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....Night Sky, Keith Szafranski photo

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



...Duck Hunting, Crooked River, OR

## A THOUSAND WORDS A DAY

Ever since the early 1970s, when I started paying attention, people have been telling me to conserve. Electricity, water, trees, coal and gasoline - all of these, sources of energy. The message is so pervasive that the impetus to produce is sometimes lost in the noise. Most of my work takes place in a 10-foot by 12-foot office; I turn the light out when I leave the room, I shut the computer down if I'm leaving for a few days, I put the newspaper in the recycling bin, I conserve. But in my business I find that conservation doesn't work as well as production.

Jack London was one of the last century's most influential adventure writers. As a young man, he turned down an offer of job with the US Postal Service, which would have given him a "secure" steady income. Instead, he embarked upon a lifestyle which demanded production, and everyday, before he did anything else, he wrote one thousand words. In the year 1900, the year London turned 24, he made \$2,534.13 with his writing, compared to the \$780 he would have earned as a mail carrier.

According to the book *A Pictorial Life of Jack London*, he submitted 30 new items to publishers that year and resubmitted much of his past work. On each of 127 days, he mailed one or more manuscripts to 51 different magazines, four newspapers and three syndicates. Twenty-seven manuscripts were published, including 16 short stories. There were only 108 rejections in 1900, compared to the 266 he received in 1899.

How many rejection slips did you get last year?

Jack London's emergence onto the literary scene coincided with a rise in literacy rates, the rise of the workingman, the rise of science and a demand for magazines and books that set new records each year. It was a good time to be a writer.

By this time in Jack's life, he had been an oyster pirate, a drunk and a sailor, he had been a college student and a prospector of the Klondike. He had real life to draw from, but his tremendous productivity quickly used up his life experience, so he continued on a life of adventure, even as he churned out a thousand words a day.

In 1911, four books and 24 short stories were published; he received from \$850 to \$1,000 for each short story and sold every single item submitted. Between June 2 and September 5 that year, Jack was traveling in Los Angeles, out on his boat, the *Roamer*, or in a hotel or as a guest in someone's home. Everyday he wrote a thousand words.

Call his success timing if you want, I call it hard work.

I don't know how it goes in your career, but I couldn't help but notice that London made more on his short stories in 1911 than I do 100 years later, not adjusting for inflation. One of the things I learned from his biography was that he didn't always write the things he wanted to write. Interesting.

In one sense, it is easier to be a writer now than it was in his day. On the other hand, there is a lot of competition for the writer and the reader.

London started each day writing and he ended each day reading, not just the kind of stuff he wrote, but scientific journals, philosophy, epics of exploration. I think of it as refilling the well. It seemed that the more he wrote, the more creative he became. After his daily thousand words, London designed his ranch home and planned his extensive cruises. His creativity spawned creativity and it started with a thousand words a day.

...Gary Lewis, [www.garylewisoutdoors.com](http://www.garylewisoutdoors.com)

**NOWA CONFERENCE 2014, POLSON, MT**

**SEE YOU THERE!**

# FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



...Flathead Lake, Mission Mountains, Martina Nolte photo

## NOWA's BIG WINGDING

Here at NOWA HQ, I'm all about planning the upcoming conference at Kwa-Taq-Nuk Resort Casino, on Flathead Lake, in Polson, Montana. *This is going to be fun!*

I hope you've got your calendar marked for April 24-27, 2014. The NOWA Annual Conference – our 41<sup>st</sup> gathering – is simply the best way to boost your career, make new contacts, refresh old ones, explore new areas, gather story ideas, and improve your craft. It is also the very best way for active members and supporting (industry) members to connect.

NOWA Vice President, Greg Gulbrandsen, has a conference preview for you (page 6) with more program details to come in March. So please stay tuned, and get your registration form in early! (pages 13 and 14)

In other news, the window for renewing your annual membership – without penalty – is closing. If you haven't renewed your membership in NOWA, this will be your last newsletter. (A pity, for sure.)

For those who want to go "all in," I heartily encourage you to donate to the annual auction/raffle. Trips, gear, books ... it's a great way to make a tax-deductible donation and ... get some great coverage from the recipients.

As always, I send my thanks to the NOWA members who are always rolling up their sleeves to make the most of their membership, and to support the organization. See y'all in Western Montana!

Kyla Merwin  
Executive Director



## IF YOU GO

**Location:** Polson is located at the south end of Flathead Lake, an hour north of Missoula, an hour south of Kalispell.

**Accommodations:** Kwa-Taq-Nuk Resort  
<http://www.kwataqnuk.com/>

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**Polson, Montana:** Chamber of Commerce  
<http://www.polsonchamber.com/>

**Flathead Valley:** Visitor & Convention Bureau  
<http://www.fcvb.org/>



...NASA photo

## THE CONFERENCE SITE: FLATHEAD LAKE

Flathead Lake is the largest natural freshwater lake west of the Mississippi River in the contiguous United States. The lake is a remnant of the ancient, massive glacial lake, Lake Missoula, which existed at the end of the last ice age, between 15,000 and 13,000 years ago. Flathead Lake is 27.3 miles long and up to 15.5 miles wide. It has a maximum depth of 370.7 feet and an average of 164.7 feet. This makes Flathead Lake deeper than the average depths of the Yellow Sea or the Persian Gulf. Flathead is one of the cleanest lakes in the populated world for its size and type.

## YOU CAN'T WIN IF YOU DON'T ATTEND



...Dennis Dauble photo

### GO FISHING WITH MACK'S LURES!

Blame it on that red, white and blue hat, the one with a distinctive fish skeleton logo. That's what caught my attention. That eye-catching hat and a card that read, "This Certificate is good for one angler to fish for a day with NOWA Supporting Member, Mack's Lure Company, ([www.mackslure.com](http://www.mackslure.com)) President Bob Schmidt or National Sales Director Bob Loomis on a Northwest waterway to be determined. Estimated value \$300."

You might say I was hooked. I had \$20 worth of raffle tickets in my hand and was tired of looking for a place to put them. You got it. All 40 tickets went into the coffee can. You might call it stuffing the ballot box. I call it power shopping.

Let me start by explaining guided fishing trips are not my forte. There's something wrong about someone baiting your lure and telling you when to set the hook. It's too much like being spoon-fed. I'd rather do it myself and dribble food on my chin. But this trip might be different, I told myself. Plus I would be going with the developer of the Smile Blade!

After a congenial series of email exchanges with Bob Loomis, we settled on a trip for sockeye in Lake Wenatchee in early August. Meanwhile, I didn't know if I would be sleeping in my truck, a no-tell motel or at Bob's house. Due to a miscommunication, I woke up the day before the planned trip wondering if it was even going

to happen. What followed was the following note to my buddy Andy while I waited for a phone call from Bob to resolve my angst.

"My \$300 guided fishing trip would start off with a wake up call from a soft-voiced woman, followed by a gentle pat on the shoulder. Next on my list would be a continental breakfast consisting of a tall glass of OJ, a warm breakfast pastry and a cup of strong coffee. After a short drive to the fishing locale, we would stop to accommodate my GI tract. Once on the water, a brief instruction on the target fishery would be followed by me holding my own rod, setting my own hook and fighting my own fish (and even losing my own fish if that's the way it goes down). After catching our limit and releasing all the fish we wanted, we would barbecue hamburgers on the back of the boat and wash them down with premium beer. The guide would filet my catch and put it on ice while his college-age daughter (blonde, ponytail, fit) would massage my aching back and shoulder to ease from all the reeling and jerking."

As things turned out, the trip came off even better than imagined. I drove to Wenatchee where I was treated to dinner and drink at a local brewpub followed by evening conversation with Bob's lovely wife Kimberley and the adoring company of two crazy Boston terriers and a Jack Russell (Isabelle, Zippy and Boone). I was provided a comfortable bed with clean sheets and pillow of choice. Wake up service included Folgers best, powdered jelly donuts and a fresh peach served during my chauffeured drive to the launch. Expert guide service by Bob and his friend Richy resulted in a boat limit of bronze-backed sockeye up to 7 pounds. More important, they let me hold my rod, crank the downrigger, reel in my fish and net theirs! This grand day was topped off with a box lunch that consisted of all the chips I wanted, leftover pizza and smoked salmon washed down with a 24 oz Heineken.

But wait, there's more! I received two giant handfuls of gear from the Mack's Lures candy store to try on northwest waterways of my choice. I left Wenatchee, tired and wind-burned, but happy as a clam.

There are numerous ways to go home a winner at the annual NOWA conference. You win when you learn something new about the craft at informative seminars. You win when you hang out with peers around the barstool or over a plate of waffles. You win when you celebrate the success of fellow writers and photographers at the closing banquet. For me, winning a guided trip by contributing my beer money to the organization's raffle was frosting on the cake.

...Dennis Dauble

# 2014 NOWA CONFERENCE PREVIEW



...EIC Chairman, Gary Lewis, Buried In Contest Submissions



## NOWA 2014 AT POLSON, MONTANA

Sharpen your pencils and charge your camera batteries for story ideas and photo-ops abound in and around Polson. Here is some info I gleaned so far. I will have a more in-depth piece for next month's issue...but here's a taste.

Polson is located on the Flathead Indian Reservation in a natural amphitheater at the south end of Flathead Lake. This charming lakeside community is the trading center for one of Montana's most fertile farming areas. In a prime cherry growing region and home to numerous cherry orchards.

The broad, sweeping Mission Valley south of Polson is bordered by the rugged, snow-capped Mission Mountains. The Flathead River that flows from Polson features whitewater rafting and Kerr Dam. The National Bison Range at Moiese with its large herds of bison, elk, deer, antelope and barn sheep is nearby, as well as the Ninepipes and Pablo Wildlife Refuges for bird watchers.

Two museums, The Miracle of America and Polson-Flathead Historical Museum, offer many displays and memorabilia. Polson also has several city parks located on the lake. Visitors are advised to keep their cameras ready for the area's own "Flathead Monster," sightings of which date back over a hundred years. Also, don't miss the Polson Golf Course.

Also, we will be having the conference and accommodations at the Kwa Tuq Nuk Resort which features many outdoor (and indoor) amenities for our members and spouses. We are presently working with the Visitors Bureau and Convention groups to set up pre, post, and special events and trips. Hope to see all of you at Polson.

...Greg Gulbrandsen



...Photos Courtesy Visit Montana, [www.visitmt.com](http://www.visitmt.com)

# 2014 CONFERENCE PHOTO GALLERY



...Photos Courtesy Visit Montana. [www.visitmontana.com](http://www.visitmontana.com)

# MEMBER NEWS

## NEW MEMBER



TODD MARTIN

Todd Martin is a freelance outdoor writer who pursues salmon, trout & kokanee in British Columbia, Canada. He has been published in *BC Outdoors Sportfishing*, *Northwest Sportsman* and *Outdoor Canada* magazines. He is an active member in the Sport Fishing Institute of BC and enjoys teaching others, especially kids, how to catch more fish and enjoy our wild natural resources. Trolling tactics, BC fishing hot spots and fishing gear advancements are his preferred topics to share with his readers.

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## ARIZONA QUAIL CAMP 2014



...Dave Vedder serves Gale Robbins a bowl of delicious Kentucky burgoo...



...Keith Szafranski photos

Thanks to Supporting Member, Camp Chef, (Dutch Oven top photo, Mountain Man Grill, bottom photo,) ChucknGale Robbins, KeithnMary Szafranski & DavenPam Vedder enjoyed many fine campfire meals over the course of our second annual Arizona Quail Camp. Dave, Chuck, Tye and Annie managed to add a quail now and then to the larder. Most urgent, a fine time was had by all.

# PASS IT ON AWARD

## NOWA's Pass It On Award \$300 Cash Prize - Sponsored by Bass Pro Shops

This award goes to the active, retired active or life member who has, through the media – writing, video, photography, education, mentoring, etc. – best demonstrated the idea of passing on the great outdoors to others.



The Pass It On Award is to be awarded to someone who best illustrates the idea of passion for the outdoors – could be teaching kids, taking seniors fishing – demonstration of this passion through their craft.

The following rules will apply. Failure to comply with rules will automatically lead to disqualification.

Send one entry, published in 2013, to Duane Dungannon c/o OHA, 804 Bennett Ave., Medford, OR 97504. Direct your questions to Duane here: [mvp@ccountry.net](mailto:mvp@ccountry.net) Entries must be postmarked by March 31, 2014. Entries will be judged by a team.

All identifying names, visual identities and names of publications must be removed.



...Gary Lewis "Passing It On"; Austin Sixta and Caleb Rizio; cousins from Kansas and California

Print last 4 digits of your telephone number to the back of each entry.

The winner from the previous year may not enter this contest, but is encouraged to apply in the following year.

1. Articles: Submit one photocopy trimmed to eliminate byline, photos and other illustrations. Headlines and quote boxes may be left in.
2. Artwork or Illustration: From the printed piece or copies thereof. Send no original art. Remove credit line.
3. Books: Submit entire book as published. Cover author's name with removable tape or label.
4. Photographs or Artwork: Submit one high-quality photocopy of published work. Original photographs or slides should not be entered. Computer-enhanced photography will not be accepted. Remove credit line and caption.
5. Video and Audiotapes: Enter copies only.
6. Education and Mentoring: Submit a written explanation of what was done with validation by the recipient (school, individual, etc.).

# SUPPORTING MEMBER NEWS

## BACKCOUNTRY HUNTERS & ANGLERS

Sportsmen from Colorado and beyond today applauded the state of Colorado for moving to protect traditional, fair chase hunting by curbing the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (drones) to pursue wildlife.



Colorado is the first state to ban drones but several more states are expected to follow suit. The regulations approved by the commission ban the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles for any hunting or scouting in Colorado. UAVs, or “drones” are increasingly popular in civilian hands and there are videos on the internet of the machines being used to spot, stalk and hunt wildlife.

For a copy of BHA's formal position on UAVs, visit:

<http://www.backcountryhunters.org/index.php/backcountry/current-news/439-bha-position-statement-unmanned-aerial-vehicles-systems-uavs-and-fair-chase-hunting>

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## BUSHNELL

Bushnell Outdoor Products, an industry leader in high performance sports optics for 65 years, has introduced a new wireless trail camera. Wireless Trophy Cam HD, the first carrier-approved wireless trail camera, offers unmatched convenience and simplicity with its user-friendly interface and a prepaid introductory data plan.



Built on Trophy Cam platform, Wireless Trophy Cam HD is the ultimate next generation scouting tool. With the transmission of thumbnail images via email or text, hunters can monitor activity and keep an eye on the woods in near real time. A smart phone app (free for both Android and iPhone devices) allows hunters to quickly modify camera settings. Hi-res images are saved to the web portal ([www.wirelesstrophycam.com](http://www.wirelesstrophycam.com)) where users can download images or change camera settings remotely. Easy to setup out of the box,

Wireless Trophy Cam HD utilizes patented Zipit Wireless technology and includes a prepaid AT&T data plan that provides users with unlimited thumbnail images for the first 30 days. From seasonal to year-around scouting.

No Contract Data Plans start as low as \$9.99/month. Data communication to and from the camera operates on AT&T's fast and reliable 4G LTE network. Each Wireless Trophy Cam HD comes loaded with a host of technologically advanced scouting tools. With a .6-second trigger speed and an 8MP camera that captures 720p high definition (HD) video, Wireless Trophy Cam HD helps hunters more effectively monitor game activity without stepping foot in the field.

Featuring black no-glow LEDs and an improved hyper passive infrared sensor (PIR), Wireless Trophy Cam HD captures game activity at up to 50 feet away. In addition to live trigger images, Field Scan 2X allows hunters to monitor game during peak activity periods like dawn and dusk. This time lapse technology captures images or video at preset intervals ranging from one minute to 60 minutes, while simultaneously capturing live trigger images.

Available exclusively at NOWA Supporting Member, Cabela's, through March and at leading retailers beginning in April, the Wireless Trophy Cam HD has a minimum advertised price (MAP) of \$599.99.

## MACK'S LURE

In February 2014 Issue of Mack Attack:

- The Importance of Sportsman's Shows, By Lance Merz
- Introducing Pete Rosko
- This One's A Keeper - Part 1 of 2, By Stan Fagerstrom
- Cookin' Your Catch: Crispy Baked Walleye
- Sweetheart of a Deal: "Married To Fishing" T-Shirt
- Question of the Month
- Photo of the Month



For More Please Visit [www.mackslure.com](http://www.mackslure.com)

## ENSURE YOUR BOAT SURVIVES WINTER

1. If your boat is stored in the water over the winter, are all of the above-water thru-hulls still well above the waterline? The weight of snow and ice can submerge above-waterline thru-hulls, including the exhaust (inboard boats), so start shoveling if you notice she's sitting lower in the water - plastic shovels and brooms are best. Also check your bubbler system.



2. For boats stored on trailers, jackstands or cradles, ensure the boat hasn't shifted. Boats on stands/cradles should be level, while those on trailers should be slightly bow up. Boats over 26 feet should have at least three jackstands per side, with plywood under each if the boat is on dirt or gravel - check to see they haven't moved and are chained together to prevent them from being pushed away from the boat. You know the stands are in the right place when there is no hull deformation at the point of contact. Do not try to rectify problems yourself; contact marina staff.

3. It's never a good idea to store a boat outside without a cover, and never tie a tarp to a jackstand as strong winds can get underneath the cover and yank the stand out. Tying off a tarp to trailer framing is acceptable. Also, a poorly fitted cover can sag, allowing huge amounts of water to pool, freeze and add substantial weight, so be sure they remain taut to allow easy run-off.

4. Water or ice in the bilge means a leak. Try to find the source of the water during your walk-through and look for a temporary fix to plug the leak that will buy you time until the spring. Rock salt and nontoxic antifreeze may help you break up and remove any ice in the bilge, then dry it completely. If that's impossible, or the leaks aren't patched, add a few cups of nontoxic antifreeze.

5. If the boat is inside a heated storage building, it's always a good idea to winterize the boat in the fall as the BoatUS Boat Insurance Program receives freeze-related damage claims each year after winter storms have knocked out power, allowing inside temperatures to plummet. However, at this time of year, the only thing you can do is to keep in contact with your storage facility to advise you the moment of any power loss and give you the chance to inspect the boat.

For More Please Visit [www.boatus.com](http://www.boatus.com)

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELK FOUNDATION

The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation stands shoulder-to-shoulder with the Idaho Fish and Game Department (IDFG) in opposition to a lawsuit aimed at stopping the management of wolves in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness.

"There is nothing illegal about this management activity," said David Allen, RMEF president and CEO. "It clearly falls within the guidelines of Idaho's federally-approved wolf management plan."

IDFG hired a hunter in late 2013 to track and kill wolves from two packs in central Idaho after determining wolf predation is a major factor preventing ailing elk populations in the area from recovering.

"The wilderness is a special place, but it is different from a national park," said Virgil Moore, IDFG director. "Backcountry hunting, fishing and wildlife viewing are treasured opportunities, and Fish and Game has actively managed wildlife in central Idaho since before the area was designated wilderness."

Moore stated aerial surveys in the Frank Church Wilderness indicate elk populations dropped 43 percent since 2002 and wolf populations are too high in relation to elk numbers. He also said there are at least six documented packs in the Middle Fork Salmon zone and several more across the wilderness area.

"Wolf hunting and trapping by sportsmen in the Middle Fork zones have not been sufficiently effective in reducing elk predation. Even if successful, this action will in no way come near to eliminating wolves," added Moore. "That is not, and never will be, our goal."

Last year IDFG managers estimated Idaho's wolf population at 683, an 11 percent drop from 2012, but more than 300 percent above the original minimum recovery goal of 150 established in the mid-1990s. The highest total was in 2009, when it estimated 859 wolves were in the state.

"There is a small fraction of people that believe the wolf deserves special rules and designations above and beyond all other wildlife. Wolves need to remain under state management like elk, deer, bears and lions in order to ensure balance and that there is sufficient habitat for the survival of all species," added Allen.

# SUPPORTING MEMBER NEWS

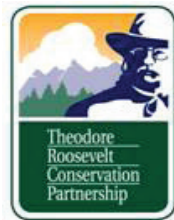
RMEF also remains committed to learning more about wolves through research efforts. Since 1989, RMEF invested nearly \$664,000 in research grants to advance scientific understanding of wolves, wolf interactions with other species, and overall wolf management. The total includes more than \$200,000 in science grants in just the past five years. Most of the contributions paid for independent research by leading universities, state and federal wildlife conservation agencies and tribes.



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## CONGRESS PASSES MUCH NEEDED OMNIBUS APPROPRIATIONS BILL

The recent release by Congress of an omnibus appropriations package represents a significant step toward returning to a normal budget and appropriations process, said the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership, and provides federal agencies and their conservation partners a measure of funding certainty they have not experienced in some time.



The expected passage of the wide-ranging legislative package, which includes an Interior, Environment and Related Agencies bill, would mark the first time since 2010 that Congress has completed the budget and appropriations process rather than relying on stop-gap continuing resolutions to fund the federal government. Sportsmen hailed this development as a significant, positive achievement.

Moreover, the \$30 billion provided to the Interior bill represents an increase of almost \$6 billion from the House of Representatives' earlier proposal and is an important first step toward reinvesting in America's outdoor recreation economy.

"We were very pleased with the overall funding level in the Interior, Environment and Related Agencies portion of the omnibus bill," said Whit Fosburgh, TRCP president and CEO. "The appropriations committee's decision to bolster this funding reflects its important role as the foundation of the outdoor recreation economy."

Line-item highlights include the following:

- The North American Wetlands Conservation Fund received an increase of more than \$500,000, bringing total funding up to \$34.145 million.
- The State and Tribal Wildlife Grants Program also received an increase of more than \$500,000, bringing total funding up to \$58.695 million.
- The Land and Water Conservation Fund received about \$300 million, a small increase over enacted.
- The National Wildlife Refuge System received a healthy 4 percent increase in funding, bringing the total dollar amount from \$454 million to \$472 million.
- The Bureau of Land Management Wildlife Management Program received an influx of \$15 million to help prevent an Endangered Species Act listing of the greater sage grouse.

"The FY14 omnibus appropriations bill provided the National Wildlife Refuge System with a desperately needed bump in funding over FY13," said David Houghton, president of the National Wildlife Refuge Association. "This will help the Refuge System begin to catch up on long overdue conservation work and increase opportunities for America's hunters and anglers."

"Budget dysfunction has cost sportsmen quality days afield and access to quality places to hunt and fish," said Ron Regan, president of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. "This agreement allows state fish and wildlife agencies to enhance the experience of hunter and anglers."

"Six months ago, the House of Representatives was debating an Interior appropriations bill that eliminated funding for the State and Tribal Wildlife Grants Program, the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund, the Land and Water Conservation Fund and other critical conservation programs," concluded Fosburgh. "The omnibus appropriations bill released yesterday represents a drastic improvement over that proposal and a strong step forward for conservation."

For complete coverage go to [www.trcp.org](http://www.trcp.org)

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# MEMBER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM



## 2014 NOWA Conference Registration Form

(Supporting Members please use separate form)

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**Reservations: Call Kwa-Taq-Nuk at 800-882-6363**

**NOWA's Conference Rate: \$64.99 city view, \$74.99 lake view**

**Please book by March 23, 2014 - [www.kwataqnuk.com](http://www.kwataqnuk.com)**

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**Banquet Only:** Guest or Spouse Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Registration — Member: \_\_\_\_\_ people x \$ 89.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Registration — Guest or Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ people x \$ 89.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet Only (see Notes) — Guest or Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ people x \$ 50.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Non-member Registration: \_\_\_\_\_ people x \$150.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

When a non-member joins NOWA within 30 days of the conference the membership dues will be waived for the current year.

Registration After April 1, 2014: \_\_\_\_\_ Late Fees x \$ 10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you are registering for the conference after April 1, 2014

Please add a \$10 late fee per person.

**TOTAL (US funds) \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

### Notes:

**Banquet only** applies to guests and/or spouses who are not attending any other function than the Banquet on Saturday evening. All supporting members are subject to the Registration Fee. Full Registration Fee includes the banquet plus break refreshments plus heated meals.

**Room Share:** Are you interested in sharing accommodations/coor?  YES

**Book Display:** Do you have a book/s to bring to the conference for display?  YES

**Registration due date:** Conference registration forms must be **RECEIVED** at NOWA HQ by **April 1, 2014**.

After April 1 registration is \$100. **If registering after April 1**, please email [nowa@kmc-media.com](mailto:nowa@kmc-media.com) to indicate you will be attending. Bring your registration form and payment to the conference.

Make check payable, in US funds, to NOWA and send with this form to: NOWA - P.O. Box 2625, Wenatchee, WA 98807; Phone: 541/815-1010 - email: [nowa@kmc-media.com](mailto:nowa@kmc-media.com)

**Cancellation / refund policy:** Refunds of conference registration fees will be made on the following basis:

30 days prior to the conference date of April 24, 2014	Full refund
15 days prior to the conference date of April 24, 2014	50% refund
7 days prior to the conference date of April 24, 2014	No refund

Conference registration late fees are non-refundable.

# SUPPORTING MEMBER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM



## 2013 NOWA Conference Supporting Member Registration

Kwa-Taq-Nuk Resort Casino: 49708 US Highway 93 East, Polson, MT 83873

Reservations: Call Kwa-Taq-Nuk at 800-882-6363

NOWA's Conference Rate: \$64.99 city view; \$74.99 lake view

Please book by March 23, 2014 - [www.kwataqnuk.com](http://www.kwataqnuk.com)

**April 24-27, 2014**

Your Name(a) \_\_\_\_\_  New Member  
Company Name \_\_\_\_\_  1st Conference  
Guest or Spouse Name(a) \_\_\_\_\_  
Banquet Only: Guest or Spouse Name(a) \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Registration — Supporting Member: \_\_\_\_\_ people x \$ 99.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Registration — Guest or Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ people x \$ 99.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet Only (see Notes) — Guest or Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ people x \$ 50.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Product Display Tables required: \_\_\_\_\_ tables x \$ 25.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration After April 1, 2014: \_\_\_\_\_ Late Fee x \$ 10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you are registering for the conference after April 1, 2014  
Please add a \$10 late fee per person.

**TOTAL (US funds) \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

### Notes:

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The following information is due no later than April 1:

Supporting Member activities are on Friday, April 25, 2014

Do you wish to make a short presentation during the morning session? Yes  No

Will you do a teaching workshop or lecture session? Yes  No

Please indicate what equipment you require: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you participate in the afternoon product display? Yes  No

Registration Due Date: The Conference registration deadline is April 1, 2014.

After April 1: Your registration fee is \$109. If registering after April 1, please email [nova@kmc-media.com](mailto:nova@kmc-media.com) to indicate you will be attending. Bring your registration form and payment to the conference.

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# NOWA MENTORING PROGRAM

## NOWA Mentoring Program

NOWA's new mentoring program aims to match members in need of help with members who have expertise in that area. Here's a great opportunity to share what we know.

### Offer to Mentor Other NOWA Members

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am willing to offer to mentor NOWA members in the following area(s):

- \_\_\_\_\_ Query writing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Article writing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Article proofreading/editing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Photography
- \_\_\_\_\_ Marketing images
- \_\_\_\_\_ Book publishing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Book marketing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Website development
- \_\_\_\_\_ Filming
- \_\_\_\_\_ Radio broadcasting
- \_\_\_\_\_ Television broadcasting
- \_\_\_\_\_ Video production
- \_\_\_\_\_ Software help — specific program(s): \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Request for Mentoring

I would like to receive help from NOWA members in the following area(s):

- \_\_\_\_\_ Query writing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Article writing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Article proofreading/editing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Photography
- \_\_\_\_\_ Marketing images
- \_\_\_\_\_ Book publishing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Book marketing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Website development
- \_\_\_\_\_ Filming
- \_\_\_\_\_ Radio broadcasting
- \_\_\_\_\_ Television broadcasting
- \_\_\_\_\_ Video production
- \_\_\_\_\_ Software help — specific program(s): \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to Mentoring Program Chair Duane Dungannon, [mvp@ccountry.net](mailto:mvp@ccountry.net)