster (Secretary/Treasurer)
Anita Martinez (Program Committee)
Greg Anderson (Chapter Archivist)
Ann Widmer (Membership Committee)
Bobby Compton (UW Subunit President)

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 AM. The advancement of officers was completed and Lori Martin assumed role as Chapter President, Matt Kondratieff assumed Vice President and Kathy Foster became the Chapter Secretary-Treasurer. A quorum of officers was determined to be present (3 officers are needed for a quorum). Lori asked if there were any changes needed to the agenda. There were none and the agenda was approved.

Approval of March 2006 Business Meeting

Minutes Hilda motioned for approval and Matt seconded the motion. The minutes were approved at 8:50 AM.

Secretary - Treasurer Report Matt handed out a spreadsheet (below). Total account balance for checking and savings is \$32,242.72. Matt also handed out attendance breakdown. Attendance breakdown information is from an Access Database created by Sheila Garl.

Chapter FY07 Budget Budget review committee was comprised of John Alves, Bill Bradshaw, Anita Martinez, Steve Wolff and Lori Martin. Lori estimated a decrease in annual meeting income because of increase of price and less participation due to meeting in CO vs. WY. We need to up our cost in meeting registration because of increases in cost to hold the meeting. There was a lot of discussion on various items such as Chapter rebates from Parent Society, Angler Newsletter funding, President and Vice President's travel to Western Division retreat and annual meeting. Thus, the ExCom decided to approve the budget via email with discussed changes.
Action Item:

Budget was approved via email on October 20, 2006 (below).

The Chapter gave out \$755 in refunds to individuals who did not attend the meeting. Matt made a proposal that the Chapter will not give refunds to professionals. The ExCom agreed.

Subunit Reports

UW Subunit - Bobby Compton: School just started, haven't had a meeting but will this afternoon. The Subunit has a Yellowstone gill netting lake trout trip at end of September. Participants will do two days of fish work. The Subunit has \$584.66 in funds and also has about \$1000 in t-shirts, etc. The Student Organization has given grant money for food in the past but now want to pay for speakers. So, may have to dip into funds to buy pizza, etc. Will have new slate of officers soon Sept/Oct. David Banks, new UW Subunit President.

CSU Subunit: No report from CSU. Dan Gibson-Reinemer, new CSU Subunit President.

Committee Reports

Archivist: Venice Beske is Chapter Archivist. Greg Anderson was the Membership Committee Chair and now will work with Venice to place the Chapter's Archives at the DC Booth Library at Spearfish, SD. Greg is going to digitize some of the old photos for history of Chapter and for presentations. If have any, give to Greg. Anita gained a whole bunch of stuff from Rod VanVelson when he retired and needs to go through. Anita is making headway on getting proceedings from annual meetings. She wants to give one per University and two to Spearfish. If have any old proceedings, please give to Anita.

Action Item:

Greg and Lori will find out about where we are with the formal agreement with the facility in Spearfish, SD.

Continuing Ed - Brett Johnson, Andy Dux and Gordon Edwards: Brett submitted the following report. The chair position will rotate each year, with the chair residing in the state in which the annual meeting will occur. This year Brett Johnson will chair the committee. The committee plans to implement a web-based survey of the membership to rank topics and format for continuing education workshops prior to the next annual meeting. The committee also plans to review Chapter bylaws related to continuing education. Procedures for funding the costs associated with continuing

education activities need to be addressed. Nothing set for this year's meeting.

Environmental Policy - *Matt Kondratieff*: Matt is new to role and needs direction. Lori will help.

Membership Committee - *Ann Widmer and Steve Gale*: Ann gave out a handout. We have 269 members. The Chapter is having trouble getting the numbers from the parent society. It could be the way we ask. Ask for addresses from CO and WY. Advertise better about student gift memberships. New membership packets – who to send to? States have orientation for new employees. Rebates from the Parent Society are based on address. The Membership Committee has a lengthy list of future activities and goals. Some highlights include work with the Webmaster to provide more information on Membership Services on the web, maintain chapter list of members in good standing and actively promote AFS and our Chapter with visits to schools, clubs, organizations, etc.

Action Item:

Steve Gale will work the Parent Society to remove the \$5 option to receive the newsletter on membership applications, since we're going electronic (see Newsletter).

Newsletter - *Beth Bear and Paul Gerrity, co-editors*: Scott Gangl resigned as editor of *The Angler* in March 2006. Because of the transition in editors, the May/June newsletter was not completed until August. The CO/WY Procedures Manual states that three issues of the Chapter newsletter should be released on a yearly basis (January-February, May-June, September-October). However, because the last issue was just released in August, the editors plan on delaying the next issue until November. The normal newsletter schedule would then resume with the next issue of *The Angler* being released in February 2007. We had a major discussion about newsletter funds. Still printing 250 copies, when should only be a few since it is available electronically. This cost the Chapter around \$700 last year.

Action Item:

Discontinue mailing of printed copies of The Angler. It will now be available through membership email addresses or via the website.

Nominating - *Hilda Sexauer*: Pass on ideas to Hilda.

Webmaster - *Kevin Gelwicks*: The ExCom discussed going to electronic ballots. Ann Widmer volunteered

her husband, Jacob, to help to set up. Hilda has also offered to help Kevin.

Action Item:

Set up website for electronic ballots for 2007 voting.

2007 Annual Meeting

The ExCom traveled to Sylvan Dale Ranch to have lunch and tour the site as a potential 2007 meeting location. The Ranch is in a beautiful setting next to the Big Thompson River. Distance (estimate about 1 ½ hours from Cheyenne, since a lot of Wyoming members would stay there) and accommodations (enough rooms) are the biggest issues with having it at Sylvan. We should still have an alternative site. Need a site by the end of the month.

Other annual meeting business: Have a lot of vacancies for the committees.

Program ideas: Plenary session on oil and gas for a morning and then have presentations in the afternoon. Emphasize where we go from here since energy is here.

Action Item:

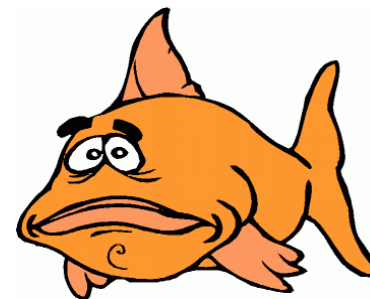
Lori will send out email to members asking for help on committees.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:15 PM.



December ExCom Meeting

Next ExCom Meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2006 at 8:00 am in the Grayling Conference Room of the Colorado Division of Wildlife office in Fort Collins (317 W. Prospect)



Colorado-Wyoming AFS Fiscal Year 2007 Budget October 20, 2006		
BEGINNING CHAPTER ACCOUNT BALANCE - Checking Account and Savings Account	\$33,242.72	
Coca-Cola Stock (value fluctuates and is not included in beginning balance)	\$4,535.00	
INCOME		
	Totals	Itemized
Annual Meeting Total Income	\$16,150.00	
Total meeting registration fees (all categories) with increase of \$25 per category		\$7,800.00
CO/WY Chapter business meeting breakfast registration		\$250.00
Raffle (gross income)		\$2,750.00
Raffle (seed money)		\$1,000.00
Banquet registration		\$1,600.00
Continuing education workshop registration fees		\$1,000.00
Meeting donations		\$1,750.00
Donations		\$0.00
Account Interest	\$35.00	
Chapter Rebates From Parent Society	\$650.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$16,835.00	
EXPENSES		
	Totals	Itemized
Annual Meeting Total Expense	\$12,200.00	
Food (banquet, breaks, socials) and Meeting Room Charge		\$8,750.00
AV total (if using own projectors/laptops)		\$0.00
Raffle (seed money)		\$1,000.00
Printing (abstract/program)		\$350.00
Speaker gifts (mugs); complimentary rooms and gifts		\$1,100.00
Continuing education workshop expenses		\$1,000.00
Angler Newsletter/Ballots	\$200.00	
Excom Meetings - Aug/Dec/Feb	\$200.00	
Excom Operations	\$1,800.00	
FY06 tax preparations		\$300.00
Donations		\$500.00
Other Excom committee operations, including all other committees		\$1,000.00
AFS Gift/Student Memberships (6 @ \$19 each)	\$114.00	
Award Certificates and Plaques	\$125.00	
FY06 Contributions to Student Subunits (\$200 each)	\$400.00	
Pres. travel to WD retreat - Portland	\$850.00	
VP ('08) travel to WD meeting - San Francisco (partial gas and registration)	\$646.00	
Wyoming Hunting and Fishing Wildlife Heritage Expo - Casper	\$300.00	
Website	\$0.00	
TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES	\$16,835.00	
ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL MEETING PROFIT OR LOSS	\$3,950.00	
ESTIMATED TOTAL FY07 PROFIT OR LOSS	\$0.00	
ESTIMATED CHAPTER FY07 ENDING ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$33,242.72	

2007 Annual Meeting of the Colorado-Wyoming Chapter of the American Fisheries Society, February 26-March 1, 2007, Fort Collins, Colorado: “Fishing for Common Ground: Developing a Better Understanding of the Energy Industry to Manage, Preserve, and Protect Aquatic Resources”

The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Colorado-Wyoming Chapter of the American Fisheries Society will be held at the Fort Collins Marriott in Fort Collins, Colorado, from Monday, February 26 through Thursday, March 1, 2007. This premiere hotel and meeting facility is located at 350 East Horsetooth Road in Fort Collins. The hotel can be reached at 1-800-548-2635 or by visiting the Marriott’s website at <http://www.marriott.com/ftcco> for hotel room reservations. A block of rooms has been set aside from February 26 through March 1. Please use the following group code: **CYACYAA** and indicate that you will be attending the Colorado-Wyoming American Fisheries Society meeting. All rooms will have a flat rate of \$80 per night, with an unlimited number of people allowed to stay in a room.

Early registration will begin on Monday, February 26 at 5:00 pm with a welcoming social beginning at 6:00 pm. Snacks and beverages will be available. A full day plenary session focusing on the energy industry will launch the meeting on Tuesday, February 27 at 8:15 am. Contributed papers, not necessarily theme related, will follow on Wednesday, February 28. An evening social will occur on Tuesday, February 27 at 6:00 pm. The Colorado-Wyoming Annual Business Meeting luncheon will follow the morning session of contributed papers on Wednesday, February 28. The banquet and raffle will conclude Wednesday’s activities. A continuing education workshop(s) will be offered on Thursday, March 1.

****First Call for Papers****

Program Committee members are recruiting speakers and posters for the 42nd annual meeting of the CO/WY AFS. The committee encourages members to start considering a presentation or poster. All aquatic related topics enhance the knowledge base of our membership and are welcome.

Final deadline for submittal of presentation and/or poster abstracts is February 5, 2007.

Abstracts for contributed papers and posters must be prepared in MS Word and adhere to the following format criteria: 12 point, Times New Roman font. Please include the following information:

1. A brief descriptive title (centered on page).
2. Names, addresses, telephone and FAX numbers, and e-mail addresses for all organizers (centered on page). Presenter must be clearly identified.
3. An abstract of 350 words or less (left aligned).
4. Indicate whether presenting a poster or oral presentation. Please indicate the presentation type – 2x2 slides or using an LCD projector and PowerPoint Presentation.
5. Indicate if presenter is a student.
6. Indicate length and width of poster.

Abstract Example

Please follow this format for abstract submission:

Title: in 12 point Times New Roman Font

Authors: Anita Martinez (Presenter), Colorado Division of Wildlife, 711 Independent Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81505; 970-255-6143 (W); 970-255-6111 (F); anita.martinez@state.co.us; Lori Marin, Colorado Division of Wildlife, 711 Independent Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81505; 970-255-6126 (W); 970-255-6111 (F); lori.martin@state.co.us

Abstract: The abstract may include but is not required to include a problem statement, objectives, findings, and conclusions. Abstract will be 350 words or less.

Preference: Oral presentation or Poster. LCD or 2x2 slides.

Student: Yes or No.

Length and Width of Poster:

All contributions must be submitted to Anita Martinez at:

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-OR-

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For questions, please contact Anita Martinez at 970-255-6143 or anita.martinez@state.co.us

Final deadline for submitting an abstract is February 5, 2007.

****Call for Paper/Poster Judges****

Volunteers are needed to judge speakers and posters at the 2007 Annual Meeting. Please consider volunteering some of your time at the upcoming meeting. If you are interested in judging, contact Paul Gerrity at paul.gerrity@wgf.state.wy.us or 307-473-3413.

**** Call for Nominations – Colorado-Wyoming Chapter AFS Awards ****

Thinking about that outstanding coworker, supervisor, citizen, landowner, colleague, mentor, or other “character?”

Know someone who has made a significant contribution (this past year) to fishery or habitat management, science, or policy...or someone who was involved in an infamous fish folly?

It is that time of year again!

Award of Excellence: Recognizes (since 1980) “an individual who has made significant contributions in the fishery-aquatic resource field.” This award was formerly (1977-79) known as “Fishery Worker of the Year Award.” It was last presented to Pat Hayden, Eric Schaller and Kevin Ellis for 2005-06 (typically one recipient is recognized).

“Max” Award of Merit: In honor of Max Rollefson (WGFD), this “atta boy” recognizes a “short-term professional accomplishment in management, administration, research or culture.” This award evolved from the original “Stream Habitat Award” (1977-1982) and (since 1991) has been broadened to recognize accomplishments in a wider range of aquatic endeavors. This award was last presented to Michael Quist, Lori Martin and Greg Whitledge for 2004-05 (typically one recipient is recognized).

Leaky Boot Award: “Recognizes the most outrageous behavior” of any fisheries student or professional in the year subsequent to the Chapter’s Annual Meeting. Jason Burckhardt last wore the “Leaky Boot” in 2004-05. His foot is cold and wet...so he’s looking forward to handing it on. Have fun with this!

Format: Limit to one page for MAX and Leaky Boot awards please (Award of Excellence can be more detailed).

Deadline for Nominations: January 15, 2007

Send to or Contact:

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2007 Annual Meeting Program Design Contest
Have Fun and Be Creative!!



The Chapter’s Executive Committee (ExCom) would like to encourage all 2006 Chapter members to exhibit their artistic talents by submitting a design for the 2007 Annual Meeting Program. Requirements for design submission are as follows:

- 1) Artist must be a 2006-2007 Chapter Member,
- 2) Design must focus on/incorporate the theme for the plenary session (Fishing for Common Ground: Developing a Better Understanding of the Energy Industry to Manage, Preserve, and Protect Aquatic Resources), and
- 3) The design should be creative.

The winner will be selected by the ExCom, and will receive a \$50 gift certificate to either Cabela’s or Bass Pro (winner’s choice). Please submit designs to Lori Martin, via email at lori.martin@state.co.us by **January 15, 2007.**



LOOKING FOR AFS PROCEEDINGS FROM YEARS GONE BY

We need old CO/WY AFS proceedings dating 1966 thru 1979 and 1990 thru 2005 for our archive and for CSU and UW libraries. If you have any of these issues please send them to Anita Martinez, CDOW, 711 Independent Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81505 (970-255-6143).



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Student Subunit and Committee Updates

UW Student Subunit – David Banks

The University of Wyoming Student Subunit of the American Fisheries Society elected four new officers for the current academic year. The new officers are president David Banks (dbank3@uwyo.edu), vice president Nick Walrath (wally@uwyo.edu), treasurer Nathan Cook (ncook@uwyo.edu), and secretary Jerry Wilhite (jwilhite@uwyo.edu).

The Subunit was graced by the presence of four outstanding and unique guest speakers during the fall semester. Dr. Wayne Hubert presented a history of the American Fisheries Society, urging all in attendance that were not current members to join. Steve Gale, Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) fisheries biologists from the Laramie region, summarized the fishing opportunities in and around Laramie. Many of the club members have found one or two new places to wet a hook this year using the information Steve provided. Bill Turner, WGFD state herpetological coordinator, talked about the design and implementation of the state monitoring program for amphibians and reptiles. The highlights in Bill's talk included details on some of the interesting and unique species found within Wyoming such as the midget faded rattlesnake (*Crotalus vidiris concolor*) and the Wyoming toad (*Bufo hemiophrys baxteri*). Bill also told the Subunit that sightings with a picture, GPS location, and a description of the area where the species was encountered can help increase current knowledge of Wyoming herps. Our final speaker was Joe Riis, a senior and double major in wildlife biology and environment and natural resources. Joe presented a photo-journal documentary entitled "Missouri River Exposed." Funding from the University of Wyoming enabled Joe to solo kayak portions of the Missouri River in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota. He also met with stakeholders and natural resource managers from state and federal agencies to discuss issues facing fishes of the Missouri River. The photography was outstanding! For further information about the project and to view the photography, go to: www.joeriis.com.

Future activities of the UW student subunit include an end-of-semester gathering at Altitudes (a pub in Laramie) on December 8th at 5 pm, and a January ice fishing trip to a local lake. One of our goals for the spring semester is to bring a high profile speaker to Laramie. We are currently working with Harold

Bergman, director of the Helga Otto Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources, and John Turner, former director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, to bring former Oregon Governor John Kitzhaber to the University of Wyoming.

Membership – Steve Gale and Ann Widmer

Since the annual meeting, the committee has communicated with the Parent Society and updated our membership as of September 2006. Members having a Colorado or Wyoming address are members of our Chapter. However, we still continue to receive out-of-state people that want to be members of our chapter. The current membership stands at approximately 252 members (Colorado and Wyoming only), compared to 246 at this time last year.

Membership Type	Colorado	Wyoming	Other	Totals
Life	20	12	2	34
Regular	97	45	10	152
Retired	8	4	1	13
Student	27	11	4	42
Young Professional	9	19	0	28
Totals	161	91	17	269

We're planning to have a JOB BOARD again at the 2007 chapter meeting in Fort Collins. The board is intended to help those looking for employees, as well as those looking for employment. Please bring copies of your job announcement or resume to post on the board. If you will not be present at the meeting, please send your announcement to Ann Widmer or Steve Gale. At the 2005 and 2006 Chapter meetings, the Membership Committee set up a booth to highlight our activities and provide members with information on the Hutton Program and Professional Certification. This information will also be made available at the 2007 chapter meeting.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION-

The chapter has phased out paper communications. All newsletters and ballots will be sent out electronically via email or provided on the website in the future. If you do not have access to email or the internet, please contact Ann Widmer or Steve Gale by phone to make alternative arrangements. In order to stay involved, it is very important to inform the Membership Committee of any contact information changes such as email, home or work address, and

phone number. The committee will then update the CO/WY database as well as update your information with the Parent Society.

Expo- The Chapter participated in the 9th Annual Wyoming Hunting and Fishing Heritage Expo on September 9, 10, 11 in Casper Wyoming. This was the fourth year the Chapter participated in this Wyoming Game and Fish Department sponsored event.

The Wyoming Hunting and Fishing Heritage Expo provides learning and participation opportunities that communicate the relevance of wildlife and habitat management, teach outdoor skills, encourage ethical behavior and stewardship, and perpetuate Wyoming's hunting, fishing, and wildlife watching heritage. The Expo is a free educational event for all ages and skill levels. It is not a sports or trade show. The Expo offers hands-on learning for a myriad of topics, ranging from fish and wildlife management to shooting skills to outdoor survival skills.

Our Colorado/Wyoming Chapter participated by setting up a booth to promote the American Fisheries Society mission, our chapter, and careers in fisheries (Hutton Program). The booth also contained several displays that participants could read and interact with. Our interactive displays included a population estimate demonstration with live goldfish and tubs full of cardboard cutouts of 5 Wyoming native fish species that kids fished for with magnetic fishing poles. Other informational posters included fish aging techniques, aquatic nuisance species, and fish diseases. We also gave away T-shirts and other items that were donated by the Parent Society and the University of Wyoming Student Subunit. This was a great event for us to showcase AFS and our Chapter. Four Wyoming chapter members were involved with manning the booth during the event. Members were able to interact with the public and explain important fishery issues.

Student Gift Memberships - The Membership Committee has only received one request for a gift membership to an undergraduate student since the annual meeting. We have 5 more to award, so please nominate a student that might be interested in exploring a career in fisheries.

Membership Packets - The committee has membership-recruiting packets available for current members to give out to potential new members. Packets will be provided upon request.

Hutton Program- It is time to sign up for the Society's Hutton Program. Members can access the Parent Society's Web site at www.fisheries.org and find Mentor and Student forms.



Student Gift Memberships

It's time to think about that summer field worker and recognize him or her with a Student Gift Membership to our CO/WY AFS Chapter!

Your Chapter and ExCom continue to support giving out gift memberships to undergraduate students in Wyoming and Colorado. The Membership Committee has the authority to give out 6 (3 Wyoming, 3 Colorado) gift memberships to undergraduate students attending any college or university in Colorado or Wyoming.

The gift is meant to increase the involvement of undergraduate students in the chapter. We hope these students will consider becoming members of our chapter in the future.

The criteria are simple:

1. A Colorado or Wyoming undergraduate student enrolled in a state college or university.
2. Interested in fisheries, majoring or studying fisheries or aquatics.

Chapter members can send their student nomination to the Membership Committee Co-Chairs.

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**Registration Form for the 2007 Annual Meeting of the
Colorado/Wyoming Chapter of the
American Fisheries Society**

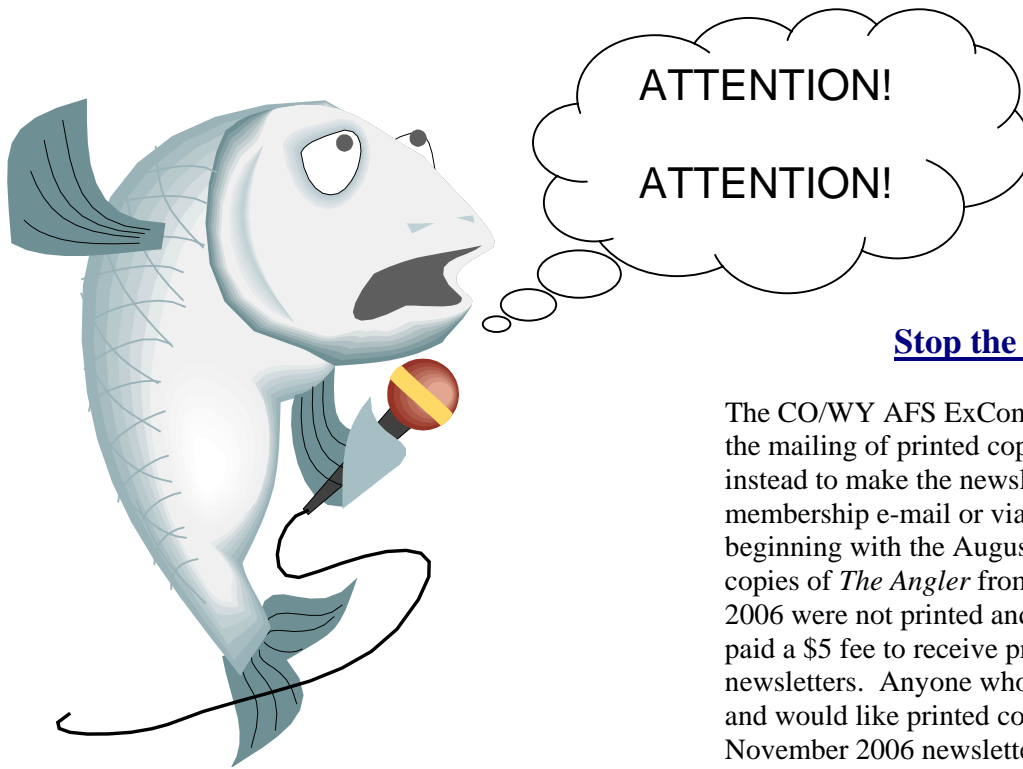
**February 26 - March 1, 2007
The Marriott, Fort Collins, Colorado**

Name: _____
Affiliation: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____
Phone: _____ **E-Mail:** _____
AFS Member ID #: _____

Name Tag Information

Name: _____
Title: _____
Affiliation: _____

Early registration deadline for the meeting and continuing education workshop is February 5, 2007. <u>Early registration is required to attend the banquet and lunch meeting.</u>			
	Early	Late	
Meeting Registration: Includes all breaks and Monday and Tuesday evening socials			
Regular Parent Society Member	\$100	\$115	\$ _____
Student or Retired Parent Society Member	\$55	\$70	\$ _____
Regular Non-Parent Society Member	\$115	\$130	\$ _____
Student or Retired Non-Parent Society Member	\$70	\$85	\$ _____
Monday Evening Welcoming Social (Free)	# attending		_____
Tuesday Evening Social (Free)	# attending		_____
Banquet Registration			
Dinner Buffet Wednesday February 28th @ 6:00 PM	\$25		\$ _____
Additional Buffet Ticket	\$30		\$ _____
CO/WY Business Meeting Lunch Buffet, Wed. Feb 28th @ 11:30 AM:	\$10		\$ _____
Continuing Education Workshop Registration: Course TBA (Thursday March 1st)			
Regular Parent Society Member	\$35	\$50	\$ _____
Student or Retired Parent Society Member	\$25	\$40	\$ _____
Regular Non-Parent Society Member	\$50	\$65	\$ _____
Student or Retired Non-Parent Society Member	\$40	\$55	\$ _____
*Note: No Credit Cards Accepted	Total Due		\$ _____
Send completed form and registration fee to Kathy Foster, Medicine Bow - Routt National Forests, 925 Weiss Drive, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487			



C. E. Survey!

WE WANT YOU to fill out the web-based C.E. survey!

This year's Continuing Education Committee (Andy Dux, Gordon Edwards, Brett Johnson (Chair)) devised a web-based survey to determine our Chapter's needs and preferences for continuing education workshops and short courses. The committee hopes this approach will provide the broadest input from the membership.

Brett Johnson will be emailing the login information to everyone that has an email address in the membership database. If you don't receive such a message by December 1st, please contact Brett at brett@warnercnr.colostate.edu.

You can fill out the survey at any time, but the C.E. Committee will need to tabulate results by December 20, 2006 so they can select a topic and begin making arrangements for the February 2007 meeting. Thanks for your input!

Stop the Presses!

The CO/WY AFS ExCom has decided to discontinue the mailing of printed copies of *The Angler*, deciding instead to make the newsletter available through membership e-mail or via the CO/WY AFS website beginning with the August 2006 issue. Thus, paper copies of *The Angler* from August and November 2006 were not printed and mailed to members who paid a \$5 fee to receive printed copies of the 2006 newsletters. Anyone who paid the 2006 printing fee and would like printed copies of the August and November 2006 newsletters should contact Beth Bear or Paul Gerrity by **Dec. 31, 2006**. Please provide your name, membership number, email address, address, and which issue(s) (Aug. and/or Nov.) you would like a printed copy of. The change to an electronic newsletter will greatly simplify the newsletter writing process and also save the Chapter money. Please feel free to contact the newsletter committee with any questions, comments, or concerns. Thanks!

We Need To Know!

****UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION****
The Chapter has phased out paper communications. All newsletters and ballots will be sent out electronically via email or provided on the website in the future. If you do not have access to email or the internet, please contact Ann Widmer or Steve Gale by phone to make alternative arrangements. In order to stay involved, it is very important to inform the Membership Committee of any contact information changes such as email, home or work address, and phone number. The committee will then update the CO/WY database as well as your information with the Parent Society.