## NEWSLETTER TEXAS CHAPTER-AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY NUMBER 10, OCTOBER, 1978

## Annual Meeting

The annual meeting at San Marcos was one of the best. Those who attended found an interesting program, good fellowship and all in an excellent facility. Many thanks go to Bill Rutledge and Bobby Gene Whiteside for their organization of the annual meeting.

The proceedings of this meeting will be printed and provided to all Texas Chapter members. Editor Jim Davis indicated this publication will be available by January 1979.

## Dues

Now is the time to pay your annual dues. If you find a red  $\checkmark$  beside your name on this mailing label, you are in our records as having paid your 1979 dues. If not, you may send the convenient, attached application along with your check.

An effort should be made by each member, when the opportunity arises, to acquire new members. If you know of someone who wants to join, send me their name and address. Membership in our parent society is not a prerequisite for joining the Chapter.

A membership directory will be prepared this year and distributed to all members. So get your dues in now to eliminate any problems.

MINUTES
BUSINESS MEETING
TEXAS CHAPTER, AFS
SEPTEMBER 30, 1978, SAN MARCOS

The fourth annual meeting was called to order by President William P. Rutledge. Secretary-Treasurer Nick Carter determined a quorum of 20 members was present and presented the minutes of the 1977 San Antonio Meeting. These minutes are shown in the November newsletter, number 6, and were approved.

President's Report - Bill Rutledge extended special thanks to the Chapter's editor Jim Davis for his and his committee's work on the first publication of the Chapter's scientific papers. Dr. Bobby Gene Whiteside was praised for his making of arrangements of the meeting at Southwest Texas State University. Thanks were also given to chairman and members of other committees. Marty Pate, Texas A&M Chapter President, was recognized.

Introduction of Dignitaries - Dr. Caputo (call Whiteside for title) from Southwest Texas State University gave the welcoming address.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report - Presented by Nick Carter who indicated the balance at audit on September 30, 1977 was \$528.72. Dues since collected amounted to \$260.00. Total expenditures were \$131.90, leaving a cash balance of \$656.82, with dues collected from 77 individuals for 1978 membership and 23 members who had paid advance dues for 1979. Expenditures were mainly associated with reproduction of four newsletters and the cost of mailing.

Audit Committee report - Leland Roberts verified the Secretary-Treasurer's report and the report was adopted by voice vote.

Membership Committee Report - Presented by Jim Flynn. This year, Hydrolab contacted 100 plus people through WATS line to tell them of the Chapter's goal and to encourage membership. In addition, notices were posted and publicized at various private organizations and state agencies. Jim encouraged continued work towards contacting other organizations who have interest in aquatic resources but do not know of our existence. Fifty individuals have indicated by telephone they will join the Chapter. Let's hope that these follow through on their promises.

Awards Committee Report - Presented by Dr. Rich Noble who explained the five categories - culture, management, research, education, and special member or non-member - which awards may be given. He encouraged the membership to send the nominations in earlier this coming year to allow time for the selection process and certificate preparation.

Nominating Committee Report - Mr. Dick Luebke acted as chairman this year and offered thanks to Mr. Gary Valentine of the Soil Conservation Service for his help in the selection of new officers. Nominations for President-elect were Charlie Inman, Rich Noble, for Secretary-Treasurer, Allen Forshage, Leland Roberts. Voting was very close, separating winner from loser by only one vote. Rich Noble was chosen President-elect and Allen Forshage, Secretary-Treasurer.

Old Business: None

New Business: It was suggested by Leland Roberts of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department that letters be written to employers of the recipients of awards.

Editor Jim Davis indicated that the editorial board of the Chapter's proceedings will be responsible for setting guidelines for the authors with concurrence of the Executive Committee. He brought to our attention that at least one of the authors must be a member of the Chapter to have a paper published. Presentation of tables and figures were not up to standard in some of our papers received this year. Authors will be asked to rearrange these tables before our first publication comes out.

Awards Presentation - Rich Noble presented the Chapter's awards to Pat Hutson, Outstanding in the area of Culture (smallmouth bass culture); Edward Lyles, Outstanding in the Special Non-Member category for research in aquatic resource protection; Dr. Clark Hubbs, Outstanding in the area of Research and Education.

Announce the Next Meeting - The next meeting will be hosted by the Texas A&M University Chapter and will be held at the Texas A&M University.

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APPLICATION AND RENEWAL FOR MEMBERSHIP	TEXAS CHAPTER-AMERICAN FISHI	ERIES SOCIETY
I hereby apply for membership in the To Society and am enclosing a check (payal		
check one: Regular Membership (	\$3 dues)Student Member	rship (\$2 dues)
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