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OUTGOING PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another year has come and gone and my term as President of the Nebraska Chapter AFS has come to a close. It's been a great year with a lot of challenges and rewarding ends. It's amazing how fast the time goes!

Our annual meeting held near Gretna, NE. at the Ak-Sar-Ben Aquarium was a great success. We had

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REMINDER: PAY DUES DIRECTLY TO THE CHAPTER!

Nebraska AFS Chapter members often pay their chapter dues through the Parent Society. This is because the Parent Society annually bills its members for dues to the parent society, section, and chapter in a single invoice. We are asking that Nebraska Chapter members pay their chapter dues directly to the Chapter instead, at the annual meeting or by sending them directly to the Secretary/Treasurer. Often, members who pay dues through the Parent Society are not credited for paying chapter dues for several months. The reason for this is the Parent Society accounting office only sends us payments twice per year and there's no documentation accompanying the payment. A breakdown of the payment is only received following a special request. Under this process our chapter can have a difficult time determining current members.

Make sure your dues are credited to you and the chapter, send them directly to the Nebraska AFS Chapter. Annual dues are \$5 for students; \$10 for everyone else. Checks should be made payable to "Nebraska Chapter AFS".

Attn: Doug Kapke,
Secretary-Treasurer

2004 Annual Meeting

February 10-11, 2004
Ak-Sar-Ben Aquarium
Gretna, Nebraska

Tuesday, February 10

- Registration beginning at 10:00
- Technical papers 1:00 - 4:00
- Business meeting 4:00 - finished
- Evening social and auction (bring your auction items!)

Wednesday, February 11

- Technical session 8:30 - 11:30
- Final comments and adjourn at 12:00

CHAPTER MEETING REGISTRATION

\$20.00 Professionals
\$15.00 Students
Covers Monday evening meal, social and all breaks
Dues: \$10—Professionals

Please Plan on Attending the Annual Business Meeting at the Chapter Meeting February 10, 2004

**Annual Business Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2003
Ak-Sar-Ben Aquarium
Gretna, Nebraska**

Nebraska Chapter AFS President Rob Hofpar called the Chapter's annual business meeting to order at 4:36 pm. Forty-five Chapter members were in attendance.

The business meeting agenda had been distributed to meeting attendees for review. Minor changes were made in section "VIII. New Business". Joel Klammer motioned to approve the agenda as amended; Ed Peters seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed.

The minutes from the 2002 annual meeting had been published in the Chapter newsletter. Wes Sheets motioned to approve the 2002 minutes as published; Gene Zuerlein seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Rob introduced our first guest, Steve Fischer, from the AFS North Central Division. Steve discussed a new Division 'contest' designed to get more parent society members. The North Central Division will award \$2,500 to the Chapter with the highest percentage of its members being parent society members. The Division is starting to plan a student conclave, targeted at undergraduate students, featuring workshops and presentations. The location will likely be in Illinois or Indiana. Steve also mentioned the Hutton program which provides scholarships to high school students and asked for Chapter member support and participation.

Our second guest, AFS President Fred Harris, echoed Steve Fischer's message that recruitment of new members to the Society is important. Fred stated that with a good funding base, AFS is moving forward and new initiatives and programs can now be undertaken. The journal publication process is changing and should make things go faster. Fred stated that we, as professionals, should make sure that we're not just scientifically documenting declines in aquatic resources in our journals. We need to get our information out to the general public as well. AFS is looking to create a new fisheries foundation to support outreach ef-

orts and hopes to raise \$10 million. The USFWS is trying to get back into fisheries again and is working on a North American Fisheries Plan that other agencies can get involved in. Fred again encouraged everyone to not only join and participate in the Chapter, but to join AFS as well, stating his experience and belief that we would gain more from it than we would ever have to put in.

Rob thanked our guests and called for committee reports.

Larry Hutchinson gave the Legislative Committee report. Larry had reviewed all bills and legislation and made a list, organized into four categories, of those that affected aquatic resources. That list was distributed to meeting attendees for review. Larry discussed LB89, a bill which would limit NGPC involvement in private pond management. A resolution on the issue was distributed for review. Larry asked if the Chapter could approve the resolution. Past-president Mark Porath stated that discussion and approval of resolutions should be put at the end of the meeting, under New Business. Larry also distributed a resolution on LR4CA for the Chapter's review and possible action later in the meeting. Other bills on the list were briefly discussed.

Wes Sheets spoke up in favor of LR4CA which proposes that a constitutional amendment be put to the electorate of Nebraska to consider preserving the rights of Nebraska citizens to hunt, fish, and trap. He also discussed the formation of the Legislative Sportsman Forum, designed to educate the legislature on natural resource issues. Twenty-seven senators have joined the forum so far; Wes has been appointed to its Board of Advisors.

Gene Zuerlein gave the Current Affairs Committee report. The Chapter sent a letter to the Corps on the Missouri River Master Manual issue. Due to politics in Washington, no decision has been made yet. The Chapter supported increased funding for the Missouri River Mitigation Project. The Chapter nominated the Missouri River as one of the country's most endangered for American Rivers' annual list. An article, or vision statement, on the Missouri River was sent by the Chapter to lo-

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cal newspapers, but apparently none have published it as yet. Gene discussed the Verdigre Creek success story as well (an award was presented at the start of the Chapter meeting earlier in the day). Gene finished by inviting other Chapter members to get involved in the Committee's efforts.

The Scholarship Committee, Jeff Jackson and Ed Peters, indicated they were on standby; waiting for direction from the Thomas Fund.

Larry Pape spoke for the Membership Committee. Larry indicated that most fisheries professionals in the state were already Chapter members, so if we want to expand membership, it will have to be in the universities. Also, about two-thirds of the Chapter members are Parent Society members.

Jay Francis stated that the Chapter web page has been updated and everything on there should be current. Members can get newsletters off the web page. The new web page is Members accessing the old page will be automatically redirected to the new site. Rick Holland asked that any resolutions adopted by the Chapter be included promptly on the web page.

Rob then asked for Technical Committee Reports.

Daryl Bauer stated that the Walleye Committee had met in December in Iowa and would meet again this summer in Wisconsin. The Committee is looking for new multi-state projects and has sent questionnaires out.

Joel Klammer stated the Esocid Committee is small and looking for direction. They will meet this summer in Wisconsin. Joel commented that most committee members are musky folks, not northern pike folks.

Keith Hurley reported the Centrarchid Committee met in Iowa in December and would also meet this summer in Wisconsin. The Committee has been active in symposiums lately. A black bass symposium was held in 2001; the crappie symposium papers were just published in the North American Journal of Fisheries Management; and the Lepo-

mis Symposium proceedings are under review for publication. Keith discussed some interesting research in Indiana on suspended sediment impacts on Centrarchids and noted he was working on a black bass regulations article for Fisheries.

Mark Porath reported that the Ictalurid Committee is now official and held its first meeting in Iowa in December. The Committee hopes to have a paper session at the next Midwest Conference.

Ed Peters stated the Rivers and Streams Committee would be meeting this spring in Illinois.

Gerald Mestl commented that the Chapter's new Missouri River Committee would be meeting tomorrow afternoon and getting things moving.

Rick Eades distributed copies of the 2002 Treasurer's Report. Dave Tunink asked that the Chapter's starting and ending account balances be added to the report. Rick provided the balances and indicated he would update the report. Rick Holland motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report; seconded by Larry Hutchinson. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Rob then presented the Past-President's plaque to Mark Porath and thanked him for his help over the past year.

Rick Eades gave an update on the Thomas Fund. The fund balance is over \$10,000 and the Foundation will award the first scholarship this fall. It was noted that both the Walleye Association and the Cornhusker Flyfishers have made donations to the fund and we should be looking to other angler groups for donations. Dave Tunink suggested that more detail be given about Thomas Fund activities in the Treasurer's Report. Rick discussed that since money just passed through the Chapter to the Foundation, there was no net change in Chapter balances due to its activities. Thomas Fund Committee information would be better presented in a separate report. Also, since not all money in the Fund comes from Chapter activities it is impossible to reconcile the Fund balance with Chapter fund raising activities.

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Next on the agenda was the nomination of candidates for the offices of President-elect and Secretary/Treasurer. The Nominating Committee presented two candidates for each office. The floor was opened for more nominations. With no other nomination received, Darrell Feit motioned that the call for nominations be closed; seconded by Keith Hurley. By voice vote, nominations were closed. Ballots were distributed to Chapter members in attendance.

Rob discussed the information on the new Nebraska Environmental Roundtable and Nebraska League of Conservation Voters sent to the Chapter by Joe Gabig. The Chapter can join the Roundtable as an organization for \$200 annual dues. Chapter members felt that the Chapter probably shouldn't join, but should follow their activities. Randy Winter motioned to have the Chapter invite Joe Gabig to the next EXCOM meeting to discuss these groups; seconded by Dave Tunink. By voice vote, the motion was approved. Rob agreed to contact Joe on this.

Discussion then turned to the resolutions presented earlier by the Legislative Committee. Mark Porath read the resolution pertaining to the constitutional amendment assuring sportsman's rights. A few minor edits in text were suggested. Dave Tunink motioned to approve the resolution as amended; seconded by Keith Hurley. By voice vote, the motion passed; the Chapter will support LR4CA.

Mark Porath then read the resolution pertaining to NGPC's involvement in private waters management. Gene Zuerlein stated that the resolution needed an action item stating what we would do with an approved resolution. Joel Klammer suggested the word "free" be removed from the resolution in case there are charges in the future. Joel Klammer moved to make the suggested changes and accept the resolution; seconded by Larry Pape. By voice vote, the resolution was approved; the Chapter will oppose LB89.

Scott Wessel stated that under the Farm Bill there were a lot of new programs that private landowners can get involved in to benefit our resources. Chapter members should learn more about these

programs and pass the information on to landowners we work with.

Rick Eades announced the results of a very close election: Steve Lydick, of the US Fish and Wildlife Service in Grand Island, will be the next President-elect; Doug Kapke, of the NGPC Calamus Fish Hatchery, will be the next Secretary/Treasurer.

With no further business brought forward, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Submitted by:

Rick Eades, NE Chapter Secretary/Treasurer
February 14, 2003

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 : The Nebraska Chapter website - <http://www.nebraska.afs.org> -
 : continues to be updated. Please check it out and offer your
 : suggestions. You can send your comments right from the web
 : page.
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EXCOM Meeting Minutes
March 13, 2003
NGPC Office
Lincoln, Nebraska

Nebraska Chapter AFS President Rob Hofpar called the meeting of the chapter's Executive Committee (EXCOM) to order at 1:05 pm. In attendance were: Mark Porath, past-president; Steve Schainost, president-elect; Jay Francis, Chapter webmaster; and Rick Eades, Secretary/Treasurer. Joe Gabig attended part of the meeting, at the invitation of the Chapter.

Rob distributed a meeting agenda.

Joe Gabig, a guest for the meeting, spoke on the Nebraska Environmental Roundtable (NER) and the Nebraska League of Conservation Voters (NLCV). The NER is about voter education. NER will try to help people understand the consequences of decisions. It's not necessarily lobbying or voicing an opinion, but trying to educate people on environmental issues. The NER will get professional input on an issue, produce a "white paper", and hopefully educate the public so they support the "best" decision on that issue. NLCV will be a sister group, dedicated to lobbying and trying to get good people elected. The NLCV will produce a "legislator scorecard", an NRD Board scorecard, perhaps and possibly get involved in NGPC Commissioner selection. The NER actually began six years ago within several organizations. The members were all full-time employees who ended up not having the time to do much. Joe has taken on much of the workload recently and is trying to get things moving forward. There are two immediate goals: 1) Get membership and needed funds to; 2) hire an Executive Director to run things (under NLCV). There is a need for a full-time person to work on this issue; people with other jobs don't have the time. Joe noted that NER and NLCV are separate entities. NER will not lobby, NLCV will. Being a member of NER does not constitute supporting lobbying. These organizations will hold a meeting for further discussion on March 22nd at the NRD office in Lincoln. Joe thanked the EXCOM for the invitation and allowing him to speak and then left.

The EXCOM took no action on the NER/NLCV membership issue. The EXCOM needs to check on a few issues and then present the question of

membership to all Chapter members for a vote. Rob will contact Steve Fischer, AFS NCD President about these issues.

Rick Eades gave an update on the Robert E. Thomas Memorial Fisheries Fund. The Thomas Fund Committee met last week (a joint meeting with the Scholarship Committee) to discuss progress. Rick was notified by the UN Foundation that we are all set to award our first \$500 scholarship this year. The School of Natural Resources at UNL will be notified that the money is available. The committees discussed adding some type of award certificate or plaque to present to the scholarship winner, concluding that it was a good idea. Rick mentioned he and Jay will be working on adding more Thomas Fund information to the Chapter web page. Rick also reported that he has given a \$200 deposit to Crooked Creek Golf Course towards the second annual Bob Thomas Memorial golf tournament there on September 18, 2003.

The EXCOM discussed the article on the Missouri River that was mailed to area newspapers. Nobody has reported seeing the article in any newspapers yet. Rob suggested we send the article out again; everyone agreed. Mark will contact Jason Skold and ask him to send it out again.

The status of legislative resolutions was discussed. The Chapter's letter and resolution in favor of LR4CA will be mailed out today to the state senators. LB89, which the Chapter voted to oppose, was killed in committee.

Rob discussed some new business items. He has received some correspondence related to the Clean Water Act which he will have posted on the Chapter web page. Rob sent thank you notes to Hannelore Quigley at AFS for the cap and shirt donated for our raffle and to Fred Harris and Steve Fischer for attending our annual meeting.

Rick gave a brief Treasurer's report, indicating income so far for 2003 was \$1,510 (mainly meeting registration and Chapter dues) and expenditures was \$1,203.25 (mainly annual meeting expenses).

Jay Francis reported that chapter resolutions will be posted on the web page, along with information on the awards presented at the annual meeting. Jay will work with Randy Winter to expand the award section of our web page so that instead of

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simply listing award winners and years, there will be a full description of why the award was given. There was also a discussion of changing the chapter e-mail directory to a membership directory to provide more contact information.

Rob mentioned that the call for papers for the Midwest has come out.

Mark reported on the NRCS committee that Jeff Blaser serves on. Jeff is putting together a hand-out on various programs affecting water quality.

Mark mentioned that the Midwest 2006 meeting planning committee will be meeting at NGPC on April 16th. The Chapter will be more involved in planning starting next year and many chapter members will be called upon to help host this meeting.

With no further business to discuss, Rob adjourned the meeting at 2:15 pm.

Submitted by:

Rick Eades

NE Chapter Secretary/Treasurer

March 20, 2003

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greeting and salutations! I trust all is well with you and yours this holiday season (Oops! sorry, this isn't the Christmas letter yet). Well, I trust that all is well with you and yours anyway.

This has been an interesting year what with the continuing drought and the Asian carp invasion. (As the old Irish curse goes "May you live in interesting times"). Drying (or dry) lakes, reservoirs and rivers are creating difficulties for our fisheries, our public and fisheries workers alike. Hopefully this is a short-term problem and conditions will return to normal soon (whatever "normal" is on the Great Plains). The Asian carps will surely have the greatest long-term impacts and will be the challenge of the future. They are spreading so fast that we cannot keep track of where they are from day-to-day. As of today, the Missouri, the lower Platte and the Elkhorn are infested with the bighead and silver carps. What will we have next year at this time? I can't help but think of our other Asian carp which, up till now, we just called "carp". How many millions, maybe even billions, of dollars have been spent over the past century trying to keep them under control. Yes, the fisheries professional has new challenges to keep things "interesting".

Well, the office of President, aside from the glamour and perks, is little more than a caretaker position. We all know the real work is done by the membership and the committees. The Robert E. Thomas Memorial Fisheries Fund has been the most dramatic initiative in quite some time. Fund-raising is apparently going well though, as of this writing, I have not heard the results of the latest effort. I trust our technical committees (Legislative, Current Affairs, Walleye, Esocid, Centrarchid, Ictalurid, Rivers and Streams) are also making progress and will have riveting reports for our next business meeting.

I do hope that you all can attend the next annual meeting of the chapter to be held at the Ak-Sar-Ben Aquarium on 10-11 February 2004. See you there.

Steve Schainost

**EXCOM Meeting Minutes
September 3, 2003
NGPC Office**

In attendance: Chapter President Rob Hofpar; Chapter Webmaster Jay Francis; Incoming Chapter Secretary/Treasurer Doug Kapke; Chapter President-elect Steve Schainost; AFS North-Central Division President Steve Fischer; Chapter Secretary/Treasurer Rick Eades; Chapter Past-president Mark Porath; Chapter Newsletter Editor Donna Waller; Chapter Legislative Committee Chairman Larry Hutchinson; and incoming Chapter President-elect Steve Lydick.

Chapter President Rob Hofpar called the meeting to order at about 9:03 AM. (There was not a group consensus as to what time it really was, as all our watches were different, as was the clock on the wall. But as Chicago sings, "Does anybody really know what time it is? Does anybody really care?")

There was a brief discussion that nobody found any problems with the minutes from the last meeting so Mark made a motion that the previous meeting's minutes be accepted as submitted. The motion was seconded by Doug Kapke and approved by voice vote.

Rob reported that he had received letters from four Nebraska state senators regarding LCR4, three in favor and one neutral. He gave those to Larry for his files.

The EXCOM briefly discussed the controversy over Rob's testimony regarding LB89. Steve Fischer reported that a committee convened by AFS President Fred Harris had reviewed the matter and found that only Rob's "grain of salt" comment violated the AFS Standard of Professional Conduct. AFS accepted a letter of apology from Rob to close the issue. Rob stated he will also include an apology to the Chapter in his outgoing President's message in the next newsletter. Mark made a motion that the Chapter drop the issue and allow Rob to continue on as Past-president. The motion was seconded by Steve Schainost and approved by voice vote.

Rob reported there was not much new regarding the Nebraska Environmental Roundtable and Nebraska League of Conservation Voters that Joe Gabig brought to our attention. The Chapter is not

a contributing member, but supports what they're doing.

Rick briefed the group on the upcoming Bob Thomas fund raiser on September 18th. It was suggested that the Lincoln Journal Star (Joe Duggan) be invited to the event and possibly do a story on what the Chapter is doing.

Steve Schainost reported that he had received a letter from NGPC regarding the Statewide Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Plan, asking for the Chapter's cooperation in developing the plan. Steve will provide a condensed version of the letter and web site information for the next Chapter newsletter. The EXCOM decided that the Chapter contact on this issue should be someone outside of NGPC, and suggested Steve Lydick as a possibility. The EXCOM decided to put a request for a volunteer in the next newsletter.

Jay Francis reported on web page changes and updates. He will put a call for comments and suggestions in the next newsletter.

Rick Eades gave the Treasurer's report. He circulated a current Chapter membership list and handed out copies of our income/expense records for this year. Rick stated he would continue Treasurer's duties until after the Bob Thomas fund raiser and then would hand everything over to Doug. The EXCOM discussed using separate accounts in the future for fund raising events and decided that would be the best approach.

There was no new developments with the NRCS committee Jeff Blaser was appointed to.

The EXCOM discussed some Missouri River issues. Larry stated that the Chapter may need to do more to represent the environmental side of the river flow issues. It was also stated that the Chapter's Missouri River Committee should be doing more and should respond to the recent newspaper editorial that barges are wonderful.

Mark stated that a few more changes to NCD technical committees representation are needed at the next annual meeting.

At this point in the meeting came the changing of officers. Steve Schainost became President, Steve Lydick President-elect, Rob Hofpar past-president, and Doug Kapke Secretary-Treasurer.

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Rick Eades and Mark Porath are no longer members of the EXCOM.

Larry stated that the 2006 Midwest conference will be in Omaha and the Chapter should start discussing plans for involvement. This will be an item of discussion at the next annual meeting.

The next annual meeting will likely be in February at the Aksarben Aquarium, with invited talks. Steve Schainost will work out the details and put a first call for papers in the next newsletter. Some suggestions for presentation topics/presenters included hatchery work, aquatic nuisance species, Platte River research, and Missouri River issues.

Donna stated the next newsletter will come out soon after the Bob Thomas Golf Tournament.

Larry brought up the Merritt title transfer issue. A Chapter resolution opposing the transfer will be drafted for presentation and discussion at the annual meeting.

There was no further business brought forward.

Rick motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mark seconded the motion. All approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Submitted by:

Rick Eades,
Former Chapter Secretary/Treasurer

President's Report (Continued from page 1)

several interesting speakers covering a variety of topics. We were also very fortunate to have two very special guests; Steve Fischer, President of the North Central Division and Fred Harris, President of our Parent Society. Both gave a short presentation explaining the many benefits and opportunities provided by the American Fisheries Society for each of us to expand our horizons as fisheries professionals.

This past year serving as Nebraska Chapter President has added to my respect for the principals and processes of the American Fisheries Society. As I mentioned in my incoming message, the Society provides a field of opportunities for

continued education, information exchange, networking, employment, and a variety of other benefits for everyone holding or pursuing Fisheries careers. I feel even more strongly about that after serving this Chapter.

Throughout my term I've had correspondence with several fisheries professionals and have truly found my service to be a great learning experience. I again challenge everyone in this Chapter to reach out and tap into the resources available through AFS.

I would like to close by extending an apology to the Nebraska Chapter. During my February 21, 2003 testimony to the Natural Resources Committee of the Nebraska Legislature regarding LB89 I pointed out that the Nebraska Chapter is composed almost exclusively of individuals from State and Federal entities and that the resolution passed by the Nebraska Chapter to oppose LB89 did not represent private industry. I implied for that reason, that the resolution should be "taken with a grain of salt".

For that remark I would like to apologize to the Nebraska Chapter. My intentions were not to undermine the Chapter's resolution opposing LB89, but rather to point out the composition of the Chapter did not represent private industry. The "grain of salt" remark was unnecessary for making that point. Sometimes when you feel strongly about an issue it's easy to lose sight of the wider professional ramifications. So I had yet another learning experience!

On a personal note, for those of you who have heard through the grapevine, it's true. After 11 years of marriage, my wife Charissa and I are expecting our first baby in January!

Thanks for a great year and I look forward to serving the needs of our Chapter membership in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Robin L. Hofpar

COMP PLAN

There is a new planning project in the works that may involve some of you (if you're not already involved). The chapter received a copy of this letter which has been sent to a wide variety of stakeholders in Nebraska.

"The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission is developing a statewide plan, Nebraska's Natural Legacy Project, aimed at conserving wild species and their habitats. Nebraska's biological diversity provides the state and its citizens with numerous economic, ecological, educational, recreational and aesthetic benefits. The purpose of this plan is to provide a guide to effective and efficient long-term conservation of Nebraska's biological diversity, our natural heritage.

All fifty states are currently developing comprehensive wildlife conservation plans. This nationwide initiative was sparked by the near passage of the Conservation & Reinvestment Act (CARA) in 2000, which would have provided dedicated long-term funding. CARA was supported by over 6000 organizations representing wildlife and outdoor interests, making it one of the largest grassroots coalitions in the nation's history. Although CARA was not enacted, Congress has partially addressed the urgent need for wildlife diversity funding by authorizing annual appropriations totaling over \$200 million (\$3.8 million to Nebraska) for wildlife conservation since 2000. As a condition for receiving these funds, each state wildlife agency must complete a Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Plan by October 2005.

The required plan will take a proactive, science-based approach. This approach will anticipate needs for maintaining healthy, naturally occurring populations of wildlife species. In the past, the majority of native species have received little attention until their populations were threatened with extinction. Conservation of endangered species is expensive and inefficient. By designing and implementing a plan that conserves existing, healthy population, the listing of more endangered species can be prevented. While this plan will focus on Nebraska's most rare biological resources, many of our common wildlife species will also thrive from the benefits of this plan.

As this plan is developed, the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission will be consulting with many individuals from a broad range of organiza-

tions to ensure the interests and needs of Nebraska's citizens are reflected in this plan. The plan will be designed to serve as a blueprint for conserving Nebraska's biological diversity. This blueprint can then be used by any organization interested in conservation so that people and organizations across the state will be working in concert toward a common goal.

The plan will include conservation strategies that will focus on non-regulatory, voluntary incentives to promote conservation actions across the state. This plan will also have a large education component that will identify the needs of Nebraska educators and incorporate strategies to enhance conservation education.

We encourage you to become involved and help the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission develop the plan."

The Nebraska Chapter of the American Fisheries Society

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Items for Chapter Newsletter

Including, but not limited to:

- ⇒ Fisheries issues of local, state or national importance
- ⇒ What are our members involved with—publications, projects, etc.
- ⇒ Student projects

Nebraska Chapter AFS
Annual Meeting
February 10-11, 2003
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Gretna, Nebraska

ABSTRACT FORMAT FOR PRESENTATIONS

Paper or Poster (Circle one)

Student or Professional (Circle one)

Title of presentation:

Audio/Video Needs (slide projector, digital projector, etc.):

Author(s), affiliations, addresses, phone numbers: (please underline author making the presentation).

Abstract: (250 words or less in space below)

Please submit abstracts no later than January 18th, 2004, to:

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