TO: AFS Executive Committee
FROM: Tony Novotny, President Western Division, T.N.
        American Fisheries Society
        Don Martin, President-Elect Western Division, D.M.
        American Fisheries Society
SUBJECT: Annual Report of the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society for the Period September 1, 1985 through September 15, 1986
DATE: 15 August, 1986

The mid-term report of the Western Division adequately covers activities and accomplishments from September 1, 1985 through February 15, 1986, and will not be repeated here.

Western Division officers continued their efforts to attend as many chapter annual meetings as possible. Both Novotny and Martin attended the North Pacific International Chapter meeting at Western Washington University in Bellingham, Washington, in late March. Attendance and participation in this meeting, as well as the Idaho Chapter meeting (attended by Don Martin) and the Bonneville Chapter meeting (attended by Don Duff) were excellent. Western Division officers appreciated the opportunities to discuss regional issues and activities with the members, and we will do everything possible to repeat these efforts in future years.

Howard Raymond, editor of our award-winning newsletter "TRIBUTARY," will be closing out his efforts with the fall issue. The Western Division is justifiably proud of this newsletter, our main link to the 2,500 members of this Division, and we have difficulties in expressing our appreciation to editor Raymond for his outstanding work; and to the Northwest & Alaska Fisheries Center for providing word processing and printing assistance. We will especially miss the energetic drive of the printer/collator, Ethyl Zweitul, who will retire this month.

Howie will begin a transition this fall to our new editor, Mark Hill. Mark Hill is a fisheries biologist with the Boise, Idaho Office of CH2M-Hill, Inc., a well known fisheries and engineering consulting firm. Once again, we are grateful for the services of major firms and agencies for their continued support, and we are pleased to announce that the firm of CH2M-Hill will be providing most of our printing and collating services. The "TRIBUTARY" is not only a highly praised newsletter, it is efficiently run. We are presenting a copy of Howard Raymond's annual report for the benefit of the AFS Executive Committee.
New editor Mark Hill's mailing address is: 1605 - N 21st, Boise, Idaho 83702, and his office phone is: (208) 345-5310 (I include this for the benefit of WD/AFS chapter presidents). The Western Division welcomes Mark to this most important position, and he will receive our full support.

Our major efforts this spring were mail-ballot elections of officers; the parent society/Western Division Retreat; the Western Division (AFS) and Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (WAFWA) joint annual meeting; and, a one-day wild trout symposium sponsored by the Oregon Chapter and Oregon Trout.

**Trout Symposium** *(Saturday, July 19)*

The wild trout symposium was held at the Portland (Oregon) Hilton Hotel, and was attended by over 100 registrants. Focus of this Oregon Chapter sponsored event was on the biology and management of the wild trout and steelhead.

**AFS/WD Retreat (Sunday, July 20), Portland Hilton**

All AFS officers, WD/AFS officers, the AFS Executive Director, and Presidents and Presidents-elect of most of the Western Division Chapters attended our first all-day "Retreat." A total of 28 officers spent the entire day in a mixed atmosphere of work and relaxation. The financial support of WD/AFS, Biomed Research Lab, Inc., and FISHPRO, Inc., allowed us to cater all meals in for the Retreat and provide a chance for Retreat participants to get together "one-on-one." The Retreat agenda (included here) provided a logical forum, and President Reinhart was able to work directly with us throughout the day, and the input of all parent society officers and the Executive Director was greatly appreciated. Some of our major accomplishments were to establish telephone conferencing for the WD/AFS EXCOM; a WD/AFS EXCOM "Diary" (similar to Carl Sullivan's); and, AFS will examine the feasibility of a computer EXCOM "Bulletin Board" at the national level. The Retreat was considered a success and well worth repeating in the future.

**WD/AFS - WAFWA Meeting (Monday, July 21 - Wednesday, July 23), Portland Hilton.**

The joint meetings began with general sessions on Monday, including the presentation of awards. WD/AFS awards were as follows:

**Award of Excellence** - Bruce H. Smith, our Riparian Habitat Committee Chairperson.

**Chapter of the Year** - Bonneville

**Bob Borovicka Conservation Achievement Award** - Adam Michnebich, Norm Larum

**Award of Merit**
- David Cross - Chairperson, Public Lands Committee
- Ellen Gleason - WD/AFS Secretary-Treasurer
- Dan Barrett - Oregon Chapter. Personally recruited 127 new members
Technical sessions and workshops panels followed the theme of the meetings, "Fish & Wildlife - are they worth it?" with "standing room only" at some of the sessions. Program-chair Don Martin and Co-chair Gordon Haugen did an outstanding job and were rewarded with many compliments for the program.

We were honored to have AFS President Reinhart speak at our WD/AFS Business meeting, and to have Immediate Past-President Bill Platts and 2nd Vice-President Bob White in the sessions as voting WD/AFS members attended the business meeting.

The results of our elections were:

Nancy MacHugh - Vice-President
(Nancy is Immediate Past-President of the Oregon Chapter)

Cay Goude - National Nominations Representative
(Cay is concluding her term as President of the CAL/Neva Chapter)

Jim Reynolds - Secretary-Treasurer
(Jim is Past-President of the Alaska Chapter)

These new officers will begin on September 17, 1986, to coincide with the parent society. WDAFS is fortunate to find this pool of excellent leaders in our ranks.

Six resolutions were presented to the members (all on short notice) at the meeting, and all were passed. These will be filed with AFS headquarters after they are all corrected and re-typed.

The business meetings were followed by an evening salmon barbecue on Sauvies Island (Columbia River) for all of WD/AFS-WAFWA. Meeting registration was: 150 Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife people; 183 WAFWA; and 114 AFS. Total was 447.

The next WD/AFS-WAFWA meeting will be hosted by the Utah Department of Fish & Wildlife in Salt Lake City, July 12-15, 1987. WD/AFS Vice-President Al Mills is the program chairperson.
THE 1986 AFS OFFICERS AND WESTERN DIVISION EXCOM RETREAT

Sunday, July 20, 1986

Hosts - Portland Chapter/AFS
Western Division/AFS

Sponsors - Biomed Research Labs (Seattle, Wa.)
FishPro, Inc. (Port Orchard, Wa.)
Western Division/AFS Trade Show

Place - Downtown Portland Hilton
Forum Suite (3rd Floor)

ADDENDUM

D.1 PROJECT WILD - Jim Gall (Presentation)
This 10 to 15 minute presentation will come after Ellen Gleason's review on Secretary/Treasurer matters.

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SUGGESTED AGENDA TOPICS (from the questionnaire)

1. Parent Society membership services (John Anderson).

2. CAL/NEVA endangered species listings;
FERC/CIAP - current form not working;
Involvement with Chapter activities - how do we get more bodies?
What are the major issues of other chapters??
Idaho is hip-deep in non-point pollution issues;
 riparian restoration and protection; endangered/threatened listings for salmonids. (Ned Turner)

3. Wallop-Breaux Funding - are the states getting the shaft??
(Tom Powell)

4. WDAFS and WAFWA - will this marriage last??
Tune into this continuing saga of mixed emotions in the wild, wild West, as Don Martin, Nancy MacHugh and others narrate.

July 12-15 1987

We can select positions for these topics at the beginning of the Retreat.

There might be one more item from the Oregon Chapter regarding a proposed scholarship contribution.

July 7-17 - Downtown Sheraton
ANNUAL REPORT
1985-1986 "The Tributary"

November Edition 16 pages

2,708 mailings
254 Canadian and Mexican
2,454 U.S.

Bulk Rate Non-Profit Organization = 0.06¢
First Class Canada = 0.37¢

Total cost = $1,422.59
0.53/per mailing

May Edition 18 pages plus Ballot

2,499 mailings
228 Canadian and Mexico
2,271 U.S.

Bulk rate increased to 0.085¢
First Class Canada still 0.37¢

Total cost = $1,382.04
= 0.55/per mailing
(specific on cost breakouts for each issue attached)

Costs reduced by about $600 or 30% per issue by using Third Class Non-Profit Rate instead of First Class in U.S. I have now put out two editions "third class", and I have not received any complaints from members not receiving their copies. In addition, there is some labor savings by not having to put on any stamps.

I plan on putting out the November, 1986 issue and then turning the reins over to Mark Hill of CH2 M Hill in Boise, Idaho. He and the Seattle Office of CH2 M Hill will work with me some on the November edition so there will be a smooth transition. I enjoyed being editor of "The Tributary" for the last two years and feel certain that Mark will be an outstanding replacement.

I want to thank the Northwest and Alaska Fisheries Center for their kind permission to use their facilities, including Ethel, to print the newsletter. Had we had to find a private outfit, the printing costs would have been considerably higher. I especially want to thank Tony Novotny for much needed assistance and advice, and Ellen Gleason for the necessary financial backing, provision of the address labels, and her continued faith in my not going off to some exotic island with the AFS treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard L. Raymond
Editor
Costs - "The Tributary"
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Annual bulk permit 50.00
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Pitney Bowes (June-December postage meter rental) 89.02
Address Labels 38.00
Lunch for crew 14.00
Subtotal 672.75

Labor

Ethel Zweifel (11.66) x 1.5 x 31 hours = $542.19
Laurie Barber (6.37) x 1.5 x 21 hours = 200.65
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Canada and Mexico 228 x .37 84.37
Address Labels 42.07

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Laurie Barber (6.37) x 1.5 x 3 hours = 28.68

Subtotal 798.24

Total $1,353.61

Laborer breakout

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44 hr

Laurie
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(most typing was contributed by NMFS)

Total cost November plus May

Grand Total $2,769.20
THE 1986 AFSEXCOM/WESTERN DIVISION EXCOM RETREAT
Sunday, July 20, 1986
Hosts - Portland Chapter/AFS
Western Division/AFS
Place - Downtown Portland Hilton

TENTATIVE AGENDA

7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.
Continental buffet in the retreat meeting room (hosted)

8:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.
I. Introduction of the AFSEXCOM, and WD/EXCOM by AFS President Johanna Reinhart, with statement of purpose of the AFS RETREAT.

II. Long range plans of AFS - President Reinhart.
   A. Making the system work - adhering to our constitution and by-laws.
   B. Member / non-member status - making the change.
   C. Students and student sub-units.
   D. Sub-units - advantages and disadvantages.
   E. Women in the American Fisheries Society.
   F. The certification program - is it working??
      1. avoiding fraud
      2. adhering to the guidelines

9:50 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.
Coffee break
10:10 a.m. - noon

III. Western Division - who are we and who should we be???
   A. Introductory remarks - Novotny

B. Chapter / Division relations.
   1. are communications good enough??
   2. should we emphasize division officers attending chapter meetings?
   3. is the "TRIBUTARY" satisfying most of our needs?
   4. would a "WESTERN DIVISION EXCOM DIARY" (similar to Carl Sullivans), say one per month, to WD/AFS EXCOM be of help?
   5. should the WD/AFS President and President-elect spend most of their time on their responsibilities as voting members of the EXCOM???
   6. if so, should we change our WD/AFS structure so that the WD/AFS vice-president presides over most of the committees, and we make a new standing committee for program chair for the annual meeting instead of the President-elect???
   7. should the Western Division have a mid-term WD/AFS EXCOM meeting?
1:00 p.m. - 2:40 p.m.  - Western Division [continued]

C. Western Division Activities -
  President-elect Don Martin and Vice-President Al Mills presiding.

1. committees
   a. are they satisfactory??
   b. are they working O.K.??
   c. do they need changing??
   d. should we put the vice-president in charge of all/part/most committees??
2. political activity
   a. resolutions - do they do any good??
   b. legislative - are we [WD/AFS] effective?? Can we be more effective?
   c. should we be "available"??
3. public relations
   a. can we improve our audio-visual material??
   b. do we need more public service awards??
   c. should we have representation at more public affairs??
   d. can we improve our communications with those who benefit from our work - the recreational and commercial fishermen?

D. The Western Division Budget - Ellen Gleason, Sec.-Tres. presiding.
1. where does the money come from?
2. where is the money going?
3. does Western Division need more?

E. The "TRIBUTARY" - Howard Raymond, Editor, Ex-Officio WD EXCOM member presiding.
1. what do you see??
2. what would you like to see??
3. if you want more, would you be willing to work to finance it?
4. should the editor of the "TRIBUTARY" start work on a Division/Chapter manual??

F. The Western Division Elected Representative to the National Nominations Committee - Don Duff, WD/AFS 1986 rep.
1. the importance of this elected office.
2. choosing candidates for this office.

2:40 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Coffee break
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

IV. Chapter Presidents - Novotny presiding.

A. Sub-Units
   1. should smaller chapters become sub-units?

B. Remainder to be supplied by Chapter Presidents via questionnaire.
   1. archiving records at Leetown.
   2. should AFS or WD/AFS subsidize chapter newsletters to all
      AFS library subscribers???

4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Closing the AFS RETREAT. [President Reinheart presiding]

V. Future RETREATS.

A. Would the chapters get their own travel financing to get to
   Bethesda [the AFS home office] if AFS would sponsor a full
   two-day RETREAT at national headquarters in conjunction with
   an AFS mid-term EXCOM meeting???

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Wine and cheese tasting [and relax] in the retreat meeting room. [hosted]