Greetings from the world's largest Naval Base at Norfolk, VA. For those who have not met me, I am the Fish and Wildlife Administrator in the Planning and Real Estate Department, Atlantic Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command. As your new NMFWA President, I am pleased to deliver my first message in "The Wild Side" of FAWN, a tradition that I have decided to carry on from past presidents of the Association.

First, let me thank you for electing me to the office of President, a position that I consider a great honor and privilege. Next, I would like to introduce you to your new Officers and Board of Directors (listed above), who were elected or appointed at the July 1988 meeting in Albuquerque, NM. I assure you that these individuals are highly qualified natural resource professionals with a common interest -- the Fish and Wildlife Resources of the Department of Defense -- and are
committed to serving you as NMFWA representatives for the forthcoming year. You are encouraged to get to know your officers and committee chairpersons as soon as possible. You should especially use your At-Large Director as a point of contact for passing along information and ideas.

Special thanks go to the past presidents and other board members, who have removed numerous barriers and set such a straight course to follow. I am committed to maintaining the high level of professionalism established by the Association and continuing the quality of programs and activities developed over the years. Issues such as wildlife law enforcement, professional staffing, natural resource training, and intra- and interagency coordination and communication will continue to receive my fullest support. I will expect a high level of dedication by my staff and will stress an open line of communication among the Board of Directors and all members of the Association. The bottom line is to communicate and get involved; your energy and ideas are needed to ensure the continued improvement in natural resource management throughout all Branches of the Department of Defense.

This issue of FAWN deals primarily with reports on the recent NMFWA meeting in Albuquerque and announcements regarding the next annual meeting in Washington, DC. Although travel restrictions limited participation in the March 1988 meeting, the program was excellent and attendees agreed it was a resounding success. Approximately 50 persons attended, with good representation from the Army, Air Force, and Marine Corps. I am not sure what happened to the Navy — perhaps their ships never docked. Those individuals who got approval to participate in the conference did so by convincing their commands that natural resource programs are "mission-essential" in respect to their function within the branch organization; I feel that this is an important concept and should be employed to encourage increased participation in future meetings.

All NMFWA members should begin making plans for the 1989 Training Session and Business meeting. The Association should make a special effort to be strongly represented and highly visible at this timely gathering in Washington, DC.

REPORT ON THE FY88 NMFWA ANNUAL MEETING

The National Military Fish and Wildlife Association (NMFWA) held its annual meeting in Albuquerque, NM, on July 13-15, 1988. The program was held in conjunction with meetings of the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies and the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society. Allan Pfister, Fort Carson, CO, served as Program Chairman for NMFWA.

NMFWA members representing all military branches heard speakers discuss such topics as computerized fish and wildlife information systems, Nature Conservancy programs applicable to Defense lands, environmental documentation, range condition monitoring, new techniques to control wildfires, wildlife diseases, aquatic weed control, deer management, and use of a new wildlife techniques manual. Personnel from Luke Air Force Base, AZ, and Fort Carson, CO, delivered slide presentations on their natural resource programs; these installations had competed for the Secretary of Defense Natural Resources Conservation Award. Concurrent sessions were also held by each service branch to bring personnel up to date on recent trends and developments.

An awards banquet was held as part of the program to honor individuals who had made significant contributions associated with NMFWA activities. Awards were presented to Steven Emmons, Fort Carson, CO, for his efforts to improve wildlife law
enforcement training; George Walter for volunteer work to increase western bluebird production on Fort Lewis, WA; Tom Warren, Fort Carson, CO, for dedicated service as past President, NMFWA; and Gene Stout, Fort Sill, OK, for his role in founding NMFWA and acting as its first president. Awards are further described on pages 8 and 9 of this newsletter. The guest speaker for the banquet was Dr. Leon Fisher, U.S. Forest Service, Albuquerque, NM. Dr. Fisher serves as Chairman of the Certification Committee for The Wildlife Society and spoke on that subject.

The business meeting consisted of committee reports, election of officers, and discussion of proposed resolutions. Resolutions are described on pages 6-8. New NMFWA Officers and Board of Directors are listed on page 1. Minutes of the Board and business meetings are summarized below, as provided by Rick Griffiths.

NMFWA Board Meeting, 13 July 1988

The meeting was called to order by Association President Tom Warren at 0900. Board members in attendance were Tom Warren, President; Gene Stout, Past President; Larry Adams, Vice President; Al Pfister, Program Chairman; Tom Wray, Newsletter Editor; Rick Griffiths, Acting Secretary-Treasurer; and Mike Herbaugh, At-Large Eastern Director. Association members Bill Bartush, Carl Petrick, Jay Bente, and Tom Gleuck were also present.

President Warren announced that Secretary-Treasurer Jack Beall had resigned his position following his transfer to a position with the U.S. Forest Service at Cottage Grove, OR. The Board approved the presidential appointment of Rick Griffiths to fill the vacancy until a new Secretary-Treasurer could be elected at the business meeting on 15 July. The minutes of the previous Board meeting were approved. The association reported a bank balance of approximately $133.00.

Newsletter Editor Tom Wray reported that it costs approximately $1.00 per copy to print and distribute each edition of the newsletter. Postage is currently $0.45 per copy. A discussion of expenses and the need for income to support the newsletter followed his report.

Awards Committee Chairman Rick Griffiths reported that two Special Act Awards would be presented to persons nominated by Board members at the banquet on 14 July. Response to the April 1988 newsletter request for nominations was poor, and it was emphasized that the Awards Committee will need input from the At-Large Directors to insure that worthy achievements do not go unrecognized.

Tom Warren reported for Law Enforcement Committee Chairman Steve Emmons that the committee is working toward a job description/classification for Game Wardens to encourage Personnel Officers to hire wardens with a natural resources background. The Association realized approximately $600.00 profit from the last Law Enforcement Training Course. The course fee was $75.00, and there were 29 participants. The committee is working to get a training curriculum that meets legal Federal Commission requirements and is also looking into a Basic Course for DoD personnel.

Gene Stout presented a resolution on law enforcement training. There was a discussion on the need for an alternative to the 9-week Glencoe course. The Fort McClellan MP school has been proposed, but there is some opposition to producing Game Wardens with an MP "mind set." Other law enforcement issues discussed were the reluctance of the Navy and Air Force to allow non-professional law officers to carry weapons and inconsistencies in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service policy on Deputy U.S. Game Warden Commissions.

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At-Large Director Mike Herbaugh reported that he sent a letter and a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws to each member south of Virginia in the Eastern Region. He felt that this was the most practical way for Directors to communicate with their constituents and reported receiving favorable responses.

Membership Committee Chairman Gene Stout reported on the production and distribution of the new membership application/brochure. Members who have not responded to the request to submit an updated application form will be contacted by their At-Large Director before September. Mailing labels will be supplied by the Secretary-Treasurer.

Nominations Committee Chairman Larry Adams noted errors and omissions in the ballot and biographical sketches. These will be corrected before the election. He also had copies of the current Bylaws as amended at the last Business Meeting.

President Warren announced the resignations of Joe Ward and Jock Beall from the Board of Directors due to job transfers out of DoD.

It was reported that the Sikes Act is up for renewal, with only minor changes pending approval (i.e., a statement will be included that spending must be in accord with Cooperative Agreements). The Defense Natural Resources Group (DNRG) is still working on the directive.

The NMFWA is becoming better known in the conservation community and is working with other agencies and organizations on a variety of issues (e.g., the Association is working with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on law enforcement and recently endorsed the National Fisheries Policy).

Gene Stout introduced a resolution on Land Condition Trend Analysis. President Warren recommended that the NMFWA support the helicopter purchase for law enforcement in Louisiana.

The next NMFWA meeting was set for 21–23 March 1989 in Washington, DC, to be held in conjunction with the North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference. Gene Stout suggested having NMFWA lapel pins and belt buckles available for sale at the next meeting; however, funds would need to be advanced for production of these items and may not be available. The meeting adjourned at 1130.

NMFWA Business Meeting, 15 July 1988

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Warren at 0800. The minutes of the previous business meeting were approved as published in the March 1987 FAWN. The Secretary/Treasurer’s report was given by Rick Griffiths (see update on page 11).

Newsletter Editor Tom Wray expressed his thanks to all those who contributed to the FAWN. He then stressed the need for articles from the Association members. President Warren and the members expressed their appreciation and thanks to Al Pfister for the meeting program and banquet and to Tom Wray for his work on the FAWN.

At-Large Director Slader Buck reported that the duties of the At-Large Directors should include relaying information between the members and officers, providing input to the FAWN Editor, and communicating directly with the members. The Secretary-Treasurer will provide the membership list and mailing labels to the Directors.

Bill Bartush reported that 29 persons attended the 1987 Law Enforcement Training Course at Fort Sill, OK. Participants appreciated the high quality classes
and the practical application of techniques for communication and handling sensitive situations. Course income is expected to exceed expenses by about $500.00.

A resolution on DoD Law Enforcement Training was distributed and discussed. Gene Stout moved that "Game Warden" be changed to "Natural Resources Law Enforcement Officer" and that a natural resources knowledge requirement be added to the job description. The resolution was adopted with the addition of these amendments.

Vice President Larry Adams conducted the election of officers. Tom Bryce was withdrawn from the slate of At-Large Director candidates as he has left DoD and is no longer eligible to hold office. Carl Petrick declined nomination as Vice President but accepted nomination from the floor as an At-Large Director. As there were no further nominations for President, Larry Adams was elected by acclamation. Slader Buck was elected Vice President and Rick Griffiths Secretary-Treasurer. At-Large Directors elected were Tom Wray and Bob Progulske (East) and Scott Klinger and Kim Hello (West).

President Warren commented on U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service interest in DoD land management and the NMFWA; this included cooperation with management plans and assistance and support in coping with funding cuts. He also described the Association's input to DoD natural resource programs and relationship with other natural resource management agencies and private organizations. He reported that the Association presented plaques to supporters of the Sikes Act in 1986. Revisions recommended for the 1988 reauthorization are a requirement that monies taken in be spent only for natural resources use and removal of the dollar limitation on the reserve fund.

President Warren reported the need for contributions to fund a helicopter for Federal law enforcement personnel in Louisiana. Matt Nowak moved that the Association contribute $100.00 to this fund (through the Isak Walton League, which is handling the contributions) and that the Association inform the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service of this action. The motion passed.

Matt Nowak proposed a resolution to generate a positive natural resources attitude in television recruitment advertising by DoD. Gene Stout moved that we accept this resolution. Don Cole suggested that it might meet resistance from DoD Headquarters. The motion was amended to send a copy to the Secretary of each department. The motion passed.

Gene Stout introduced a resolution on training land monitoring. Bob Progulske proposed amending it to include initial inventory of land condition. The resolution was adopted with this addition and minor word changes.

Copies of all adopted resolutions will be sent to the DNRC. Gene Stout stated that all NMFWA members, not just the Board of Directors, should become involved in proposing resolutions that reflect concerns and policy issue of the Association.

Scott Klinger expressed appreciation for the support he received from the Association when the Fish and Wildlife Program at Fort Riley, KS, was threatened by budget cuts. He also warned that the threat of program elimination can occur at any installation.

The Awards Committee announced that it had selected the paper on Land Trend Analysis as the best presentation at this year's meeting (see page 9).

President Warren thanked NMFWA members for their contributions and support and shared some final thoughts on lines of communication and Association activities before turning the meeting over to incoming President Larry Adams.
Larry Adams presented Certificates of Appreciation to the retiring Board Members. He announced that Gene Stout is the Program Chairman for the 1989 meeting and training session. The meeting adjourned at 1100.

NMFWA Board Meeting, 15 July 1988

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Adams at 1105. President Adams stated that he would appoint the Newsletter Editor and chairmen of the Awards, Law Enforcement, and Archive Committees as soon as possible. The committee chairmen will choose their own committee members.

Gene Stout proposed "The Biopolitics of Natural Resource Management" as the theme for the next meeting.

Slader Buck suggested that interagency coordination be stressed at the next meeting and that a slide-tape presentation be developed on the Association.

Tom Warren proposed that a NMFWA banner be created for use at Association meetings and agreed to take care of it. Gene Stout agreed to develop a NMFWA poster for the March 1989 North American Conference; he will also look into having NMFWA lapel pins available for sale at the 1989 meeting.

The 1990 Annual Meeting and Training Session was tentatively scheduled for March 1990 in conjunction with the North American Conference in Denver, CO. The meeting adjourned at 1145.

NEW RESOLUTIONS

The resolutions below were presented, discussed, and adopted unanimously at the NMFWA meeting in Albuquerque, NM. The implementation of these resolutions is expected to have a positive effect on DoD natural resource management programs and their public perception.

Resolution 1 -- Public Relations

WHEREAS, environment and natural resources management are significant and legitimate concerns of both the American people and of the Defense Department, and

WHEREAS, environmental quality significantly affects the training mission and combat readiness of the Department of Defense and therefore, the safety of the nation, and

WHEREAS, the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association represents the professional natural resources management philosophy of the Department of Defense environmental and natural resources managers;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association, in its annual meeting on July 15, 1988, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, encourages the Department of Defense to use its advertising campaign to project a public image of proper environmental and natural resources management, and that the Association offer its services to assist the Department of Defense to further this purpose, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Air Force, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Commandant of the Marine Corps.
Resolution 2 — Military Land Inventory and Monitoring

WHEREAS, the Department of Defense recognizes its public trust responsibilities as stewards of the land, and

WHEREAS, the maintenance of high quality lands is essential to the military mission, and

WHEREAS, serious damage is occurring on many military lands, and

WHEREAS, there is a lack of data on land condition on most installations as well as methodology to disseminate these data in an effective manner, and

WHEREAS, long term ecological inventory and monitoring is essential to provide data for scientific management of Defense lands, and

WHEREAS, Land Condition Trend Analysis, as developed by the Department of Army within the Integrated Training Areas Management Program, is an efficient means to accomplish long term ecological inventory and monitoring, and

WHEREAS, such inventory and monitoring would be beneficial to all branches of the Department of Defense;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association, in its annual meeting on July 15, 1988, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, supports the Land Condition Trend Analysis Program and encourages Department of Defense Branches to adopt this program as a standard, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Air Force, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Resolution 3 — Natural Resources Law Enforcement

WHEREAS, effective natural resources law enforcement has long been recognized as essential to the management of Department of Defense lands, and

WHEREAS, the improvement of such enforcement has been a high priority of the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association since its beginnings in 1983, and

WHEREAS, notable improvements have been made in recent years in natural resources law enforcement on military installations, especially involving the use of civilian natural resources enforcement officers, coordination between enforcement and natural resources management personnel, and training, and

WHEREAS, the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association has assumed a role of providing training for Natural Resources enforcement personnel within the Department of Defense which has been highly successful with regard to annual refresher training;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association, in its annual meeting on July 15, 1988, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, recognizes significant improvements in natural resources law enforcement on military lands and encourages a continuation of this trend, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association identifies two significant problems which require command support to resolve, the lack of a standardized basic training for new National Resource law enforcement personnel and the need for a civilian job series with Natural Resources and Enforcement requirements at installations which have a need for full time National Resources enforcement officers, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association will continue to provide annual refresher training for experienced Natural Resources enforcement officers, but encourages the Department of Defense to establish an annual four week basic Natural Resource law enforcement course for enforcement personnel which is conducted by civilian professional enforcement trainers with natural resources experience, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Association believes that funding for such training could come from a variety of accounts since natural resources law enforcement is basic land management which benefits most natural resource and environmental programs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Air Force, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Commandant of the Marine Corps.

A Resolution to be Considered at the Next Meeting

WHEREAS, the newsletter of the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association has become a pillar of communication and information transfer within the organization;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a wing in the Pentagon be dedicated to commemorate the success of the newsletter and efforts of its editors, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this wing be appropriately known as "FAWN HALL," and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this proposed resolution be considered only as an attempt at humor.

NMFWA AWARDS, FY88

The NMFWA presented several awards at its annual meeting in Albuquerque, NM. The contributions of the award winners are summarized below. Refer to page 11 for a description of the NMFWA awards program and request for nominations for the next annual meeting.

Mr. George F. Walters was honored with a Special Act Award for his outstanding contribution to the Fort Lewis, WA, wildlife management program. Mr. Walters is a Natural Resources Specialist with the Nisqually Indian Tribe, and his work on Fort Lewis has been in a volunteer role. As a local Audubon volunteer, he developed the largest concentration of western bluebirds in western Washington. He used nest boxes and natural habitat improvement to increase the bluebird population on Fort Lewis from 22 pairs in 1983 to 168 pairs in 1987, and bluebirds are now spreading into suitable habitat outside of the installation as a result of his efforts. Mr. Walters also banded over 1500 bluebirds to obtain information about the species' biological needs. He has spent countless hours and traveled many miles on weekends, during vacation periods, and after work for the enhancement of bluebirds on Fort Lewis.

Steven Emmons was honored with a Special Act Award for significant contributions to the Department of Defense's wildlife law enforcement program. Mr. Emmons, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, Fort Carson, CO, conducted 3-week basic and advanced Game Warden courses in 1986 and 1987, which included instruction in Federal laws, shooting skills, defensive tactics, field forensics, officer survival, legal aspects, and enforcement techniques. Courses were attended by 70 DoD game wardens
from the Army, Air Force, Navy, and Marines. The NMFWA expressed a strong desire to improve wildlife law enforcement on installations as its first action when the Association was formed in 1983, and the efforts of Mr. Emmons represented a monumental step toward meeting that objective. His countless dedicated hours resulted in training improvements for game wardens that will have a lasting effect on wildlife law enforcement on DoD installations.

Tom Warren, Fort Carson, CO, was honored for his dedicated service as NMFWA President from 1986 through 1988. Mr. Warren helped found the Association through his efforts in the early 1980s. His organizational talents were particularly helpful in preparing the Constitution and Bylaws that were approved at the Association's first annual meeting in July 1983. He was elected Secretary/Treasurer in 1984, Vice President in 1985, and NMFWA's second President in 1986. Mr. Warren's contributions are woven through the fabric of the entire organization. Perhaps more than any other person, he gave the Association stature in the nationwide conservation community. Recognizing that his new organization had limited resources, he created ties with conservation giants such as the National Wildlife Federation, The Wildlife Management Institute, The Wildlife Society, and the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. He also established Association support for annual wildlife law enforcement training programs, created an awards program, improved members' access to job vacancies, and gave the Association a voice at Defense Natural Resources Group meetings. Tom's personal goal while President was to open communications between installation fish and wildlife managers and their counterparts throughout the chain of command, and the communication that now exists is testimony to his efforts.

Gene Stout, Fort Sill, OK, was presented a special plaque for his efforts to found the NMFWA and act as its first President. Mr. Stout began to organize fish and wildlife professionals in 1977, and in 1983 the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association was founded as a private organization. Mr. Stout developed the first directory of Defense fish and wildlife personnel, produced the Association's first newsletters, drafted its Constitution and Bylaws, put together programs for early meetings, and formed the nucleus of key military wildlife professionals to establish the Association. Due largely to Mr. Stout's efforts, the Association has become widely recognized by other conservation groups and national legislators as a supporter of fish and wildlife programs. It has presented viewpoints on such issues as wildlife law enforcement, professional staffing, non-toxic shot for waterfowl hunting, contracting out natural resources functions, and development of funding for fish and wildlife programs. The NMFWA was also instrumental in getting the Sikes Act amended in 1986 to greatly improve fish and wildlife management on military installations. Gene Stout's vision of improving the management of fish and wildlife resources throughout the Department of Defense is continually bearing fruit as the Association he helped found grows in stature and effectiveness.

Don Cole (Army Environmental Office), Dr. Vic Diersing (U.S. Army Construction and Engineering Research Laboratory), and Dr. Robert Shaw (Colorado State University) received Certificates of Achievement for their presentation on the concept and application of the Integrated Training Areas Management (ITAM) project. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to retiring Board members Slader Buck (March 1986 - July 1988), Joe Ward (July 1983 - July 1988), Steve Emmons (November 1987 - July 1988), Mike Herbaugh (November 1987 - July 1988), Jock Beall (March 1986 - July 1988), Tom Wray (March 1986 - July 1988), and Al Pfister (November 1987 - July 1988).
FY89 NMFWA ANNUAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The NMFWA will hold its FY89 Training Session and Business Meeting on 21-23 March 1989 at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC. The program will be held in conjunction with the following meetings: 54th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference, 17-22 March; The Wildlife Society Annual Meeting, 17-21 March; and the National Wildlife Federation Annual Meeting, 16-19 March.


Tentative Agenda:

**Tuesday, March 21**

1300 Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy initial planning sessions

1400 Board of Director's meeting

Committee meetings may be scheduled as needed by chairpersons

**Wednesday, March 22**

0800-0900 Registration (fee not yet determined)

0900-0910 Announcements

0910-0920 Welcome (Dr. Laurence Jahn, President, Wildlife Management Institute)

0920-0930 President's Remarks (Larry Adams, NMFWA President)

0930-1045 Panel Presentation: National Expectations of Military Fish and Wildlife Managers (speakers will be solicited from a major conservation organization, the U.S. Congress, DoD, and the Department of Interior)

1045-1100 Break

1100-1215 Panel Presentation: Installation Expectations of Military Fish and Wildlife Managers (we are looking for 4 speakers to represent viewpoints of installation commanders, combat unit commanders, facility engineers, and sportsmen)

1215-1330 Lunch

1330-1700 Paper Session. The general theme will be getting support (public, command, money, etc.) for fish and wildlife programs on installations. We are soliciting papers on this general topic.

1800-2100 Social hour followed by Awards Banquet with a guest speaker

**Thursday, March 23**

0830-1200 NMFWA Business Meeting and Elections

1200-1230 NMFWA Board Meeting (organizational)

1330-1430 DoD Training Session

1430-1700 Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy individual training sessions

1700 Adjourn

Please call Gene Stout as soon as possible if you have any proposals or ideas for the above agenda. The agenda must be finalized by 1 November so that it can be printed in the North American program brochure. DoD personnel are also encouraged to present papers at the North American Conference. Gene Stout can put you in touch with session Chairpersons.
SECRETARY/TREASURER’S REPORT

Fifty persons registered for the NMFWA meeting in Albuquerque. Income from registration fees, banquet charges, and contributions totaled $2445.00. Hotel charges for the Wednesday night social and Thursday night banquet were $1252.86. Program Committee expenses were $70.81; Awards Committee $2.37. After deducting these expenses and adding the previous balance of approximately $133.00 and the $200.00 advance deposit to the hotel, the Association has approximately $1453.00 on hand. An additional $500.00 is anticipated from the Law Enforcement training course. Expenses since the meeting have been: postage for mailing awards and Association records, $37.10; and an advance to the Program Committee of $100.00 for 1989 meeting expenses.

There were 468 persons on our membership list on 8 September 1988. Of these, 357 have submitted current membership applications and will receive this issue of the FAWN. The 110 who have not responded to the request to provide a new membership application have been dropped from the mailing list. If you know any of these persons, please ask them to submit a new application if they are still interested in being part of the Association. Applications should be sent to the Secretary/Treasurer at the following address: Richard E. Griffiths, US Army Environmental Hygiene Agency, FMFMD, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD 21010-5422.

CALL FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS

The NMFWA has established an Awards Committee to recognize those persons, organizations, and activities that have made exceptional contributions to natural resources management within DoD, to the NMFWA, or towards achieving the objectives of the NMFWA. The awards program is not meant to replace or augment the DoD or branch award programs, but rather serves to provide recognition for outstanding programs and efforts which further the development and/or awareness of NMFWA objectives.

Award nominees are not limited to members of NMFWA, and there are no firm categories for nominations. General areas that may be considered include: Public relations (speaking, legislative liaison, hunter safety, etc.), outstanding publications, significant achievements in the natural resource area, program development, in-house training programs, law enforcement programs, and resource/endangered species development.

All NMFWA members are urged to identify potential candidates for awards to be presented at the March 1989 meeting in Washington, DC. The cut-off date for submission is 31 December 1988, so please do not delay making nominations. Submittals should be sent to the NMFWA Awards Committee Chairman at the following address: Ron Dow, Code 6230-2, Naval Air Station, Point Mugu, CA 93042-5000 (805/989-7412, A-351-7412).

EDITOR’S NOTE

This edition of FAWN is primarily a business issue due to the large amount of information generated by the July 1988 meeting and announcement of the tentative program for the March 1989 meeting. I wish to acknowledge Larry Adams, Rick Griffiths, Gene Stout, and Ron Dow for their timely contributions to this issue.
The next FAWN is scheduled for publication in January 1989. In order to meet this deadline, I will need to receive contributed articles no later than 1 December 1988. All NMFWA members are urged to use the pages of FAWN to communicate issues and ideas and pass along the results of natural resource activities. Please work with your At-Large Directors to develop articles that are representative of the diversity of programs on DoD installations. Articles may be contributed through At-Large Directors or sent directly to me at the following address: Chester O. Martin (CEWES-ER-R), Wildlife Resources Team, Environmental Laboratory, USAE Waterways Experiment Station, P.O. Box 631, Vicksburg, MS 39181-0631 (601/634-3958).

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