

Sleepless in Seattle?

The 35th Annual Meeting is just around the corner, and excitement fills the air as we get ready for adventures with Terry. The program for the meeting is full of activities as well as interesting presentations. However, one might want to strike out for some individual excursions before, during or after the meeting. With the help of the Internet and guides in Seattle, here are some suggestions for additional activities.

If you are venturing out to see Mt. Rainier you might enjoy a trip on the nearby Spirit of Washington Dinner Train. The 3½ hour ride includes a four course gourmet meal, and a stop at the Columbia Winery. The train station is at 625 South 4th Street in downtown Renton. Reservations can be made by calling (800)876-RAIL. Another day long excursion could be a trip to the San Juan Islands. When you are in the islands 'mon', try the Bay Cafe on Lopez Island. The Cafe specializes in imaginative ethnic dishes at reasonable prices. Or try the Roche Harbor Inn which is noted for its ambiance and food!

Families traveling with children and the rest of us 'kids' might enjoy a trip to the Pacific Science Center and Children's Museum on Elliot Avenue. The Museum has lots of "hands on" activities for all ages. Or try a trip to the Woodland Park Zoological Gardens on Green Lake. I understand Green Lake has an excellent example of the local Eurasian Water Milfoil problem. A third option is a visit to Discovery Park which includes an arboretum and a fish ladder!

For those of you interested in nightlife, try the Pike Place Market or nearby Pioneer Square, both offer many dining and entertainment options. Pike Place is home to such treats as the Pike Place Brewery, a noted microbrewery, Jazz Alley, Comedy Underground, and Seattle Improv. Both comedy clubs are very popular so if you can't get in at one, walk on down to the other to try your luck. Pioneer Square is close by and you can check out another microbrewery, the Pacific Northwest Brewing Company. Another area or district you might try is Ballard, home to Backstage and the Ballard Firehouse, two acoustic and jazz oriented clubs. The truly adventurous might try a grunge club! Seattle is the birthplace of grunge.

The bottom line is we will most likely be 'Sleepless in Seattle'!



Proposed Changes to Bylaws

Article XVII of the Society's Bylaws requires that notice of proposed amendments to the Bylaws be given to the Secretary/Treasurer and transmitted to the membership thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting. Several amendments are proposed by the Board of Directors for vote by the membership at this year's Annual Meeting. The following paragraphs explain the intentions of the Board of Directors in proposing these amendments to the membership.

First, amendments to the Bylaws are proposed to create separate offices of Secretary and Treasurer. To enact this change, the Board proposes amendments which include extensive modifications to Articles IV, V, VI, IX, XI, and XIII.

The Board of Directors also proposes changing official status of the outgoing President. Under current Bylaws, the outgoing President serves a oneyear period as "Director at Large" following the Presidential term, and as such remains a voting member of the Board of Directors for that time period. Because of the nature of the responsibilities assigned to this position in the Bylaws, the Board recommends establishment of the Office of Immediate Past President. The proposed amendments to accomplish this change include modifications to Article IV, Section A; Article IV, Section H; Article V; Article XI, Section B; Article XIII, Section A(10); and Article XIII, Section A(11).

Elimination of the Office of Newsletter Editor is proposed, with the duties previously assigned to that office being reassigned to the newly created Office of Secretary. This will require modifications to Article IV, Section A; and Article IV, Section E: elimination of old Section G under Article IV: removal of "Newsletter Editor" from Articles V and XI; and substitution of "Secretary" for "Newsletter Editor" in Article XIII, Section A(14).

The Board of Directors also proposes that the Bylaws be amended to eliminate all reference to gender. For this purpose, editorial changes are proposed to Article IV, Sections B, C, D, E, F; Article VI, Section A; Article XIII, Sections A, A(8), A(15), A(16), A(18); Article XVI, Sections A(1), A(2), A(3); and elimination of Article XVIII.

The Board further proposes amendments to the Bylaws that require both the Secretary and the Treasurer to make and execute a surety bond in an amount sufficient to equal the" total assets" of the Society. Current Bylaws require that the Secretary-Treasurer make and execute a surety bond in the amount of \$25,000.00, or in an amount specified by the Board of Directors. The Board further proposes that the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) who conducts the annual audit of the Society's financial records for the Treasurer be required to render an opinion as to the condition of said financial records. These changes are addressed by amendments to Article IV, Sections E and F.

Amendments to Article XIII are also proposed that will establish separate sections to differentiate among Standing Committees, Special Committees, and Special Representatives. Under current Bylaws, Special Committees and Representatives are included with the listing of Standing Committees.

The final proposed amendment to the Bylaws would require that the Board of Directors approve all proposed amendments before the amendments may be submitted to the membership for vote. Though the Society has been using this procedure in recent years, Board of Directors approval of amendments is not currently a requirement of the amendment process.

The proposed amendments necessary to achieve the stated changes described above constitute an extensive rewriting of the Society Bylaws. For those members who desire to examine the exact wording of these proposed amendments to the Bylaws prior to the membership vote, copies will be provided at the Registration Desk at the Annual Meeting, or members may request a copy by mail from the Secretary prior to the meeting.

1995 Scholarship Grant

The South Carolina Aquatic Plant Management Society is seeking applications for its annual scholarship grant. If an appropriate applicant is found, the Society will award its fifth annual grant at its Annual Meeting in August 1995. The amount of the grant has increased to \$2000 for 1995. Grant funds may be used by the recipient to cover any costs associated with education and research activities.

Eligible applicants must be enrolled as full time undergraduate students in an accredited four year college or university in the United States. Coursework or research in the area of aquatic plant management or aquatic ecology related to the Southeast is also required.

Applications must be received no later than July 1, 1995 and will be evaluated on the basis of relevant test scores (ACT, SAT, GRE, etc.), high school and/or college grades, quality and relevance of research or coursework, a proposed budget, information obtained from references, and other related considerations. Other factors being equal, preference will be given to applicants enrolled in Southeastern and South Carolina academic institutions.

The successful applicant may be requested to present an oral report on research activities at the Society's Annual Meeting.

Persons interested in applying for the scholarship grant should contact Danny Johnson, SC Department of Natural Resources, 1201 Main Street, Suite 1100, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201. Phone (803)737-0800 for additional information on application procedures.

Book Nook

Long-time APMS member, Steve McComas has recently published <u>Lake</u> <u>Smarts</u>, <u>The First Lake Maintenance</u> <u>Handbook</u>. The book addresses aquatic plant management among a variety of lake maintenance topics. It is written to be helpful to lakefront owners and anyone concerned with lake management. The book is available through Lake Smarts, 550 South Snelling Ave., Suite 102, St. Paul, MN 55116.

1995 APMS NOMINATIONS

The Nominating committee, comprised of five past presidents, submits the following slate for the consideration of the membership at the meeting in Seattle. As is always the case, our president will call for nominations from the floor at the annual business meeting. In an effort to inform the membership about the candidates, a short description of each nominees contributions to this Society is included.

A proposed Bylaws change that will divide the office of Secretary-Treasurer into separate offices and assign the task of Newsletter Editor to the Secretary may change the nominations. Both possibilities are indicated below.

Vice President	Alison Fox	
Newsletter Editor	Wendy Andrew	
(Secretary - three year te	rm if Bylaws are amended)	

Editor

Bill Haller

Directors

Joyce Johnson

David Tarver

Alison Fox is a research assistant professor working in aquatic plant management at the University of Florida. She joined the Aquatic Plant Management Society in 1987 and has served on numerous committees and chaired two. She has also served both the APMS and FAPMS as a Director.

Wendy Andrew joined the Aquatic Plant Management Society in 1986. She is presently the Newsletter Editor. Wendy is the Immediate Past President of FAPMS and has also served as a Director of that chapter. She is employed by Walt Disney World as a supervisor in Parks Pest Management, responsible for aquatic plant management and mosquito control as well as pest management in the Magic Kingdom.

Bill Haller joined APMS in 1971 and currently serves as our Editor and also served on numerous committees. Bill is a charter member of FAPMS and has served that chapter as Vice-President and as President. He is employed by the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida as Acting Director, Center for Aquatic Plants and Professor, University of Florida.

Joyce Johnson works for the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife as a federal aid coordinator. She has been involved in aquatic plant management since 1979. She is a charter member of the Texas Aquatic Plant Management Society and has served that organization as a Director and President. Joyce joined APMS in 1988 and has served on multiple committees.

David Tarver joined APMS in 1973 and has served this organization on many committees. David is a Past President of the Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society. He also served that chapter as a director and editor of "Aquatics." He is a charter member of the Texas chapter and served the MSAPMS as a Director. David is a national sales manager for SePro.

1995 ANNUAL AUDIT

As specified in the APMS bylaws, a complete audit was conducted in January 1995 of the APMS financial records. At the mid-winter Board meeting, the current status of all accounts (Operating, Operating Reserve Investment, Savings, Secretary, and Scholastic Endowment) was reviewed with the Board. All records are current, all accounts appear to have been appropriately allocated, and the Society's finances are healthy.

At the direction of the Board, several new accounts have been established for APMS funds. The table shows the status as of 3/31/95 for the accounts; updated information will be distributed and discussed at the Annual Meeting.

ASSETS	
Cash and Bank Accounts	
APMS Operating	348.74
APMS Savings	19,302.64
Prior Treasury Funds	303.96
Secretary Account	308.17
Total Cash and Bank Accounts	20,263.51
Investments	
Operating Reserve	29,864.90
Scholastic Endowment	44,882.50
Total Investments	74,747,49
TOTAL ASSETS	95,011.00
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	0.00
EQUITY	95,011.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	95,011.00

Flash!!!

One of the objectives of APMS is to educate the public on issues of aquatic plant management. We have noted that very few state or community colleges subscribe to the Journal of Aquatic Plant Management. How often have we heard "that *!X*!@ person in ______ knows nothing about aquatics." Probably the reason is they have not had the Journal available. Now, you can help, as APMS has a deal for you.

You can provide a three year subscription to the Journal of Aquatic Plant Management for the state or community college of your choice and a set of all back issues of the Journal for a measly sum of \$250.

This offer will expire when we run out of the 50-60 sets of journals we have in storage. Some issues will be photostatic copies.

In order to avail yourself of this opportunity, contact APMS Acting Secretary, Wendy Andrew at P.O. Box 121086, Clermont, FL 34712-1086, or phone 904/429-4119

THE AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT SOCIETY, INC.

The Aquatic Plant Management Society, Inc. is an international organization of scientists, educators, students, commercial pesticide applicators, administrators and concerned individuals interested in the management and study of aquatic plants. The membership reflects a diversity of federal, state, and local agencies; universities and colleges around the world; corporations; and small businesses.

Originally the Hyacinth Control Society, Inc. when founded in 1961, The Aquatic Plant Management Society, Inc. is a respected source of expertise in the field of biological, mechanical and chemical aquatic plant management and aquatic plant sciences. The Society has grown to include several regional and state chapters. Through these affiliates, annual meetings, newsletters, and the Journal of Aquatic Plant Management, members keep abreast of the latest developments in the field.

The objectives of the society are to assist in promoting the management of nuisance aquatic plants, to provide for the scientific advancement of members of the society, to encourage scientific research, to promote university scholarship, and to extend and develop public interest in the aquatic plant science discipline.

Application for Membership

NAME OF APPLICANT	SPOUSE	SPOUSE'S NAME	
HOME ADDRESS	TUTION NAME & ADDRESS	ZIP CODE	
		ZIP CODE	
WORK PHONE	HOME PHONE		

There are three regular classes of membership available to applicants, according to the Charter of the APMS which was adopted in 1961. These classes are:

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP	\$ 35
STUDENT MEMBERSHIP	
COMMERCIAL SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP	\$500

AMOUNT OF REMITTANCE \$

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:

Please check the following to indicate desired membership class and for additional information!

Membership Class:

- Active
- C Student

Commercial Sustaining

Please Send Information Regarding Regional Affiliates:

- Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society Mid-South Aquatic Plant Management Society
- Midwest Aquatic Plant Management Society
- South Carolina Aquatic Plant Management Society Western Aquatic Plant Management Society
- Texas Aquatic Plant Management Society

Send this form to: The Aquatic Plant Management Society, P.O. Box 121086, Clermont, FL 34712-1086