



Newsletter of the Minnesota Chapter of the American Fisheries Society

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At a time when there is incredible development pressure on our lakes, one of our members is making a difference. **Paul Radomski**, former President of the MN Chapter, now on a mobility assignment with DNR Division of Ecological Services, and **Russ Schultz**, DNR Division of Waters, are leading the north central lakes clean water



*Don't miss out !*

**\*\*\* CALL FOR PAPERS \*\*\***  
*for the 2006 joint chapter meeting with the Minnesota Chapters of The Wildlife Society, The Society of American Foresters, The Society for Conservation Biology and The American Fisheries Society.*

**See page 9 for details!**

initiative, orchestrating new lake shore development standards.

These standards are near completion and several local governments have already adopted elements of these standards with their zoning ordinances. Paul and Russ have worked very hard and are doing an extraordinary job.

The MN Chapter recently nominated itself for the **NCD Most Active Chapter Award** and submitted a synopsis of chapter accomplishments to the NCD for President Brad Parsons' Briefing Book.

In other actions of the Excom, we were advised by **Gus Rassam**, Executive Director of the AFS, to not become involved in litigation that would pit our chapter against a resource agency (MPCA) as in the Annandale case. Although it was agreed that the chapter opposed the addition of more waste water treatment plants discharging to impaired waters, such as the Mississippi River, it was decided instead to write a letter to the court in support of their decision to disallow permitting additional input. The court case in this law suit by the MPCA will convene soon. This was an important and contentious issue and one that Excom members worked long and hard to respond to.

The NCD will meet at the **66<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference** in Grand Rapids, MI, which runs from December 11<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup>. **NCD President Brad Parsons** will preside over the North Central Division meeting.

**RYBA** editor: Donna Dustin

The Chapter publishes **RYBA** four times yearly (February, May, September, and December). Past issues can be found at the Chapter website: [www.mnafsf.org](http://www.mnafsf.org).

Please direct comments or submissions to:

**[donna.dustin@gmail.com](mailto:donna.dustin@gmail.com)**

The views and opinions expressed herein are not necessarily those of the Minnesota Chapter.

The next issue to weigh in on is the issue of a steady state economy. The essence of this is that fish and wildlife resources must continually accommodate economic growth, generally equating to a downward spiral for the resource. Excom members will have an opportunity to read a series of articles in Fisheries on the subject and consider the option of preparing a statement of support to the Parent Society. The series of articles on the subject are as follows: Volume 29, #8, Volume 30, #s1, 2, 3, and 8. Interested chapter members are encouraged to read these articles and form their own opinion and may contact the Excom at their discretion.

The **Annual MN Chapter AFS meeting** is really developing into a great program. **Henry VanOffelen** will report on meeting progress so I will leave that to Henry and sign off for now.

In closing, let me wish you and yours all a happy holiday season. May you have a prosperous new year and the same for the fishery resource, this fine organization, and our great nation. Please remember our military personnel at home and overseas at this time of the year, and keep up the good work. All the best. Tim

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## Officer Reports

### President Elect

**Henry VanOffelen**

### 2006 Annual Meeting

The plans for the 2006 annual meeting are quickly coming together. We have decided to call this first joint meeting of the professional organizations of the wildlife, fisheries, forestry and conservation biologists the **1<sup>st</sup> Minnesota Natural Resources Conference**. The first morning of the conference will be dedicated to invited speakers to discuss the “sustainability” and management of natural resources given the challenges of expected demographic, social, cultural, and economic change. During the first afternoon, we will invite and encourage speakers for a series of symposia on:

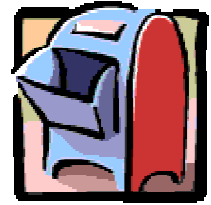
- Invasive Species Research & Management
- Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)
- Applications of the Ecological Classification System
- Conservation in Agricultural Landscapes
- Riparian & Shoreland Management
- Urban & Regional Planning
- Forest Fragmentation

The conference organizers encourage everyone to contribute papers on these topics in addition to papers and posters on more traditional natural resource management activities and research.

Room registration information is also included with this newsletter. Please reserve your rooms soon directly with **Cragun's**. The meeting begins with a social on Tuesday evening. For anyone interested in a Tuesday evening meal at Cragun's please let them know on the registration form. Meal package options for the rest of the meeting will be part of registration materials. These registration materials and a draft conference agenda will be available on the MN AFS website ([www.mnafs.org](http://www.mnafs.org)) by the middle of January. We continue to look for additional invited speakers and ideas. Please contact **Henry VanOffelen** for information and to submit ideas.

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**Past-President  
Issues Committee & FWLA Representative  
Loren Miller**



Because I am Issues Chair and co-represent the Chapter at FWLA (along with **Don Pereira**) I am combining the reports into one. As a Chapter we recently sent a letter to **Gov. Pawlenty and the MPCA** addressing the draft mercury emissions standards. We highlighted the detrimental ecosystem and human health impacts of mercury. We also gently suggested that it is inappropriate for industry to have too much influence on MPCA in the regulatory process.

Two other issues led to considerable discussion among members but no formal action from the Chapter. In each case, we considered joining in legal action concerning environmental issues. The first regarded the ditch manipulation that drained **Rice Lake**. The **MNDNR** filed suit and prevailed, requiring the Watershed District to restore the lake. The second regarded proposed sewage treatment discharge by the **City of Annandale**. **MCEA** filed suit contending that the discharge would further harm impaired waters. We were asked to join in the suits by filing Amicus friends of the court briefs. On the advice of **Gus Rassam**, AFS Director, we avoided formal involvement in these legal disputes despite agreeing with at least some aspects of the suits.

For many issues the Chapter's involvement is through input we provide to the **FWLA**. FWLA will begin meeting again as the legislative session gets going. We are currently setting priorities for legislative issues. **Contact Don P or me if you have any issues to forward to the group.** **Lance Ness**, FWLA President, recently testified at the Legislative hearings on restructuring LCMR. He pushed for a citizen's committee to oversee LCMR spending and a focus on investing directly in resources. Don and I stressed the point that scientific information is the basis for sound management of resources. One certain push of the FWLA will be for dedicated funding (the sales tax % idea). The whole Ducks and Wetlands group want to get dedicated funding on the 2006 ballot.

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## Committee Reports

### Awards

**By the Editor for John Hiebert**

#### **ATTENTION CHAPTER MEMBERS!**

John is getting pretty hot under the collar about the lack of award nominations. He was so distraught he couldn't even write this notice himself. Isn't there *someone* who has gone above and beyond the call of duty to accomplish the Chapter's goals? Let that person know how much you appreciate their hard work by nominating him or her for a Special Recognition Award. What about someone who has made a life-long commitment to Minnesota's fisheries? Nominate him or her for the prestigious Award of Excellence. There are a lot of people out there working hard to make the world a better place for fish - don't let their efforts go unnoticed!



**Please**, nominate some well deserving person for an award so John won't have a **Blue Christmas**. Don't let this be *The Year Without an Award!* To nominate someone for an award or to volunteer to judge papers or posters at the Annual Meeting, please contact **John Hiebert at 651-296-2548 or john.hiebert@dnr.state.mn.us.**

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## Continuing Education

### Ray Valley

The Continuing Education Committee wants to remind those who are signed up for the **Fish and Ecosystem Ecology** workshop instructed by **Dr. John Magnuson** that the workshop will take place from 8am - 5pm on Thurs. Jan 12th and 8am - 11:30 am on Fri. Jan. 13th at The Inn in Canal Park, Duluth. Contact **Ray Valley** [ray.valley@dnr.state.mn.us](mailto:ray.valley@dnr.state.mn.us) or **651-793-6539** for more details.

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## Nominations

### Greg Busacker

We have candidates for the upcoming chapter election. Thanks to those who volunteered to run for office. **Jeff Reed** and **Mike Duval** will vie for President Elect, **Steve Quinn** and **Andy Edwards** will run for Open Excom and **Linda Fuselier** and **Kyle Zimmer** will contend for the Academic Excom seat. Watch for candidate's statements and election information in the next newsletter.

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## Fishing Roundtable

### Mark Hove

The 2006 DNR Fishing Roundtable meeting is scheduled for January 7 & 8 in the St. Cloud area. Planned discussion topics include: musky and northern pike management, bag limits, cormorant management, walleye stocking, various MN DNR updates, angler recruitment, and political advocacy. The Ecological Services and Wildlife Roundtables will be meeting jointly with the Fishing Roundtable.

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## Fundraising

### Brian Borkholder and Tom Burri

*What if you could help out the Minnesota Chapter without doing much work?* Sound good? Well then get looking through your stash of old banquet prizes, books, birthday gifts, impulsive purchases, and/or winter craft projects and donate something to the chapter fundraiser! Give that print in the closet a new home; show off your latest carving, quilt, fishing rod, or raccoon hat; send that knick-knack that you never took out of the box to a better place. If it is "like new" and might be desirable to someone (we will have a diverse audience this year at the joint meeting), let **Brian** ([brianborkholder@fdlrez.com](mailto:brianborkholder@fdlrez.com), 218-878-8004) or **Tom** ([tom.burri@dnr.state.mn.us](mailto:tom.burri@dnr.state.mn.us), 218-286-5220) know and bring your donation to the Annual Meeting in February.



Faux coon cap up for grabs at the 2004 meeting

If you have contacts with businesses or artisans in your area, please consider asking for a donation to support the MNAFS fundraising efforts. Proceeds from the fundraiser are used to support student attendance at the annual meeting.

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## Shoreland Standards Development - Update

**Karl Koller and Henry VanOffelen**

The final meeting of the **Shoreland Advisory Committee** took place Monday, December 12. This Committee has been meeting once a month since January to develop alternative shoreland standards for the five counties in the North Central Minnesota. This project is the “lakes” portion of the **Governors Clean Water Initiative**. There were approximately 35 members on the advisory committee, with diverse representation including; realtors, resorters, lake associations and lake association coalitions, the Department of Tourism, developers, environmental groups, and various levels of local government.

**Karl Koller** has represented the MN AFS at these meetings and **Henry Van Offelen** has attended, representing MCEA. The **DNR Division of Waters** led this effort and **Paul Radomski** has been the primary technical advisor. Counties will be able to use all, or parts of these alternative rules to update their zoning ordinances for shoreland management. Compared to the existing rules (MN rule 6120) which have not changed in 20 years, these new rules are intended to provide better protection to water quality, fish and wildlife habitat and to maintain or improve aesthetics. All counties and cities have the ability to adopt an ordinance that is more restrictive than the current statewide minimum standards and there are counties outside the five pilot county area that have expressed an interest in adopting parts of the alternative standards.



The new rules provide the most substantial changes to the current rules in the following areas:

- Multiple shoreland lake classifications on a single lake, for example, a natural environment bay can now be designated on a general development lake.
- Sensitive area districts for lakeshore segments, where development standards follow natural environment lake class standards.
- A new “special protection” classification for lakes where there is considerable wetland fringe, shallow depth, and/or unique fish and wildlife habitat or endangered species.
- Improved and simplified planned unit development (PUD) standards, including: residential densities for all PUDs, increased setbacks, no density multipliers, clustered or grouped docking, no new resorts on special protection or natural environment lakes.
- Special resort standards that allow for expansion and improvements while addressing water quality concerns with provisions for shoreland revegetation and compliance with stormwater and wastewater treatment standards. If converted to a residential development the resort must then meet residential standards.
- Better water quality standards achieved by improved rainwater runoff management, increased drainfield setbacks, and higher shoreline buffer standards.
- Prohibited controlled access lots for non-riparian lots.
- Advanced subdivision controls, including promotion of conservation subdivisions over conventional (lot and block) subdivisions.
- Larger lot sizes for new lots on general development lakes, and no lot size bonuses for sewered areas in any classification.

Now that these alternative rules are complete, the next phase for the DNR and the committee will be to market these proposed changes to the elected officials. Many local officials have expressed concerns about some of the changes. Adoption of the new rules or pieces of them is unlikely to occur without a well thought out educational campaign for local officials and the general public. The DNR and committee are formulating the educational materials and a marketing strategy to be implemented beginning next summer. If the effort is successful, many of the counties and other local governments should adopt all, or the majority of the new rules. Those Chapter members that live in one of these five counties are encouraged in getting involved so that your local ordinances are changed for better lakeshore protection. With the new rules, there is also a need to advocate for increased enforcement.

One other controversial topic that has come out of the committee is the need to change standards for docks and in-lake accessory structures (MN rule 6115). This topic proved too divisive to tackle during within the shoreland committee meetings (ask Karl, Henry, or Paul for the rest of this story) so a separate process will be initiated in the next year..

If you want to read the current set of alternate rules (get your caffeine ready), supporting articles, meeting notes and summaries or the position paper on docks, go to the DNR website:

[http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/watermgmt\\_section/shoreland/shoreland\\_rules\\_update.html](http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/watermgmt_section/shoreland/shoreland_rules_update.html)

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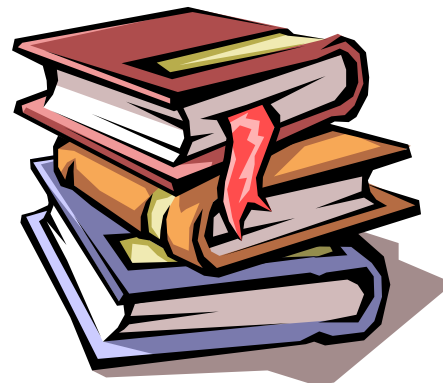
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## Of Interest

### AFS Book Sale

AFS is offering a number of our publications at greatly-reduced rates. From now until January 15, 2006, take advantage of the online AFS End-Of-Year Book Sale and save up to 80% on selected AFS publications. Complete your science library for \$15.00 or less a copy!

Click on [www.fisheries.org/html/order\\_form2.shtml](http://www.fisheries.org/html/order_form2.shtml) to order.



## In Memoriam

### **Larry Schwarzkopf** **Fond du Lac Resource Management**

*Larry Schwarzkopf passed away on Wednesday, December 7, 2005. His colleague **Tom Howes** sent the following remembrance of Larry:*

Larry worked here at Fond du Lac for the past twenty years, he was instrumental in funding and developing our Natural Resources Program whose main focus has been the restoration of our wild rice lakes through building water control structures and restoration work through water level management and mechanized plant removal. Larry loved to do the aerial photo reconnaissance of their work on the rice lakes. Larry was an inventor of sorts and actually made our first airboat out of surplus jet fuselages for pontoons and old airplane and car parts, he built a bubbler/cooler system to keep sturgeon eggs alive during transport from southern Wisconsin to the rez. There are many more but contraptions but photos and a long story can only do them justice. Larry was our conscience when it came to invasive species and organized trainings for staff and acquired signage for our lakes to remind the public. Of the many areas Larry focused on, sturgeon restoration in the upper St. Louis river was a goal he worked very hard on. If anything could be said it is that we will miss his unique perspective and dedication.

Larry requested that any memorial donations be sent to his wife for their son's college fund.  
Send donations to:

**Gretchen Schwarzkopf**  
**5537 Morris Thomas Road**  
**Hermantown, MN 55810**



# Reaching Out

Louise Levy - MN SAF and MN TWS

How often do you reflect about the future of your profession – forestry, wildlife, fisheries, ecology, or another similar field – and think about what drew you to it? Do you think about what you did, or didn't do, as a child or young person, and how those experiences led you to academic studies and to your current job? Do you think about what youngsters are doing, or not doing, these days and how you might provide an experience they are not getting? And have you also thought, "I'm no teacher! I just know (trees, plants, animals, insects, etc)." Or maybe, "This isn't part of my job responsibility!"



Reading a story by a wind blown white spruce

These were some of the things I was thinking eight years ago when I called the Fond du Lac Reservation Head Start program (temporarily forgetting the age of children enrolled in Head Start) to explore creating an outdoor program between the Cloquet Forestry Center and the school. Seven and a half years later, we're still at it. I've learned a great deal about managing (and even teaching) a group of 15 three and four year olds, and have a repertoire of lessons and activities I can pull out in the blink of an eye.

I've learned to teach by applying what I already know of the subject (trees, plants, animals, insects, etc) to the cognitive level of a preschooler, with a lot of initial help and feedback from the teacher. This approach works for me, and in fact helped define the parameters I set with the school at the beginning of this experiment, because I don't have formal training as an educator and am not comfortable with nor practiced in the structure of lesson plans and classroom teaching.

I look at traditional classroom and teacher resources for ideas, but in truth, I'm not interested in teaching in a classroom, if I can do the same thing outdoors, because kids, and grownups, spend far too little time outside as it is. If they leave the Cloquet Forestry Center tired, maybe wet, a little bit dirty, with a few spots of sap on their clothes and ruddy cheeks, with stories of bug holes in trees, animal tracks in the snow, snowshoeing on a frozen stream to find a beaver lodge, reading a story next to the roots of an upturned tree, and watching branches sway in the wind, we've had a successful day.



Checking out the planting

What I have not succeeded in is encouraging colleagues in natural resources to try something similar in their area. So I have an idea – if you're reading this and thinking, "I'd like to hear more." or "Maybe I want to do something like this, too." or "Fer cryin' out loud, what is she talking about?" – then give me a call, or send me an e-mail. If anyone responds, we'll find a time to get together (perhaps at the joint Society of American Foresters-Wildlife Society-American Fisheries Society-Society for Conservation Biology meeting in late February). I can be reached at **218-726-6404** or **llevy@umn.edu**

## *Conference Announcement & Call for Papers*

### **THE 1<sup>st</sup> MINNESOTA NATURAL RESOURCES CONFERENCE**

#### ***SUSTAINABLE NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT – DEFINING OUR LEGACY***

**March 1 & 2, 2006**

**Cragun's Resort & Hotel, Brainerd, MN**

The MN Chapters of The Wildlife Society, American Fisheries Society, Society of American Foresters, and the Society of Conservation Biology are pleased to announce the first ever Minnesota Natural Resources Conference. We invite natural resource professionals from throughout the state to venture to Cragun's Resort & Hotel **March 1 & 2, 2006** (there will be a kickoff social on Feb 28). This year's conference is focused on sustainable natural resource management. The stage for this conference will be set on day one with invited speakers that explore large scale economic, social, and environmental trends in Minnesota and the challenges these changes pose for natural resource management. Registration, lodging, and future meeting updates will be posted on the AFS Chapter web page: [www.mnafs.org](http://www.mnafs.org).

### **Call For Papers & Posters**

Abstracts for the 1<sup>st</sup> Minnesota Natural Resources Conference are now being accepted.

**The deadline for receipt of the abstracts is 31 January 2006.**

Traditional natural resource management (wildlife, fish, forestry, biodiversity) papers and posters are welcomed but given the cross discipline opportunities of this conference we invite papers on the following subjects:

- Invasive Species Research & Management
- Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)
- Applications of the Ecological Classification System
- Conservation in Agricultural Landscapes
- Riparian & Shoreland Management
- Urban & Regional Planning
- Forest Fragmentation

All contributed papers will be scheduled at 20-minute intervals. Presentations should therefore be limited to 15 minutes to allow time for questions and comments. Posters should be set up for the entire time frame of the meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Please e-mail abstracts to **David Trauba** ([david.trauba@dnr.state.mn.us](mailto:david.trauba@dnr.state.mn.us)) in MSWord or plain text format. If you do not have e-mail available, you may mail or fax the abstract (in the same format) to:

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Watson, MN 56295  
Phone: (320) 734-4451  
Fax: (320) 734-4452

## ABSTRACT GUIDELINES

An example of the abstract format is given below. First give title in caps, double space, then provide author(s) and their affiliation. Capitalize all authors' names and state abbreviations. In cases of two or more authors, place an asterisk after the name of the person presenting the paper. Then double space again and start the abstract. Do not indent any part of the abstract. Abstracts, including authors and title lines, should be no more than 250 words (including title and authors).

Following the abstract, provide the following information:

- 1) E-mail address (if available) for corresponding author
- 2) Full address of corresponding author
- 3) Telephone number of corresponding author
- 4) Type of presentation (LECTURE or POSTER)
- 5) Audio-visual needs (SLIDE PROJECTOR, POWER-POINT PROJECTOR, OVERHEAD PROJECTOR, VIDEOTAPE PLAYER, AUDIO TAPE PLAYER, etc.)
- 6) Any additional comments about the presentation.

Abstracts should include a statement of objectives, brief description of methods, presentation of results, and a summary of conclusions/inferences drawn.

### **Sample abstract:**

ALL PROBLEMS IN NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT RESOLVED.

I. M. SMART\*, Dept. Biological Sciences, Slapout Univ., Slapout, MN 73848 USA.  
N. O. ITALL and D. UNNIT, Minnesota Dept. Natural Resources, Foraker, MN 74000 USA.

Biologists have been plagued by problems of natural resource conservation since time immemorial. Our research has shown that the solution to all of these problems is ...

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LECTURE

SLIDE PROJECTOR, LAPTOP, POWERPOINT PROJECTOR, ETC.

Note: This PDF file did not copy into the newsletter well. For a much crisper copy of the registration form, please download it separately from the MNAFS website:

www.mnafs.org/CragunsReg.pdf



CRAGUN'S LODGING RESERVATION
MN Chapters of Wildlife Society, Society of American Foresters,
Society of American Fisheries, & Society of Conservation Biologists
February 28 - March 2, 2006

PREFERRED LODGING HELD UNTIL
January 16, 2006

(Room Rates honored after January 16 but
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Questions? Call (218) 825-2700 ext. 8400

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• MN sales tax

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\$77.22 Double Occupancy Per Room/Per Night (Up to 5
People - no rollaway)

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Cottage: 1-3 bedroom units located outside the main
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Four people with 2 baths pay double rate. (Rooms have 2
beds) Non-smoking units not available.

\$69.23 Per Room/Per Night Single Occupancy

\$77.22 Double Occupancy Per Room/Per Night (Up to 5
People - no rollaway)

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includes service charge and sales tax)

MEETINGS ONLY / NO LODGING

I will not be staying overnight but attending activities on the
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Tuesday  Wednesday  Thursday

Facility usage fee is \$16 per day, service charge and
sales tax included. No meals included.

Entire prepayment must accompany this form.

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EACH PERSON MUST COMPLETE A
SEPARATE RESERVATION FORM

List name of the roommate(s) you are selecting:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If you are selecting roommates, reservation forms must be
mailed or faxed together. If not received together, Cragun's
will place you in a room at the single occupancy rate.

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2. At 30 days or more prior to arrival-REFUND less \$25
processing fee.
3. When using a Voucher or Purchase Order, Cancellation
/Refund Policy will apply.
After checking in you are responsible for the dates indicated on this
reservation form. 1315M2M5

## Upcoming Events

**2006**

**Joint Meeting of Wisconsin-Iowa Chapters of the American Fisheries Society**

Jan 17-19, 2006—Grand River Center, Dubuque, IA

See [www.fisheries.org/wiafs/](http://www.fisheries.org/wiafs/)

**Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Chapter of the American Fisheries Society**

Feb 28-March 1, 2006 — Cragun's Resort, Brainerd, MN

See [www.mnafs.org](http://www.mnafs.org)

**Shallow Lakes Forum III**

Apr 5-6, 2006 - Holiday Inn and Willmar Conference Center, Wilmar, MN

See [www.shallowlakes.info/pages/1/](http://www.shallowlakes.info/pages/1/)

Contact **Shannon Fisher**, [shannon.fisher@mnsu.edu](mailto:shannon.fisher@mnsu.edu), 507-389-5492

**International Conference on Rivers and Civilization: Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Major River Basins**

Jun 25-28, 2006 --- La Crosse, WI

See [www.rivers2006.org/](http://www.rivers2006.org/)

Contact **James Wiener**, [wiener.jame@uwlax.edu](mailto:wiener.jame@uwlax.edu), 608/785-6454

**Eighth International Conference on Mercury as a Global Pollutant**

Aug 6-11, 2006 --- Madison WI.

See [www.mercury2006.org](http://www.mercury2006.org)

Contact **James Wiener**, [wiener.jame@uwlax.edu](mailto:wiener.jame@uwlax.edu), 608/785-6454

**American Fisheries Society 136th Annual Meeting**

Sep 10-14, 2006 --- Lake Placid, NY

Contact **Betsy Fritz**, [bfritz@fisheries.org](mailto:bfritz@fisheries.org), 301/897-8616, ext. 212

**2007**

**American Fisheries Society 137th Annual Meeting**

Sep 2-6, 2007—San Francisco, CA

Contact **Betsy Fritz**, [bfritz@fisheries.org](mailto:bfritz@fisheries.org), 301/897-8616, ext. 212

**Minnesota Chapter of the American Fisheries Society  
Current Officers and Committee Members May 2005**

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