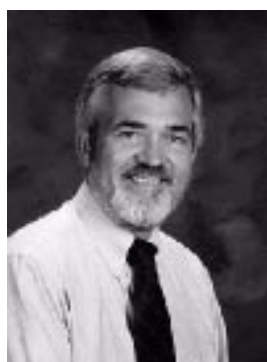


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Message from the Chairman



It has been an autumn of elections and football—both brought new uncertainties about the future at OSU. The passage of yet another initiated measure affecting Oregon's tax revenue system (Measure 47), and yet another losing football team provide character-

building opportunities. Thus, I was pleased upon hearing wildlife management humor, "How do you keep beavers out of your corn and timber?"

Answer: "Put up a goalpost!" Whatever the situation, it's always nice to see OSU fisheries and wildlife in the minds of Oregonians.

Of course there is no shortage of serious fisheries and wildlife issues to demand our attention. As in year's past we will answer the call.

A sometimes unappreciated component of a professor's job is Service. We expect that each faculty member will contribute his or her expertise to their profession, their community, the university, and society-at-large. Although a minor component of one's position description, the significance of "Service" is elevated at land-grant universities, such as OSU. How have your Fisheries and Wildlife faculty served recently? Here are some recent examples:

- **Bill Liss** continues as a member of the Independent Scientific Group of the Northwest

Power Planning Council. This 9-person committee continues to receive high praise for their analyses and recommendations on the tough issues on the Columbia River.

- **Stan Gregory** was appointed by Governor Kitzhaber to his Technical Advisory Team on Assessment of Eastside Forest Health and subsequently to the Willamette River Basin Task Force.
- **Bob Anthony** serves on the Working Team for Monitoring of Northern Spotted Owl Populations in the Pacific Northwest—a joint USDA/USDI committee.

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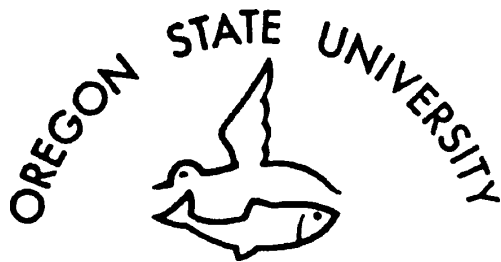
- **Paul Heikela** and **Jim Bergeron** both were appointed to the Governor's Coastal Salmon Restoration Task Force.
- **Chris Langdon** serves as a member of the Oregon Fisheries Permit Appeals Board.
- **Bruce Coblentz** is a member of the Oregon Wildlife Integrity Task Group, which is rewriting state regulations to minimize the impact of introduced organisms on native wildlife.

These examples demonstrate how faculty are applying knowledge to important issues of the day—within the contexts of their jobs. I am proud

of the contributions our faculty make to the stewardship of Oregon's natural resources. Not only does society benefit because of faculty service, but also students benefit because "real world" perspectives are brought back into the classroom.

So, things are busy in Nash Hall. Along with 270 undergraduates, 100 or so graduate students, \$7 million in research projects, and progressive extension programs—we have been attentive to some "big-time" issues. Not even goal posts can keep these beavers away!

Erik Fritzell



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Mission—The Department of Fisheries and Wildlife discovers, integrates, and disseminates knowledge about wildlife and fisheries resources, as well as ecosystems and human communities with which they interrelate. We accomplish this through interconnected programs of: 1) undergraduate and graduate education; 2) scholarly research; and 3) extended education. We educate diverse people in Oregon and around the world so they may make wise decisions and take prudent actions to improve the quality, productivity, and sustainability of fish and wildlife resources.

Comments, letters, and suggestions are welcome and should be addressed to: Editor, *News and Views*, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331-3803.

Webpage Provides Access to Information

The Internet; no matter where you go or what you do these days, it seems like *everyone* is talking about it. You cannot turn on the television, read the newspaper, or flip through a magazine without running into those strange sequences of words, slashes, a colon and periods! What is the Internet? Is it the same as the Web? What, if anything, does all of this have to do with the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife at OSU?

The terms *Internet* and *Web* tend to be used synonymously, however, they are not the same. The *Internet* is an international system of area networks comprised of computers, cables, and servers, which store the actual web pages. The user-friendly *Web* (or WWW) refers to a body of information, or knowledge that is distributed *over* the Internet. You no longer have to be a computer genius to participate on the Internet. Novices with only basic equipment are able to view and publish web pages with no prior experience. This ability to economically inform and interact with any user, anywhere, at anytime, creates an excellent opportunity for the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife to reach potential and current students and alumni.

The OSU Fisheries and Wildlife Homepage

To view the Fisheries and Wildlife website, you'll need a computer, a working connection to the Internet and a "browser" such as Netscape, Explorer, or Mosaic. What does a browser do? Simply put, the browser is software that retrieves documents from a web server (where web pages reside) and then interprets the computer code within the document and displays it on your monitor. The code (called Hypertext Markup Language or HTML) determines how the document is formatted and presented. You will also need our Internet address:

http://www.orst.edu/dept/fish_wild/

This address will take you directly to our "Homepage," a term that generally refers to the first document one enters in a website. Users can directly access any

one of the eight main sections in our website via "hyperlinks" from the homepage. "Not more web terminology!" you say. Don't worry, the hyperlink concept is fairly simple. By referring to a specific internet address embedded in the computer code, a

user can be transported to any page on the Web by clicking on a link. The pointer will generally transform into a "hand" icon when it is moved over an active link. If the link uses verbiage within the web page, the text used for the link might be a different color and possibly underlined. Pictures or icons can also be used as "links".

From the Fisheries and Wildlife homepage hyperlinks, a user can directly access information about faculty and staff, upcoming events, class

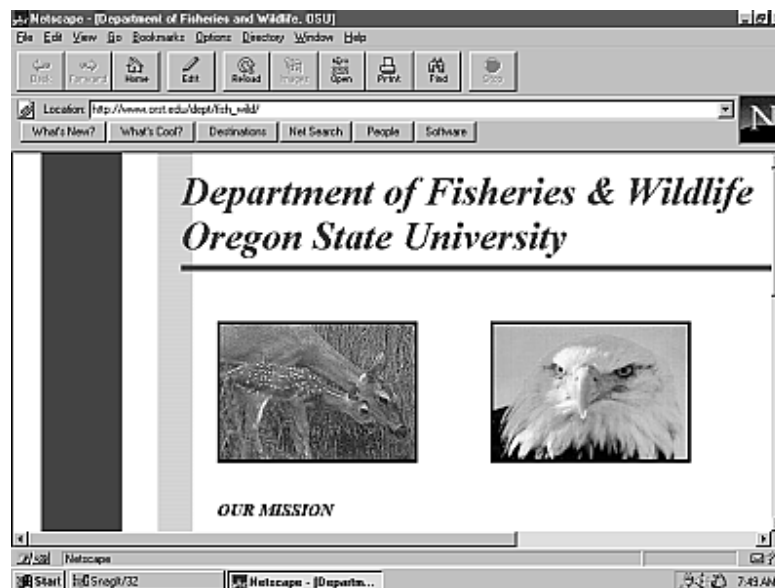
schedules, and our undergraduate curriculum. Monthly features, links to several natural resource web sites, and the ability to request additional information about graduate and undergraduate school through interactive forms are also available. With auxiliary software called "plug-ins," you can view and print *News and Views* and even see short movies called "Quick-time Videos".

New developments that allow the web to be more interactive and dynamic than ever thought possible occur almost daily. Other technologies include: VRML (Virtual Reality Markup Language), used to describe 3D space in which users can navigate through virtual worlds that appear like three-dimensional screens. There is also RealAudio, a file format that can include sound data delivered as needed like a radio or telephone. And then there's Java.....no, I'm not talking about the Northwest's

favorite caffeinated drink. I'm referring to platform independent software that is downloaded and run from the users computer. This means that one program can be written to operate on all different makes and models of computers, regardless if it's an Apple or PC.

The Web is an exciting medium right now and it is constantly evolving with no defined rules or limiting boundaries. We invite you to visit the OSU Department of Fisheries and Wildlife website and experience some of the interactive capabilities this new technology has to offer. Let us know what you think!

Kelly Wildman
Webpage Stylist



Ranching Rodents for Research

In 1991, Drs. **Dan Edge** and **Jerry Wolff** engineered the construction of 24 0.2 ha (1/2 acre) small mammal enclosures at OSU's Hyslop Agronomy Farm located about 10 km north of Corvallis. The construction of the enclosure facility and initial research projects were funded by the EPA Environmental Research Laboratory in Corvallis. In the ensuing years, these enclosures were used to conduct a series of experiments ranging from field testing the effects of insecticides on terrestrial vertebrates, developing metapopulation dynamic models to predict landscape-level responses of small mammals to habitat fragmentation, and testing basic hypotheses on dispersal, territoriality, infanticide, and predator-avoidance mechanisms of voles. The small mammal enclosures are a one-of-kind research facility that provides for independently manipulated variables for testing hypotheses that could not be tested in uncontrolled field environments. In this sense, the facility has provided Fisheries and Wildlife researchers with an opportunity to conduct a level of research that is not available at most other universities.

The first studies conducted in the enclosures were a series of manipulations to field test the effects of various application rates of an insecticide, Guthion (azinphos-methyl), on quail and gray-tailed voles. The initial study in which three application rates were tested, demonstrated that the laboratory testing procedures typically used by the EPA for approving and registering pesticides over-represented the hazard to mammals and under-represented the hazard to birds. The small mammal portion of this project served as the Master's thesis for **Robert Carey**, who is now working as a forest wildlife specialist in Redding, California. In the following year, graduate student **Eric Schaubert** found that voles were much more susceptible to the insecticide when it was applied to recently mowed alfalfa than when the vegetation was tall. Eric also found that insectivorous rodents such as deer mice fed extensively on insects immediately after spraying the pesticide, which increased their exposure to the insecticide. Voles, on the other hand, which are

strict herbivores, continued to eat vegetation before and after it was sprayed with the insecticide. In a following year, **Jeff Peterson**, a PhD student from the University of California at Berkeley, found that inbred voles that were exposed to pesticides were at a five-fold greater risk than were outbred voles that were not exposed to pesticides. Jeff's study looked at the effects of inbreeding, environmental stressors, and their interactive effects on vole population dynamics.

After the completion of the toxicology experiments, graduate students **Natasha Nelson** and **Renee Davis-Born** determined the effects of a 70% habitat removal and fragmentation on vole demography and behavior. Vegetation in 20 of the 24 enclosures was manipulated into one of four patterns: one large patch, 25 small patches separated by 4 m of bare ground, four medium-sized patches separated by 12.5 m of bare ground, and four medium-sized patches connected by a 1-m wide strip of vegetation. The vegetation in the remaining enclosures was left intact. Some surprising results from this experiment were that when 70% of the habitat was removed, very few animals perished, but rather were successful in moving into the remaining habitat fragments. Overall survival and reproductive rates were not affected, but vole movements were severely restricted in the 25-patch treatment and even more so in the four-patch treatment. Voles, however, readily used corridors to move among the connected patches. When several females were forced to occupy one small patch, recruitment of juvenile voles was reduced significantly. The unusual crowding by voles may have caused adverse social interactions leading to infanticide. In a follow-up to the summer field study, **Heidi Brunkal** braved the elements and found that fragmentation had much greater negative impacts on voles during the harsh conditions of winter than in summer. All of her populations eventually went extinct, probably due to increased vulnerability of voles to predators.

During the summer of 1996, Renee Davis-Born and a visiting graduate student from Sweden conducted a study to field test the Breeding Suppression Hypothesis (BSH) proposed by Finnish



The state-of-the-art small mammal research facility features 24, 1/2-acre enclosures allowing replicated field experiments.

researchers. The BSH, based on laboratory studies, proposes that female voles suppress their breeding when exposed to the odor of a mustelid predator, such as a weasel or mink, to decrease their vulnerability to the predators. In a replicated experiment, the research team found no support for the hypothesis. After six years of developing this hypothesis in Finland, Fisheries and Wildlife researchers were the first to field-test and reject the hypothesis.

In another attempt to debunk a 40-year-old untested hypothesis that exposure to a strange male will cause a female mammal to abort a current pregnancy (The Bruce Effect), graduate student, **Helen de la Maza**, and Zoology undergraduate, **Amber Lindsey**, are completing a field test that should provide unequivocal results. This experiment is in progress and will be completed in December 1996. This project will be followed by **Monica Bond's** thesis in which she has developed competing hypotheses to explain the relative influence of intrasexual competition, food abundance, and access to mates in determining home range size and space use by voles. Monica's research project also is designed to test if females adjust the birth sex ratio of their offspring and to discern among four alternative

hypotheses to explain this phenomenon. The next scheduled behavior project for the enclosures will be conducted by **Christine Dalton** who will be testing the hypothesis that females that form kin groups, a common social behavior in many mammal species, have greater reproductive success than females that disperse and separate from their natal kin group. Christine's project will be the first population-level field test of this hypothesis that was first proposed 15 years ago.

The final projects scheduled for the small mammal research facility is a three-year, four experiment, integrated study for improving ecological risk assessment of pesticides for nontarget terrestrial vertebrates. This project will be the responsibility of **Guiming Wang**, a new PhD student who will be joining Fisheries and Wildlife in January 1997.

The enclosure projects have attracted considerable attention at national and international conferences and are the envy of many experimental field biologists who do not have such facilities. The enclosure projects also provide students with experience in using the scientific method and hypothetico-deductive reasoning in conducting wildlife research.

Jerry O. Wolff

Fish and Wildlife Club Update

Current members of the OSU Fish and Wildlife Club are proving themselves to be an active, enthusiastic, and involved group of students. With around 40 members this year, we are planning to continue programs from last year, as well as create our own traditions. The following is a list of proposed activities for the upcoming calendar year:

- **Continuation of the Outreach Program:** Because of the overwhelming success of last year's endeavors, we will be expanding the program during winter term to include the education of high school students. Any assistance or suggestions from faculty or alumni would be greatly appreciated.
- **Birdhouse Sales:** As a fundraiser, the club will continue to sell birdhouses. Handcrafted by a club member, these custom-made houses are available in several styles to accommodate bluebirds, tree swallows, wrens, chickadees, and warblers. Prices range from \$10-15.
- **Field Trips:** We have planned several weekend field trips for Winter and Spring terms. These include a trip to Newport to tour the Hatfield Marine Science Center and whale watch, as well as a weekend at Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in May to observe migratory waterfowl. In addition, the club is planning a spring break trip to Arizona and Mexico. We will attend the Wildlife Society Student Conclave at the University of Arizona, then travel to a marine field station in Puerto Penasco, Mexico to observe desert habitats, as well as a marine ecosystem different from what most OSU students have experienced.
- **Request for Volunteer Work Projects:** Members of the club have expressed an interest in gaining field experience in a variety of areas in Fisheries and Wildlife. If you know of anyone in need of enthusiastic, willing, hardworking volunteers, please contact the people listed below.
- **Club Newsletter:** A club newsletter will be published in January, and will keep students and

faculty informed of upcoming events and guest speakers. Articles, advertisements, job announcements, or volunteer opportunities can be submitted to Fish and Wildlife Club, Attn: Mindy Taylor, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Oregon State University, 104 Nash, Corvallis, OR 97331-3803.

- **Bake Sale:** Of utmost importance, we would like to thank all those who donated baked goods for the bake sale held on Tuesday, 3 December. In response to an overwhelming number of requests from faculty members and students, bake sales will now be a monthly occurrence in Nash Hall. Beginning in January, you can purchase your favorite goodies from 9 to 4 on the first Friday of the month. Remember, your baked donations are always appreciated and necessary for the continuation of this worthwhile (and edible!) activity. Please bring your donations to Nash 104 Thursday or Friday morning.

If you have any suggestions or are interested in becoming involved with any of these projects, please contact:

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or

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Mindy Taylor

Department Electronic Mailing List

This list was created to coordinate and inform both alumni and the interested public of events, meetings, and discussion topics relevant to the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife. Postings, discussions, and announcements should pertain to issues of fish and wildlife conservation, and the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife.

Subscribing

To subscribe to the list, send a message to:
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List Manager

The list manager is **Melani Bonnicksen**. Her address is: **bonnichm@ccmail.orst.edu**

Chief Receives OSU's Distinguished Service Award

Long-time colleague, courtesy faculty member and friend of this Department, **Jack Ward Thomas**, has been in the news lately—as he stepped down as Chief of the U.S. Forest Service. We are also pleased that OSU could honor his achievements by awarding him its Distinguished Service Award during the 16 June 1996 graduation ceremonies. More recently he was elected into Oregon's Agriculture Hall of Fame by the College of Agricultural Sciences.

Registry of Distinguished Graduates

The Registry of Distinguished Graduates is intended to recognize a select few of our alumni who have made major contributions to the field of fisheries and wildlife, and who have achieved real distinction in a career in natural resource education, research, or management.

1996 Inductees

Spencer H. Smith—received his degree in Fish and Game Management in 1948. He was employed in 1949 as the first professional fishery biologist for the state of Mississippi with the assignment to establish and direct a statewide sport and commercial fisheries program. That program continues to be recognized for its level of professionalism. In 1955 Spencer joined the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a leader of fishery studies in the five-state Lower Mississippi River Basin. He went on to positions as Assistant and then Regional Supervisor of the Division of River Basin Studies in Atlanta, Georgia, and as Assistant Director of Operations for the Southeastern Region. Smith went to Washington, D.C. as the Assistant Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service and was subsequently named Deputy Director and Director

of the Fish and Wildlife Service. Spencer was Director of the Service when the Endangered Species Act was passed and began the process of implementing steel shot for waterfowl hunting. Over 40 million acres of land were added to the National Wildlife Refuge System in Alaska during his watch. Spencer is the recipient of numerous awards including the Department of Interior's Meritorious Service Award and Distinguished Service Award and has previously been recognized by Oregon State University as an Outstanding Citizen.

John W. McKean (posthumous)—graduated in Fish and Game Management in 1938. He was one of the Department's first graduates to be employed by a state wildlife agency. He spent his entire career working for the State of Oregon beginning as a part-time employee of the State Game Commission at the Pendleton Game Farm. He retired 40 years later as the first Director of the combined Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. Soon after retirement McKean was appointed to the Pacific Fishery Management Council which sets fishing policy/regulations in the 200-mile offshore zone; he remained on the Council until 1995. John McKean was one of the founders of the Oregon Chapter of The Wildlife Society and served as its first president; he also served as president of the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. John received the Honor Award from the Izaak Walton League of America and the American Motors Nature Conservation Award.

Jay B. Long (posthumous)—was born and raised in Baker City, Oregon, and earned both BS and MS degrees in the Department of Fish and Game Management. During World War II he served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps in the South Pacific theater. After a short stint as a shellfish biologist he joined the faculty of the Department of Fish and Game Management and served there until his retirement as Professor Emeritus of Wildlife Ecology in 1973. Jay was active as a consultant to shooting clubs in the region. While he participated in a number of fish and wildlife research projects and authored a number of agricultural extension bulletins and popular articles on hunting and fishing, his main interest was in teaching, in which he excelled. Long

served as faculty advisor to the student Fin and Antler Club for nearly 20 years. He received the Wade Foundation Award (College of Agriculture) and shortly thereafter the Mossier Award (University) for excellence in teaching. Jay served as president of the Oregon Chapter of The Wildlife Society and was a member of Phi Kappa Phi and several other scholastic and professional societies. Jay leaves a legacy in the form of his former students who now serve in the fish and wildlife conservation field around the nation and the world.

Joseph A. Chapman—Joe is a three-time graduate of the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife having received his B.S. in 1965, M.S. in 1967, and Ph.D. in 1970. After leaving OSU, Joe served as a wildlife biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Later he joined the faculty at the University of Maryland where he advanced to tenured professor, and at one time served as head of the Appalachian Environmental Laboratory. Dr. Chapman next ventured to Utah State University where he became dean of the College of Natural Resources. While at USU Joe established innovative programs which focused on creating interdisciplinary approaches to problem solving. For example, the Interagency Natural Resources and Environmental Analysis and Synthesis Center cuts across agency boundaries to provide a set of data for several agencies studying ecosystems. Dr. Chapman was hired as the new provost and vice president of academic affairs at Montana State University, Bozeman on 1 July 1996.

John C. Riggs—After receiving his B.S. in the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife in 1943, John served two years in the Army Air Force. He then returned to Stanford University where he received his Ph.D. in 1952. In his outstanding academic career he held faculty positions at the University of Florida, the University of British Columbia, the University of Texas, and most recently at the University of South Florida, where he was Chairman of Zoology and Director of Graduate Studies. He has authored six books and monographs and over 100 refereed publications. Most notable among these are a monograph of the Clingfishes, *Marine Zoogeography*, and *Global Biogeography*. He has served as Commissioner of the Florida Marine

Fisheries Commission. Trustee of the Gulf Oceanographic Charitable Trust, and Trustee of the Florida Defenders of the Environment.

William Q. Wick—Bill was an outstanding extension educator and pioneer in the area of Sea Grant Research and marine advisory services. He graduated from the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife with a B.S. in 1950 and an M.S. in 1952. He served as a Wildlife Biologist with the Nevada Fish and Game Commission, and a Waterfowl Biologist with the Washington Department of Game. Bill was an innovative Extension agent in Tillamook and Clatsop counties before heading up the Marine Extension Program in Oregon. He was Sea Grant Director at OSU from 1973–90. He was President of the National Sea Grant Association, a commissioner of the Lower Columbia River Development Task Force, a Commissioner of the South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve, and on the Board of Governors of the National Coastal Resources Research and Development

Institute. He was recipient of the Einarsen Award and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Superior Service Medal.

Nominations Sought for 1997 Inductees

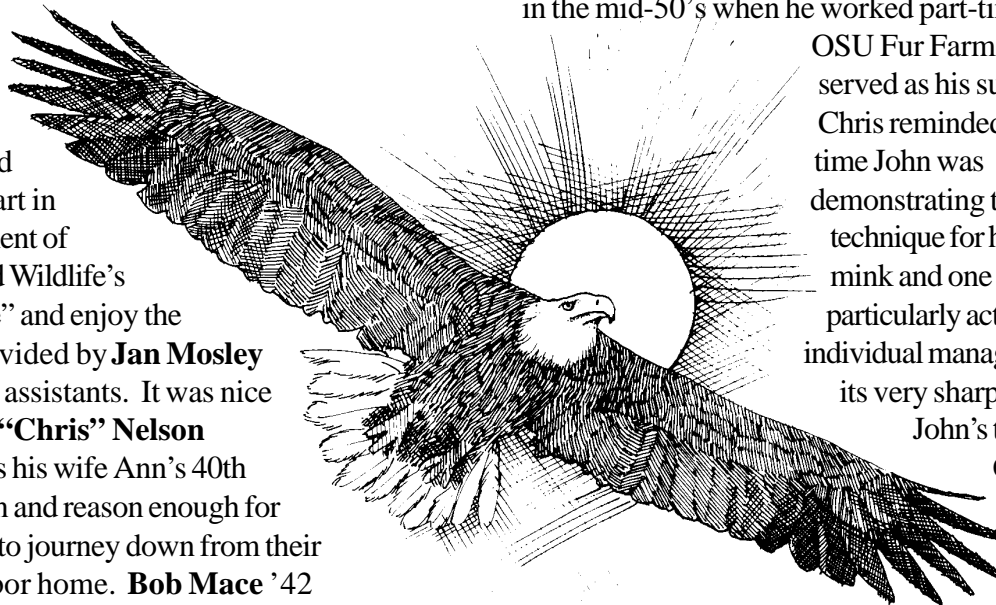
The committee for the Registry of Distinguished Graduates, composed of two faculty, **Bill Liss** and **John Faudskar**, and two alumni, **Dave Budeau** and **Dennis Lassuy**, is seeking nominations for the 1997 inductees. Candidates should be nominated from among those OSU graduates with at least 20 years of experience in the field. Nominations can take many forms, but should describe the highlights of the nominee's professional career. A resume may be the most useful format, but a letter describing the nominee's career and achievements would also suffice. Please send nominations to:

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From the Mailbag

Homecoming '96 differed in several ways from some of the more recent ones. The beavers managed an impressive win over a good Stanford team—their first win of the season. And, at least a few alumni drifted by to take part in the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife's "open house" and enjoy the goodies provided by **Jan Mosley** and her able assistants. It was nice to see **Otto "Chris" Nelson** again. It was his wife Ann's 40th class reunion and reason enough for the Nelsons to journey down from their Friday Harbor home. **Bob Mace** '42 dropped by as he is now a member of the board of directors of the E. R. Jackman Foundation and was

in town for their regular annual meeting. **John Adair** '50 came with me as he wanted to see if Chris had changed since his graduate student days in the mid-50's when he worked part-time at the OSU Fur Farm where John served as his supervisor. Chris reminded John of the time John was demonstrating the proper technique for holding live mink and one large, particularly active individual managed to sink its very sharp teeth into John's thumb. Chris couldn't remember if John said, "do as I say, not as I do" while carefully removing his thumb from the mink.



50's–60's

Good to hear from **Ralph Denney** '53 who now lives in the Roseburg area. Ralph says, “finally retiring and moving to Roseburg to get away from the Portland area rat race. Hard to believe the 40 plus years have gone by so quickly with so much accomplished and yet too much left to do. Have to credit you and **Jay Long** for such a great job of teaching the basics in school. The basics still apply but somehow I feel they are being overlooked.”

Jerry Hout '55 writes, “coming back to ‘America’ after 40 years in Alaska . . . now too many people and too few critters. It’s going to take some adjusting.” Jerry sent some colored slides taken on our big game field trip in 1953. Also a generous contribution for *News and Views*. He’s now living at 113 Hoffman Rd., Port Angeles, WA 98363. Thanks!

George Romano '57 also sent a nice gift for *News and Views* but not a word about what he’s been up to? George lists 2716 Everette Rd., Ottawa, IL 61350 as home base.

Dave Kowitz '59 sent an interesting anecdote from his student days in 1949 when the department of Fish and Game Management was still housed on the second floor of the Agricultural Engineering building. The lab was on the south side just across the drive from the woman’s building. A pair of unidentified birds were nesting in the ivy surrounding the window of that building. Just prior to **Jay Long**’s game birds lab students in Jay’s lab would rush to the office to check out the departments binoculars. There weren’t enough binocs to go around but students shared. It seems the students were quite interested in the pair of unidentified birds. Of course nobody noticed the girl in the red body suit practicing in the Modern Dance class immediately across the way in the Woman’s building.

Congratulations to **Dick Pedersen** '61 who received the Jack Adams Award, a national award presented by the U.S. Forest Service for long-term contributions to the national forests of the Pacific Northwest. Dick retired in March and now lives in Rainier, Oregon.

70's–90's

A nice note from **Steve King** '70 of Lake Oswego. Steve says he enjoys *News and Views* and sent a nice contribution to prove it. He says, “I’ve been with ODFW since 1973 mostly managing the fish runs and fisheries (what’s left of them) on the Columbia River. Married to the same woman, Vickie Lee, for 25 years in September. We enjoy our Labrador retrievers and horses and spending any off-hours pursuing salmon and sturgeon and ducks in the winter time.”

John Thiebes '72 now living at 1084 Castlewood Drive, Medford, OR 97504 checked in and sent a contribution for *News and Views* but failed to report on his goings and comings. Thanks for the check John, but how about a report on your activities next time?

Lt. Col. Patrick M. O'Donogue '77 is now stationed in southern California at MCAS, El Toro. Presently commanding Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 164. “Actively involved with local Nature Conservancy chapter and enjoying some birding. Thanks for the *News and Views*—it’s great!”

James R. Good MS '77 has accepted a new position as one of the refuge managers at Koyukuk/Nowitna National Wildlife Refuge. Transferred after 12 years as refuge manager at Havasu. That name Koyukuk reminded me of a recent book by **Jim Rearden** '48 of Homer, Alaska. In it Jim recounts some most interesting facts about the life and times of Sidney Huntington, a native Alaskan. If you can find a copy read it. It’s amazing! I think it was called “Shadows on the Koyukuk”.

A great long letter from **Jean-Marie (“John”) Bland** who earned his MS in fish genetics under professor **Ray Simon** in December 1972. He reports, “since 1973 I have been working for the I.N.R.A., Department of Hydrobiology and Wildlife at Saint-Pee-sur-Nivelle Research Station (Basque country, south-west of France) as a fish geneticist. Besides fish breeding, I get involved in various cooperative research works dealing with ecology, fish nutrition and behavior . . . more recently I acted as a project leader in the field of snail genetics. Would you believe that these crazy Frenchies not only eat frogs but also about 30–40 thousand tons of snails per year!” John continues by saying nothing

original has happened to him yet he reports being married with two children, divorced, remarried and claims he's aging, though only 53. He says, "things do change such as hills which get higher, or steeper, horses get less comfortable to my backbone and my own arms are shortening to the point that I could not read the *News and Views* any more and had to buy a pair of glasses." John ends his letter by saying "if you happen to meet a guy who remembers a tall and lean "froggie," with a black beard and brown hair, please say hi!"

Tom Haensly MS '85 writes to tell us he moved to 144 Railroad Ave., Suite 217, Edmonds, WA 98020. Now an Attorney at Law he is continuing to advise individuals, businesses, nonprofit organizations, and public agencies on land use, environmental and real estate matters, including

land protection alternatives, regulation of sensitive areas, growth management issues, water rights, disputes and environmental cleanups.

Sara Tollefson King '87 and **Spencer King** are very proud to announce the birth of their baby boy August Daniel on 10 June 1996. He's quite healthy and of course cute as a button! A future naturalist no doubt!

Ellen Hammond '90 writes, "finally got out of Tennessee and am back in Oregon! I just got hired as the coordinator for the Malheur-Owyhee Watershed Council and the Bully Creek Watershed Coalition, as an employee of the Malheur County Soil and Water Conservation District. The work is exciting. If anyone wants to do a graduate project out here in this part of Oregon come on out!"

Lee Kuhn

View of the Future



Get Connected

The class of 2000 gets connected—Head Advisor, Bob Jarvis arranged a meeting between in-coming freshmen majoring in Fisheries and Wildlife, upper classmen, their advisors, and even Associate Dean, Kelvin Koong. The Department provided pizza, pop, and class of 2000 t-shirts. After the meeting, advisors took their students on a tour of the Department and showed them how to access the University and Department via the Internet.

What's Happening?


We enjoy hearing from alumni and Department friends. Send your autobiographical notes to Lee Kuhn and your opinions to the Editor, and we will share them with *News and Views* readers.

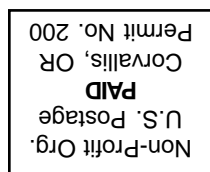
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