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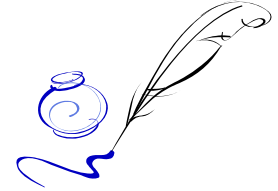
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Notes from the President

Chad Reid



Greeting from Wet and Cold Southern Utah,

As I write this we have a flash flood watch in effect and the forecast calls for snow tonight and tomorrow. The snowpack over much of Southern Utah has averaged about 150% of normal. This is definitely an El Niño year. El Niño-Southern Oscillation, or ENSO, is a climatic event that occurs across the tropical Pacific Ocean on average every five years. However it can vary from three to seven years, and is therefore, is known as "quasi-periodic". When we have a strong El Niño pattern the jet stream moves south resulting in Southern Utah having abundant precipitation and Northern Utah suffering drought. In addition to all the precipitation, we have also had a cold spring with ranges being two to three weeks behind normal due to the lack of heat. The really good thing about this is that it will be a great year to have a range tour near Kanab, Utah. If this weather pattern holds we should have excellent range conditions for our summer tour in Kanab in June. The Southern section has put forth a lot of effort and planned a great summer tour, so let's do our part and make sure we have great attendance to match their efforts. I know Kanab is a long way for some of you to travel, however I can guarantee you your travels will be rewarded with an excellent tour and meeting. So please take the time to fill out the registration form included in this newsletter and mail it today.

Chad





UTAH SECTION SRM 2009 SUMMER FIELD TRIP REGISTRATION FORM

June 3th and 4th, 2010, Kanab, Utah
Meet at the junction to Alton, UT on Highway 89 on June 3 at 10:00 AM
For those staying in Kanab we will leave at 8:00AM
Kanab Field Office area - Tour of vegetative treatments
Lunch and chuck wagon dinner on June 3 (included in registration)
June 4 Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument vegetative treatments

Name: _____ Member Non-Member (circle one)

Additional Spouse or Guest Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Street

City

Zip Code

Phone Number or Email: _____

Registration: *\$40 per person (**Registration fees must be received by May 26, 2009**)

*\$30 Student Registration

\$30 Later Registration and Day of Tour (**No Meals**)

*Includes lunch and chuck wagon dinner on June 3th.

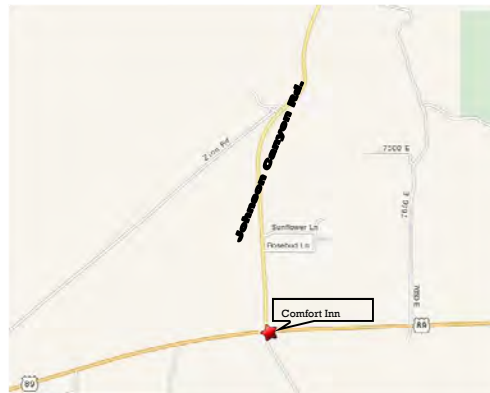
Send registration form and payment to:

Ron Torgerson
Trust Land Administration
130 N Main
Richfield, UT 84701

Make Checks payable to: Society for Range Management. Sorry no Credit Cards

Questions or suggestions please email Joe Jenson at josephjenson@q.com

Rooms at the Comfort Inn, (815 East Highway 89, Kanab, Utah 84741, Phone: (435) 644-8888), are reserved until May 19, 2010. Under SRM or Range Conference. The hotel provides a Continental breakfast.



There will be a section business meeting after dinner on June 3rd.



Range Camp 2010

It's time to start spreading the word about the 2010 Range Camp!

Range Camp is an intensive 4-day camp held at the Gooseberry Forest Service Campground in Salina Canyon. This year's camp will be held August 2-5, 2010. The cost of the camp is just \$100, which includes meals and materials. The camp is open to 25 high school students age 15 and older. The top two individuals will receive an expense paid trip to the International Society for Range Management Convention which will be held in early February 2011 in Billings, Montana. There they will have the opportunity to participate in the High School Youth Forum with other students from around the country.

The Field School offers students a background in ecological principles and the tools used to measure the health of our rangelands, as well as an understanding of the resource management process. A great deal of time is spent in learning and discussing the roles of humans in natural resources, with special attention given to the process of resolving conflict. The Field School includes a balance of outdoor activities, hikes, and classroom study.

Instructors for the school are Society for Range Management members from University faculty, agency professionals, and private industry from around the state.

Sponsorships are available through various county and state agencies, such as Conservation District Boards, Farm Bureau, school districts, FFA chapters, and others involved in conservation of our Natural Resources.

For more information, Contact

George Cook
PO Box 505
Wellington, UT 84542
Phone: 435 537-0937, Cell: 435 820-0056
gscook@emerytelcom.net



More information, including applications, can be found at the Utah SRM webpage at:

<http://www.usu.edu/range/upcomingevents/unrfs.htm>



Scholarship Winners



The Utah Society for Range Management has selected two individuals as recipients of the \$1500, L. A. Stoddart Scholarship for 2010. They are Laura Hansen and Zach Anderson.

Laura Hansen is a junior at Utah State University majoring in Rangeland Resources with a minor in Animal Science. She has been on the Dean's list every semester maintaining a GPA of 3.7. She was involved in FFA in high school and enjoyed plant ID contests. She is the current Secretary of the USU Range Club. Laura has attended State and National SRM meetings participating in the Undergraduate Range Management Exams. During summer breaks she works for the US Forest Service in a SCEP position.

Zach Anderson is a junior majoring in Wildlife and Wildland Conservation at Brigham Young University. Future career goals include a master's degree, a PhD and teaching at a university. He maintains a 3.79 GPA. Zach loves the outdoors participating in camping, hunting, trapping and fishing with family and friends. His Grandpa Frischknecht operated a 7,000 ewe/lamb operation in central Utah. He is an Eagle Scout and was selected as a sterling scholar in social sciences in 2005. He has attended SRM national meetings and has published an article in the rangeland Journal.

Congratulations to these two well deserving recipients.



Upcoming Awards

Range Excellence

We need more nominations in this category!

The Utah Section Range Excellence Committee reviews and recognizes rangelands within the State, which reflect quality management and good land stewardship. The committee is requesting nominations for 2010. The following criteria are suggested for evaluation and selection of range excellence areas:

1. Rangelands in satisfactory condition, improving under current management, and progressing toward management goals.
2. Improvement in condition is or can be documented and demonstrated.
3. A mix of land uses (livestock grazing, wildlife habitat, recreation, etc.) and ownership result in diversified and sustained benefits.
4. The area demonstrates either intensive or extensive management systems on mountain, foothill, riparian, or other range types.

The committee requests your nomination for 2010. Use the Suggested Project to Nominate form found on the Utah Section webpage <http://www.usu.edu/range/committee/rangeexcellence2010.pdf> or direct your interest and questions to a member the Range Excellence Committee. We invite your involvement in the nomination of suitable areas for this important recognition.

Send suggested projects or nominations to:

Bob Campbell
USDA/FS Fishlake National Forest
115 E. 900 N.
Richfield, UT 84701
435 896-1095
Fax: 435 896-9347

Nominations prior to June 1st would be most helpful



Rancher of the Year

The goal is to recognize a rancher or group of ranchers who are outstanding in their land management, livestock management, and innovative practices.

Steve Monson would like these submissions by the first of September to allow time for visits to the nominated ranches. It is a lot easier for the recipients to be from an area of the state closer to the Winter meeting locale though not necessary.

Send Nominations to Awards Chairman:

Stephen Monsen
1097 N Main St
Mapleton, UT 84664-3412
Home Phone 801-489-5059
Work Phone
Email [sbmonsens@comcast.net](mailto:sbmonsen@comcast.net)

<http://www.usu.edu/range/committee/awards.htm>

16th Wildland Shrub Symposium



<http://wss2010.usu.edu>

THREATS TO SHRUBLAND ECOSYSTEM INTEGRITY

18-20 MAY 2010, UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY, LOGAN, UTAH, USA



Linking Research and Management

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS OPEN

- Abstract Deadline April 15, 2010
- Papers on Climate Change, Wildlife, Energy Extraction, Invasive Species, Restoration, Wildfire, Recreation, Livestock Grazing, Social and Economic Aspects, and Shrub Biology are encouraged
- Program will include Plenary and Concurrent Sessions, a Poster Session, and Field tours

The Wildland Shrub Symposium Series are developed by The Shrub Research Consortium (SRC), which was formed in 1983 and now has 27 institutional members. Contributed oral and poster presentations on all aspects of shrublands are encouraged. Symposium proceedings will be published by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station; all presenters are strongly encouraged to prepare a manuscript for the proceedings. Manuscripts will be due in December 2010.

Contact Organizers

Tom Monaco (tom.monaco@ars.usda.gov) and Eugene Schupp (eugene.schupp@usu.edu)

16th Wildland Shrub Symposium



<http://wss2010.usu.edu>

18-20 MAY 2010, UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY, LOGAN, UTAH, USA

Tuesday Program

7:30 Registration

----- Plenary Session -----

- 8:30 Welcome to Utah State University
Nat Frazer, Dean, College of Natural Resources, Utah State University
- 8:40 Symposium Chair Introduction
Gene Schupp, Department of Wildland Resources, Utah State University
- 8:45 A climate perspective and outlook for shrublands in the Great Basin.
Robert Gillies, Utah State Climatologist, Utah State University
- 9:30 Restoring shrublands and the importance of ecological literacy
Beth Newingham, Dept. of Rangeland Ecology and Management, University of Idaho
- 10:15 *Break*
- 10:30 Impacts of energy development to greater sage-grouse habitats
Matt Holloran, Senior Ecologist, Wyoming Wildlife Consultants, Laramie, WY
- 11:15 Land-use legacies in shrublands: ghosts in the ecosystem
Lesley R. Morris, Research Associate, USDA Agricultural Research Service, Logan, UT
- 12:00 *Lunch*
- 1-5pm Contributed papers combined with organized sessions:
1. Historical Perspectives in Shrublands
2. Wildlife Habitats: Impacts and Restoration Opportunities
- 5-8pm Poster Session and Appetizer/Mixer

Wednesday Field Tour

- 8am-5pm
Option 1--West Desert Shrubland Ecology and Restoration
Option 2--Montane Shrubland Ecology and Habitat Improvement
- 5:30pm Dutch oven dinner at American West Heritage Center

Thursday Program

- 8am-
- 1pm Contributed papers combined with organized sessions:
1. Impacts of Energy Development and Reclamation on Ecosystem Functions
2. Wind erosion in cold and warm desert shrublands: causes, consequences, and management implications
- 1-5pm Contributed papers combined with organized sessions:
1. Ecosystem Threats Due to Fire in the Mojave Desert
- 5pm Close Symposium

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Winter Meeting



MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!! MORE INFORMATION IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER

Dates: November 4 & 5, 2010

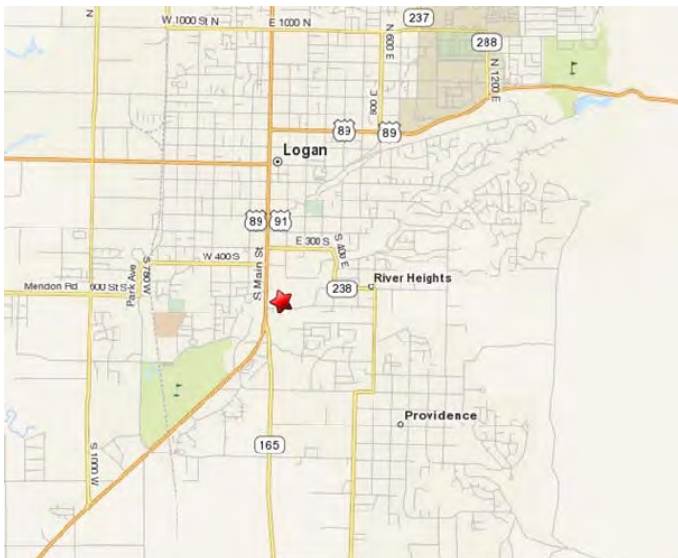
Location: The Riverwoods Meeting and Conference Facility
635 South Riverwoods Parkway, Logan, Utah
(435) 750-5180

Lodging: Spring Hill Suites by Marriott

- Free Sweet Seasons Hot Breakfast
- State of the art fitness center
- Indoor Pool & hot tubs

Single or double rooms are non-smoking at the Federal Government per diem rate of \$70.00. All rates subject to state and local taxes.

A limited number of rooms have been reserved at the Spring Hill Suites. Please ask for the government rate for the Utah Section Society for Range Management annual meeting.



Call for Papers for Winter Meeting

Send papers to:

Jeff Barnes
NRCS
Grazing Land Management Specialist
1860 North 100 East
North Logan, Utah 84341
(435) 753-5616 x26
(435) 755-2117 Fax

Conference and Lodging Location



Check out our Utah Section website!



Society for Range Management - UTAH SECTION

HOME NEWS UPCOMING EVENTS OFFICERS COMMITTEES LINKS ABOUT SRM

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**Welcome to the Utah Section of
The Society for Range Management**

The Society for Range Management is the professional society dedicated to supporting persons who work with rangelands and have a commitment to their sustainable use. Rangelands comprise almost one-half of all the lands in the world. They are extremely important to society for the goods and services they provide. SRM is dedicated to the conservation and sustainable management of rangelands for the benefit of current societies and for future generations.

<http://www.usu.edu/range/index.htm>



Membership Information

Membership in the Society for Range Management is open to anyone engaged in or interested in any aspect of the study, management, or use of rangelands. Membership rights and privileges include: voting, committee service, nomination and election to offices, subscription to *Rangelands* journal and the *Rangeland News* (formerly Member Resource News), discounted prices for publications, meeting registration fees, page charges and certification fees. For more information on membership in SRM, or to request a Membership Application, please contact Lesley Radtke, Director of Membership, 303-986-3309, or email LRadtke@rangelands.org.

Membership Applications Forms:

[Online Membership Application](#)

[Printable New Member Application \(pdf\)](#)

[Printable New Member Student Application \(pdf\)](#) - The New Member Application with the Student Verification Form

[Student Verification Form \(pdf\)](#)

[Printable International Application \(pdf\)](#)

[Printable International Application Country List \(pdf\)](#)

Calling All Cooks.... Now Accepting Recipes, Stories and Photos

Do you have a family or ranch recipe that has been around for generations? Does it have a great story or background to go with it? Or maybe you have a great range story, ranch story or an awesome range photo that you would like to share. We are looking for you. The Information and Education Committee is collecting recipes, stories and photos for the next edition of the Trail Boss Cowboy Cookbook.

Submit Recipes, Range Stories and Range Photos to:

srmcookbook@yahoo.com

Please Include Your Name, Ranch Name, SRM Section and City, State with each submission.

All recipes must be original recipes (never published). If it is a published recipe it must be changed by 10%, (such as changing an ingredient or amount, adding an ingredient, changing cooking temperature or time.)

Featured Recipe Of The Month:

From: Trail Boss's Cowboy Cookbook, 1985

Shelly (Jackson) Van Haur, Van Haur Polled Herfords

Montana Beef Pasties (Butte Pasties)

1 double recipe for pie dough	1 c. leftover gravy
1 lb. diced, cooked roast beef (3-4 c.)	1 tsp. salt
½ lb. diced, cooked (boiled or baked) potatoes	¼ tsp. pepper
1 lge. Onion, diced	½ tsp. dried garlic
3 diced carrots	2 tbsp. parsley flakes

Mix all ingredients in a large bowl except pie dough. Roll pie dough into 1/8 " thick, 8" round circles. Place ¾ or 1 c. of meat mixture on half of dough circle, bring other half over and seal edges. Put small slit in top of each pastie. Cook at 400° for 1 hour. Serve with gravy or catsup.

Background: The old Welch miners were known for their lunch of pasties they took down in the mines of Butte, Montana. Later these pasties took on a variety of different ingredients and styles according to the nationality of the miner's wife who made them, and later the ranch wives.

