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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I would like to thank all the members who helped with the chapter booth at the creel symposium in Houston in March. We had a very successful week and the booth was well received. We sold a little over \$1,000.00 worth of caps and T shirts which paid for all the expenses involved with setting up the booth and will give us some funds to work with in setting up again for future meetings. We did have considerable debate throughout the week about who was top salesman, but fortunately Bruce Hysmith came in on Friday and removed all doubt, one again confirming that he has chosen the wrong profession.

I would also like to thank Gary Valentine for his work in setting up the scholarship endowment committee and making the first selection. The selection committee consists of Allan Rudd, Gene Gilliland, Gary Powell, Leland Roberts, and Gary Valentine. They have selected Tommy Michael Bates to receive the first (1989) scholarship which is \$150.00. Tommy is a senior at Texas A&M University and plans to graduate in December 1990. He has worked two summers for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department as a seasonal Fisheries Technician and has received many scholastic and leadership honors. The committee will also be selecting the 1990 recipient who will be announced at the 1990 annual meeting. Congratulations to Tommy and thanks again to the selection committee.

REQUEST FOR AWARDS NOMINATIONS

The Awards Committee of the Texas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society is accepting written nominations for worthy individuals to receive awards at this year's annual meeting. Member input is essential! If you know someone who deserves recognition for their fisheries-related work, please nominate them for an award. A total of seven awards may be presented in a given year, assuming nominations are received. The awards committee will review the nominations and make selections for awards, based only on information contained within the nomination letters. If multiple nominations are received and more than one nominee is considered outstanding, then honorable mentions are permissible.

The awards include:

1. "Outstanding Fisheries Worker of the Year in Texas" in each of five specializations: culture, management, education, research, and administration - recipient must be a member in good standing.
2. "Special Recognition in Fisheries Work" - recipient may or may not be a member; recipient may be an individual or an organization.
3. "Outstanding Presentation at the Annual Meeting" - decided based upon presentations at the upcoming annual meeting.

In making nominations, a rationale for the nomination should be included. Also, documentation should accompany the nomination. Nominations can only be made members in good standing. Remember - your nomination will only be as good as the information you provide, so be complete.

Send nominations "Special Recognition in Fisheries Work" to the Awards Committee Chairperson, Dave Terre (address below). Send nominations for "Outstanding Fisheries Worker of the Year" to the appropriate member of the Awards Committee. If you have any questions regarding nomination procedures call the Awards Committee Chairperson.

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CALL FOR PAPERS

This is the first call for papers to be presented at the 1990 annual meeting. Please send your contributions to:

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The next issue of the the newsletter is due out sometime in late July. All items for inclusion in that issue must be in the hands of the newsletter committee no later than Monday 9 July. Please send submissions to:

Fred Stevens
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Kerrville, TX 78028

WARMWATER FISHERIES SYMPOSIUM TO BE HELD

Warmwater Fisheries Symposium I is to be held in Phoenix on June 4-8 1991. Emphasis will be placed upon western warmwater fisheries in the belief that the ecological conditions of these fisheries are quite distinct from those east of the Mississippi River. More information is available from Jim Cooper, USDA - Forest Service, Southwestern Region Fisheries Program Manager at (505) 842-3264.

POTENTIAL NEW CHAPTER MEMBERS

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has hired a number of new employees during the past several months. This group represents a new source of members for the Texas Chapter. If you know one of more of these individuals encourage them to join the Chapter. A membership application is included below for your use in registering such new members.

Membership Application and Renewal Texas Chapter AFS

Check One: _____ Regular Member (\$8) _____ Student (\$5)
Name: _____
Affiliation: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Primary Field of Interest: _____