



Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society

Newsletter

"The mission of the Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society is to foster excellence in wildlife stewardship through science and education among wildlife professionals within the northeastern United States."

Winter 2013-14

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mitschka ("Mitch") Hartley

Adaptive Management of the Northeast Section

After my newsletter article last year I heard from many Section members who agreed that TWS membership organization is probably too complicated; most members choose *not* to pay dues to national, a Section, *and* a chapter. At the national level, TWS Council has considered a "unified" dues structure, but lacking agreement across the organization, that idea is off the table for now. At least one Section (Central Mountains and Plains) has decided to eliminate Section dues at the individual level, to make it easier for all national and/or chapter members to be Section members at no cost. At the Northeast Section Executive Committee's annual meeting this spring, we discussed doing the same thing and there was general agreement to try this in our Section. What we propose, and would like Chapters to provide feedback on, is to eliminate Section dues at the individual member level. Any and all members of TWS living in the Northeast Section area—whether they are chapter and/or national members—would automatically be considered members of the Northeast Section. In practical terms, that means that everyone in the region would get our newsletter and be eligible to vote on section business and select our Section Rep to TWS Council if you are also a national member. I believe that will make our Section more relevant to every TWS member in the region, and improve communication among our chapters and between our Section Representative

and the members s/he represents.

How will this change affect the finances of the Northeast Section? That depends, and will be decided over the next few years by members and chapter leaders throughout the Northeast. This change would be close to revenue-neutral if each chapter was willing to make a voluntary contribution to the Section of \$1 per chapter member per year. We are asking Chapters to consider this, as it would amount to only a couple hundred dollars each year for most chapters. That level of support would enable the Section to continue to support TWS at the national level (e.g., the Leadership Institute, and Women in Wildlife events at the Annual Meeting) and members and students at the regional level (e.g., Northeast Wildlife Conclaves and the Northeast Section field course). I hope it also makes sense to you that chapters would pool a modest amount of money to provide ongoing support of several worthwhile efforts involving wildlife students from most (if not all) chapters across our region.

Hopefully, TWS chapter members in the Northeast will agree that Section activities are worth a dollar per member and agree to raise their chapter dues by a dollar, or somehow absorb this cost. If they decide that Section support is not worth a dollar per member, chapters will not be obligated to pay the Section anything. If most chapters feel that way, sooner or later one of three things will happen:

- 1) the Section will continue without dues, eventually spending down our balance (which may take a few years at current

spending levels) until it has no operating budget

- 2) the Section will engage in sufficient fund-raising to meet its annual budget
- 3) the Section will decide to reinstate dues collection

Eliminating our dues is, therefore, an experiment. We are “adaptively managing” our section in hopes of improving it. If, in a few years, TWS members in the Northeast do not feel that the change was a net positive, we can always go back to the way things were. However, I hope that this change will result in TWS members having a better understanding of and engagement in their Section, its activities, and how and why it spends money each year. I hope the increased communication and collaboration among our chapters and members will lead to greater awareness of important conservation activities and wildlife policy issues. I am pretty sure that when we do decide to advocate for certain issues, our greater numbers can only help us influence policy makers. I look forward to hearing from chapter leaders soon, to see what members think of this idea. Hopefully that feedback will be positive and, if so, Section members will see a ballot in the next few months for an official vote to change our dues structure. In the meantime, if you have questions or want to discuss this with me or other Section officers, please feel free to do so by email or phone.

SECTION REP'S REPORT

John E. McDonald
(from Sept 2013)

The Wildlife Society Council will be meeting in early October at the annual conference in Milwaukee, WI. Prior to the regular meeting we will be engaging in a 2-day strategic planning session as it has been 5 years since we approved the last version of the strategic plan. It is hard to believe that I was involved in that prior round, during my first year on Council. This upcoming Council meeting has a very full agenda and if you are at the Conference it would be great to see some folks from the Northeast Section in attendance.

Many of you are aware that national TWS has been grappling with some significant financial issues over the past year or so, which will certainly shape much of the discussion during our strategic planning meeting, as well as the regular Council meeting. We will be trying to figure out the member services and professional activities in which to continue investing, which programs may be de-emphasized for the immediate future, and what new ventures may help us to continue to grow and replenish our reserve funds. We have already implemented new accounting and financial reporting procedures to ensure we have a current picture of our status every month and have made a number of budget cuts. On the positive side, we have invested in a new member services platform for our website, which I hope many of you have had a chance to access. The new member portal puts all of your TWS services, subscriptions, working group sites, chapter and section member forums, and membership renewal options on one site through a single login. Council and staff had heard complaints (and some of us had lodged some) that the online interface was not easy to use and required multiple logins to access the member directory, membership renewals, and any publications to which you were subscribed. That has all changed and the new portal gives members a single point of access to all their TWS information and services. If you haven't signed in yet, please give it a try.

Among the topics on the upcoming Council agenda will be a program to integrate our subunit Conservation Affairs Committees (CACs) across the country to better present our collective professional view on the issues that are important to our members and our profession. Another topic that will generate significant discussion will be how our publications should operate in the era of online journals and open-access formats. We are a bit behind the curve in positioning our journals for this new era in scientific publishing, but are hopefully poised to make some big gains, though there is not a proven recipe to follow for an organization of our size. With our annual conference doing well and membership at all-time high levels, our publications are the area where we need to improve our strategy both to generate more revenue through increased subscriptions and/or page fees as well as to broaden our readership and the visibility of the research

published TWS journals. Speaking of publications, I hope you have had a chance to check out the online *Wildlife Society Bulletin* and have decided to subscribe. Also be sure to sign up for content alerts through the publisher's website for both the *Bulletin* and *Journal of Wildlife Management*. You don't need to be a subscriber to get the email alerts when new articles are available online ahead of publication.

Next year the annual conference will be in Pittsburgh, PA returning to the Northeast Section for the first time since the 2003 conference in Burlington, VT. I hope all of you will be able to attend and the time to start planning is now. Very soon, the call for symposia and workshops will be open and it is not too early to be putting those proposals together. Also, this will be my last year on Council, ending at the Pittsburgh meeting. So we will need nominees for Section Representative for next year's election. If you are interested in running or in nominating someone all I can say is it is a fantastic way to serve your profession, expand your network of friends and colleagues, and learn. A lot.

As always, please feel free to be in touch with me (twsmdonald@gmail.com) if you have concerns about TWS activities, questions, comments, or want to get more involved.



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The Northeast Section welcomes **Stacy Carpenter** as its new President Elect! Mitch will pass the torch at the April 2014 NEAFWA meeting in Portland, ME. Here is a self-posed biographic sketch:

It was 13 years ago as the student chapter president at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst that a lifelong dedication to The Wildlife Society was firmly cemented. Deeply engrained, the ethics and integrity remained as the career grew into a project manager, senior scientist and NH Certified Wetland Scientist in the multidisciplinary land consulting field. The research and shared knowledge of Wildlife Society colleagues brought into projects made for strong, appropriate management decisions. When serving in leadership positions within the Society, such as the Wildlife and Habitat Restoration Working Group, the focus was on unifying professionals and providing an accessible network for knowledge sharing. This was later echoed in various conferences where I sat as a panelist interacting with Society students and professionals. Additionally, it carried over through other leadership positions, such as the Neighbors for Neighbors, a community empowerment non-profit that began serving Jamaica Plain, grew to encompass nineteen townships and became a benchmark nationally for self-driven civil engagement. The core professionalism served well during my two year tenure as the Vice President of the Association of Massachusetts Wetland Scientists and the seven years (still ongoing) of instructing other professionals through them

Work within the Society has continued in the form of being chosen as a charter instructor for the popular and critically needed Northeastern Field Course. Working with those elite students, forming lasting relationships with them and seeing their careers flourish over the last 5 years has been an incredible experience. Indeed, it has perhaps had the greatest reach of all. Several years into instructing at the course, significant personal and

business change was made. In order to be fully dedicated to the next (and current) generation of conservation and wildlife biologists, I closed my private consulting firm (that had earned a Forty Under 40 Award from the Worcester Business Journal and a feature personal spotlight in another Worcester Business Journal issue) and established Blue Lion Training, an elite field school dedicated to bridging the skills gap between professionals and employers. Closing down a business was difficult, but the dedication to the needs of the natural resources scientists around was too pressing. Most of the true technical skills that professionals need to thrive are still locked in small oral histories from mentor to mentee. This school explodes that paradigm by taking those histories, technical skills and providing them in course formats that fit everyone. To come back around to society dedication, here are dedicated professionals sharing hard won knowledge with other professionals to make a better Society and sounder conservation decisions.

A recent wildlife student showed up to a delineation course in a TWS Annual conference shirt. Excited, I asked her if she was a member. She said she didn't know. Her student chapter helped pay to send her to a conference a few years back and that she was given a t-shirt. It was a fun conference, but she couldn't see what else she could get out of the Society, no longer knew if she was a member or if it was even worth it to be one. This perceived lack of relevancy to younger biologists is something I would like to work upon, because they are the future of this great Society.

The Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society selected **Theodore Nichols** as the winner of the 2013 Distinguished Service Award
...congratulations Ted!

And

Jessica Valenti will receive the Russell A. Cookingham Scholarship (\$1,000) from the New Jersey Chapter of TWS for 2013. Jessica is a marine science major at Richard Stockton College of New Jersey and is interested in fisheries science.

And

Mark Ellingwood of NH has been named a TWS Fellow.

Ted Nichols– Northeast Section

Ted is an outstanding waterfowl biologist with the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife who is well-known and admired by many colleagues throughout the Atlantic Flyway. He has a long record of commitment to TWS and its Sections and Chapter. A member since 1983, he has served the Rutgers Student Chapter as treasurer, he was on the Student Affairs Committee of the Northeast Section, and was the coordinator for the Northeast Student Conclave in 1985. He also served on the Executive Board and Program Committee of the New Jersey Chapter. Ted was instrumental in restarting the New Jersey Chapter in 2003 after a long period of inactivity. The US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) recently recognized him for his contributions to the Mid-winter Waterfowl Surveys, flown by the USFWS pilot biologists. Few biologists in the country have served on more mid-winter flight crews than Ted has over the last 20-30 years, and the Service's pilot biologists credited him with training many of them for that job.

Mark Ellingwood

Mark Ellingwood is on the forefront of innovative wildlife management. As Wildlife Division Chief for the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department he has overseen development of management processes that use an array of data collection and analysis procedures, and has implemented citizen scientist data collection activities in conjunction with the Department's web site and communications staff. Mark has been instrumental in increasing our knowledge of game species in New Hampshire through a very active research program including work on moose mortality and habitat utilization, deer reproductive parameters, bear habitat use and nuisance abatement, turkey winter survival, and bobcat ecology and population monitoring. Mark was the lead author of the booklet *An Evaluation of Deer Management Options* that has significantly influenced deer management throughout the US for over 20 years. A TWS member for decades, Mark routinely encourages young professionals to engage with TWS, their professional society. He models his advice through his long history of service to the New England Chapter and the Northeast Section.

The NE Section, 2013 Spring Executive Committee meeting minutes from the NEAFWA conference in Saratoga Springs, NY, are now available on The Wildlife Society, Northeast Section website. Here is a link for your convenience:

<http://wildlife.org/NE/> The website is new and still under construction, but we have migrated some material to it already. Any questions, let me know.

Eric Schradung, CWB
TWS, Northeast Section Secretary

5th Annual Wildlife Field Course By John E. McDonald

The Northeast Section held its' 5th annual Field Course May 19-June 1 in 2013, at the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department's Kehoe Conservation Camp. The popular course was attended by 19 students from 9 different colleges and universities, with our farthest student travelling from Florida to take part. This year's course featured a bit of everything weather-wise, with cold, almost freezing rain at the camp over Memorial Day weekend (the higher elevations in Vermont saw over a foot of snow that weekend!) followed by much warmer weather later in the second week of the course. We had some close calls with lightning coming down the mountain during a thunderstorm and a tree falling on one of the cabins, but everyone was delivered safely to the end once again.

The course website (www.wildlife.org/NE/field_course) explains all of the activities and sequence of events.

Ask any of the attendees, student or instructor, and they will tell you we pack a lot into each day. The feedback we get from students and instructors helps us to adjust the course content a bit from year to year, though the basic framework has stayed the same. We think what are doing works to meet the goals of the course, and the reviews from students seem to bear that out, both immediately after the course and now, several years down the road when I

run into alumni at professional meetings. One of this year's review comments from a student was "This course was phenomenal and will make a huge difference in my future", and that is what we are hoping for.

As in previous years, I want to thank the efforts of all the volunteer instructors who take the time from their day jobs to come at their own expense to western Vermont and share their expertise with us; and, of course Bill Healy who leaves wild and wonderful West Virginia to spend the entire 2 weeks and sets an example of professionalism to which we all aspire. Castleton State College is a fantastic partner in this venture as is the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife, particularly Jason Morin, the Kehoe Camp site manager.

The 6th annual course will be held May 28-31, 2014. Check out the website for registration information and contact me if you are interested in participating as an instructor (twsmdonald@gmail.com). If you are on Facebook, sign up for our group to see photos of our activities and stay informed about what we do. And if you Google "Wildlife Field Course" we are the top hit!

Call for Nominations Awards Presented by Northeast Section, The Wildlife Society

The Northeast Section of the Wildlife Society is looking for nominations for the following four awards. Please consider nominating a deserving member of the society.

The John Pearce Memorial Award

The John Pearce Memorial Award shall be made by the Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society to Society members in the Northeast for outstanding professional accomplishments in Wildlife Conservation in the Northeast. The basic criteria for judging professional accomplishment of nominees shall be (1) contribution of knowledge

and (2) leadership over a period of several years in any areas of wildlife work, including research, management, administration, or education - as evidence by publications, skillful development, and/or application of effective management or educational programs or methods. Any member of The Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society may nominate persons to be considered by the Awards Committee. The award may be made to an individual, or jointly to individuals who have worked together for several years.

Certificates of Recognition

In contrast to the John Pearce Memorial Award, which is presented for outstanding professional accomplishment, Certificates of Recognition may be awarded to people in any area of work, professional or non-professional, who have made noteworthy contributions to knowledge about wildlife or wildlife management, furthered public understanding, or who have made available increased wildlife habitat through modification of land use practices (e.g., agriculture, highways, forestry). Any member of the Northeast Section may recommend recipients of the Certificate of Recognition.

The P.F. English Memorial Award

The P.F. English Memorial Award is presented annually by the Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society to the outstanding undergraduate senior student of wildlife biology or wildlife management within the region. Its purpose is to acknowledge and to encourage students, and to perpetuate the name of the late P.F. English, an outstanding educator, sportsman, and inspiration to youth.

Distinguished Service Award

The award is given by the parent Wildlife Society to a member of each section for their long term dedication and service to the society. Nominees must have been members of the parent society for more than 20 years. Nominees should have also served the society to help further in goals at the chapter, section, or international level. More information can be found at:

<http://www.wildlife.org/who-we-are/awards/distinguished-service>. A final nominee will be selected among the candidates by the Northeast Executive Committee and submitted to

parent society. The recipient will be provided an award lapel pin and certificate, to be given during the Awards Ceremony at the TWS Annual Conference.

Nomination Procedure

A full description of the awards can be found on the sections website:

http://joomla.wildlife.org/NE//index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=184&Itemid=297

Submit candidate's names, justifications, resumes, and letters of support to the Awards Committee Chairman by 21 February 2014 (preferably via email).

Awards Committee Chairman:

Email: higbie@bnl.gov

Jennifer Higbie

Brookhaven National Laboratory

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Transactions and Northeast Wildlife online

http://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/digital/ne_tws.html

(it should let you into the Penn State library server without a user name or password)

2014 Student Conclave

Penn State University will be hosting the 2014 northeast student conclave from March 28-30 at Seven Mountains Scout Camp in Milroy, PA. This year's key note speaker is Gary Alt who is known for setting the antler restrictions in Pennsylvania. He has a great wealth of knowledge and experience to share. Mr. Alt will also be providing a workshop on wildlife photography. Penn State is also excited to announce a hands-on workshop experience with deer including calculating sedatives, darting deer, and taking vital signs. Additional workshops and registration details will be sent out in early January so stay tuned and stay wild! For questions contact Sara J. Mueller: sjm5467@psu.edu.

***NETWS is seeking nominations for
Vice-President, Secretary,
Treasurer, and Representative to
the National TWS Council!!!
Deadline: January 31st***



CHAPTER NEWS

PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

By Tammy Colt, TWS 2014 Arrangements Committee Co-Chair
Members of the Pennsylvania Chapter have started planning for the TWS 2014 Conference in Pittsburgh. To see firsthand what is needed for a successful conference, nine members from the PATWS Board and the Arrangements Committee traveled to Milwaukee for the TWS 2013 Conference. Travel grants from our chapter covered the costs for six of us who are members of the Arrangements Committee.

While in Milwaukee, we made sure to attend important events like the plenary, awards banquet, student-professional mixer, quiz bowl, and closing reception. A few of us went on field trips. Those of us on the Arrangements Committee introduced ourselves to our cohorts in Milwaukee and in some cases shadowed them to learn more about the conference planning process. We also checked out the brown bag lunch film festival, Zumba with the president, the photo contest awards, and other fun opportunities at the conference. We came home with a better idea of our duties and some great ideas for next year's conference.

We will need many volunteers to help with the conference, and we are hoping for a big turnout of our fellow members in the Northeast. We promise many opportunities for learning and networking, so mark your calendars for October 25-30, 2014 and

come see us in Pittsburgh. For information on volunteer opportunities, Tammy can be reached by email: tcolt@pa.gov

Pennsylvania Chapter at Milwaukee, WI, conference.



OTHER GENERAL TWS, PARTNER, & REGIONAL NEWS

[...to read more, you can paste the headlines into Google News or other such search engine...]

Pennsylvania might delist bald eagle

Gant Daily

With its numbers in Pennsylvania continuing to soar ever higher, the bald eagle soon could be removed from the state's list of threatened species. The Pennsylvania Game Commission's Bureau of Wildlife Management is recommending the bald eagle be upgraded from "threatened" to "protected" status statewide. Doug Gross, a biologist who heads the bureau's Endangered and Nongame Birds section, says the bald eagle's remarkable comeback in Pennsylvania has reached a point where eagles safely can be removed from the threatened species list.

Rare bobcat spotted in Cape Cod

Portland Press-Herald

A bobcat has been spotted on Cape Cod for the first time in centuries, according to state and local wildlife experts who reviewed a video shot by a Falmouth man earlier this month. Chris LeBoeuf spotted an animal about the size of a small to medium dog when he was returning home at about midnight on Aug. 9. The animal disappeared into the woods when he drove in, but then it came back out, and stood on top of a rock wall about 8 to 10 feet from LeBoeuf's car.

Deer disease now being found in some ND cattle

The Associated Press via The State

A fatal disease that has struck North Dakota's deer population this year is now being found in cattle. Cattle cases of epizootic hemorrhagic disease — commonly known as EHD — have been reported in several counties, according to State Veterinarian Susan Keller. Ranchers should be looking for symptoms in their herds, including excessive salivation, swollen tongues, mouth ulcers, fever, reproductive problems and lameness, she said.

---EHD/BT has been slowly spreading north and east along our Atlantic coast-----

Illinois finds success controlling chronic wasting disease

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Efforts in Illinois to control the prevalence of chronic wasting disease in wild deer have succeeded while rates of the disease have soared in Wisconsin, according to a study by veterinary researchers. The difference: Targeted sharpshooting in Illinois areas with CWD-positive deer. The tactic has been used by Illinois wildlife officials since 2002, when CWD was discovered in both Illinois and Wisconsin.

Amid Superstorm Sandy's havoc, a win for wildlife

National Geographic

Hurricane Sandy's waves arrived at high tide, destroying 650,000 homes, flooding lower Manhattan, and inundating coastal wetlands. In one Long Island bay, it turned the tide on decades of increasing pollution. But amid the devastation caused by Sandy are a few places where the storm has improved ...

Much-feared Halloween favorites, it's bats that are facing danger

Yahoo News

They are the stuff of Halloween horror stories, the alter-ego of vampires, the frightful beasts that foreshadow the macabre. Bats strike fear in many hearts, but it is these nocturnal mammals that are in danger, decimated by a mysterious disease that has wiped out seven million in ...

FWS Proposes Additional Canada Lynx Critical Habitat & a Redefined National DPS

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) has released a new critical habitat designation plan for the Canada lynx (*Lynx canadensis*) in six states. The proposal includes over 25 million acres of habitat in Idaho, Maine, [...] The State of Maine has filed comments on the Federal Register requesting a separate Distinct Population Segment in the northeastern U.S. to continue collaboration with the FWS and aid in species recovery. Following about 15 years of field research in the past two decades, it is now known that the species has expanded in both range and abundance over the past 50–60 years within the industrial forests of northern New England, and is now a source population of well over 1,000 felids producing dispersers into the larger population of Canada, partly due to the past and current protections afforded by the State of Maine. Maine's 2012 Canada lynx species assessment can be found from here: <http://www.maine.gov/ifw/wildlife/species/>, representing the knowledge-base for Canada lynx in the northeastern U.S. Maine has also offered letters of support for the proposed federal ESA listings of the red knot and northern long-eared bat.

They're Back – HSUS Again Threatens Maine's Bear Management Partnership with Hunters

<http://bangordailynews.com/2013/08/07/politics/groups-join-in-effort-for-new-maine-bear-hunting-referendum/>
<http://bangordailynews.com/2013/09/23/outdoors/maine-bear-hunting-referendum-opponents-unveil-coalition/>
Here's one hunter/blogger experience with bear hounding in California:
<http://fairchasehunting.blogspot.com/2012/12/killing-treed-bears-rejecting-hype-to.html>

Sponsor-A-Student: TWS is again running the Sponsor-A-Student Program, where new students' memberships into TWS are sponsored by current TWS members and TWS subunits (chapter/section/working group). We will include one change this year – the donor can decide to sponsor a nominated student or a specific student. Announcements have gone out to student chapter advisors to nominate their most deserving students. Next, TWS will request members and subunits to sponsor students. In November, TWS will select students to be sponsored and inform them they were selected for sponsorship.

2016 TWS Annual Conference: TWS Chapters located in the Northeast Section and Southeastern Section are eligible to host the 2016 TWS Annual Conference. Deadline for bids to be received are February 10, 2012. For more information contact: Darryl Walter, The Wildlife Society
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National Sign On Letter Update 9/17/13

Submitted by Liz Skipper on September 4, 2013 - 1:03pm
Hello Valued Conservation Partner: 841 organizations, representing millions of conservationists and outdoor recreationists have signed on to a letter supporting funding for the following fish and wildlife conservation grant programs:•
 State & Tribal Wildlife Grants Program
 • North American Wetlands Conservation Fund
 • Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund
 • Forest Legacy Program
 • Land and Water Conservation Fund

<http://www.teaming.com/>

SAVE THE DATE! 2014 TWW Fly-In Event

- Feb 25-26, 2014

Submitted by Liz Skipper on October 2, 2013 - 8:10am

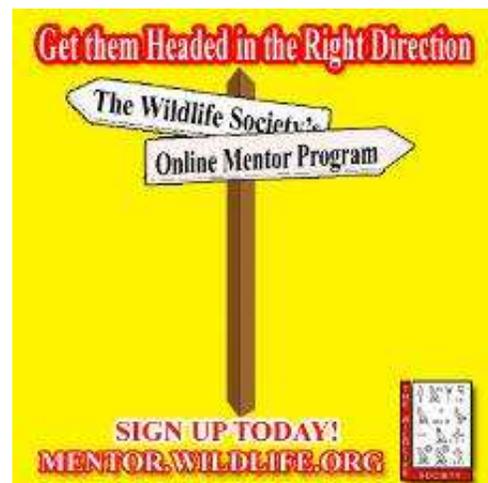
Northeast TWS Signs on!



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[Follow this link to find meeting minutes and recent conference proceedings and presentations.]

February 25-26, 2014 - Washington DC. Join the **Teaming With Wildlife Coalition's** annual FLY-IN event and show your support for the State and Tribal Wildlife Grants Program – our nation's **CORE program for preventing fish and wildlife from becoming endangered** in every state and territory.





21st Annual Conference of The Wildlife Society Pittsburgh, PA ♦ October 25-30, 2014



Call for Proposals: Workshops, Symposia, Panel Discussions, Breakfast Roundtables, and Special Poster Sessions Deadline: January 29, 2014

Proposals for workshops, symposia, panel discussions, breakfast roundtables, and special poster sessions are invited for the 21st Annual Conference of The Wildlife Society. Proposals should focus on topics of wildlife science, management, conservation, education, or policy.

[Click here to submit your proposal.](#)

Check out TWS nationals' new website for more information on news, events, subunits, local Chapters' newsletters, etc.: <http://wildlife.org/>

The Wildlife Society announces that sessions from The Wildlife Society Annual Conference, which took place in Milwaukee, are now available through [TWS Live Learning Center](#).

TWS Job Board website: http://careers.wildlife.org/c/search_results.cfm?vnet=0&str=1&site%5Fid=8764

Missouri Teaming With Wildlife Coalition receives national recognition for their conservation partnerships. Do you know a conservation partner who deserves recognition? Fill out the nomination form below and send it to Mary Pfaffko (mpfaffko@fishwildlife.org). **The deadline for submission is Friday, January 10, 2014.** Forms can be found here: <http://teaming.com/tww-fly-archives>



Dave Murphy (Executive Director, Conservation Federation of Missouri) holding the State Wildlife Action Plan Partnership Award presented to CFM during the Teaming With Wildlife Fly-in, Congressional Champions of Wildlife and the Environment Reception, March 2, 2011, Washington, DC. To Dave's right is Gene Gardner (Missouri Department of Conservation), and to Dave's left is J.P. Mason (Congressman Sam Graves staffer), Geralyn Hoey (National Wildlife Federation Regional Representative), Rick Thom (front: Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation), Jeremy Symons (back: National Wildlife Federation Senior Vice-President), and Carol Davit (Missouri Prairie Foundation).

[Reward your agency & partners with paparazzi, fame, & prestige at the 2014 Fly-in!](#)



Save the Date!

**70th Annual Northeast Fish & Wildlife Conference
Holiday Inn By the Bay - Portland, Maine
Sunday, April 13 - Tuesday, April 15, 2014**

***“Building on the Past to Ensure the Future”
Leadership, Partnership & Communication***

The annual Northeast Fish & Wildlife Conference attracts over 500 natural resources professionals in the fields of wildlife biology, fisheries and fisheries management, information and education and law enforcement. The event provides opportunities for education, discussion, and exchanging of ideas. Highlights include: over 50 workshop sessions, keynote speakers, poster displays, and social networking events.

Now Accepting Presentation and Poster Abstracts! Share your projects and presentations with the audience at the 70th Annual Northeast Fish and Wildlife Conference taking place on Sunday, April 13 - Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at the at the Holiday Inn By the Bay in Portland, Maine. Click [here](#) for more information!

Presentations will be made in the following subject areas:

Wildlife, Inland Fisheries, Marine Fisheries, Information & Education, Law Enforcement, & Conservation Engineering

You may submit one of the following formats:

- 20 minute presentation to be combined with other like topics
- Poster display

The deadline for submissions is **January 15, 2014**.

Click here to submit a presentation!



Accommodations:

Hotel Universel

(10-15 min walk)

2300 Chemin Sainte-Foy, Québec, QC G1V 1S5, Canada

hoteluniversel.qc.ca

\$89/night, double occupancy.

Alt Hotel

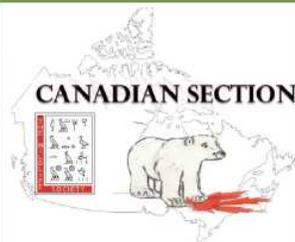
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1200 ave Germain des Prés, Québec, QC G1V 3M7, Canada

418-658-1224,

quebec.althotels.ca

\$139/night, double occupancy.



First Announcement

2014 Joint Annual Meeting of the Université Laval Student Chapter and Canadian Section of The Wildlife Society

28-30 March 2014

Québec City, QC

PLENARY SESSION

Challenges of the Past and Future: The History of Wildlife Management in Canada

Where have we come from and where are we going as a profession across the "True North"? What role has TWS played in the evolution of the profession north of the 49th parallel, and what role will we play in guiding the use and conservation of wildlife as the future unfolds.

Preliminary Meeting Schedule

Friday, 28 March 2014

Meet and Greet
Student Conclave
Third Canadian Quiz Bowl

Saturday, 29 March 2014

Plenary Session
Open Paper Sessions
Awards Banquet & Auction
Cabane à Sucre (Sugar Shack)

Sunday, 30 March 2014

Open Paper Sessions
Student Awards
Annual General Meeting

Call for Papers Open: Abstracts due 15 January 2013

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