

BOARD DEVELOPMENT

The board of directors, at their annual meeting on October 1st, approved a proposal to change the structure of the board and adopted several new organizational policies. A quick summary of the changes to the board:

- Narrowed the existing board to a maximum of 25 members
- Established a nonvoting category of membership for fund raising and promotional purposes called the Board of Advisors
- Proscribed the size and role of the executive committee to align with industry practice
- Established a quarterly meeting schedule for the Governing Board and an elective annual meeting for Board of Advisors, and
- Described more specifically the responsibilities of both Governing and Board of Advisor members.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Three new members were elected to the Governing Board of Directors at our annual meeting. They are:

Bill Kinnune- Bill was the Executive Vice President for corrugated, bags, specialty products, board & paper sales at Willamette Industries before retiring in 2002. A graduate of the University of Washington and an avid hunter, angler, and golfer, Bill has been an active volunteer with a number of organizations including the Oregon College of Arts and Crafts, the Hearing & Speech Institute, and Boys & Girls Club.

Nels Paine- Nels started his career in computer technology and software businesses at the Bank of Boston and at Software Developers Company in Boston, MA. Nels founded Paine Pacific in 1998 to provide M&A and Investment Banking services to a broad range of companies across markets. Paine Pacific also provides management consulting and corporate advisory services and has a private equity investment fund. Nels grew up in Palo Alto, CA, graduated from SMU in Dallas and has lived in Portland since 1989. Nels is an avid outdoorsman and cyclist.

Dennis Pixton- Dennis began his career as a CPA with Ernst & Young and later became a managing partner with Moss Adams. In 1997 Dennis became the CEO of Michaels of Oregon, Co. and affiliated companies. Dennis is very active in the community serving on the boards of the Wildlife Management Institute, National Shooting Sports Foundation, American Red Cross, Providence Hospital Foundation, United Way, the Columbia Pacific Council of the Boy Scouts of America, and the Hearing & Speech Institute.

TWO RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS RECOGNIZED WITH EMERITUS STATUS

The Foundation board recognized Skip Klarquist and Paul McCracken as members emeritus at the annual meeting in October. Skip was a founding member of the board of directors and has held a variety of offices over his 29 years of service to the organization. Paul joined the Foundation's board in 1992 and was instrumental in helping the Foundation partner with timber companies to aid salmon recovery along the entire Oregon coast. That effort became what is now called the "Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds". The service of Skip and Paul to the Foundation and, by extension, to fish and wildlife is nothing short of profound. Their work and support are greatly appreciated by the staff and the board of the Foundation.

HERITAGE SOCIETY

The Heritage Society is for individuals or companies that have made a gift of \$1,000 or more to the Foundation. The following people have made a qualifying gift or pledge to the Foundation:

CONSERVATOR	\$10,000 OR MORE	PAUL & SALLY McCracken	
REJUVENATOR	\$5,000 - \$9,999	KEN AUSTIN NELSON RUTHERFORD	RANDY LABBE BILL SWINDELLS, JR.
GUARDIAN	\$2,500 - 4,999	ROCKY DIXON	DENNIS PIXTON
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- Skip Klarquist
- Paul McCracken
- Bill Sweet
- Bill Swindells, Jr.

Executive Director's Message

Tim Greseth, Executive Director

With the "great recession" as a backdrop, it would be an understatement to call 2009 a challenging year. A significant revenue shortfall forced us to reduce our staff and try to do more with fewer resources. As we look forward to 2010 the challenge to attract additional support to the Foundation is no less.

2009 also produced some successes. Fish Camp, a joint program with the American Hellenic Education Center, served 80 youth in a residential experience at Camp Angelos on the Sandy River last summer. In addition to a traditional camp experience, these young men and women learned about different types of fish, angling techniques, and stream habitat. We are already looking forward to Fish Camp 2010! If you would like to support this program with a cash donation it will help us meet our expenses and enable us to serve more disadvantaged youth. You can learn more about Fish Camp and make a donation to the program at our website www.owhf.org/fishcamp.

Beginning in 2010 the Foundation will offer a field trip-type experience through a program called Firsthand Oregon. A joint program with the Oregon Department of Fish & wildlife, participants will experience Oregon's fish, wildlife, or habitat first hand. Most experiences will be "tell and show" with some that involve hands-on experience with wildlife. More information about this program is forthcoming.

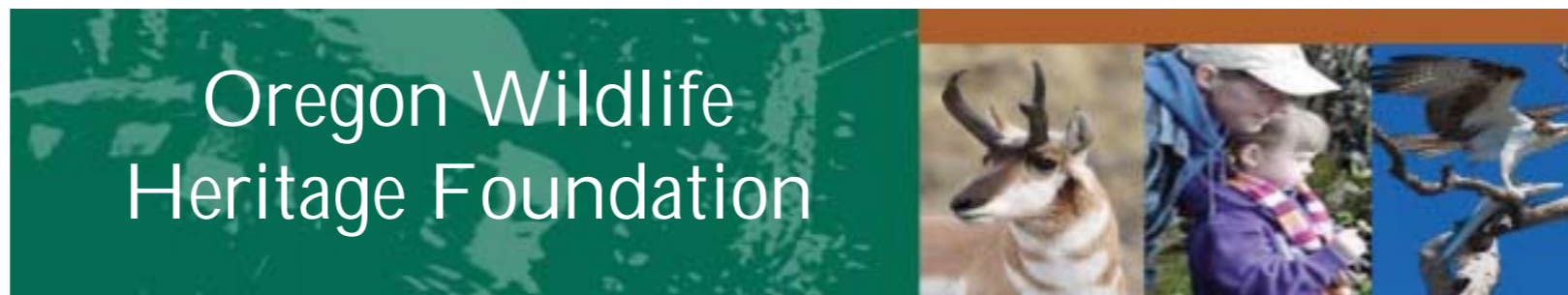
The Foundation also saw two key projects funded and is working toward implementation of both. First, the replacement of an important fishing facility on the Willamette River in West Linn will soon be underway. See www.owhf.org/westlinndockproject for more information. The Foundation is also supporting the development of a hunt planning tool that will launch on the ODFW website at the end of March 2010. See www.owhf.org/huntingaccessmap for more information about this exciting project.

As our collective economic fortunes hopefully improve, we hope to earn your support. If you are already a member of the Foundation, thank you! You are helping us improve public access, restore habitat, and increase opportunities for the recovery of Oregon's fish and wildlife species. If you have not yet decided to join the Foundation we hope you will support our efforts.

On behalf of the board and staff of the Foundation, we wish you and your family a blessed and prosperous new year!

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SALMON QUEST



On Saturday, April 11th, 2009 through the generous support of our fishing guide partners, 132 anglers fished in Salmon Quest; later joined by additional guests, over 220 people attended the dinner, awards and benefit auction that followed.

Thanks to your support just over \$75,000 in gross proceeds was raised; a new high for Salmon Quest. Part of that revenue was used to help young people attend Fish Camp at Camp Angelos last summer and is now helping us replace a badly deteriorated public fishing dock on the Willamette River in West Linn.

Governor Victor Atiyeh was our honorary chairman. It was inspiring to hear his stories from childhood about learning to fish and how those fond memories have remained with him.

The day and place are set for Salmon Quest 2010! Please join us on Saturday, April 17th. Fishing starts at dawn or join us at 2 pm for the no-host happy hour that precedes the banquet and awards program. The location is the Portland Airport Embassy Suites Hotel. For more information about Salmon quest and to see pictures from this year's event see our website at www.owhf.org/getinvolved.

COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR UPLAND BIRD CLASSIC

On Saturday, September 18th, 2009 the Foundation and the Portland Chapter of Pheasants Forever welcomed 198 guests to the Lloyd Center Doubletree Hotel in Portland for the Columbia Sportswear Upland Bird Classic. A very special thank you to Columbia Sportswear and major sponsor Bi-Mart!

Thanks to your support we raised just over \$97,000 to support the efforts of the Foundation and Pheasants Forever to improve upland bird habitat in Northeast Oregon.



Bitsy Kelley, the co-host of "Outdoor GPS" and Bill Monroe, outdoor writer for the Oregonian kept the program moving along. Also in attendance were Dez Young and his dog Dash from the "Hunting with Dash" television show. Attendees learned about the important habitat work already accomplished and our ambitious plans to increase both the number of upland birds and the acreage available to hunt.

We are in the early planning stage for the 2010 Upland Bird Classic. **The date and place are set; mark your calendars and plan to join us on Thursday, September 23rd at the Lloyd Center Doubletree Hotel in Portland.** For more information about and to see pictures from this year's event visit our website page at www.owhf.org/getinvolved.

To learn more about our major sponsors and special guests visit their websites at:
www.columbia.com (Columbia Sportswear)
www.bimart.com (Bi-Mart)
<http://northwest.comcastsportsnet.com/outdoorgps/index.html> (Bitsy Kelley)
www.oregonlive.com/sports/oregonian/bill_monroe/ (Bill Monroe)
www.hwhproductions.com (Dez Young).

AFTER HOURS SHOPPING AT THE PORTLAND FILSON STORE

As a "thank you" the Filson Store in Portland's Pearl District hosted an after hours shopping event for the Foundation's members on Wednesday, October 21st. Attendees enjoyed their choice of beer or wine and light appetizers while browsing the store's offerings. Our members received a 20% discount on purchases made that evening. We plan to have more events like this in 2010! See www.filson.com for more information about the Filson company and their merchandise.



WEST LINN DOCK REPLACEMENT

Constructed in the late 1970's, this dock is located on the Willamette River near the highway 43 bridge. Originally built by the West Linn Paper Company as a catwalk for tying up barges, it was later converted to use as a public fishing dock. Over the ensuing years the dock structure has deteriorated and become unsafe.

The Foundation partnered with the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW), City of West Linn, and the West Linn Paper Company to raise the money needed to replace this important facility with a durable and more contemporary structure.

We are pleased to report that, with support from the Restoration and Enhance program of the ODFW, Bishop Family Trust, Bill Swindells, Jr., King Family Trust, and proceeds from Salmon Quest 2009 we have the funds needed to begin construction! For more information about this project or to make your own contribution online, go to our website at owhf.org/westlinndockproject.



HUNTING ACCESS MAP UPGRADE



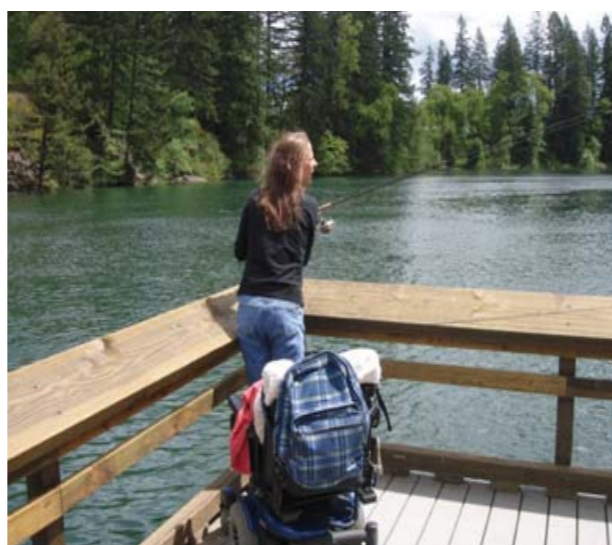
To support the recruitment and retention of hunters, the Foundation is collaborating with ODFW on a project to create a hunting database with an online map interface. The National Shooting Sports Foundation has provided the funding for the production of this interactive mapping tool. Even more exciting to us is that the hunting map tool is only the first phase of a multi-year project that will add similar information for anglers and wildlife viewers!

To learn more about this project and/or support it with a contribution, go to our website at owhf.org/huntingaccessmap.

ESTACADA LAKE ADA DOCK DEDICATED

The Foundation raised the funds needed to build a handicapped accessible fishing dock on the Clackamas River above River Mill Dam. On May 14th the dock facility was officially dedicated at a brief ceremony attended by Foundation board and staff, employees of Portland General Electric and HD Supply, and representatives from State Parks and ODFW.

Construction of the facility was inspired by Kathy Arrigo (Moo), a local resident. Kathy has Multiple Sclerosis and remarked to Foundation supporter, Bill Monroe, and the foundation's Project Director, Rod Brobeck, that there were very few places for a disabled angler to fish from. With that, the effort to develop an additional accessible facility began in earnest.



CHINTIMINI WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CENTER- The Foundation granted \$4,100 to the Chintimini Wildlife Rehabilitation Center near Corvallis for the purchase of materials to build a Gazebo & Blind that will help schools, youth and other visitors view wildlife up close in a natural setting. See www.chintiminiwildlife.org for more information.

Wenaha Aspen Fence- A \$5,000 grant was given to a partnership between the Nez Perce Tribe, Forest Service and the National Forest Foundation to rebuild buck & rail fencing around six aspen groves adjacent to the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness in Northeast Oregon. Aspen stands are a unique and valuable habitat for elk, grouse, migratory birds, and other wildlife species. See www.fs.fed.us/r6/uma/recreation/wilderness.shtml for more information about the Wilderness area.

WESTERN POND TURTLE TELEMTRY- The Foundation made a grant of \$4,000 to ODFW for a monitoring study of a population of Western Pond Turtles near Mosier. The Mosier population is considered "disjunct" from other groups in Oregon and is the only known population in North Central Oregon. The department used the grant to purchase transmitters and traps. See www.oregonturtles for more information about native turtles.

SAGE GROUSE CONSERVATION- \$5,000 was given to ODFW to support conservation efforts on behalf of the Sage Grouse in Southeast Oregon. Once abundant, the sage grouse has disappeared from nearly half its historic range because of habitat degradation and loss. To help avoid an endangered species act listing of the grouse, the department has teamed up with the National Wildlife Federation to initiate an Adopt-A-Lek program. Through this program volunteers are helping the department survey and count grouse each spring. See www.dfw.state.or.us/conservationstrategy/news/2007/Oct2007.asp for more information.

UPLAND BIRD HABITAT IMPROVEMENT- The Foundation granted \$5,000 to the Columbia Plateau Chapter of Pheasants Forever to purchase a trailer that is being used to move equipment around the region more efficiently.

SALMON RIVER TREE PLANTING- The Foundation supported a tree planting project along the Salmon River near Welches, Oregon with a grant of \$2,500. Partners in this effort were the Mazamas, Sandy River Watershed Council, The US Forest Service, and the National Forest Foundation.

STURGEON LAKE RESTORATION- The Sturgeon Lake Restoration Planning Group (SLRPG) received \$5,000 from the Foundation to support their efforts to reintroduce "flushing flows" into Sturgeon Lake on Sauvies Island. This will reduce sedimentation and improve waterfowl and off-channel fish habitat.

NESTUCCA CONNECTIONS/NESTUCCA HIGH SCHOOL- The Foundation approved a grant of \$1,400 to the Nestucca Connections program at Nestucca High school to support outdoor conservation work by the program's participants.

SOUTH MEADOW FLOODPLAIN IMPROVEMENT(S)- \$5,000 was awarded to the Friends of Buford & Mt Pisgah to help complete the next phase of their plan to restore the South Meadow floodplain within Buford Park. See www.bufordpark.org for more information.

Rock-ed Outdoor Education Center- The Foundation granted \$5,000 to support the development of a website and collateral materials for the Rock-ed Outdoor Education Center being built by the Joe Mercep Umpqua River Foundation at the Rock Creek Hatchery near Roseburg. See www.jmurf-rocked.org/?page_id=2 for more information.

SMOOT CREEK RESTORATION- The Foundation granted \$2,500 to support an ODFW effort to improve fish habitat in Smoot Creek and reconnect it to its historic channel. Smoot Creek is in the Siuslaw River Watershed in Lane County. See www.siuslaw.org for more information about projects in the Siuslaw River area.

PRESERVING PUBLIC ACCESS IN SOUTHERN OREGON- The Foundation made a grant of \$10,110 for signage and gates that will help keep 608,000 acres of industrial timberland in Klamath and Lake Counties open to public access. The property is owned by JWTR Timberland Holding Company.