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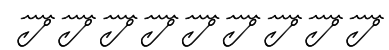
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### President's Message

By Henry VanOffelen, President

Happy New Year All. In the June newsletter I reviewed what I see as the four key roles for the Chapter: annual meeting, communication among members, continuing education, and issue advocacy. The 2007 annual meeting is scheduled and **President elect Mike Duval** provides details in this

### Call For Papers



**2007 Annual Meeting**  
**Meet me in St Cloud for the**  
**39th Annual Minnesota**  
**Chapter Meeting**  
**Get your abstracts ready**  
**now.**

**See page 11 for details!**

newsletter. Communication among members is served well by this newsletter, EXCOM meetings, and the website. Our continuing education committee just hosted a successful workshop and is developing a shoreland restoration workshop for resource professionals to be held later in 2007. In this message, I would like to spend a little bit of extra time discussing the 2006 issues that the EXCOM has discussed and acted on at their recent meetings and describe the issues that remain on our agenda. The four productive EXCOM meetings held in the last half of 2006 should set things up well for additional action in 2007.

Our June meeting featured a presentation on the new “**alternative shoreland rules**” by **Paul Radomski**. There was good discussion of those rules and also the rule changes proposed by the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) regarding thresholds for environmental review in shorelands. Based on these meetings the Chapter has taken action on two shoreland issues. First, we sent a letter to **DNR Commissioner Merriam** that urged him to replace the retiring **Russ Schultz**, who led the development of the alternative shoreland standards. With Russ's retirement, several EXCOM members voiced concern that there would be a loss of momentum to make local governments aware of the new standards. We did receive a reply from **Commission Merriam** that suggested that the Division of Waters would continue to keep the shoreland rules as a priority but as we also know, Russ has not been replaced. Second, we sent a comment letter to the EQB related to the proposed environmental review threshold for shorelands. As many of you know, there currently is no environmental review category for shorelands. Most shoreland projects must have a minimum of 50 dwelling units to require an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) just like developments proposed elsewhere on the landscape. In 2005, at the urging of the **Minnesota Lakes Association (now Minnesota Waters)** and others, the EQB proposed a new category for shorelands. The proposed rules were developed last spring and were open for comments this fall. The

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

Chapter's letter supported the proposed changes which will result in environmental review at a much lower level but also suggested that any subdivision proposed in the shoreland of an impaired water require an EAW. The proposed rules and all comments to date are available at [www.eqb.state.mn.us](http://www.eqb.state.mn.us). There will be another comment period soon and perhaps public hearings on these rules in the next year so we may have

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more opportunities to express our interests again. There is also an ongoing effort to revise the EAW to include some shoreland specific questions. A draft of the proposed shoreland worksheet can be reviewed on the chapter website and there is a related topic listed on the discussion forum. I would appreciate input on the revised worksheet.

discussions to date and so have several chapter members. **Ray Valley** led the development of a resolution that went through multiple revisions that the EXCOM approved at our December meeting. This resolution is available for review on the Chapter's website. **All members are encouraged to review this resolution one final time before January 15** and send comments to me and Ray. The resolution will likely be sent to the DNR Commissioner's office after the January EXCOM. These rules, just like the shoreland and EQB rules, are not frequently changed. The chapter will continue to track this issue, prepare to review the rules from a scientific standpoint, and comment on the proposed rules. There may not be another chance to influence APM for another 10 years or more.

This brings me to the remaining issues left to discuss in this new year. The table on the next page lists the 2006 issues and provides some potential actions that the EXCOM may want to take. In December, the EXCOM and **TWS** leaders met with **FWLA** representative, **Lance Ness** and **Scott Moen**, and **MN Conservation Federation director, Gary Botzek**. Both MN AFS and TWS are members of these organizations and this was the first time that their representatives have met with us as a group. The purpose of this meeting was to hear their plans and priorities for the legislative session and to share our perspectives and issues. It was a good meeting to share our thoughts and perspectives on the issues. Watch for updates on FWLA and MCF issues in the future.

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In January, we will have a meeting that will focus on **shallow lakes/aquaculture** and also on **stream related issues**. The river and streams committee has a number of issues and communications needs that require some attention before the annual meeting.

Finally, this year, the EXCOM has discussed the need for several **white papers** on the 2006 issues. One impediment to completing white papers in a timely fashion is members can't find time to work on these papers. At the October EXCOM, I proposed that we set aside some funds to offer students a grant to work on developing two white papers before the annual meeting. We will set the priority for these papers soon then announce these writing opportunities at state colleges and universities. Watch for more on this idea in the next newsletter.

Until next time,

Henry

p.s. **GO BEARS!!!!**

2006 MN AFS Issues			
Issue	Discussion/Status	Goal	Actions
<b>Shoreland related</b>			
Alternative shore-land standards	Ongoing - discuss Chapter's options on current effort to move these rules statewide	Increase awareness and help facilitate adoption at local government level	Letter to DNR re: filling Russ' job
EQB thresholds	Discussed at August and Oct. 5 meetings	Comment on proposed rules changes	Letter to EQB supporting rules discussed at Oct 5 meeting
Shoreland Bill	Discussed at Oct. 5 meeting		November meeting
<b>APM Rules</b>	Reviewed at Oct. 5 meeting, update and discuss as draft rules develop.	Comment on APM rules during comment period	Discuss options Oct. 5
<b>Ditch buffers</b>	BWSR committee to propose legislation based on buffer study and meetings	Support as needed	monitor
<b>Shallow Lakes</b>			
Shallow lakes & aquaculture	Introduce potential issues in Oct., discuss details in November	Increase awareness of shallow lakes issues.	Introduce topic Oct. 5, discuss further in Nov/Dec.
Stocking	Discussed at August meeting	Update stocking white paper	Defer to working group
<b>Water quality issues</b>			
TMDL process	????		
<b>Mercury and fish</b>	????		
<b>Woody debris and streams</b>	Discussed in July and August	Develop background paper?	Wait for R&S lead. Discuss at future mtg.
<b>FWLA Issues</b>			
Constitutional amendment	Discuss issues with FWLA in December	Inform them of our issues	Meet with FWLA representatives
<b>OHV's and aquatic habitat</b>	Discussed in July and August	Develop background paper	Wait for R&S lead. Discuss at January meeting
<b>Sulphur mining</b>	Introduce item at Oct. 5 meeting	Develop white paper on aquatic effects	??

## President Elect's Report

**Mike Duval**

### President Elect

Annual meeting plans are nearly complete! The meeting will be held at the **Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites in St. Cloud on March 19-21, 2007**. In addition to the usual suite of presentations that we host each year, there will be a special session on **Shallow Lakes** organized by **Kyle Zimmer**. The **Rivers and Streams Technical Committee** will hold their business meeting, as well.

In this newsletter you will find a call for papers that was distributed before the holidays. If you missed the email version, here it is again in hard copy. I'd like to encourage prospective presenters to submit abstracts early so that the program can be fleshed out and compiled for the next newsletter published just prior to the meeting. Students are especially encouraged to submit abstracts.

Did the kids buy you yet another ice rod and reel combo this year? Found a good deal at the discount lure bin and got carried away? Wife/husband get you the same over-under gun that the dog bought you this year? Don't forget your unwanted Christmas presents and other such items may be of interest to your colleagues. The **Raffle Committee** will accept these donated items into the bazaar of items they annually gather up and offer for a semi-random chance. And please support the raffle at the meeting by buying tickets and bidding on silent auction items, as this is one means outside of annual dues for funding our programs.

Finally, I'd like to thank the following Chapter members for their assistance with various aspects of meeting planning: **Tim Goeman** (session moderators), **Dan Isermann** and **Owen Baird** (technical program), **Eric Altena** (gadgets and gizmos). If you are called upon by some of the planning team to fill a role at the Annual Meeting such as moderating a session, running equipment, or judging papers, please take the time to volunteer and help out.

I look to see you at St. Cloud in March!



## EXCOM Reports

**Kyle Zimmer**

**Academic EXCOM Representative**

### **Attention Student Members - Student Travel Awards Available!**

The Minnesota Chapter of the American Fisheries Society (MNAFS) strongly supports student attendance and participation at our annual meetings. To this end, we offer the MNAFS Student Travel Awards for our Meeting in St Cloud (MN) on 19-21 March 2007. We encourage students, at both the graduate and undergraduate level, to attend and to apply for these awards.

The number of awards given will be determined by the number of deserving applicants and available funding. Our highest priority will be to support students presenting at the meeting (oral or poster). We also hope and intend to support other students, especially those active in our chapter or in campus research and activities

related to aquatic resources. All students should consider applying – if we get you there, you may become next year’s active member!

The application form is on page 12 and is also available on the website. To enable us to support the maximum number of deserving students, we ask that you attempt to obtain funds from other sources when possible. The application also asks which specific expenses you need covered. Expenses include 2-nights lodging, registration (which covers meeting costs, breaks, and lunch on the full day) and an evening banquet. Let us know if you can obtain other funding for partial costs or if you will not be at the full meeting (i.e., missing the banquet or not needing a room both nights).

The application form and essay are due by 22 January 2007.



## Resolutions Committee

**Jeff Weiss**

The EXCOM has recently reviewed two new draft chapter resolutions.

The first resolution calls for revision of MN Rule 6280 regarding **aquatic plant management policies**.

The second resolution details changes to **off-highway vehicle operation policies on state lands**.

Copies of both draft resolutions have been posted on the **MNAFS web forum** ( <http://www.mnafs.org/phpBB2/> ) for review and comment. If you have not joined the web forum, please take the time to do so soon. The forum is a great place to discuss ideas, review chapter positions, and keep up-to-date with chapter activities. Please review the resolutions in the next week or two and post your comments.



## Continuing Education Committee

**Edie Evarts**

**Phil Talmage**

**Ray Valley**

### *Highlights From Natural Resource Economics and Human Dimensions Workshop*

The December workshop on Natural Resource Economics in St. Cloud was well attended. **Dr Stephen Polasky** covered the basics of how natural resources can be valued. He left participants with an improved ability to look critically at economics data and ask questions on alternative methods of evaluating resource value. Is the wetland worth a realtor’s price, or is it worth the cost of an equivalent water treatment system? **Dr. David Fulton** covered the human aspect of what drives our



human values and what influences attitudes. He also gave insight into how to work with stakeholders that hold very different values.

Both presenters used current case studies to illustrate applications. Examples ranged from an economic study of ethanol in terms of energy units to a Colorado study that showed natural resource values of the public can be much broader than the perspective within Fish and Wildlife departments. This workshop generated a lot of discussion among the 25 participants.

### *Up Next: Strategies and practices for protecting water quality and lakeshores*

The Continuing Education Committee is embarking on an ambitious week-long workshop slated for August or September 2007 that will potentially be focused on **technical aspects of watershed processes**, working with partners, prioritizing resource protection, strategies for protecting lakeshore, and shoreline restoration strategies. The committee is requesting input from people informed in these subject areas and who may have ideas for how to best structure the course. Contact **Ray Valley** ([ray.valley@dnr.state.mn.us](mailto:ray.valley@dnr.state.mn.us)) or **Phil Talmage** ([phil.talmage@dnr.state.mn.us](mailto:phil.talmage@dnr.state.mn.us)) if you have questions or would like to give us input on the content or structure of the class.



## Website

### Donna Dustin

We now have 3 draft resolutions posted on the website and it is simpler than ever to comment on them by using the **MN AFS Forum: Angling for Issues**. Follow the link from our home page and make your thoughts known.

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



## Newsletter

### Donna Dustin

Have you been wanting to learn more about the Minnesota Chapter? Wishing you could get involved but don't want to run for office? Are you full of creative energy that needs an outlet? Then **you could be the next editor of RYBA!** The Minnesota Chapter is accepting applications for this coveted position. Just think of the power and prestige that could be yours.

I plan to hand over the Newsletter Editor job after this year's annual meeting. We publish four times per year, and it usually takes the better part of a day to put each issue together. If you think this job might be for you, send your resume to [donna.dustin@gmail.com](mailto:donna.dustin@gmail.com) (resume may consist of your name and the fact that you are interested in being the next newsletter editor : )

## Centrarchid Technical Committee

**Cindy Tomcko**

### **NCD Centrarchid Technical Committee Rep.**

The Centrarchid Technical Committee held its summer meeting at **Wyalusing State Park, Prairie du Chien, WI**, on July 25-26, 2006. The meeting consisted of presentations, a business meeting, and updates on centrarchid research and management from each state representative. Presentations were given about centrarchids and reservoir ecology, tagging centrarchids, features of WI lakes related to stunted bluegill, the negative relationships between bluegill growth, mortality, production and submerged aquatic vegetation, and centrarchid response to fish renovation projects in Iowa. Chairman **Cindy Tomcko** opened the business meeting. The secretary's report was presented. The treasurer's report indicated a balance of \$339.83. We discussed hosting a second centrarchid bioenergetics workshop as a continuing education event at the 2007 Midwest in Wisconsin. We discussed using funds from such an event to publish a booklet on tournament fishing. **Lewis Bruce**, a research biologist for Iowa Department of Natural Resources, was elected as 2007 chairman. We discussed efforts to recruit CTC representatives. The representative updates were given and the meeting was adjourned. Members enjoyed a morning canoe trip down the Wyalusing River.

The Centrarchid Technical Committee business meeting was held on **December 3, 2006, at the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference in Omaha, NE**. Coauthor **Mike McInerny's** black bass regulation manuscript was accepted for publication in AFS' *Fisheries*. CTC will host a continuing education workshop at the 2007 Midwest in Madison, WI. **Dr. Rob Hayward (MO)** agreed to conduct this workshop and will talk about all species he has studied, including centrarchids. We cancelled the Midwest symposium 'Conflict resolution and black bass regulations' due to speaker time/travel conflicts but blocked the remaining four speakers. Speakers presented methods used for solving conflicts between bass anglers, public, and natural resource managers. We recruited new representatives, **Kevin Page (OH)**, **Brandon Hanquist (MO)**, and **BJ Kratz (ND)**, to extend news coverage of centrarchid management, regulations, and research throughout the division. **Lewis Bruce**, fisheries research biologist, (IA) accepted chairmanship and Cindy returned as secretary.

The **2007 summer meeting will again take place at Wyalusing State Park on July 24-25**. CTC will attempt to organize information on the effectiveness of centrarchid regulations and assemble information on in-lake habitat construction for centrarchids by the summer meeting.



## Ictalurid Technical Committee

**Dennis Topp**

### **NCD Ictalurid Technical Committee Rep**

#### **Highlights from Business Meeting Minutes from Omaha, NE on December 3, 2006**

Various reps reported on activities in their home states. The Catfish Advisory Panel is reviewing catfish project proposals to help with sampling design. It is hoped that collaborating on projects will one day allow us to make recommendations for sampling channel, blue, and flathead catfish in various systems. Stu Shipman suggested that information about the advisory committee be placed on the NCD homepage.

The new chair of the Ictalurid Tech Committee is **Mark Porath**, and the new secretary/treasurer is **Cari-Ann Hayer**.

There was discussion regarding funding the 2<sup>nd</sup> **International Catfish Symposium**. Before the inception of the NCD Ictalurid Technical Committee, proceeds from the Catfish 2000 Symposium and subsequent sales of the proceedings were being set aside as seed money for another symposium. That money was transferred to the NCD Ictalurid Technical Committee's account. Planning is underway for the next catfish symposium **June 26-30, 2010 in Memphis, TN**. It will be a collaborative effort between the NCD and Southern Division of the AFS. It was decided that \$10,000 from the NCD account would be set aside as seed money for the symposium. The end product for this symposium would be another proceedings similar to the Catfish 2000 book. It is hoped that after the 2010 meeting that the \$10,000 can be repaid and set aside for another event.

Plans to update and revive the list-server were discussed. There was also some discussion on madtoms and other non-game catfishes. Hopefully the catfish technical committees can facilitate communication between those working with non-game catfish and those commercial and recreationally important species.



## Fishing Roundtable

**Mark Hove** plans to attend the annual Fishing Roundtable Meeting being held January 5-6, 2007 at the St. Cloud Civic Center



## Fish & Wildlife Legislative Alliance (FWLA)

**Loren Miller**

The FWLA recently met to prepare for the upcoming legislative session. Most of the agenda focused on priorities for the upcoming legislative session. Although priorities will be voted on at the January meeting, President **Lance Ness** let it be known that he saw **dedicated funding** as a continued priority. Other key priorities included **WMA/AMA bonding** and **CREP/CRP**. Other issues raised by Ness or other members included **ditch buffers**, **aquaculture regulation**, **OHVs**, **scoped muzzleloaders**, the **Great Lakes** compact prohibiting water transfers, and **LCCMR**. The group's lobbyist will actively pursue the main issues and keep us informed on legislative activities related to other issues. There is still time to influence FWLA priorities so contact Don or Loren if you have issues you think we should address. Lance Ness and the group's lobbyist, Scott Moen, attended the recent Excom meeting to discuss issues with that august group.

Regarding **dedicated funding**, there are two debates to resolve in deciding an approach for addressing the legislature and the public. The first is the funding process. Some groups are calling for dedicating funding to bonding. The advantage of bonding is that large projects can be undertaken now and then paid off into the future – we get a big boost on conservation spending. A key disadvantage is that bonding has to be spent on infrastructure and long-term items. Costs like operations and maintenance cannot be bonded. The second issue involves partners. Politically we may need arts as a partner to get it passed but many conservation supporters want to separate from the arts. Then there's always the existing tax/new tax conflict and how much to dedicate. We can influence these debates because Lance Ness and FWLA are important components of the Duck Rally – Dedicated Funding groups.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Ecology and Evolution Conference

All graduate students, undergrads, and post-docs are cordially invited to the **27th Annual Midwest Ecology and Evolution Conference** hosted by **Kent State University in Kent, Ohio (9-11 March 2007)**. Sessions include but are not limited to various Ecology, Evolution, and Systematics sessions, Physical/Biological Anthropology, and Paleoecology. For more information and to register visit us at [www.midwesteec.org](http://www.midwesteec.org). The registration deadline is February 19, 2007. Please feel free to email **Jennifer Clark** with questions at [mec2007@hotmail.com](mailto:mec2007@hotmail.com).

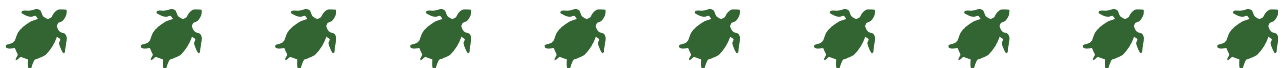


### What is the largest bony fish?

**Steve Lochmann, AFS Education Section - Membership Committee**

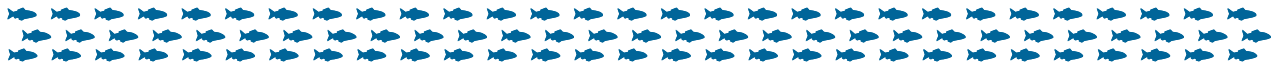
If you are like me, you probably waited until the last minute to renew your **AFS Membership for 2007**. When you renew, please consider this invitation. The **Education Section of the American Fisheries Society** invites you to join our Section. Education Section activities, including preparation and revision of textbooks, support of student travel to meetings, and compilation of brochures on academic programs and fisheries career opportunities. One focus of the section is undergraduate and graduate education. However, the Education Section also supports lifelong learning of all fisheries professionals. We encourage all fisheries professionals to expand their minds through the pursuit of new knowledge. To that end, we are sponsoring a “**Largest Fish**” contest.

**What is the largest bony fish known to science?** If you think you know the answer, email your response to [slochmann@uaex.edu](mailto:slochmann@uaex.edu). We will provide a small incentive to some lucky individual, randomly chosen from among the respondents with the correct answer. Take some time, explore the possibilities, and see what there is to learn about really big fish. You must be a member of the Education Section to be eligible for the “small incentive.”



### Shallow Lakes Forum IV

The Chapter has been involved in planning the **2007 Shallow Lakes Forum**. This year's event will be held at the **St. Cloud Holiday Inn, April 4th**. This year's one day event will build on the foundation of the prior three Forums and focus on the **assessment, management and restoration of Minnesota's shallow lakes** and the concerns of the increasing numbers of lakeshore residents living on shallow lakes. Mark this one down on your calendar and stay tuned for more information at <http://www.shallowlakes.info/>, [www.mnafs.org](http://www.mnafs.org), and in the next chapter newsletter.



## I was just thinking...

I believe in looking reality straight in the eye and denying it.

--- *Garrison Keillor*

I have enough money to last the me the rest of my life, unless I buy something

--- *Jackie Mason*

It is a good morning exercise for a research scientist to discard a pet hypothesis every day before breakfast. It keeps him young.

--- *Konrad Lorenz*

If you can solve your problem, then what is the need of worrying? If you cannot solve it, then what is the use of worrying?

--- *Shantideva*

Money is like manure; it's not worth a thing unless it's spread around encouraging young things to grow.

--- *Thornton Wilder*



## Read This! This is Your Chance!

**This is your chance to help the Minnesota Chapter with the 2007 Fundraising Spectacular! How about asking local merchants that you routinely frequent for a donation? Or maybe you received some gifts or won some raffle prizes this year that could use a better home. Look through that storage area and see what you have that you don't use. Whip up a batch of homebrew or share your talent by donating a handcrafted item. Contact Brian Borkholder (brianborkholder@fdlrez.com) or Tom Burri (tom.burri@dnr.state.mn.us) if you can help.**

**The Chapter Fundraiser helps support student involvement in the Annual Meeting. Support the future of the Minnesota Chapter by donating something to the Fundraising Committee this year.**

***We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give.***

--- *Sir Winston Churchill*

## **Call for Technical Papers and Posters**

### **2007 Annual Meeting Minnesota Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, St. Cloud, Minnesota March 19-21, 2007**

This is a call for technical papers and posters for the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Chapter of the American Fisheries Society. If you wish to present a paper or poster, please submit a clear, concise abstract following the appropriate format to:

Daniel Isermann  
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#### **Abstract Guidelines**

Abstract deadline is January 22, 2006; email submission is preferred.  
Abstracts should be 150 words or less and should generally adhere to the following format:

**Title:**

**Author Names and Affiliations: (denote presenter with asterisk)**

**Contact Info for Corresponding Author:**

**Poster or Paper:**

**Student: Yes or No**

**Abstract:**

Selected poster and paper presenters will be notified by February 1, 2007

#### **Presentation Guidelines**

- MS Powerpoint 2000 (or newer) will be the only format supported; no overheads, slides, or Mac based software.
- Presenters will be provided with instructions regarding the transfer of presentations to conference computers when they receive selection notices.
- Poster presenters will be notified in advance regarding equipment necessary for poster hanging.
- Poster presenters will be expected to be at their posters during designated periods to answer questions.

**I look forward to many informative presentations and a great meeting!**

**Minnesota Chapter of the American Fisheries Society  
Annual Meeting Student Travel Award Application  
(for meeting on 19-21 March 2007)**

Name:

Institution:

Address:

e-mail:

Advisor (or other university/college contact):

Are you a graduate or undergraduate student?

Are you presenting a paper (oral or poster)?

Are you a current MNAFS chapter member?

Circle which expenses you NEED covered:

ALL            lodging (night 1 only – night 2 only – both)            registration            banquet

Attach a short (0.5 – 1 page) essay supporting your application for a Travel Award. Focus on two main aspects, **merit** and **reasons you want to attend**. Merit refers to past activities and accomplishments (e.g., contributions to the chapter, active AFS member, campus clubs and activities, ongoing aquatic research by an undergraduate). Reasons to attend can include specifics (e.g., presenting a paper, representing a campus club, contributing in other ways at meeting) or more broad ways in which attending will help your career (e.g., networking, developing research or career plans).

Please send this application form and your essay as an attachment to Kyle Zimmer (email: KDZIMMER@stthomas.edu) by 22 January 2007.

## Upcoming Events

**2007**

**27th Annual Midwest Ecology and Evolution Conference**

Mar 9-11, 2007 --- Kent State University, Kent, OH

[www.midwesteec.org](http://www.midwesteec.org)

**Minnesota Chapter of the American Fisheries Society 39th Annual Meeting**

Mar 19-21, 2007 --- St Cloud, MN

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

**American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists Annual Conference**

Jul 11-16, 2007 --- St. Louis, Missouri

[www.dce.ksu.edu/jointmeeting/](http://www.dce.ksu.edu/jointmeeting/)

**American Fisheries Society 137th Annual Meeting**

Sep 2-6, 2007—San Francisco, CA

[www.fisheries.org/sf](http://www.fisheries.org/sf)

**International Symposium: WILD TROUT IX**

Oct 9-12, 2007 --- West Yellowstone, MT

[www.wildtroutsymposium.com/](http://www.wildtroutsymposium.com/)

**2008**

**American Fisheries Society 138th Annual Meeting**

August 17-21, 2008 —Ottawa, ON

**Minnesota Chapter of the American Fisheries Society  
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