

Teleogram



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Past President's Message

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Submitted By:
Ted Treska

Seems like it can't be a year already, but apparently it has, and with that I get to hand off the torch of president to Sue. I want to thank everyone for making this yet another great meeting and once again give as much thanks I as I can to Justine Hasz, who, out of the own goodness of her limey heart, bore the brunt of putting this meeting together along with a big hand to Tammie Paoli who helped with logistics. They put together a great meeting in a town where options are limited and brought together a fantastic meeting and even made things easy on the

Yoopers who came out for the meeting. I've been involved with WIAFS almost since I got to Wisconsin (thanks Joe) and while it may be a little work sometimes, it has paid big dividends in the connections I have made and experience I have gained. With that, I am asking you, no I guess we are to the begging stage, if you have any interest in becoming involved with WIAFS, PLEASE offer yourself up. We're not asking you to be president, but we have a number of committees and positions that have been filled by a number of great volunteers over the years, but some of these folks are getting to the point where they would

like to wind down their obligations and look forward to retirement, or at least a few less things on the plate. I know we are all busy and have more to do these days and less help to do it, but dig deep and see if you can't find a little to pay back WIAFS.

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions or just want to become involved, LET ME KNOW!!!! We will find a great place for you to fit in. Without the volunteers (many of whom have been doing this for a long time) these meetings will not take place, plain and simple. And where else are you going to win a box of one-of-a-kind Frank Pratt flies

Editors Note

I hope everyone was able to keep up with sampling due to the early warm temperatures. Personally I am already looking forward to winter! I have

included a recipe for those who enjoy winter trapping. Something to look forward to as theses hot dry days continue. The next issue of the

Teleogram will include details for the 2013 conference.

Presidents Message (continued)



and jigs, see Ron win best paper for the 5th time in a row and enjoy a frosty brew with some of your best buds from around the state while learning about what is new and upcoming in

Wisconsin Fisheries? That's right, you won't.... You'll be home sitting in front of the tube come February and wishing you were enjoying the fantastic company and unique experience that is the WIAFS annual meeting, not to mention the hair raising adventure it always is to get there and back.



Submitted By: Skip Sommerfeldt



Wisconsin and Michigan
Joint Meeting
February 7th-9th



Submitted By: John Kubisiak

Officer Reports

2012 Treasurer Report

Submitted by:
Justine Hasz, Treasurer

2011 Income

Annual Meeting	\$16,463
Continuing Education	\$6,592
Membership Dues	\$2,292
Raffle	\$1,851
Shirt sales	\$939
National AFS Rebate	\$185
Norden Scholarship	\$1,355
Total Income	\$26,677

2011 Expenses

Annual Meeting	\$12,367
Awards	\$132
Continuing Education	\$5,116
National AFS Donations	\$2,900
Norden Scholarship	\$1,000
Joan Duffy	\$400
Frie Scholarship	\$1,000
Presidential Travel	\$1,741
Raffle	\$559
WI-AFS Maintenance	\$153
Chapter Insurance	\$150
T-Shirt	\$639
G L Aquatic Ed Class Sponsor	\$500
MN – AFS Midwest sponsor	\$500
Total Expenses	\$27,158

**2011 Total
Net worth
\$62,255**

**2010 Total
Net worth
\$61,911**

Account summary as of December 31 2011

Checking Account	M and I Bank		\$20,915
Investments	Vanguard	Short Term Bond	\$5,096
	M and I Bank - CD	GNMA	\$16,538
		Scholarship	\$11,049
Total Worth			\$62,255

Secretary Report: WIAFS Winter 2012 Business Meeting Minutes, Marinette

Submitted by:
Justine Hasz, Secretary

Meeting called to order by
President Ted Treska.

Review and approval of agenda.
Motion to approve – Ron
Bruch, seconded by Brad
Eggold

Approval of the 2011 business
meeting minutes. Motion to
approve – Kelly Deem,
seconded by Joe Hennesy.

Treasurer Report:
Justine gave an overview of the
2011 finances. The Chapter
netted \$2,518 in 2011. Motion
to approve, Peter Stevens with
a second by Lindsey

Leismeister. Vote: all
approved, no discussion.

Committee Reports:

Awards
Ben Heussner has taken over
for Sue Beyler as awards
committee chair.
Ben presented three awards
for the best presentation from

Officer Reports Continued

Secretary Report: WIAFS Winter 2012 Business Meeting Minutes, (continued)

the 2011 annual meeting.

The Steve Serns best paper award was presented to Ron Bruch, the Steve Yeo student paper award was presented to Matthew Faust and the Best poster award was presented to Elliot Hoffman. Each received a certificate and check for \$50.

Continuing Education

Justine summarized the Continuing Education activity for 2011, the Chapter co-sponsored a fish age workshop in the summer of 2011 held in Stevens Point this was in conjunction with the newly formed Fisheries Analysis Center housed at UW-SP.

2012 will be the year of the fish id class. It was also discussed that we should have a revolving set of standard classes that can be offered on a rotational basis about 4 years.

The chapter will also continue to work with the Fisheries Analysis Center at UW-SP to help sponsor and co-ordinate further fisheries related classes.

Scholarship

Pete informed the membership that Richard Frie scholarship from USWP had \$500 in the spendable account for 2011 so the chapter will match this up to the awarded amount of \$1000. Margaret Harings from Northland was the recipient of the Norden Scholarship. Certificate of recognition and check were presented to Margaret by Pete Segerson.

Membership

Tim Simonson announced the membership of WIAFS in 2011 to be 495, with 274 (55%) those being students. The Chapter only has 82 (17%) of it's members belonging to the Parent Society, this is low compared to other State Chapters.

Raffle and Revenue

Steve Gilbert gave a report of the net proceeds from the raffle and t-shirt sales from 2011.

The raffle netted \$1,200 and the shirt sales \$300.

Steve requested assistance with the raffle committee, Dave Rowe and Gervase

Thompson have been doing a great job taking over from Steve however, both have family commitments that are making it more difficult and some extra help in collection of prizes and donations is needed. The raffle is a huge fundraiser when we host the Midwest and the National AFS meetings and having a good base network of donors and building those relationships is essential. Anyone willing to take this on and work with Steve please get in touch with him. The financial security that the Chapter currently has comes in large part from the great success of the raffle.

Environmental Issues

None.

Resolutions

Phil Moy was not present and had not submitted any resolutions. From the floor a suggestion was made to draft a resolution regarding the current mining bill that is moving through the Wisconsin Legislature. A draft will be written up and distributed via email to the membership for voting.

Student Sub-Units

UWSP

Jordan Brillowski gave an update of activities from Stevens Point. Jordan also asked for volunteers to come and talk at the meetings.

Northland

Scott Braden gave an up date on the activities from Northland. The big news this year is the size of the membership it has doubled to 55 with many of the new members being lower class so getting a good foundation and interest early in peoples college careers.

Website

Brad Eggold informed us that the online registration, payment via paypal and abstract submission is working well. If you want anything added to the website let Brad know and he can get it out there. Remember that if you need to get information out to the membership you can post to the Listserve via email, the message will be approved by Brad and then sent out to the distribution list.

Newsletter

Kelly Deem gave an update on the newsletter and deadlines. If you have anything that you want included in the newsletter get it to Kelly. Also when Kelly requests information to fill out the newsletter please send her stuff and get it to her for the deadline.

Nominations

Kurt Welke has struggled to get people to commit to running for Chapter President. He informed the audience that this is a good opportunity and does not take huge amounts of time. We need leadership for the Chapter to continue it's success. If you want to be considered for President Elect contact Kurt anytime during the year. If you want to know the responsibilities of the President sk any former President they will be honest.

President Installation

New president Sue Beyler was installed into office, escorted by John Kubisiak and Brad Eggold. Beyler recognizes and thanks past president Treska for his services and awards him with the past president plaque.

New Business

Two by-law amendments were voted on.

1 - To incorporate the UW-Green Bay student sub chapter into the by-laws Motion to approve Ted Treska, second John Nelson – All votes "Aye"

2 - To reduce the number of newsletters issued annually from 3 to 2. With electronic voting that is now available and other media outlets such as the distribution list it was felt that three newsletters were no longer required to get our message out. The battle to get information to fill just two newsletters is hard and three is almost impossible. Motion to approve Al Hauber, seconded Kelly Deem – All votes "Aye"

At the NCD meeting it was brought to Treska's attention that all student sub-unit Presidents have to be members of the Parent Society. Treska proposed that the Chapter sponsor and pay for the

Officer Reports Continued

Secretary Report: WIAFS Winter 2012 Business Meeting Minutes, (continued)

student sub unit presidents membership in the Parent Society. This would require up to two memberships per year per student sub-unit as Presidents terms for the sub units run May – May. Motion to approve Chapter pays Student Sub-Unit President Membership in Parent Society Kurt Welke, Second John Nelson – All votes “Aye”

Brad Eggold requested funding approval from the membership to update and revamp the WI-AFS website. Our current site is very basic and some added features could make the site more accessible to others as well as out members. A revamp of the website incorporating newer technology using a consultant will cost up to \$3,000. As the Chapter currently has a very healthy bank balance Brad requested the \$3,000 amount to update the website. Motion to approve up to \$3,000 for website updates Joe Hennessy, Second Steve Hogler – All votes “Aye”.

Several Committee Chairs are up for grabs as people have retired or have just put there time in, also some chairs changed but our records are not up dated.

For Scholarships James Fitzgerald will replace John Nelson
For Raffle Steve Gilbert made a further plea for additional help with the Raffle and a replacement for him as chair, he had already stood down but we keep dragging him back, this can not go on forever, we need someone who can be mentored by Steve to take over the Raffle Committee Chair. Anyone interested please call and work with Steve and the Executive Committee.

Voting

The membership cast their ballots for president, for either Greg Seegert or Frank Pratt. With short speeches given by each candidate.

2012 budget

The 2012 budget, added in the amount for the web redesign and student sub-unit president membership fees to the Parent Society. A request was made via email by Sue Marcquenski for

sponsorship of the 2012 AFS Fish Health Section Meeting that is being held in La Crosse July 31 – August 31. A discussion was held and the amount of \$250 will be donated to sponsor this event. Motion to approve the 2012 proposed budget by Kurt Welke, seconded by Tim Simonson. All votes Aye

Tally of 65 votes indicate that Greg Seegert will be the next president elect.

2013 Time and Place: This will be determined by President elect Seegert and the Executive Committee.

Meeting Adjourned.

Election Results

2012 Propose budget:

Expenses

Annual Meeting	\$12,500
Raffle	\$600
Duffy Award	\$100
Meeting Awards	\$150
Hutton	\$1,000
International Membership Challenge	\$200
Skinner Memorial	\$250
Norden AFS Membership	\$76
Norden Scholarship	\$1,000
Student sub-unit AFS Membership	\$225
UWSP Match	\$250
Northland Match	\$250
UWGB Match	\$250
Continuing Education	\$1,000
Web	\$3132
PO Box	\$50
Discretionary	\$250
President Travel	\$2,000
National Chapter Insurance	\$150
Frie Scholarship	\$500
AFS Fish Health Meeting	\$250
TOTAL	\$24,183

Income

Membership dues / rebates	\$2,200
Annual Meeting	\$14,000
Continuing Education	\$1,000
T-Shirt Sales	\$300
Raffle	\$1,750
Norden Scholarship Interest	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$20,250

Membership Committee

2011

Total Members	495
Student Members	274 (55%)
Parent Society	82 (17%)

**Members can
NOW renew
their
membership
ONLINE**

<http://www.wi-afs.org/membership.shtml>

**The
membership
home page
also has
access to the
Membership
Distribution
List and
Membership
Directory.**

2011 Final Membership Committee Report

Submitted by:
Tim Simonson, Chair

Membership in 2011 was 495, an all-time high. The WIAFS email distribution list includes the email addresses of all parent society members living in WI and is a comprehensive list of past, present, and potential members (currently

722 addresses); there should be very few people missing out on information from the chapter. Starting in 2008, I made a more concerted effort to include the lists of members from our 2 student sub-units. The number of student-members has really grown in recent years, which has boosted our membership

totals. There were 274 student-members in 2011 – this is the first year that the students outnumber regular members. We will continue to maintain the distribution list as all-inclusive to encourage as many people as possible to stay in touch with WI AFS.

Year	Total	Student Members	Parent Society
2003	141	- -	- -
2004	152	15 (10%)	- -
2005	181	36 (19.9%)	77 (43%)
2006	180	33 (18%)	92 (51%)
2007	201	33 (16%)	92 (46%)
2008	272	92 (34%)	72 (26%)
2009	266	131 (49%)	81 (30%)
2010	421	201 (48%)	119 (28%)
2011	495	274 (55%)	82 (17%)
Average	257	102 (40%)	88 (34%)

- - Data not available

Website Committee

Website-redesign

Submitted by:
Brad Eggold, Chair

The website gets updated with new information as it becomes available. As individuals send me information, I am able to put it on the website in a timely fashion usually within a day or two. So, if you have information that you want to put on our website, just send me the information and I will upload it to the site.

The big changes for this year were to revamp the membership, registration and training pages to incorporate PayPal features and store the information from registrants into an access database that can be copied from the website at any time. Through this procedure we were able to determine the number of Michigan DNR staff members

attending the joint meeting and extend the deadline for a week to insure better attendance.

The excomm committee and the general membership approved a motion to spend up to \$3,000 on a website redesign. This redesign will take place throughout 2012. If you have any ideas or things you want to see on the pages, just drop me a short e-mail.

Scholarship Committee

2012 Richard Frie Scholarship

Richard Frie Memorial Scholarship

This \$1000 scholarship is awarded annually to a deserving junior, senior, or graduate student at the University of Wisconsin- Stevens Point who is enrolled in a fisheries or water resources program

I would like to thank everyone for receiving the Richard Frie Memorial Scholarship. Currently I am a senior working towards a double major in Fisheries Management, and also Biology. Through out my college career I have been avid at putting my studies first, but also maintaining strong student involvement. I will be graduating in May of 2013, with the plan to continue on towards graduate study work and earn a Masters Degree.

Starting off as a young Freshman I was very new to the college experience, and did not know exactly what I wanted to do. I started with just a biology major but quickly added Fishery Management as I explored my passion for fish. During my freshman year I helped start a new student organization called the Ichthyology and Aquarium Science Society, and also became active in the Fisheries Society. Over the years I have also volunteered in the Lower Vertebrate Lab on the College of Natural Resources. I also have been continuously working on research with diatom communities by studying the gut contents of stonerollers. I am also studying the spawning habits of mottled sculpin using gonadal somatic index calculations. Through out college I have enjoyed learning about everything related to native fish of WI, including game and nongame fish. This scholarship allows me to balance extra curricular involvement with class work by spreading my work load over 5 years instead of trying to pack my semesters full of classes to graduate sooner.

Thank you again for your support, and I wish the best of luck in the up coming field season.

**Submitted By: John Grosch
2012 Richard Frie
Scholarship Recipient**



Carroll Norden Scholarship

This \$1000 scholarship is awarded annually to a deserving junior, senior, or graduate student enrolled in a fisheries or water resources program at a College or University other than UW- Stevens Point.

DUE DATE: NOVEMBER 15, 2012

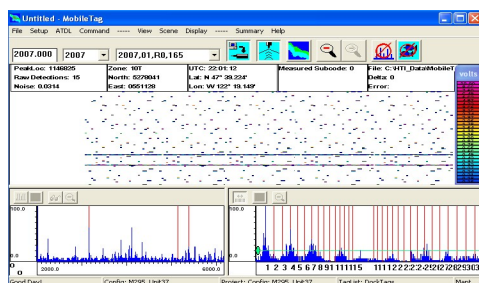
The Next Evolution of Acoustic Telemetry Goes Mobile

Caroline Mercado
HTI Hydroacoustic Technology, Inc.

Driven by the research needs of USGS scientists and others, the latest product for acoustic telemetry for fisheries research has arrived. Over the past decade, fisheries scientists around the world have used HTI acoustic telemetry to remotely track fish behavior with fine-scale 2D and 3D positions. These studies provided a wealth of information about fish passage, survival and behavior. Most often the surveys used fixed receivers for monitoring site-specific areas (e.g., water intakes, diversions, and hydropower dams). In recent years with increased need to evaluate fish behavior beyond fixed stations, an easy means for mobile surveys became essential.

HTI's new Model 395 Micro Data Logger finished testing this spring at various locations on the west coast. HTI (Hydroacoustic Technology, Inc.) announced its official release of the Model 395 Logger earlier this week. "There are a lot of questions about what happens between fixed acoustic telemetry stations and it's important to know whether or not these fish are surviving...and then what's happening to them," explains Sam Johnston, a Sr. Fisheries Biologist at HTI. "Being able to detect and identify each fish throughout the waterway will help us understand their journey better."

Data loggers are not new in acoustic telemetry. However, there are three new game changers exclusive to the Model 395 Micro Data Logger that make it unique. Beyond its ability to detect and identify hundreds of fish at the same time in real-time, it's now possible to achieve fine-scale 2D/3D tracking of each tagged fish with multiple units. "We're happy with the results and have put the new logger to work in ways we didn't consider before - like testing tags in holding areas between sites and tracking the survey boat's trajectory through the study region," said fisheries researcher Cherylyn Tunnicliffe.



**To learn more about
this new technology visit**

[http://www.htisonar.com/
datalogger_Model395.html](http://www.htisonar.com/datalogger_Model395.html)

Health Survey

Candy Schrank, Toxicologist

Check out
UW Stevens
Point WIAFS
subunit
facebook



If you are a Wisconsin male angler aged 50 years or older, please take a moment to complete a brief survey on fishing, fish advisories, and the fish meals you eat. The survey also asks a few health-related questions. Your participation can help the Department of Health Services better understand the link between fish consumption and health.

[https://](https://study.uwsc.wisc.edu/)

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Wisconsin
Anglers Study



Kelly's Corner Kitchen

Beaver BBQ Sandwich

1 Beaver (fat and glands removed)
2 Large green bell peppers cut in strips
1 Medium onion thinly sliced

1 Cup Barbecue sauce
3-4 Tbls chili powder
10 Kaiser rolls

In a slow cooker combine bell pepper strips and onion. Cut Beaver to fit into cooker. Place over vegetables. In a medium bowl combine barbecue sauce and chili powder. Pour over meat. Cook on low for 11 hours or high for 6 hours. Remove meat from cooker, shred and return to cooker; cook on high for 15 to 30 minutes more to heat through. Serve on rolls.

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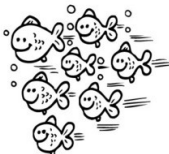
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Join Now!



Active membership in the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Fisheries Society will provide many opportunities to advance your growth as a fisheries professional and allow you a greater voice in shaping the future of Wisconsin fisheries. The quarterly news letter and the ability to network with other fisheries and aquatic resource professionals from government, academia, fish culture and the private sector will keep you abreast of all the latest techniques and issues.

You do not have to join the parent society to be a Wisconsin Chapter member and the annual \$10.00 membership fee is an unbelievable bargain. Student memberships are free to those who request it.

To become a member and pay dues visit the membership page:

<http://www.wi-afs.org/membership.shtml>

Congratulations and welcome aboard!