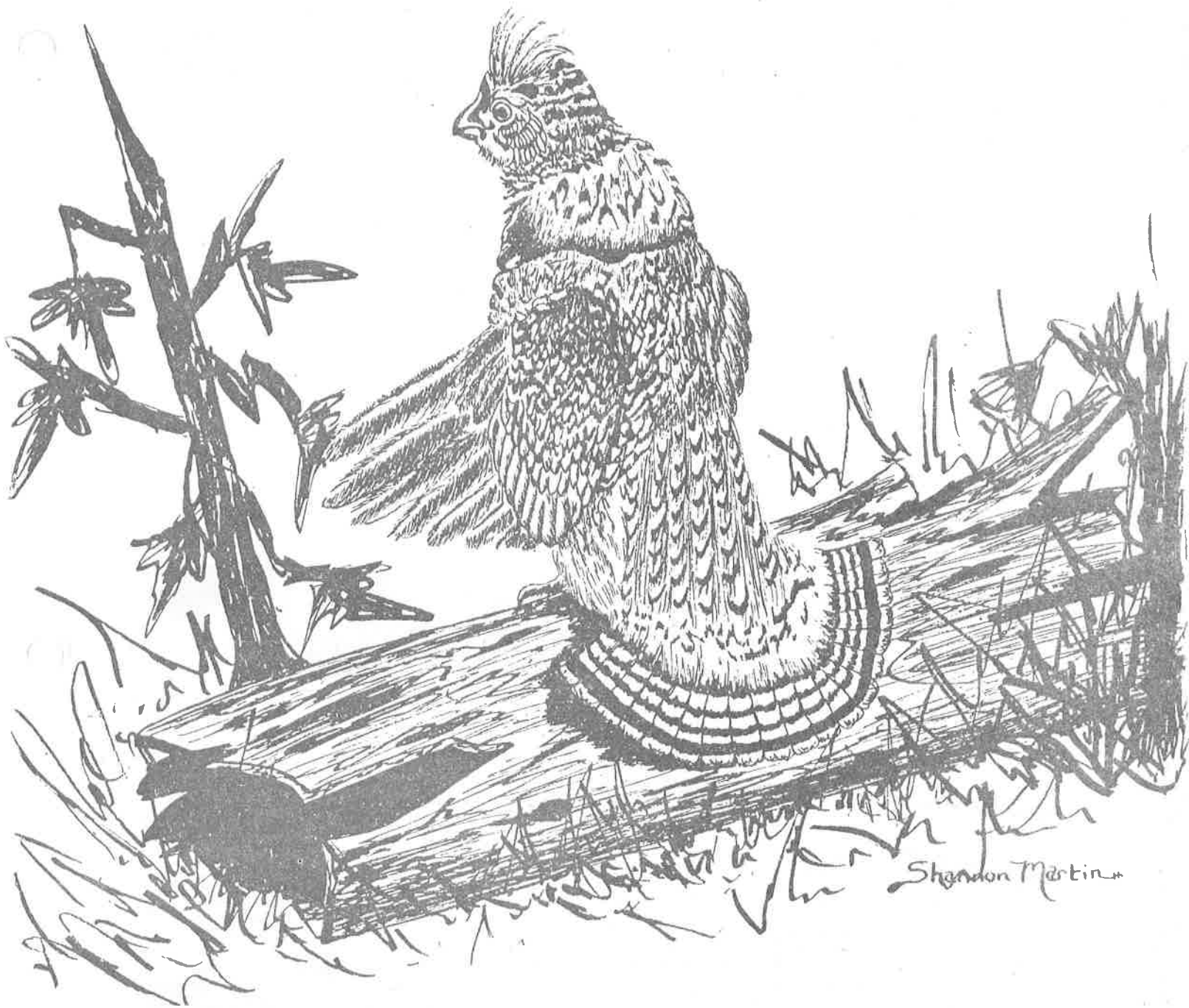
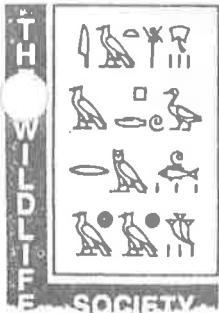


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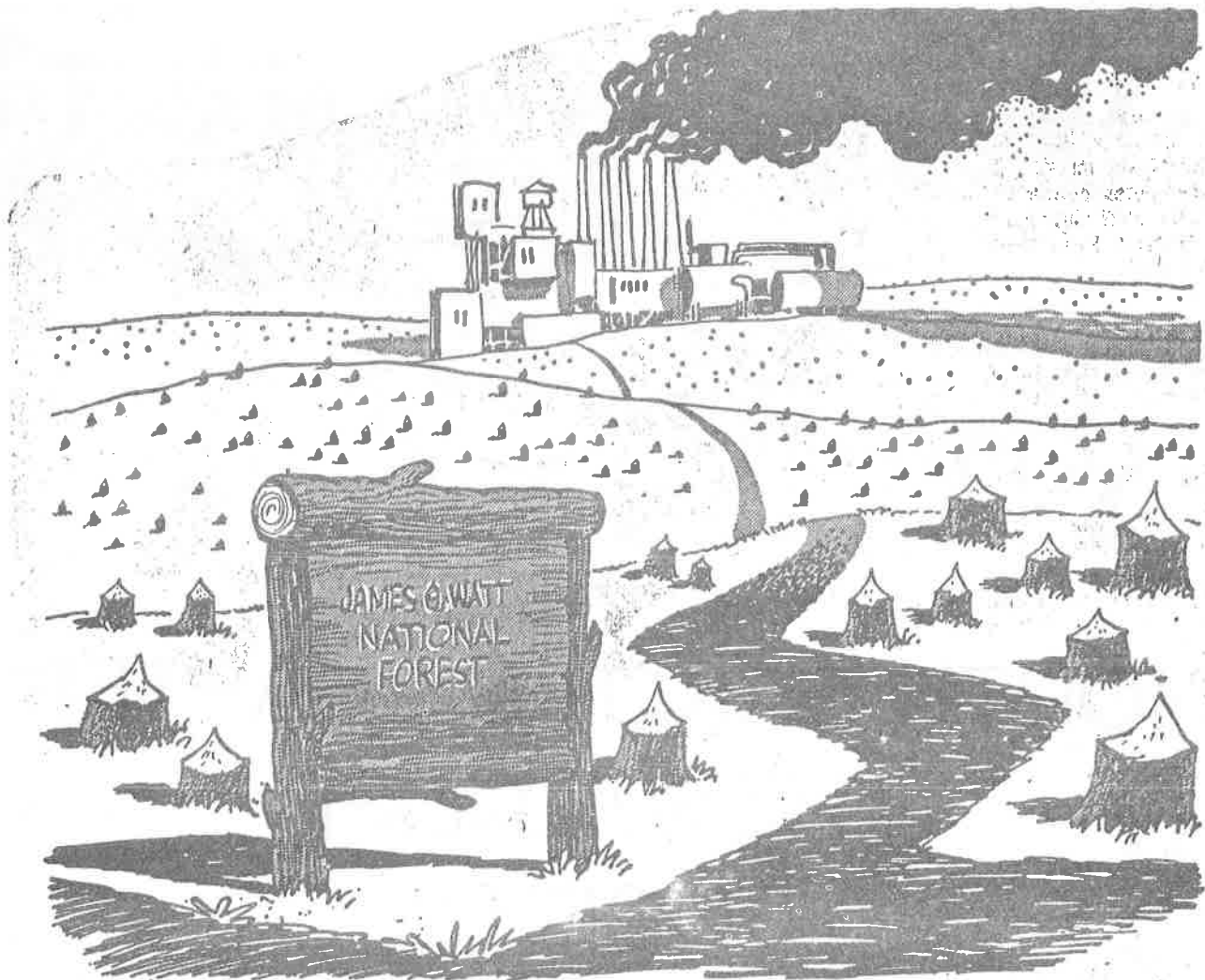
Shannon Martin is the cover artist for this newsletter. Shannon is a native of Bismarck, ND and is an art major at the University of North Dakota. Thanks Shannon!

If any members would like to share their work with us, please contact Karen Kreil.

We apologize for getting the May newsletter out late, but it was delayed due to a long application process for a bulk mailing permit.

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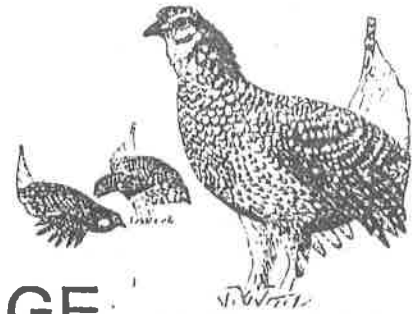
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North Dakota Chapter

THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

At the April 24th council meeting, new officers were officially installed. Officers for 1981-82 are listed below. With a council such as this, I'm sure we can maintain the tremendously high level of involvement that has characterized past councils. Committee chairpeople for 1981-82 are also in this issue. The number of committees has been expanded slightly this year, primarily as a result of resolutions passed at the Annual Meeting. These committees represent a major part of the Chapter's strength; therefore, they deserve all the praise we can give them. If any member sees a problem that we should be involved with, please feel free to contact any committee chairperson or me.

At the recent council meeting, we decided to hold the 1982 Annual Meeting in Grand Forks sometime in February. The meeting will focus on land use in North Dakota. Further details will be ironed out and an update will be in the next newsletter.

Finally, I would like to thank the Chapter for the trust it has shown in me by electing me president. I can only hope that my efforts are as effective as those of past presidents. I firmly believe that our chapter is certainly among the best 2-3 chapters in North America. North Dakota's effectiveness in wetland issues, the building fund, and other national, regional and local activities is good evidence of the pride we take in our organization. If we continue to work together as an effective team, as has been traditional in the past, I'm sure our reputation as a top-notch Chapter will continue. We can't relax our efforts now!

I hope everyone has a good summer. The next newsletter should be to you sometime in July.

---Richard D. Crawford

1981 ND CHAPTER TWS EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

President	Rich Crawford
Pres. - Elect	Ken Higgins
Past - Pres.	Jerry Serie
Advisors	Kevin Brennan (1 year)
	Dan Schmidt (1 year)
	Mike McEnroe (2 years)
	Chuck Schroeder (2 years)
Secretary - Treas.	Karen Kreil

Dedicated to the wise use of all natural resources

COUNCIL MEETING - APRIL 24, 1981

The Executive Council of the ND Chapter TWS met at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks at 10:30 AM, April 24, 1981. Jerry Serie, Rich Crawford, Kevin Brennan, Lloyd Jones, Dan Schmidt, Mike McEnroe, Chuck Schroeder, Karen Kreil were present. Ken Higgins, Lowell Tripp and Dave Sharp were absent. In addition, Steve Young, Red River Basin Committee Chairman other members Darold Walls, Dennis Jorde and Ron Stromstad were present.

The meeting was called to order by President Serie. The following treasurer's report was given:

Checkbook

Beginning Balance 2/17/81.....	\$ 114.70
Income: Annual Meeting Receipts.....	2909.00
Dues (Chapter, 23).....	115.00
Dues (CMPS, 3).....	15.00
Wetland Fund.....	18.00
Expenses: Honorarium.....	50.00
Transfer (Wetland Fund).....	18.00
Awards.....	24.97
CMPS (reimbursement--dues).....	210.00
Landowner Sportsmen Council Dues.....	25.00
Postage.....	139.02
Kirkwood Motor Inn.....	1598.77
Office Supplies.....	129.70
NPWRC Secretaries Lunch.....	29.51
Ending Balance.....	<u>946.73</u>

Wetland Fund

Beginning Balance 2/17/81.....	725.91
Income: Auction.....	277.00
Raffle.....	936.00
Bumper Stickers.....	140.00
T-Shirts.....	270.00
Donation.....	50.00
Interest.....	16.57
Ending Balance.....	<u>2415.48</u>

Savings Certificate

Beginning Balance 2/17/81.....	1742.52
Income: Interest.....	25.79
Ending Balance.....	<u>1768.31</u>

Drainage Fund

Beginning Balance 2/17/81.....	6465.14
Income: Interest.....	47.39
Expenses: Service Charge.....	1.00
Dayton et al.....	1104.75
Dr. Gary Pearson.....	1505.52
Ending Balance.....	<u>3901.26</u>

Totals

Checkbook.....	946.73
Wetland Fund.....	2415.48
Savings Certificate.....	1768.31
Drainage Fund.....	<u>3901.26</u>
TOTAL.....	<u>\$9031.78</u>

Mike McEnroe moved to accept the treasurer's report and Kevin Brennan seconded; motion carried.

President Serie briefed the Council on the following items of correspondence since the Annual Meeting:

- 1). A letter was sent to USFWS Area Manager Gil Key requesting that the service provide biological data on Hurricane Lake to the Corps.
- 2). A letter was received from James Cook, Investment Rarities Inc., expressing continued support for the fight against drainage.
- 3). Responses to the resolution regarding the cropping of Class VI lands were received from the ND State Soil Conservation Committee and from E (Kika) de la Garza, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture.
- 4). A letter was sent to Governor Olson expressing appreciation to Mr. Helgerson for his attendance at the annual meeting.
- 5). The SWC responded to a letter from the Chapter concerning complaints filed of unauthorized wetland drainage in Stutsman county.
- 6). TWS Field Director sent a letter to encourage all members to express their views on the proposed elimination of the Coop Units to their congressional delegation.
- 7). Letters of support for the Fish & Wildlife Coop Units were sent by the Chapter to Senators Andrews, Burdick and Hatfield and Congressman Dorgan. Andrews, Burdick and Dorgan sent letters of response.
- 8). The Chapter sent a copy of the resolution concerning water quality of the Souris River to EPA. The resolution was reviewed and a copy sent to the EPA regional office.
- 9). Copies of all resolutions passed at the annual meeting were sent to various senators, congressman. Dorgan and Burdick sent letters of response.
- 10). The Chapter received a response from the Nelson County Water Mgmt. Board indicating no change on the status for application to drain Sundquist Marsh.
- 11). A letter was sent by the Chapter to Gil Key addressing concerns of a proposed drainage project in Sargent County known as Sargent County Legal Drain # 11.
- 12). Al Wentz, CMPS President, wrote regarding new student chapters being formed. He also requested nominees for CMPS V-P and indicated that Dr. Robert Davidson (SDSU) will serve as CMPS newsletter editor.
- 13). The Chapter reviewed and sent comments on the changes in the USFWS sign manual.
- 14). Secretaries from NPWRC sent a letter of thanks for the luncheon they were given.
- 15). A letter was received announcing bidletting for the Bottineau County Water Mgmt. Board Russel Drain Project.
- 16). The Chapter sent a letter to Vern Fahy introducing Rich Crawford as the new President and expressed hope for continued cooperation and progress in the area of water management.

All committees were reviewed as to their need, and the following comments made:

Prairie Chicken Fund: Questions were raised as to who actually has management authority of these funds, and the intent of these funds. The Chapter will write a letter to Commissioner Kruckenberg on this matter.

Burlington Dam: Darold Walls commented on the effects of the Souris River on J.Clark Salyer NWR and suggested this committee could also deal with water quality problems. Kevin Brennan moved to rename this committee the Souris River Committee and that it should be involved with water quality on the Souris River. Dan Schmidt seconded; motion carried.

Pembilier Dam: In light of plans by the Corps to reformalize the Pembilier Dam Project, Dan Schmidt moved that the Chapter form a Pembilier Dam Committee. Kevin Brennan seconded; motion carried.

The recommendations offered by the audit committee were discussed. It was decided that two audits will be performed annually and solutions will be sought to the problem of authorization of expenditures.

Tentative dates and places for Executive Council meetings have been chosen for the upcoming year:

June--Bismarck
Sept/Oct--J.Clark Salyer NWR
Dec--Jamestown

The number of special meetings will, of course, depend on the level of activity. The 1982 Annual Meeting will be held in February in Grand Forks. "Land Stewardship: Public & Private Responsibility?" was discussed as a possible theme.

Comments and suggestions were made regarding the annual meeting. A need was recognized for better media coverage for the meeting. Also brought to attention was the need to be more aware of the law enforcement interests in the Chapter. Lloyd Jones moved that the Chapter form a Wildlife Law Enforcement Committee. Mike McEnroe seconded; motion carried. Another idea was to reserve a "social area" for people to go to following the banquet. It was also suggested to have an open session at the 1982 annual meeting.

Two representatives from Ducks Unlimited, Carl Radimer and Wayne Cowan, reviewed DU's PR approach to water management problems. The information they gave will be very helpful to the Wetland Committee, as it is presently developing a public information/education program on wetlands. They also gave the Chapter a copy of Willie T. Zitlau's study "An Environmental Assessment of Agriculture Practices & Policies: Implications for Waterfowl Habitat Management", "A Fact Book of Agriculture-Wildlife Problems And Solutions" and a tape of their radio commercials on water management problems.

Committee Reports

Red River Basin--Steve Young, Chairman

Steve discussed his report which provides a brief geographical description of the basin and a status report on major federal water projects in the basin.

Following is a summary of activities:

Pembina River Project: The Corps has initiated a reformalization study which will look at all feasible alternatives identified in the Corps' 1976 feasibility report. The 1976 report recommended construction of Pembilier Dam. Fish and wildlife investigations will be conducted and a final Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act Report is scheduled for April 1983.

Lower Sheyenne River Study (Kindred Dam): In March 1981 the Corps refined their studies on the lower Sheyenne River. It appears that the Kindred Dam proposal is no longer being seriously considered. A Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act Report will be prepared by the USFWS when the Corps' planning process is finalized.

Park River at Grafton: The Corps is currently in the preliminary stage of an advance engineering study which will review, in addition to the Corps 1973 feasibility report, alternative solutions to the flooding problems at Grafton. The USFWS will analyze proposed alternatives to determine impacts on fish and wildlife resources.

Red River Basin Reconnaissance Study: This Study was initiated by the Corps in early 1980 to provide an overview of the water and related land resource problems and needs found within the basin. With the completion of 23 subbasin reports, this study effort was finalized in December 1980. The only active outcome from this study effort thus far has been the establishment of an interagency task force. Steve expressed concern that one of the structural measures found to be cost feasible was an outlet project for Devils Lake. He suggested the Chapter write a letter to the Corps requesting more information on the the project.

Red River Basin Hydrologic Response Change Study: In January 1981, the Water Resources Council provided funding to the US Geological Survey to conduct this study. This study will attempt to provide documentation of hydrologic changes due to man's activities in the basin. It is anticipated that a draft report will be ready for review in September 1981.

Finally, Steve recommended that the Chapter consider sending the Corps a letter commending them for considering wildlife. The complete report is available from Steve Young, P.O. Box 513, Mandan, ND 58554.

Garrison Diversion--Mike McEnroe, Chairman

Mike indicated that Secretary of Interior Watt has not yet expressed, in writing, his views on Garrison. Until a written statement is received, McEnroe suggested the Chapter delay making a statement on Watts' views.

Wetland Committee--Lloyd Jones, Chairman

Lloyd summarized the committee's meeting with the Chapter's legal counsel. Various wetland matters were discussed:

Filmore Enger Complaint: Considering the extensive efforts by Mr. Enger dating back to 1978, the Committee felt it appropriate to take whatever action possible to support Mr. Enger.

Russel Diversion, White Spur, and Emmerick: Mr. Dayton will prepare a litigation memo outlining the potential legal strategies available with an estimate of legal costs.

Hurricane Lake: Most of the effort will focus on the Corps' determination of a 404 permit. A letter will be sent to FWS area office requesting they provide biological data on Hurricane Lake to the Corps.

Drainage onto WPA's: It was decided to prepare a notice to appeal under the 1975 Law Enforcement Act against Abnor Mitchell on behalf of the Chapter.

Lloyd also discussed the Communications proposal for the public information/education program on wetlands and future funding possibilities. Lloyd moved to approve the Communications proposal and approve the committee seeking possible funding outlets. Kevin Brennan seconded; motion carried.

Jim Collins, ND Wildlife Federation President, presented copies of letters from Kent Jones, Commissioner of Agriculture and Senator Andrews expressing support of the Water Bank Program. He also presented a copy of the NDWF news release urging support for the Water Bank Program and requested that the Chapter write letters of support. Dan Schmidt moved that the Chapter write a letter of support for the Water Bank Program. Mike McEnroe seconded; motion carried. It was suggested that a news release might be appropriate.

Jerry Serie said he will put together a fact sheet about the NDCTWS, as a part of the Publicity committee. This is a result of confusion by various individuals and agencies about who and what the Chapter is. He also indicated that the National Waterfowl Management Plan is out for review and the comment period ends May 1, 1981. Jerry moved that the Chapter write a letter commenting on the Management Plan. Mike McEnroe seconded; motion carried.

Karen Kreil indicated that the UND Fish & Wildlife Club contributed \$500 to the Cross Ranch Project. The money was raised by selling raffle tickets on the print "Echoing Twilight" by Karen Smith. Karen Smith is Refuge Manager at Lostwood NWR and donated the print to the UND club. Some fund raising ideas were discussed for the Chapter to try and that John Lokemoen should be contacted as to progress of the Cross Ranch Committee's fund raising efforts.

Rich Crawford, Building Fund Coordinator, said that if the buyer comes through, the rest of the Canvasback prints will be sold, the money transferred to TWS, and the building fund account closed.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

CHAPTER COMMITTEES, 1981

<u>Committee Name</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>
Membership (Standing)	Dave Nilson
Audit (Standing)	Bob Seabloom
Education (Standing)	Al Aufforth
Publicity (Standing)	Jerry Serie
Garrison Diversion	Mike McEnroe
Land Use	Arnie Kruse
Prairie Chicken Advisory	Jerry Kobriger
Wetland Drainage Review	Lloyd Jones
Awards	Ken Higgins
Program	Not selected
Nominations	Not selected
Wetlands Legislation	Stan Weisz
Endangered Species	Mike McKenna
Prairie Chicken Fund	Chuck Schroeder
Apple Creek	Harold Duebbert
Fund Raising	Leo Kirsch
Arrangements	Randy Kreil
Western Energy Development	Roger Collins
Red River Basin	Steve Young
Wetlands Loan Act	Keith Harmon
Souris River	Not selected
Pembilier Dam	Steve Young
Wildlife Law Enforcement	Not selected

I have tried to keep as many former committee chairpeople as possible. If problems should arise, please let me know.---Rich Crawford.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNPAID DUES

We have indicated on the back of the newsletter whether you have paid 1981 NDCTWS dues. If you have not paid 1981 Chapter dues, PLEASE do so by the 1st week in July. If we do not receive your dues by then, your name will be dropped from the membership roles and mailing list. The Membership Committee has worked very hard to build membership to its current level of 260---so please help by sending your dues NOW!

PROCEEDINGS AVAILABLE

Proceedings from 2 symposia sponsored by the North Central Section are now available. Those available are: "White-tailed Deer Population Management in the North Central States" and "Waterfowl and Wetlands--an Integrated Review". Prices are \$3.50 for wetlands and \$4.50 for Deer. Copies are available from Wayne Porath, Sec/Treas., North Central Section TWS, Fish & Wildlife Research Center, 1110 College Ave., Columbia, Missouri 65201.

RAPTOR SURVEY

The US Fish & Wildlife Service, in cooperation with the ND Game & Fish Dept., is asking your participation this spring and summer in reporting any known raptor nesting sites. Additional information such as accurate location of nests, the species, nest type and surrounding habitat and topography would be appreciated. Anyone wishing to report such a nest and other information may contact the USFWS (255-4011, ext. 409) or the NDGFD (224-2180). Raptor survey cards, on which the info can be recorded are available from the ND Game & Fish Dept., 2121 Lovett Ave. or USFWS, 1500 Capitol Ave., Bismarck.

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Application for Membership

I am ()/ am not () a member of TWS.

Name: _____

Address (use school, if student): _____

Occupation - Student (X) _____ Other _____

Name of Sponsoring Member _____

Annual Dues: \$5.00 Send Applications: Karen Kreil, Secretary-Treasurer,
North Dakota Chapter of The Wildlife Society, P.O. Box 8238, Grand Forks,
ND 58202

SPREAD THE WORD !!!

The NDCTWS Drainage Committee is selling bumper stickers and T-Shirts as part of its educational charge. Members can help increase awareness to the North Dakota drainage problem by purchasing these items and help spread the word! Our wetlands are worth saving and education of the North Dakota public is one of the most positive ventures the Chapter can undertake.

Send orders to: Lloyd Jones, Chairman
NDCTWS Wetland Drainage Committee
R.R. #2, Box 49B
Valley City, ND 58072

ORDER BLANK

Bumper Stickers (Wetlands For Flood Control - They're DAM Important)
\$1.00 each

T-Shirts (Water Is A Precious Resource - Don't Drain It Away)
\$5.00 each
Sizes: XL, L, M, or S
Colors: Blue, Beige or Orange

Please send me: _____ Bumper Stickers @ \$1.00 each \$ _____

_____ T-Shirts @ \$5.00 each \$ _____
(state size and color)

Total Enclosed \$ _____
(Checks to: NDCTWS)

WATER IS A
PRECIOUS RESOURCE



DON'T DRAIN IT
AWAY

WETLANDS FOR FLOOD CONTROL

THEY'RE **"DAM"** IMPORTANT

A stylized illustration of a dam. The word "DAM" is written in large, bold, block letters with a stippled texture. The letters are set within a horizontal frame that represents a dam structure. On either side of the dam, there are clumps of reeds and a small mountain peak in the background. The word "THEY'RE" is to the left and "IMPORTANT" is to the right of the dam.

"FROM OUR HISTORIC PAST"

EDITOR: DENNIS JORDE

TRANS. N. AM. WILDL. CONF. Vol. 1, 1936, p. 17

REMARKS OF MR. JAY N. DARLING --..Devices of civilization, machines, money and credit require a constant flow of raw materials from the land or they cease to function. To place all our bets on our industrial genius alone without covering the real source of wealth--natural resources--is to bet on the jockey and leave the horse entirely out of our calculations. Our carelessness and apathy toward this basic fact have been notorious on this continent, and among our rich endowment of natural resources no element has been so completely ignored and so heedlessly allowed to vanish as our wealth in the wildlife field. It has been the neglected stepchild of our family circle, forced to live on the crumbs from an opulent table, the servant of all, the responsibility of none, undernourished and exhausted by the universal demands placed upon it and subsisting on incidental charity.....

..As I see it, there is no irreconcilable conflict between wildlife conservation and any branch of industrial interests. No one could successfully defend any project for wildlife conservation which would supplant a more beneficial use of land or water. The trouble in the past has been that the value of wildlife resources to the community and the continent as a whole has never even remotely entered into the economic bookkeeping of our national and industrial planning. Few are aware of the incalculable cash losses which have resulted to the people of the continent through this persistent oversight.....

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Name: _____ Date: _____

Old Address: _____ New Address: _____

Please help keep membership roles up to date: Send to Karen Kreil, Sec/Treas.
NDCTWS, P.O. Box 8238, Grand Forks, ND 58202.

FROM OUR HISTORIC PAST

Our Records Indicate That YOU Have Paid your 1981 NDCTWS Dues

If you have not paid your 1981 dues, please send \$5.00 to: Karen Kreil, Sec/Treas., Box 8238, Grand Forks, ND 58202. Please help keep our membership strong - send your dues in right now!!!

CMPS Dues can also be paid by sending an additional \$5.00.

Remember, the strength of our Chapter lies with YOU, the member.

Karen Kreil
 ND Chapter of The Wildlife Society
 P.O. Box 8238
 Grand Forks, ND 58202

JIM HEGGENES

no address, except fargo, ND