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Wednesday, February 26th

Time	Item
7:45 – 8:00 am	Late Registration and Check-In (Stateroom D)
8:00 – 8:50 am	Breakfast (included; Ballroom 1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and Plan for the Day Central Mountains & Plains Section Business Meeting
9:00 – 10:00 am	Session 1 Contributed Talks (Stateroom DEF)
9:00 – 9:20 am	First-Time Hunters: Key to Revitalizing Waterfowl Hunting Participation Madelynn K. Vasquez, Matthew P. Gruntorad, Christopher J. Chizinski, and Mark P. Vrtiska (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
9:20 – 9:40 am	Exploring Satisfaction Levels of Tier II Duck Hunters: The Role of Hunting Partners Ava M. Britton, Matthew P. Gruntorad, Christopher J. Chizinski, and Mark P. Vrtiska (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
9:40 – 10:00 am	Becoming an Outdoors Woman Julia Plugge (Nebraska Game and Parks Commission)
10:00 – 10:30 am	Break (Stateroom DEF)
10:30 – 11:30 am	Session 2 Contributed Talks (Stateroom DEF)
10:30 – 10:50 am	Producer's Views on Conservation Programs in the Rainwater Basin Region of Nebraska Natalia L. Hagen, Matthew P. Gruntorad, Sarah E. Ulrichsen, and Christopher J. Chizinski (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
10:50 – 11:10 am	Habitat Considerations and Management Challenges of Public Land Prairie Grouse in an Ever-changing Conservation Landscape Greg Wright (US Forest Service)
11:10 – 11:30 am	Habitat Heterogeneity in Space and Time Chris Helzer (The Nature Conservancy)
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	Break for Lunch (on your own or Ballroom 1 with pre-registration)



11:30 am – 1:30 pm	Student Professional Lunch (provided with pre- registration; Ballroom 1; check-in at door)
1:30 – 3:00 pm	Session 3 Contributed Talks (Stateroom DEF)
1:30 – 1:50 pm	STAR-Trax – Tracking the Lone Star Tick’s Seasonality and Impact Brigette King, Victoria Chaplin, Lucy Schermerhorn, Sydney Henry, Meredith Edelman, Gabby Lorino, and Brian H Herrin (Kansas State University)
1:50 – 2:10 pm	Historic and Current Surveillance of <i>Echinococcus multilocularis</i> in Coyotes in Illinois and Indiana Breck Aguinaga, Kamilyah R. Miller, Briana Raya, Todd M. Kollasch, William Ryan, and Brian H. Herrin (Kansas State University)
2:10 – 2:30 pm	First Detection of <i>Echinococcus multilocularis</i> in Wild Canids in Kansas and Missouri Briana Raya, Kamilyah R. Miller, Julia Miller, Todd M. Kollasch, William Ryan, and Brian H. Herrin (Kansas State University)
2:30 – 2:50 pm	The Hardship of Parasite Diagnostics: Comparing Two Fecal Techniques for the Detection of <i>Echinococcus multilocularis</i> in Wild Canids Kamilyah R. Miller, Briana Raya, Julia Miller, Breck Aguinaga, Todd M. Kollasch, William Ryan, and Brian H. Herrin (Kansas State University)
3:00 – 3:30 pm	Break (Stateroom DEF)
3:30 – 4:30 pm	Session 4 Contributed Talks (Stateroom DEF)
3:30 – 3:50 pm	Community Science: Crowdsourcing Conservation Brianna Nugent (Nebraska Game and Parks Commission)
3:50 – 4:10 pm	Compensatory Mitigation Within the Corps Regulatory Program Katrina Stanek (US Army Corps of Engineers)
4:10 – 4:30 pm	Evolving Motivations in Conservation: How Modern Natural Resource Students Challenge Traditional Models Lindsey Chizinski (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
4:30 – 5:30 pm	Student Poster Session & Social (Ballroom 1)
6:00 – 10:00 pm	Evening Banquet, Awards, & Auction (Ballroom 1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Keynote Guest Speaker:</i> Marla Stelk – National Association of Wetland Managers, Executive Director

Thursday, February 27th

Time	Item
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	TWS Wildlife Biologist Certification Workshop (limit 30 persons) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Hosted by:</i> David Haukos –Sign up at registration desk University of Nebraska at Kearney Bruner Hall of Sciences: Room 270 UNK guest parking permits will be available to workshop attendees

Poster Presentations

Number	Title
1	Novel Metrics to Assess Antler Asymmetry in White-tailed Deer Bryce Sutton, Brian C. Peterson, and David Zorn (University of Nebraska at Kearney)
2	An Evaluation of Deer Hunting Attributes in Rural and Urban Hunters Paige Miller, Matthew P. Gruntorad, and Mark P. Vrtisksa (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
3	Trends in Burrowing Owl Habitat Selection in Northwest Nebraska Katelyn M. Diehl (Chadron State College)
4	Comparing Pre and Post White-nose Syndrome Distributions of Three Bat Species in Eastern Nebraska Daniel Peacock, Thomas Raad, Amanda Ciurej, Jeremy White, Mark Porath, and Han Li (University of Nebraska at Omaha)
5	Importance of Harvest and Unretrieved rates for <i>Determining Meleagris Gallopavo</i> Mortality Rate Madison JE. Hein, Matthew P. Gruntorad, and Mark P. Vrtiska (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
6	Notes on Natural History of Striped Bark Scorpion in Franklin County, Nebraska Theo Huber and Keith Geluso (University of Nebraska at Kearney)
7	Small Mammal and Bird Diversity in a Recently Seeded vs. Established Urban Prairie Anna DeGroot, Laura Bettenhausen, and Mark Hammer (Wayne State College)
8	Submergence Behavior by Female Ornate Box Turtles (<i>Terrapene ornata</i>) in June Dawson Kosmicki, Joseph Paysen, Carter Kruse, and Keith Geluso (University of Nebraska at Kearney)
9	Notes on reproduction and roost sites for Silver-haired Bats (<i>Lasionycteris noctivagans</i>) in western Nebraska Joseph Paysen, Dawson Kosmicki, and Keith Geluso (University of Nebraska at Kearney)
10	Importance of Upland Game Attributes in Rural and Urban Hunters Charlie R. Stansbery, Matthew P. Gruntorad, and Mark P. Vrtiska (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
11	Importance of Upland Game Hunting Attributes to Nebraska Residents and Non-Residents Josh Bugay, Mathew P. Gruntorad, and Mark Vrtiska (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)