

# WISCONSIN CHAPTER OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY – WINTER MEETING

February 12th- 14th, 2019

## "Building Strength From Within"

The Wisconsin Chapter of The Wildlife Society will hold their winter meeting at the Stoney Creek Inn, Rothschild, February 12-14, 2019, with a welcome reception the evening of February 12<sup>th</sup>

Meeting Location: Stoney Creek Inn, 1100 Imperial Avenue, Rothschild, WI

**Pre-meeting Social:** On Tuesday, February 12 from 6-10 pm, we will have a welcome reception at the Stoney Creek Inn. This will be a chance to catch-up with friends and colleagues. All winter meeting attendees are invited. A cash bar will be available.

**Lodging:** A room block has been set up at the Stoney Creek Inn. Call 1-800-659-2220 to make reservations. Individuals must request the group rate name "**WCTWS**" when making a reservation. Rooms are still available!. Rates are \$82/room for single or double. If you are requesting tax exempt status, please bring a copy of the tax exempt certificate with you when you check in.

**Registration:** We are asking attendees to register prior to the event so we can obtain accurate numbers for meal counts. The registration fee includes Tuesday evening snacks, Wednesday breaks, lunch, and dinner and Thursday morning break.

#### **Full Registration**

Registration Ends January 31st: Member: \$110 Non-Member: \$120 Retiree: \$80 Student: \$60

2019 WCTWS membership: \$10.00

#### PRELIMINARY AGENDA (times may change)

Tuesday	February 12th				
	6-7pm	Registration			
	7-10pm	Opening Reception			
Wednesday	February 13th				
	8-9am	Registration			
	9-Noon	Plenary Session			
	Noon-1	Lunch			
	1-2 pm	<b>Business Meeting</b>			
	2pm	Break			
	2:15-3:00	Committee meetings			
	3:15-5:15	Concurrent Sessions			
	6-9pm	Awards Banquet			
Thursday					
		Student Leaders			
	7-8:30am	Breakfast			
	9-Noon	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>			
	Noon	Closing			

Plenary speaker details and a more detailed agenda will be available soon. Stay tuned to the WCTWS website for more details. http://wildlife.org/wisconsin/

**Sponsors and Exhibitors**: We have tiered opportunities for both meeting sponsorship and exhibitors Please contact Bob Holsman (Robert.holsman@wisconsin.gov) for information.

**Small Raffle:** Please consider donating an item for the silent auction or a used outdoor-related item for the garage sale. Contact Derek Johnson (johnsondj959@gmail.com) if you have questions about the silent auction. Donations from this event help us supplement meeting costs, provide training sessions, and offer opportunities for continuing education through scholarships and travel grants.

**WCTWS Award Nominations:** Please consider submitting a nomination for one of our awards.

The Wisconsin Award, our chapter's highest honor, recognizes overall achievement or service by an individual or group that exemplifies the highest standards of the wildlife profession. Nominees may be any member of the wildlife profession and its supporting disciplines including members of governing bodies. Dr. Tom Nicholls was the 2017 recipient of this award. The WCTWS Don Rusch Memorial Award is presented to a nominee who has made an outstanding contribution to wildlife conservation and meets the following requirements: 1) A wildlife professional actively working in management, research, or education in Wisconsin, 2) A member in good standing of WCTWS, 3) An active participant in or a strong supporter of the role of hunting in wildlife conservation. Jamie Nack was the 2017 recipient of this award.

To submit nominations, provide Kris Johansen (johankjohansen@outlook.com), Chair of the Awards Committee, with a statement of nomination and any relevant supporting information by <u>January 10, 2019</u>.

**2018 Aldo Leopold Memorial Scholarship Nominations:** Provides support and recognition for future wildlife researchers/managers who are continuing their professional training. A \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to both a graduate student and an undergraduate student who has made a commitment to the wildlife profession and has shown exceptional commitment to developing themselves professionally. Applicants should be: currently enrolled at a technical school, college, or university within Wisconsin; be majoring in wildlife management, ecology, zoology, biology, or related field, and have a minimum G.P.A. of 3.0. To apply, students must submit the following: 1) Letter of application, including a statement of professional goals and philosophy, and a summary of experiences or activities that relate to and show a commitment to wildlife conservation; 2) official copy of college/university transcripts; and 3) Two letters of recommendation. Electronic submission of materials is preferred. Nomination materials should be received no later than <u>January 10, 2019</u> to: Lesa Kardash, <u>skuldt@uwalumni.com</u>.

**Best Student Presentation Award:** Student presentations will be judged during the meeting and the student with the best presentation will receive an award during the conference closing ceremony on Thusday at Noon.

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### WCTWS REGISTRATION FORM

http://wildlife.org/wisconsin/

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1100 Imperial Avenue, Rothschild, WI
1-800-659-2220 (ask for WCTWS when making lodging reservation)

Name:							
Affiliation:							-
Mailing Address:							
City:			S	tate:Z	ip:		
Email:	nail:Phone:						
Conference Registration	n:						
Full Registration (include	es Tuesday	v evening hors a	d'oeuvres	, Wednesday bre	aks, lunch, and din	ner, Thurs	day break).
Registration is d	lue by Jan	uary 31st!					
Membe	er: \$110	Non-Member	: \$120	Retiree: \$80	Student: \$60		
I plan to attend:							
Tuesday evening reception□ Wednesday Lunch□ Wednesday Banquet□				Banquet□			
I require a vegetarian opt	ion for me	eals□					
Of the following categor	ries, whic	h are you inter	ested in	as they relate to	Wisconsin Wildlif	fe?	
Climate Change□	Deer Ma	anagement□	Farm	Wildlife□	Forestry $\square$	Furbea	rer Management□
Government Affairs□		Wildlife Damage Management□		Wolf Manager	Wolf Management □		
2019 WCTWS MemberNew Member							
Additional Contribution	n to the W	CTWS (option	nal):				
					Amount Encl	osed	

Make checks payable to WI Chapter of TWS. Registration ends January 31st!

Mail to: WI Chapter of TWS PO Box 696 Stoughton, WI 53589