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Colorado Chapter of The Wildlife Society

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## President's Column

Ryan Monello, President



There is a lot going on at the CO Chapter this time of year, so I am going to get right down to business. I'm pleased to announce that we have included our **workshops and plenary talk schedule** for the annual meeting in this newsletter (starts on next page). I think it is a really exciting lineup of speakers, topics, and venues and hope that you will join us. We are still accepting presentations and posters for submitted talks until Jan. 3, 2014 (send to [evan.phillips@state.co.us](mailto:evan.phillips@state.co.us)). Electronic or paper registration and hotel information can be found on our website: [www.wildlife.org/Colorado](http://www.wildlife.org/Colorado)

I am also happy to note that we have filled almost all of our board positions for next year, with the exception of **Treasurer**. We really need one, so please consider running for this important position. We have streamlined this position and our board meetings, so there is no reason to be intimidated by the past rumors of a large workload for the Treasurer. We have a professional accountant who does all of our taxes and almost of our transactions are now electronic and automatic. Please contact me ([Ryan.Monello@nps.gov](mailto:Ryan.Monello@nps.gov)) for more information.

This newsletter also contains **small grant announcements** from the CO Chapter and Boulder Parks and Rec, and **calls for award nominations** for the CO Chapter. These provide excellent and relatively easy opportunities to obtain funds for your management or research projects and a chance to recognize your peers and colleagues for their high quality of work.

We look forward to seeing you in February. Until then, happy *holidays* (or *hunting* or *capture season* or *ice fishing*...)!  
Ryan

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## **2014 Colorado Chapter of The Wildlife Society Annual Winter Meeting**

Hilton Hotel, Fort Collins, CO

February 5-7, 2014

See [www.wildlife.org/colorado](http://www.wildlife.org/colorado) for more information

### ***Wednesday, February 5***

8:00 Registration opens

#### **8:30- 4:00 Workshops**

**Advanced Wildlife Anesthesia** (Classroom sessions at Hilton, capture demonstrations at CO Parks and Wildlife Foothill Wildlife Research Facility)

Dr. Margaret Wild, Chief Veterinarian, National Park Service

Dr. Bill Lance, CEO, Wildlife Pharmaceuticals Inc.

Dr. Mike Miller, Senior Wildlife Veterinarian, Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Dr. Lisa Wolfe, Wildlife Veterinarian, Colorado Parks and Wildlife

8:30am – 4pm, lunch provided

#### **Landscape Genetics** (at Hilton)

Dr. Sara Oyler, McCance, USGS

Dr. Brad Fedy, University of Waterloo

Dr. Jeff Row, University of Waterloo

10am- 3pm, lunch provided

7:00-9:00 **Welcome Social and Student-Professional Mixer** (Odell Brewery)

Refreshments, food, and transportation to/from Hilton provided (shuttles leave at 6:40 and 7:00)

### ***Thursday, February 6***

7:30 Registration opens

8:30- 8:00 Posters displayed (poster presenter Q & A during breaks)

#### **Morning Plenary Session: “Crawling, Running, Flying...Wildlife Migration and Movement in Colorado and Beyond”**

8:30 **Welcome address**, 2013 CCTWS president

*Morning session moderator: Ryan Monello, National Park Service*

## 2014 Colorado Chapter of The Wildlife Society Annual Winter Meeting

- 8:40 **Keynote Address, Conservation's Unwieldy Path — Big Animals in an Increasingly Peopled World**  
Dr. Joel Berger, John J. Craighead Chair and Professor of Wildlife Conservation, University of Montana, and Wildlife Conservation Society
- 9:30 **Connectivity and Wildlife Conservation in Urbanizing Landscapes**  
Dr. Kevin Crooks, Professor, Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology and Graduate Degree Program in Ecology, Colorado State University
- 10:00 **Partnering for Wildlife along the Spine of the Continent: the Western Wildway Network**  
Greg Costello, Executive Director, Wildlands Network
- 10:30 **Break**, refreshments provided
- 10:45 **Migration and other ways that amphibians move around**  
Dr. Erin Muths, Research Zoologist, Fort Collins Science Center, U.S. Geological Survey
- 11:15 **How birds connect us locally, regionally and internationally**  
Tammy VerCauteren, Executive Director, Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory  
Arvind Panjabi, International Program Program Director, Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory
- 11:45 **Regional conservation planning for migratory birds: an example using Rocky Mountain Population sandhill cranes in the Intermountain West Joint Venture**  
Dr. Josh Vest, Science Coordinator, Intermountain West Joint Venture  
Patrick Donnelly, Spatial Ecologist, Intermountain West Joint Venture  
Dr. Jim Gammonley, Avian Research Biologist, Colorado Parks and Wildlife
- 12:15 **Lunch** (Colorado Springs room)  
CO Chapter of TWS annual business meeting, lunch provided

### **Afternoon Plenary Session: "Wildlife and Natural Gas Extraction in the Piceance Basin, Colorado: Impacts and Mitigation"**

- 1:30 *Introduction - Ken Wilson, Colorado State University*
- 1:35 **Natural Gas Development in the Piceance Basin**  
Romeo Perez, XTO Energy
- 1:50 *Mule deer/energy development interactions: Overview - Chuck Anderson, Colorado Parks and Wildlife*
- 1:55 **Behavioral Responses of Mule Deer to Natural Gas Development and Potential Links to Mitigation**  
Joe Northrup, George Wittemyer, Colorado State University
- 2:10 **Effects of Natural Gas Development on Neonatal Mule Deer Survival**  
Mark Peterson, Paul Doherty, Colorado State University
- 2:25 *Greater sage-grouse and natural gas extraction: Overview – Brett Walker, Colorado Parks and Wildlife*

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- 2:30      **Testing Lek-Based Conservation Strategies for Breeding Male Greater Sage-Grouse**  
Brett Walker, Colorado Parks and Wildlife
- 2:45      **Improving Population Monitoring Strategies for Greater Sage-Grouse: Dual Frame Sampling as an Alternative to Traditional Lek Counts**  
Jessica Brauch, Barry Noon, Colorado State University
- 3:00      **Break**, refreshments provided
- 3:30      *Habitat restoration for mule deer: Overview - Danielle Johnston, Colorado Parks and Wildlife*
- 3:40      **Increasing Mule Deer Forage: Effectiveness of Mechanical Treatments in Habitat Restoration**  
Garrett Stephens, Mark Paschke, Colorado State University
- 3:50      **Restoring Threatened *Physaria* populations**  
Sasha Victor, Mark Paschke, Colorado State University
- 4:00      **Improving habitat for mule deer: Consequences for songbirds and small mammals**  
Sara Bombaci, Liba Pejchar Goldstein, Colorado State University
- 4:10      **Does mechanical habitat manipulation mimic natural disturbance? Effects of hydroax and fire on songbird communities**  
Travis Gallo, Liba Pejchar Goldstein, Colorado State University
- 4:20      **The use of acoustic collars for studying landscape effects on mule deer behavior**  
Emma Lynch, Lisa Angeloni, George Wittemyer, Colorado State University  
Megan McKenna, Kurt Fistrup, National Park Service
- 4:30      **Does anthropogenic noise affect occupancy, species richness, species composition, or activity levels of bats?**  
Katy Warner, Ken Wilson, Colorado State University  
Kurt Fistrup, National Park Service
- 4:40      *Moderated Panel Discussion – XTO Energy, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Colorado State University*
- 5:00      *Session End*
- 6:00      **Mixer, Banquet, Awards, and Auction**  
Dinner served at 6:30pm; awards presentation during dinner  
Silent & live auction follow

## ***Friday, February 7***

8:00-12:00      Posters displayed (poster presenter Q & A during break)

**Technical Session(s) 8:30-12:00 – Presentations TBA**

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**2014 Colorado Chapter of TWS Annual Winter Conference**  
**February 5-7, 2014**  
**Hilton, Fort Collins, CO**

Morning Plenary: "Crawling, Running, Flying...Wildlife Migration and Movement in Colorado and Beyond"  
 Afternoon Plenary: "Wildlife and Natural Gas Extraction in the Piceance Basin, Colorado: Impacts and Mitigation"

The Hilton is located at 425 West Prospect Road, Fort Collins, CO, just west of the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Fort Collins office.  
 Discounted rates are \$91 per night for those attending the meeting (be sure to mention you are attending the meeting).

**Hotel reservations can be made at (970)-482-2626. Reservations must be made by January 16<sup>th</sup>.**

**MEETING REGISTRATION IS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE AND IS OUR PREFERRED METHOD!**

**Go to [www.wildlife.org/colorado](http://www.wildlife.org/colorado) for agenda and registration!**

Online registration is open until Feb. 1, 2014 with no late fees (those registering after Feb. 1 will need to register on-site).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fees (POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN JANUARY 22, 2014):**

	<u>COST</u>	<u># PEOPLE</u>	<u>TOTAL COST</u>
<b>ALL SESSIONS</b> (Thursday plenary and Friday talks) Includes Wednesday welcoming social and Thursday lunch			
MEMBERS	\$125.00	x _____	= \$ _____
NON-MEMBERS (includes a one year membership)	\$140.00	x _____	= \$ _____
STUDENT & RETIRED MEMBERS	\$ 75.00	x _____	= \$ _____

**WORKSHOP** (includes Wednesday lunch – see [www.wildlife.org/colorado](http://www.wildlife.org/colorado) for descriptions)

If you are NOT registering for the annual meeting and are a non-member, add a 1-year membership (\$15) to your price

ADVANCED WILDLIFE ANESTHESIA	\$ 50.00	x _____	= \$ _____
LANDSCAPE GENETICS	\$ 50.00	x _____	= \$ _____
STUDENT/RETIREE REGISTRATION EITHER WORKSHOP (circle choice: Anesthesia -or- Genetics Workshop)	\$ 25.00	x _____	= \$ _____

**Wednesday evening welcoming social and student/professional mixer (FREE)** check if attending \_\_\_\_\_

**BANQUET on Thursday February 6 at 6:00pm** \$ 35.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(circle choice: Roasted Sirloin -or- Chicken Balsamico -or- Vegetable Wellington)

**LATE REGISTRATION FEES** (if Postmarked after January 22, 2014): \$ 15.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: 1 yr/\$15, 2 yr/\$27, 3 yr/\$35** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**GRAND TOTAL:** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If paying by check:

Check (payable to Colorado Wildlife Society) Check# \_\_\_\_\_

Note: receipts will only be available at the meeting if you mail in your registration.

**Mail form & payment to: CCTWS, C/O Colleen Cunningham, 410 Washington Ave., Apt. A, Golden, CO 80403. Please contact [Ryan.Monello@nps.gov](mailto:Ryan.Monello@nps.gov) for more information or questions.**

Do you have any disabilities or special needs? If so please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

# Announcements

## Colorado Chapter of The Wildlife Society Call for Awards



**Nominate your peers, colleagues, and  
collaborators. If you don't, who will?**

**Awards to be presented in 2014 include:**

**Douglas L. Gilbert Award for Outstanding Achievements in Wildlife Sciences**

**Professional Achievement Awards: Jim Olterman Award for Wildlife  
Management, Professional Achievement in Wildlife Education, and  
Professional Achievement in Law Enforcement**

**Honorary Chapter Membership**

**Allen E. Anderson Award for Outstanding Wildlife Undergraduate Student**

**Chapter Service Award**

**Meritorious Service Award**

**Blown Blunderbuss Award**

For details, visit our website (<http://wildlife.org/Colorado/awards>)

Nominations due to Eric Bergman ([eric.bergman@state.co.us](mailto:eric.bergman@state.co.us)) by January  
15<sup>th</sup>, 2014.



# Colorado Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

## Teleconference, October 23, 2013

Note: red text indicates further work pending, green text indicates board decisions

### CCTWS Board Meeting

**In attendance:** Ryan Monello, Chris Mettenbrink, Stephanie Steinhoff, Colleen Cunningham, Evan Phillips, Cary Aloia, Brett Walker, Brad Milley, Mike Smith, Christina Santana

**Meeting Called to Order by Ryan Monello at 9:05 AM**

#### **Secretary's Report (Christina):**

Minutes had been previously reviewed and approved by the Board.

#### **Treasurer's Report (Colleen):**

Account balances:

\$4,739.88 in checking account

\$41,535.27 in saving account

The amounts of the 2 awarded travel grants still need to be deducted.

#### **Old Business (Ryan):**

**Next conference call:** Thursday December 12, 2013 (9-12)

- Meeting title has been decided and was announced in the last newsletter (Ryan)
- Hilton on Prospect in Ft. Collins has been decided as the location for the CCTWS Annual Meeting because it is close proximity to campus and offices and was same price as other option. (Ryan)
  - Board members will arrive evening of February 4<sup>th</sup> for an organizational meeting.
- Brad has the contract for the Hilton in hand and is reviewing the details. **Brad will distribute to Ryan and Mindy for their review and signatures.** (Brad)

#### **New business (Ryan)**

#### **Award Announcement**

- All board members are in favor of the two travel grants being awarded and Stephanie will notify the recipients. In the future it will be indicated that recipients need to be CCTWS members. (Stephanie)

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### CCTWS Annual Meeting

- The location of the Wednesday night mixer was discussed. If it is at the hotel then the contract may need to be revised.
  - Ryan suggested possibly having the mixer at one of the adjacent off-site venues. Either holding the entire mixer off site or possibly starting the mixer at the Hilton and then after 8pm heading to an off-site venue (Ryan).
  - Brad will check to see if the Hilton has a bar area (Brad).
  - Ryan will check on the alternate location (Ryan)
  - Preferred option is to have mixer with food at hotel as usual, and work with CSU student chapter to organize additional mixer option to follow at adjacent establishment for those interested.
- Brad and Ryan will meet Monday Oct. 28 to discuss contract and go to Hilton following Wed. to walk through at the Hilton and finalize the contract.

### Newsletter (Ryan)

- Deadline for items for the next newsletter is November 22, 2013.
- Will include board minutes, President's column, meeting dates, registration, and plenary agenda will be announced, workshop announcements and registration, continued call for papers, small grants announcement to apply (Deadline – 3<sup>rd</sup> week in January), call for other awards announced.
- Please get newsletter material to Greg.

### Nominations (Ryan)

- Ryan confirmed returning board members.
- Email Ryan with any interested potential board members

### Annual Meeting Update

- Brad motioned to approve remaining unused \$500 of Ryan's TWS travel monies be moved to potential speaker fees, Evan seconded. No-one opposed.

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# Colorado Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

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### Current Workshop Status

- 1) Advanced anesthesia course with field demo (Ryan); 2) Landscape genetics. (Stephanie)
- Monies have been set aside for the workshops for reimbursements or presenter fees. (Ryan)
- There may be some complimentary rooms that could be dedicated to presenters.
- Not certain if the landscape genetics workshop will be a full day or a half day. Sara Oyler-McCance is looking into additional presenters. (Stephanie)
- Anesthesia workshop plans to conduct a demonstration at the wildlife pens. (Ryan)
  - Brad questioned transportation from the Hilton to the wildlife pens. Hilton likely has vans but would probably charge to use them. **Brad is checking into it.** (Brad)
- **Plenary Session (Brett)**
  - Morning plenary session almost set, will put out in next newsletter (first week of December)
  - Ken Wilson is organizing the afternoon session.
    - ◊ Discussions on the how oil and gas development has impacted wildlife in the Piceance Basin. Possibly hold this after lunch (1:30-5:00?)
  - May need to coordinate with the Hilton if we need to adjust timing of Plenary Sessions.
  - **Brett has asked Ken Wilson to get him talk titles and speakers by the week of November 18<sup>th</sup> at the latest.**
  - **Abstracts should be submitted by end of December.**

### Auction Update (Cary)

- Auction Materials
  - Cary has the list of auction items. Some contacts are no longer on the CCTWS board. **Cary will send a spreadsheet of the vendors and all current board members can sign up as a point of contact (Cary)**

### Submitted Talks (Evan)

- Submitted talks will go to Evan, no due date yet, but will likely set for end of December or early January depending on release of December newsletter.
  - **Christina will contact the Western State College Student Chapter regarding speakers.**
  - **Stacy will contact the Colorado State University Chapter regarding speakers.**

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# Colorado Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

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### **Round table**

- Christina-Pass
- Mike- Offers his help with whatever is needed. Let him know how he can be of assistance.
- Brad- Will contact folks with CSU and USGS regarding talks for the annual meeting.
- Brett- Trying to keep up with the website. Let him know if things need to be added. He will move information about the Sheep and Goat Symposium to the front page as it gets closer to the date when folks will need to register via the website.
- Chris- Offered to help Brett set up Paypal. It is a priority to have it up and running by the first week in December when next newsletter announces conference agenda and registration.
- Stephanie- Will get the travel grant information to Brett as soon as possible. Names and titles by 11/22; abstracts by the end of the year. We will need biographies for the plenary speakers as well. Stephanie thanked the chapter for their support on the Leadership Institute. She plans to include a write up about her experience in a future newsletter.
- Evan-Pass
- Colleen-Pass

**Adjourn:** Brett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:17am, Colleen seconded

# Upcoming Meeting

## Annual winter meeting!

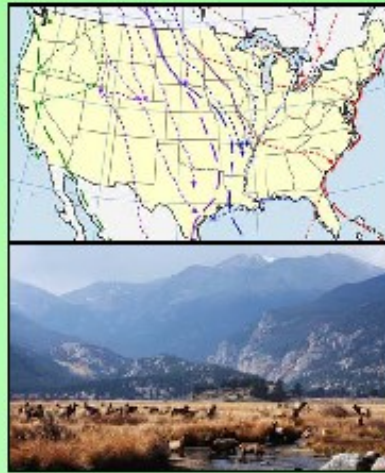
February 5-7 in Fort Collins, CO

Colorado Chapter of TWS Annual Meeting

**Wednesday, Feb. 5:** Advanced Wildlife Anesthesia and Landscape Genetics Workshops

**Thur. Morning Plenary:** Crawling, Running, Flying ... Wildlife Migration and Movement in Colorado and Beyond

**Thur. Afternoon Plenary:** Wildlife and Natural Gas Extraction in the Piceance Basin, Colorado: Impacts and Mitigation



**Friday Morning: CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS, POSTERS**

To submit a talk or poster, please send a title and abstract by **January 3, 2014** to: [evan.phillips@state.co.us](mailto:evan.phillips@state.co.us)

Workshop and plenary agenda are included in this newsletter (page 2). Registration and hotel information can be found at: [www.wildlife.org/Colorado](http://www.wildlife.org/Colorado)

# Travel Grant Update

## Summer-Fall 2013 Travel Grant Story

Christy Wyckoff

Thank you CCTWS for the travel grant I used towards my trip to Knoxville, TN where I attended the Annual Wildlife Disease Association Conference. I had not been to a WDA conference in several years so it was excellent to reconnect with colleagues from all over North and South America, and make new connections with researchers from Africa and Europe. The conference was well attended with nearly 300 participants, 4½ days of talks and two poster sessions. The second day of the conference was entirely devoted to the student presentation competition, which I was lucky enough to be selected for. The competition was stiff with excellent student research projects as diverse as dolphin lesions to developing a new vaccine for all lyssaviruses in bats. My talk, “Bioassay detection of chronic wasting disease prions in soil”, was really well received. Though I didn’t place in the competition, it resulted in some great questions and discussions after the session. I even generated a new collaboration as a result! While there I also talked with WDA board members who complimented the CSU Student Chapter of the Wildlife Disease Association on the excellent quality of our events and organization. Finally, the modeling workshop hosted by the National Institute for Mathematical and Biological Synthesis (NIMBioS) was really interesting, introducing us to a couple modeling and visualization programs (Matlab and NetLogo) useful in disease modeling. It was a great trip and I really appreciate the financial assistance from the CCTWS.

**As a CCTWS member, YOU could have this type of experience!!!**

## Educational Opportunities

### River Management Symposium

April 15-17 2014, Denver

[www.river-management.org](http://www.river-management.org)

## Announcements

### 2014 Small Grants Program

The Colorado Chapter of the Wildlife Society is pleased to announce its Small Grants Program for 2014. The purpose of the program is to encourage and support those projects that have a direct impact on the management and conservation of wildlife and promote wildlife education. For 2014, the chapter is offering three grants; in which two projects will be selected that focus on research and management and one project that focuses on wildlife education. The chapter is accepting applications from both members and student members of the chapter. For more details regarding application requirements, please visit our website at

<http://wildlife.org/colorado/Small%20Grants>

We encourage the winners of these grants to present their projects at the winter meetings.

**The deadline for applications is January 17th, 2014. Applications can be emailed to [Chris.Mettenbrink@state.co.us](mailto:Chris.Mettenbrink@state.co.us) or can be submitted by mailed to:**

Chris Mettenbrink  
5222 Longs Peak St.  
Brighton, CO 80601

## Announcements

### *Creating a Conservation Affairs Network - A New Way of Doing Business at All Levels*

Things are changing in the world of Conservation Affairs for The Wildlife Society. In an effort to support and strengthen our subunits, the Government Affairs and Partnerships staff is working with members to develop a Conservation Affairs Network focused on the Section level. Traditionally, each TWS subunit has functioned independently when dealing with conservation affairs related issues – only engaging headquarters or neighboring subunits when deemed necessary. For some, this process has worked fine. For others, the lack of a communication structure or standard guidance has posed a difficult barrier to overcome. Depending on the scale and complexity, volatile nature, or comfort and understanding of a particular issue and the players involved many subunits and members have shied away from heavily engaging in the conservation affairs arena. Although it is up to any given subunit to engage in conservation affairs, the lack of a cohesive effort has its downsides for each of us as wildlife professionals.

TWS staff recognizes this difficulty and are looking forward to working with each of our subunits to create a system of support that works! At the TWS Annual Conference in Portland, staff met with representatives from each Section to discuss how a Conservation Affairs Network could function. Essentially, the network features coordination at the Section level through the creation of consistent Conservation Affairs Committees (CACs) that are comprised of representatives from each Chapter within the Section. The Section CAC would be responsible for tracking and taking action, if appropriate, on regional issues of concern, shopping down support to Chapters who need assistance addressing issues that are too volatile or sticky on a local level for direct Chapter involvement, and shopping up regional issues that may have national significance to headquarters to address. The Section CAC would also serve as the hub for communication and inter-subunit collaboration for a particular issue. Chapters would, of course, still function with a high level of autonomy and could tailor a system to address conservation affairs issues in a way that best meets the unique needs of an individual chapter.

The Conservation Affairs Network is still in the planning and assessment stage. Your Section leadership and TWS staff need to know if this is a priority for you and your colleagues. We also need to know what is working on the Chapter and Section level, where extra support is needed, and what additional roles such a network can fill. If designed correctly, with the right member input and strong grassroots support, TWS' Conservation Affairs Network can help decrease workload for every subunit currently engaged in conservation affairs, reduce duplicative efforts, increase resource sharing, increase communication and inter-subunit collaboration, and provide a mechanism to better engage all levels of our Society on critical issues that affect natural resource management and the wildlife profession.

Initial discussions between the Government Affairs and Partnership staff of TWS, our Chapter, and Section are occurring on how best to formulate a CAC. Look for more information on this subject in early 2014.

If you are interested in learning more about conservation affairs or getting engaged with your Section or Chapter's CAC or the Conservation Affairs Network please contact your Section or Chapter President or TWS Government Affairs Staff ([laura@wildlife.org](mailto:laura@wildlife.org) or [terra@wildlife.org](mailto:terra@wildlife.org)) for more information.

## Student Chapter Updates

### **The Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society at Colorado State University: Fall 2013 Activities**

The Colorado State University student chapter of The Wildlife Society has been keeping very busy this semester despite some obstacles along the way. First, we are sad to see our chapter co-adviser, Dr. Paul Doherty, step down this semester due to other commitments, but are very excited to welcome Dr. Stewart Breck, USDA/NWRC, to our board in Dr. Doherty's place.

We scheduled several events to welcome back returning members and recruit new members. Our first event of the year was a barbeque hosted by our chapter, the CSU student chapters of the American Fisheries Society (AFS), and Society for Conservation Biology (SCB). We plan to continue working closely with these students chapters and jointly host events throughout the year. Floods and inclement weather caused us to cancel our annual camping trip at McGregor Ranch, Estes Park, CO and a bird banding workshop with the Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory. We were able to reschedule the camping trip later in October in the Poudre Canyon, near our Pingree Park campus, and plan to reschedule the bird banding for next semester. We were thankful that the government reopened just in time for our chapter to tour the black-footed ferret breeding facility north of Fort Collins. This was a very special trip and we learned about one of the greatest success stories in conservation biology.

We have hosted several professionals at our regular meetings. Together with SCB, we co-hosted Dr. Delwin Benson, who is organizing the International Wildlife Management Conference set for September 2014 in Estes Park, CO. He encouraged our chapters to get involved with the conference and we have since formed a committee to assist Dr. Benson by doing various tasks such as reaching out to other student chapters across the country to get involved. Eric Odell, of Colorado Parks and Wildlife, shared with us the process and planning involved in a possible wolverine reintroduction in Colorado and he and Dr. Breck both shared their knowledge on carnivore ecology.

In October, we sent eight members to The Wildlife Society Annual Conference, Milwaukee, WI. These members represented our chapter at field trips, workshops, symposiums, and social events. We thank the Colorado Chapter of TWS and our department for helping to fund this trip. Additional funding was provided by our annual banquet, held in October at a local restaurant, C.B. & Potts. The fundraiser had approximately 60 attendants and we raised funds through games, silent auction, and raffle ticket sales.

For the rest of the semester, we have a couple more events planned including a presentation by Find It Detection Dogs, a trip to the new Fort Collins Discovery museum for black-footed ferret feeding, and elections for a new executive board.



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**COLORADO WILDLIFE SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**  
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Name:

Address

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code:

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone:

E-Mail

Today 's Date:

Affiliation:

Interested in Committee Work? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Are You a TWS Certified Biologist? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Areas of Expertise/Interest:

Dues: 1 Year: \$15 2 Years: \$27 3 Years: \$35 Student/Retirees: \$10

MC/Visa: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date:

Signature:

*Print this Form and Mail to: Colleen Cunningham, 410 Washington Ave., Apt. A, Golden, CO 80403*

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