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**Deadline for the  
November 2005 SRM  
Member  
Resource News**

Remember to get your position announcements, columns, section announcements, agency information, etc. in by the 15<sup>th</sup> of October for the November issue of the newsletter. Send to Patty Rich at [prich@rangelands.org](mailto:prich@rangelands.org)

## Bumper Stickers

Jeffrey Burwell, SRM Director

The other day, I saw an old Volkswagen mini bus with a variety of bumper stickers. The back end of this beat up rusty antique had the requisite peace signs and Greatful Dead stickers. The sticker that got me thinking was the one that said “Think Globally, Act Locally”. Made me think about SRM and how our members engage locally to make a difference. I first thought of TJ - Thane Johnson. TJ is a stalwart when it comes to being engaged locally at the Colorado Section level. As long as I can remember, TJ has been an active member, always jumping in to get the job done, doing those chores that most of us are reluctant to take on in order for the section to function. TJ has probably sold more *Trail Boss* (dare I use that word) *Cook Books* than all other members combined. Two years ago, the Board of Directors assigned me the chore of forming a local task group to locate a new office for SRM. The first person I thought of asking was TJ. When I asked him to volunteer, he never blinked an eye and said straight away, “thought you’d never ask”. TJ and I became the Task Force of Two and TJ, as usual, jumped in with his usual fervor. It didn’t hurt that TJ is also a licensed realtor and knows Denver like the back of his hand. We had a small budget in a real estate market that didn’t favor slim billfolds. We looked at more overpriced, fixer-uppers than you can shake a stick at. After what seemed an eternity of looking at rundown office buildings, examining crawl spaces and climbing on roofs, TJ found the Red Cross building and it was a perfect match. Now, thanks to TJ’s dedication and hard work, the Society has a new home with plenty of space for offices, meeting rooms, and eventually a library that can house all of our archives and memorabilia which are stored somewhere at the University of Wyoming.

I tell this story, because it is members like TJ who motivate me with their tireless enthusiasm and dedication to a Society that means so much to them that they willingly give their time and they make a huge difference. I know every section has a few TJs who are always there, the “go-to guys/gals”. Take some time and recognize those folks at your section meetings and tours.

Back to “Acting Locally”. The Farm Bill expires in 2007. The current Farm Bill ushered in a new era of conservation initiatives. It contained the largest level of financial assistance (\$17 billion) to solve environmental issues on the Nation’s agricultural working lands, most of which

are rangelands. Over half of the funds appropriated for the Environmental Quality Incentives program provided financial assistance to treat resource concerns on rangelands. I am doubtful that we will see the same level of funding in the next Farm Bill given current world and local events such as wars, floods, and hurricanes. The Secretary of Agriculture, Mike Johanns, is traveling around the country to hear from folks on their vision for the next Farm Bill. Commodity groups, conservation and environmental groups, other special interest groups, and even hunting groups are posturing to get their voices heard. Should SRM have a voice in shaping the next Farm Bill? You bet we should! SRM is the voice for rangelands world-wide. We have several opportunities to provide input that can shape the future of millions of acres of North America's rangelands. State GLCI committees, all of which have SRM representatives, should examine what their rangeland resource concerns are and what is needed to treat those rangeland resources. SRM's Government Programs and Policy committee and GLCI committee will provide comments for the Board of Directors to consider. Nationally, SRM can partner with other conservation groups to provide input. Locally, individual members can and should attend the Farm Bill Forums and weigh in on programs and opportunities to provide technical and financial assistance to treat private rangelands.

Find your local voice and use it!

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## Books for Sale!!

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*The Jornada Experimental Range* by Fred N. Ares (1974). This book describes in words and pictures the story of the lands in the Jornada Experimental Range during the past 125 years.

*Special Management Needs of Alpine Ecosystems* edited by Douglas A. Johnson (1979). These papers were presented at a symposium of the same name at the Society's Annual Meeting held in Casper, Wyoming in 1979.

These two books are being sold for \$6.50 each which includes shipping and handling. Contact Mary Moser at the SRM at 303-986-3309 or email her at [mmoser@rangelands.org](mailto:mmoser@rangelands.org)

### *SRM Members Resource News*

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## Steering Committee Members Needed for Rangeland Ecology & Management

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The Steering Committee is soliciting applicants for three additional members of the *Rangeland Ecology and Management (REM)* Steering Committee. The purpose of the *REM* steering committee is to work with the Editor-in-Chief, *REM* Editorial Board, SRM Board of Directors, and the publisher to improve the quality, international stature, relevance, and impact of *Rangeland Ecology and Management*; to serve as an advocate for the journal within SRM; and to ensure that scientific diversity is represented in the journal.

The *REM* steering committee will be composed of a diversity of disciplines and geographic representation. The primary emphasis of the committee composition will be disciplinary representation, but with balance given to geographic representation including at least one international (i.e., non-U.S.) member. Membership will include one former and one current member of the *REM* Editorial Board, one of which will serve as liaison to the *REM* Editorial Board. Therefore, previous experience as an associate editor with *REM* or *JRM* would be beneficial. Eligible members will be those SRM member scientists with a record of publishing in *JRM/REM* and other scientific journals.

The Steering Committee will select additional members from the following list of disciplines in keeping with categories of acceptable subject matter for volunteered and invited manuscripts.

- Plant physiology
- Wildlife habitat and ecology
- Plant ecology
- Grazing management
- Grazing animal nutrition and behavior
- Pastures/forage
- Geospatial ecology
- Systems science
- Reclamation and restoration
- Soils
- Hydrology
- Economics
- Pests and invasive species
- Conservation ecology
- Social science

Current members of the Steering Committee are as follows:

	Geography	Expertise
<b>THREE YEAR TERMS</b>		
Wayne Polley	Texas	ecology
Ken Tate	California	watersheds
Zhao Mengli	China	ecology and management
<b>TWO YEAR TERMS</b>		
Dave Engle, Chair	Oklahoma	ecology and management
Walter Willms	Alberta	ecology and management
Allen Torell, Chair elect	New Mexico	economics
<b>ONE YEAR TERMS</b>		
Justin Derner	Wyoming	ecology and management
Urs Kreuter	Texas	economics and sociology
Carolyn Sieg, Liaison to <i>REM</i> Associate Editors	Arizona	ecology, management, and wildlife

Applicants should submit their vita including a list of previous editorial experience and a one-page vision for *REM* by November 1, 2005 to David M. Engle, preferably electronically at [dme@iastate.edu](mailto:dme@iastate.edu); or mailed for receipt by November 1, 2005 to David M. Engle, 339 Science II, Iowa State University, Ames, IA; Fax: 515-294-2995.

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## **Rangeland Ecology & Management**

### **Associate Editors Needed**

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Associate Editors are needed to replace outgoing members and to augment the existing Editorial Board. Appointments are made for a 3-year period that will begin at the Annual Meeting in Vancouver. All applications will be considered, but we especially need expertise in grazing management/behavior, hydrology, plant physiology, plant community ecology, remote sensing applications, and economics.

We will hold a training session for new Associate Editors on Sunday, February 12, 2006 at the Vancouver meetings. This session will include learning to use AllenTrack, reviewing the *REM* style manual, and discussing *REM* expectations of statistical analyses and interpretation. New Associate Editors are strongly encouraged to attend this session, but a handbook will also be prepared to assist people who cannot attend the meeting.

If you are interested in volunteering for this important task, please send a letter of interest to Dr. M. Keith Owens ([m-owens@tamu.edu](mailto:m-owens@tamu.edu)) no later than November 15, 2005.

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## **Hurricane Katrina Recovery**

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Hurricane Katrina recovery efforts are underway in Louisiana and Mississippi focusing on debris removal and animal disposal at this time. The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service is joining other Federal and state agencies that are conducting such operations in these states.

If you are capable of handling a contract for this work, or know of someone capable of such work please note that the working conditions will possibly require the contractor to provide its own logistics of food, water, shelter, and energy to set up camp.

If interested please contact:

Louisiana: Steve Carmichael at [steve.carmichael@la.usda.gov](mailto:steve.carmichael@la.usda.gov) or at 318-473-7774.

Mississippi: Alan Holditch at [alan.holditch@ms.usda.gov](mailto:alan.holditch@ms.usda.gov) or at 601-935-4339 ext. 238.

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## **Southern Section Tour Cancelled**

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Due to the extent of the destruction, disruption, and upheaval in the aftermath of Katrina, the Louisiana members felt they have no option but to cancel the Southern Section tour for this year.

The Fall Section Meeting has been rescheduled. It will now be held in conjunction with the Missouri Forage and Grassland Council (MFGC) Conference, Nov 7–8, at Lake Ozark, Missouri. The Section will meet on Monday, Nov. 7, after the banquet, at approximately 8:00 p.m. in the lounge.

If you would like further information on the MFGC Conference, you can find the agenda and registration form at <http://agebb.missouri.edu/mfgc>

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## **Society for Conservation Biology Annual Meeting**

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The Society for Conservation Biology is having their Annual Meeting in San Jose, California in June, 2006.

Abstracts for talks and posters are being accepted October 15 through January 10. Symposia and workshop proposals are due October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Go to the following web sites for more information:

<http://www.conbio.org/2006/>

<http://www.conbio.org/2006/Symposiumcall.cfm>

You may also contact Sheila Barry at [sbarry@ucdavis.edu](mailto:sbarry@ucdavis.edu) if you are interested in assisting with planning, would like to present, or have any questions, comments, or suggestions.



# New Member Application

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\* (Please Print or Type) First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_ \*Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Certifications:  CRMC  CPRM  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Nickname (Informal) \_\_\_\_\_  
Job Title \_\_\_\_\_ \*  Male \*  Female Date of birth: M \_\_\_ D \_\_\_ Y \_\_\_

**\*Company/Organization/Business Affiliation/(Students MUST put College or University)**

<b>*Business Address (Student School Address)</b>	<b>*Home Street Address (Student Permanent Home)</b>
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Suite/Apt# _____	Suite/Apt# _____
City _____ State/Province _____	City _____ State/Province _____
Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____	Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____

<b>*Business Phone (Include Area Code)</b>	<b>*Home Phone (Include Area Code)</b>
_____	_____
Business Fax (Include Area Code) _____	Home Fax (Include Area Code) _____
<b>* Email Address (to receive monthly Member Resource News)</b>	<b>* 2<sup>nd</sup> Email Address</b>
_____	_____

Please mail my publications to my:  Business (School Address)  Home (Permanent Home Address) If yes, when \_\_\_\_\_  
Have you ever been a member of SRM?  Yes  No

How did you hear about SRM? \_\_\_\_\_ Name of member that recruited you \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION** (Amount includes the Primary section) (\* See reverse side for dues amount)  
 Regular \$85  Student \$35  Institutional \$205  Commercial \$525  \* Life  \* Life Family  \*Additional Family  
High School:  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior  
College:  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior  
Graduate:  Year 1  Year 2  Year 3  Year 4  Year 5  Year 6

**SECTION AFFILIATION** (See next page for Sections)  
SRM members must choose a Section affiliation. Section affiliation is determined by geographical region, but members may be affiliated with any and as many Sections as desired upon payment of additional Section dues. If you wish to belong to more than one Section, please contact the SRM office at (303) 986-3309 for additional dues amount.  
**\*Primary Section Affiliation (1 only)** \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Sections (\$5 ea) \_\_\_\_\_  
\* = Required Fields  Please check box if you do not want your contact information printed in the SRM Member Directory

**OPTIONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS**  
Members receive six issues of *Rangelands* and 12 issues of *Member Resource News* (electronic delivery only via email) with your paid membership. Members may opt to receive 6 issues of the *Rangeland Ecology and Management* for \$25.00 per year.  
I would like to receive the *Rangeland Ecology and Management*  Yes  No

## **PAYMENT OPTIONS**

Payment must be made in U.S. funds drawn on a U.S. bank. Please make checks/money orders payable to: **Society For Range Management**

Dues \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Optional Subscriptions \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Payment:  Visa  MasterCard  American Express  Discover

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Signature (REQUIRED)

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## **MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION**

**Regular**—Basic individual membership, includes Rangelands and the *Member Resource News*, voting privileges, committee service, and nomination & election to any office.

**Additional Family**—Individuals of same household desiring more than one Regular membership. Families receive only one set of publications, but each member retains all rights & privileges of Regular member.

**Student**—Full-time students (high school through graduate school). Not eligible to hold office. Must succeed to different class of membership in the calendar year following termination of course of study.

**Life**—Same as Regular with one-time dues payment.

**Life Family**—Individuals of same family desiring more than one Life membership.

**Commercial**—Businesses, proprietorships, individuals or other entities organized for profit. Must designate a representative. Listed in Society publications.

**Institutional**—Institutions or other entities not organized for profit (i.e., Federal agencies, livestock organizations, Indian tribes, universities). Membership is in institutions name with a designated representative. Not eligible to hold office. Listed in Society publications

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## **SCHEDULE OF DUES (As of Jan. 1, 2005)**

**Regular**— \$85 (all Sections except Mexico/Unsectioned)  
\$80 (Mexico/Unsectioned)

\***Life**—\$1,500 (Call SRM office for installment plan option)

\***Life Family**—\$1,750 (Call SRM office for installment plan option)

\***Additional Family**— \$35 (all Sections except Mexico/Unsectioned, must accompany another Regular membership in same household)

**Student** – \$35 (all Sections except Mexico/Unsectioned)

**Commercial**—\$525 (includes Section

**Institutional** – \$205 (includes Section)

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## **SECTIONS**

### **Arizona**

**California-Pacific** (California, Hawaii, and all the lands in the Pacific not currently associated with the following: Mexico and Pacific Northwest Sections of SRM, the state of Alaska, Australia),

### **Colorado**

### **Florida**

### **Idaho**

**International Mountain** (Alberta, Western Montana)

### **Kansas**

### **Mexico**

**Nat'l Capital** (Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia)

### **Nebraska**

### **Nevada**

### **New Mexico**

**North Central** (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Ontario, Quebec, Wisconsin)

**Northern Great Plains** (Eastern Montana, Manitoba, North Dakota, Saskatchewan)

### **Oklahoma**

**Pacific Northwest** (British Columbia, Oregon, Washington)

### **South Dakota**

**Southern** (Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee)

### **Texas**

### **Utah**

### **Wyoming**

**Unsectioned** (Alaska, Foreign)



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## Membership Stats

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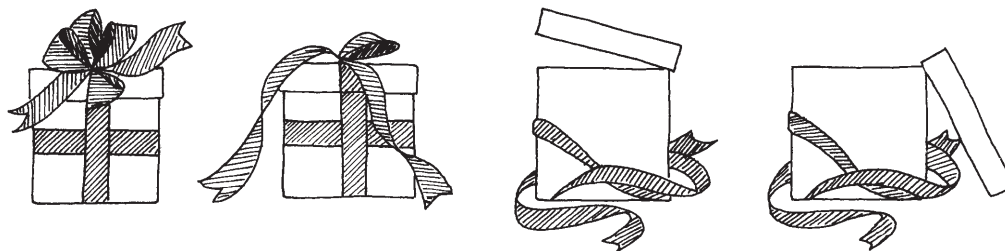
SRM welcomes its new members. Following is a list of new members, their section and recruiter for August, through September 19, 2005

<u>Member</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Recruited By</u>
Rick Habein	Cal-Pac	Ken Fulgham
J. Wade Sigler	CO	David Miller
Timothy Hoelzle	CO	Steve Warren
Steven Edwards	CO	
Catherine Cannon	CO	
Krista Wilson	CO	Amanda Wright
Robert Kluson	FL	
Mark Bateman	ID	Dave Franzen
Eric Woofter	KS	
Matt Giovanni	NE	Dr. Walter Schacht
Terry Buck	NGP	Lori Metz
Donald Serrano	NM	
Jeff Henry	OK	Lee Holcumbe
Danny Booth	OK	
Kelly Hogan	PNW	
Wayne Warnock	PNW	Tipton Hudson
Corey Ownes	TX	Kevin Corzine
Hyseyin Firincioglu	UN	Steven Seefeldt



**Clint Wasser**, one of SRM's founding members and past president, will be turning 90 on November 11, 2005. Please take a few minutes and drop him a line or birthday card, perhaps with some event you recall. His address is:

Clint Wasser, 1320 Lemon Ave., Lompoc, California 93436.



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## Certification Corner

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### Leonard Jolley, Chair, Certified Professional in Rangeland Management Committee

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Hi there!

Just a quick update on the SRM CPRM program. Vicky Skiff continues to do a phenomenal job keeping up with courses submitted for continuing education units (CEUs). Since NRCS has not yet filled the liaison position formerly occupied by Jeff Burwell and myself, Vicky has lots to do.

Our numbers are holding steady at more than 500 CPRMs, and there is interest in the CPRM test to be administered in Vancouver, British Columbia. Please contact Vicky or myself if you are interested in the CPRM program, or wish to encourage one of your colleagues to apply. Please remember that we must have a paid application on file with SRM Headquarters before you can take the test.

Vicky wants to remind members to try to pay and/or respond to CPRM contacts in a timely fashion to help minimize the number of contacts necessary. If they can pay on time, or let her know they are not going to renew or request the grace period, and then she doesn't have to make as many email or phone contacts. We realize that it has been a very busy summer. Vicky said that "even though we send many of them by e-mail, it still costs time in running the reports, generating the contact and if we have to send things by mail, postage. With me the only one to manage the program, things are moving slower than the used to so every little bit helps. It's the people who don't respond to all of the above that take the most time as we have to give them the full 6 extra months before taking a final action with them. Makes for a lot of time consumed since we have several folks in various stages of 'expiration status' at any given time."

You may also be interested to know that the American Forage and Grassland Council (AFGC) is up and running with their Certified Grassland Professional program, modeled in many ways after our SRM CPRM program. They also signed an agreement with USDA concerning Technical Service Providers, just as SRM has done. <http://www.afgc.org/>

NRCS has been working on a web based course to teach potential TSPs how NRCS operates in our conservation planning environment. I visited the USDA TechReg web site for TSPs yesterday and saw a solicitation from NRCS in Maryland for a certified consultant to prepare Prescribed Grazing plans with a 5-year contract maximum of \$200,000. <http://techreg.usda.gov/>

My impression is that the consultant opportunities are slowly increasing.

Let Vicky or I know, or contact other members of the CPRM committee if you have any questions.

Thanks!